

* * Dante Alighieri * *

* (1265 Florence - 1321 Ravenna) *

Biography

He was an Italian poet, writer, linguist, political theorist and philosopher.

He is considered the father of the Italian language, for this reason he is nicknamed "**Il Sommo Poeta**"



Main works

- Rime
- Vita Nova
- Convivio
- De vulgari eloquentia
- Monarchia



Divine Comedy

Curiosities

All three canticles of the Comedy end with the word "Stelle" (stars).

* "E quindi uscimmo a riveder le stelle" *

* "Puro e disposto a salire a le stelle" *

* "L'amor che move il sole e le stelle" *

DANTE'S HELL



LASCIATE OGNE SPERANZA, VOI CH'INTRATE



Purgatory

the mountain



"La notte che le cose ci nasconde."

Paradise



Intra Tupino e l'acqua che
discende
del colle eletto dal beato Ubaldo,
fertile costa d'alto monte pende
onde Perugia sente freddo e
caldo
da Porta Sole; e di rietro le
piange
per grave giogo Nocera con
Gualdo.
Di questa costa, là dov'ella
frange
più sua rattezza, nacque al
mondo un sole,
come fa questo tal volta di
Gange.
Però chi d'esso loco fa parole,
non dica Ascesi, ché direbbe
corto,
ma Oriente, se proprio dir vuole.

"Paradiso, VV 43-54"
DANTE ALIGHIERI

Between Tupino and the
stream that
falls Down
from the hill elect of blessed
Ubaldo, A fertile slope of lofty
mountain hangs, From
which Perugia feels the cold
and heat
Through Porta Sole, and
behind it weep Gualdo
and Nocera their grievous
yoke. From out that slope,
there where it breaketh most
Its steepness, rose upon the
world a sun
As this one does sometimes
from out the
Ganges;
Therefore let him who
speaketh of that place, Say
not Ascesi, for he would say
little,
But Orient, if he properly
would speak
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