



Halfway along the serpentine mountain road between Pistoia and Bologna, high in the Tuscan/Emilian Apennines and in the midst of rich forests of beech, fir, chestnut and pine, stands the ancient spa town of Porretta Terme. The spa was discovered some two thousand years ago and became a popular retreat for Roman bathers wishing to take advantage of the extraordinary properties of its hot and tepid mineral waters. That Roman spa has, over the intervening centuries, been replaced by the elegant group of buildings (18'th century), ranged around the Piazza delle Terme, that makes up the "Terme Alte di Porretta".

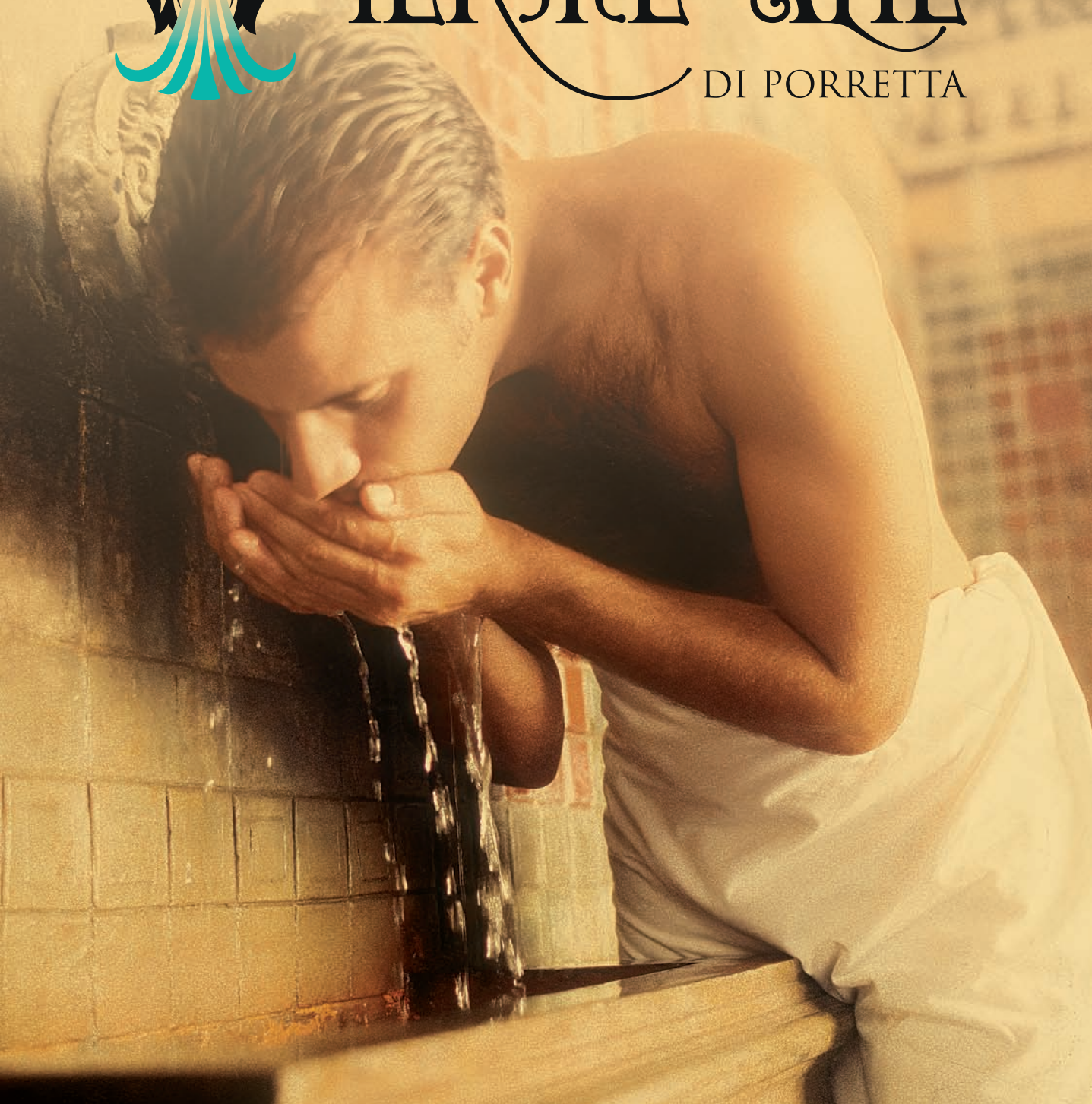


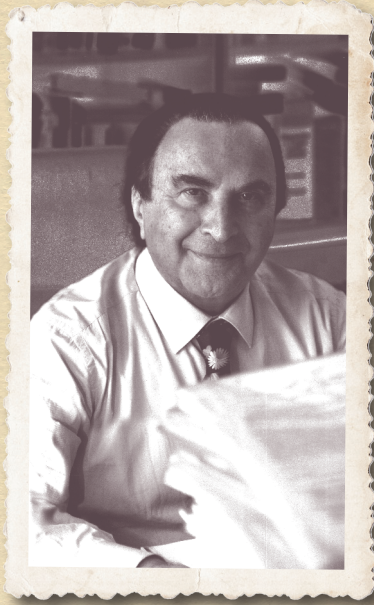




TERME ALTE

DI PORRETTA





Terme Alte di Porretta are a hidden gem in the heart of Tuscan-Emilian Apennines mountains in Italy: Health-giving waters, in the midst of breathtaking natural surroundings, have flowed here for thousands of years making this complex an important part of our historical heritage.

Yet, it is currently closed to the public and in need of immediate action from all of us who are willing and able to give for a greater cause - the preservation of the world's cultural heritage - and it is the aim of the US fund to recover and return this treasure to the national and international community.

My dream is to restore and reopen the antique Terme Alte di Porretta and preserve it for the next generations. To give it back to community, to visitors, artists and creative people, athletes, researcher. To reopen it with cultural, scientific and educational programs with international outreach.

To preserve the historical heritage, the knowledge, past and new, and give access to natural cures and wellness through what we believe to be some of the best healing natural waters in existence.

We have created **The American friends of Terme Alte di Porretta**, so that together with YOU, we can make this dream come true.

We are looking forward to meet with all Americans and Italians based in America, interested in the project. We will display the highest ethics and honour your action so that you, as a donor, are happy to give and proud to come back.

Thank you!

Prof. Antonio Monti
Scientific Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Antonio Monti". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Discover a natural spring water resort in a historical town in the Apennines between Florence and Bologna



Bologna ●
● Porretta
Terme
● Florence





Bologna



Florence

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The Terme Alte site, the piazza, and its buildings

The buildings overlook a small square, “**la Piazza**”, central to the ancient complex, which has a small fountain with a basin in the middle, now all in disuse and closed to the public. The Terme Alte were a destination of choice for kings and queens, nobles, intellectuals, and artists between the nineteenth and twentieth century; one of the finest periods of splendour of the Baths. The springs and their breathtaking surroundings have been celebrated, devoted, and described for their amazing healing and medicinal powers, as well as their beneficial natural properties by **world famous artists**, intellectuals, singers, writers, and musicians. Celebrated in poetry, literature, music, photography and in paintings, they were regarded for decades as a sought-after place for artists and musicians to come for unique treatments and natural cures from the thermal waters and baths while enjoying concerts and arts happening there. To mention a few: Lorenzo de’ Medici said “il Magnifico” (he had waters from Terme Alte di Porretta brought to him in Florence), Niccolò Machiavelli (author), Andrea Mantegna (painter), Gioachino Rossini (composer), the tenor Enrico Caruso, Toti dal Monte (soprano)...







The project

An exciting plan, with at its centre the restoration project, with images, research, storytelling including a campaign calendar and 4 donor circles with various benefits is ready. Please visit:

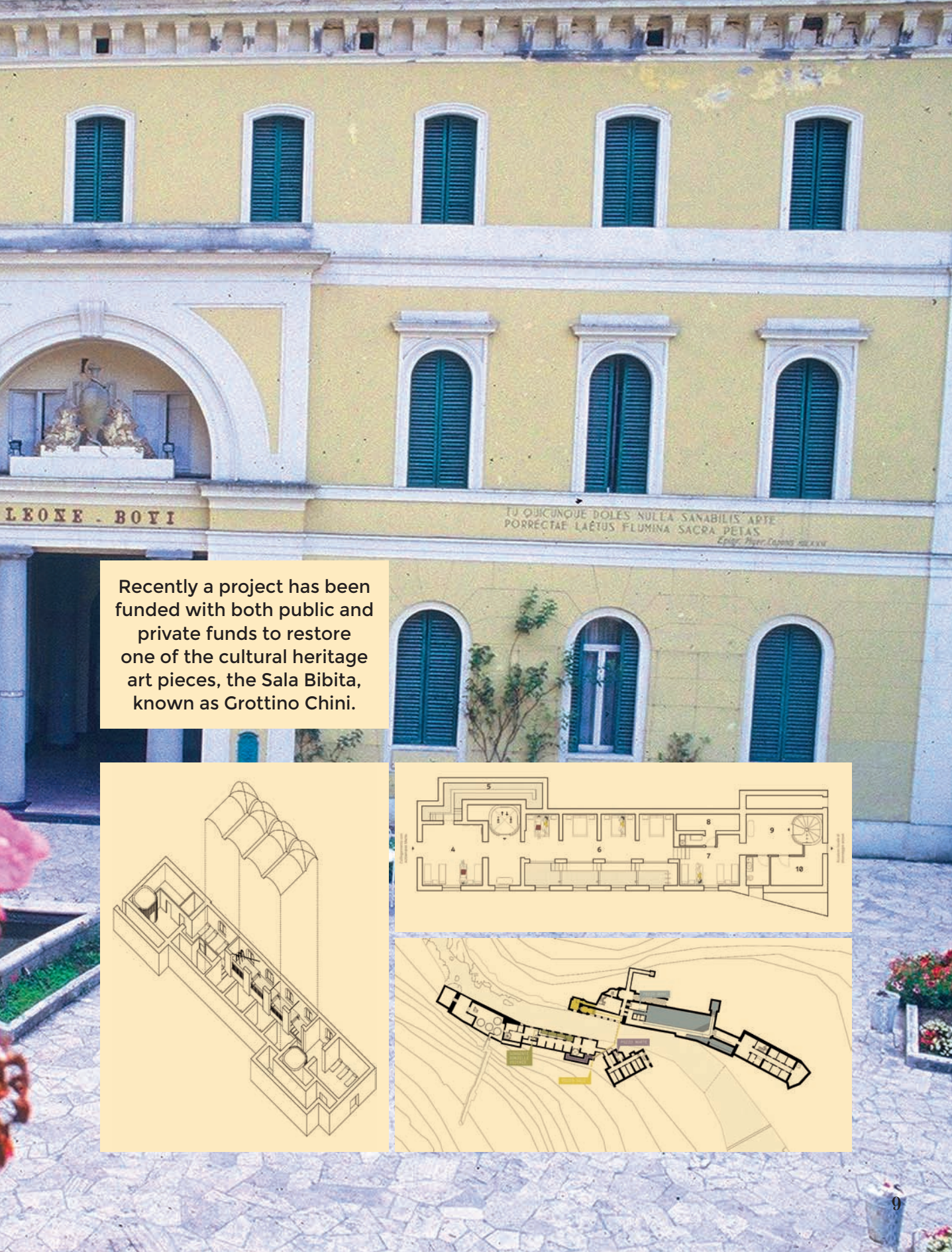
www.termalteporretta.com

The charitable purposes during a 3-5 years period are the restoration in more phases of the Terme Alte complex, made possible through various dedicated support, donations from fundraising campaigns and individual giving. Hopefully within a 2 years period, the fundraising projects and campaigns will also include programs for cultural activities and education.

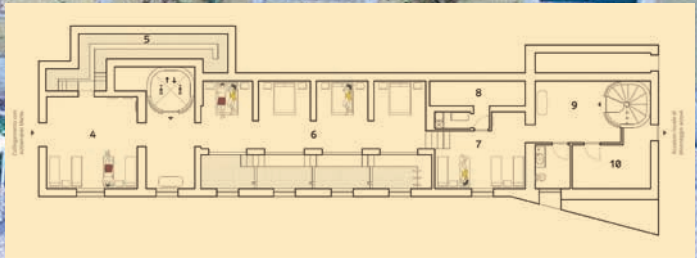
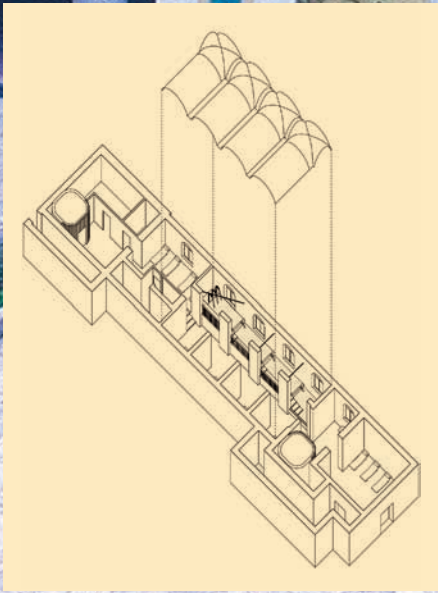
A fundraising plan is put in place and we are ready and proud to engage and meet with U.S. Donors wishing to support the programs and activities of **American friends of Terme Alte di Porretta**.

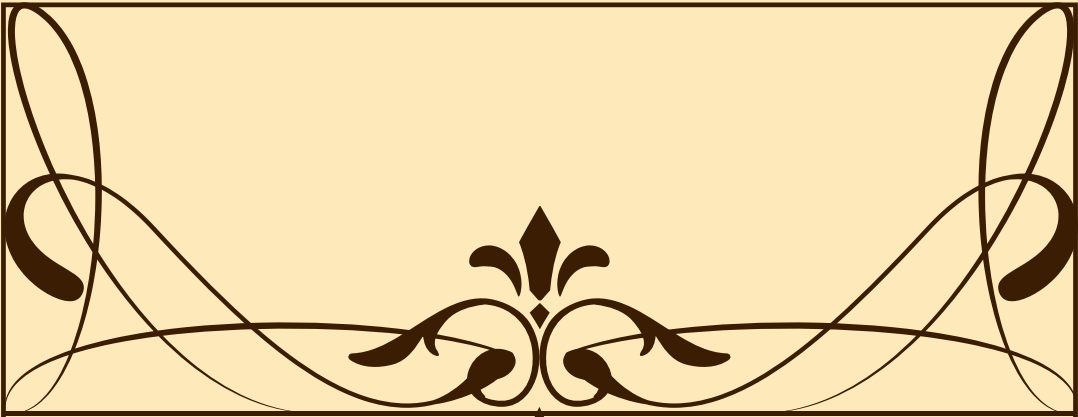
American Friends of Terme Alte di Porretta carries out its activities throughout Italy, in the U.S. and internationally. U.S. - based donors can make tax-deductible contributions to the American Friends of Terme Alte di Porretta at the **King Baudouin Foundation United States (KBFUS)**. A public charity, within the meaning of Sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) of the IRC, and donors may claim the **maximum tax benefits allowed by U.S. tax law** for their contributions. The Italian legal name is 'Salute, Benessere, Turismo e Alimentazione' association APS - nonprofit ("Health, Wellbeing, Tourism and Nutrition").





Recently a project has been funded with both public and private funds to restore one of the cultural heritage art pieces, the Sala Bibita, known as Grottino Chini.





How to donate

to the Terme Alte di Porretta project is easy

All donations are fully deductible within the meaning of Sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) of the IRC.

If you wish to support us, here is how to proceed:



Go directly to our website www.termealteporretta.com and click the donate now button.



Gifts by check: Address your check to KBFUS, write **American Friends of Terme Alte di Porretta** in the memo section of the check, and send it to KBFUS at 551 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2400, New York, NY 10176



Gifts by credit card:
<https://www.every.org/associazione-salute-benessere-turismo-e-alimentazione-aps>



Gifts by wire transfer or to contribute other types of property: Contact KBFUS via email at info@kbfus.org or phone (212) 713-7660.

Any benefits and gift are in comply with federal laws and described in each of the 4 Donor Circle.





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PORRETTA AND ITS SOURCES

the water springs

A benign nature, a healthy environment and leafy woods characterise the area where the 12 thermal sources of the Porretta Terme reservoir flow.

Probably the best natural thermal waters in the world, incomparable and unique in having 12 thermal springs, with 28 dissolved salts and mineral that allow curing 26 pathologies in a natural way, known since thousands of years and still running from five thousand meters beneath the Tuscan-Emilian Apennine mountains. There is nothing like it on planet earth. It is a true treasure for the world heritage and the need to preserve as well as the important knowledge of water and natural thermal healing water sources.

The sources located in the historic setting of the Terme Alte are - the first warm (26/29 °C), rich in bromine, iodine and very salty, -the second lukewarm (21/28 °C) rich in chlorine, sulphur and hydrogen sulphide, a gas beneficial for mucous membrane and skin treatments.

Both contain methane, the bubbling of which helps them to rise from the main reservoir from a depth of about five thousand metres.

The treatments in this natural oasis complemented by walks and emotional trails, relaxation and rest enhance the benefits. These waters and buildings are worth preserving and we ask to

take action!



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