

THE FRIENDS of the CANTON WATERMILL OF USSEAUX



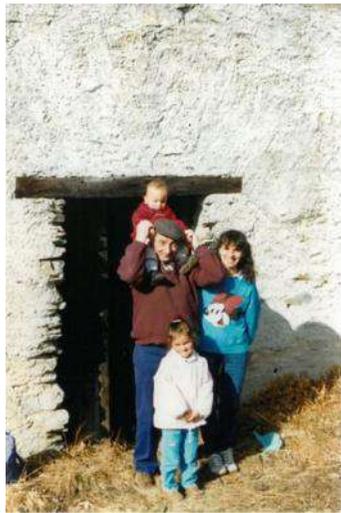
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THE CANTON MILL

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It's a watermill for cereals that has been owned by the CANTON family for four generations (of which we have information). CANTON Giulio was the last miller.



We do not know when it was built, but we do know that in the second half of the 1800s in Usseaux, in the lower part of the village along the Rio d'Usseaux, there were already three mills in the land registry and all three, one after the other, exploited the waters of the stream.



THE CANTON MILL

State Archives of Turin in the Land Registry Rabbini 1861-1866





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THE AVALANCHE

On February 19th 1930, an immense avalanche detached from Monte Pelvo and Pintas and descending down the valley swept away everything: trees, bridges, rocks and even two of the three mills, until it reached the road below. Two mills were completely wiped out, the Canton mill was only partially damaged, but it remained unusable until 1947.





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THE RECONSTRUCTION



In 1947 the Canton family began the reconstruction work to which the young people of the village also contributed.

The larch wood wheel was rebuilt on site by a craftsman from Val Chisone and the building was enlarged.



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RESTART OF ACTIVITY

The milling activity resumed at full speed at the beginning of the 50s.

At the beginning of the 1960s, the water flow of the Rio d'Usseaux was reduced to feed the Pourrières basin and consequently the mill was electrified to make up with electricity to the periods of lower flow.

The mill was fully functioning until the mid 70s.



Grain



Rye



Oat

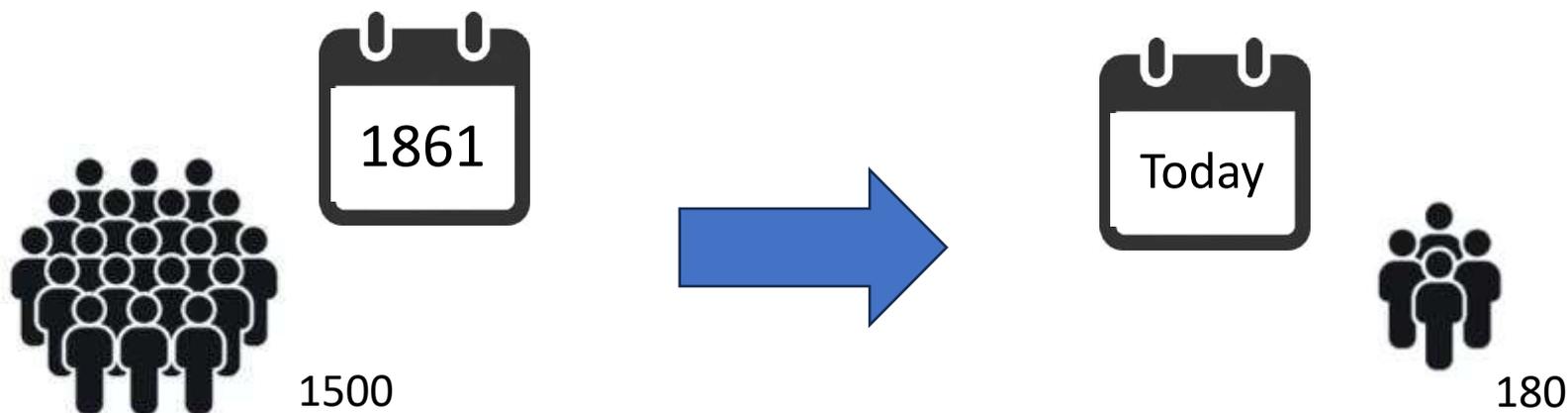


Broad beans



DEPOPULATION OF THE MOUNTAINS

In the following years, the mill's activity suffered a significant decline due to the progressive depopulation of the mountain areas, the community's ovens no longer used and the reduction in the number of livestock. Grinding was therefore limited to a few winter months. And when there was nothing left to grind, the millstones stopped and the mill closed for good.





THE CANTON MILL

SINCE 1998 THE NEW COURSE

After being closed for several years, in 1998 the Canton family entrusted it to the Municipality of Usseaux to be used for tourism and culture.

As part of a project aimed at the tourist enhancement of the area, the Municipality of Usseaux saw in the mill a good opportunity.

It was restored and put back into operation with a complete cycle of real stone grinding and on **1 July 2001** it was inaugurated.





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In the spring of 2002, the days of opening to the public officially began with free visits and demonstration of milling by a group of volunteers.

Since then, the mill has been open to the public in the summer months according to an opening calendar, on request for guided tours, for various initiatives, on special occasions and events.





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THE FRIENDS OF THE MILL

In 2018 the volunteers officially organized themselves and formed the **Association of Friends of the Canton Mill of Usseaux**, to which the Municipality of Usseaux, in the face of an agreement between the parties, entrusts the use and management of the Canton Mill including internal and external equipment.





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THE FRIENDS OF THE MILL

The Association aims to enhance, through maintenance, improvement, management and promotion for tourist-cultural-educational purposes the structure of the Canton Mill of Usseaux as an example of a water mill for grinding cereals.



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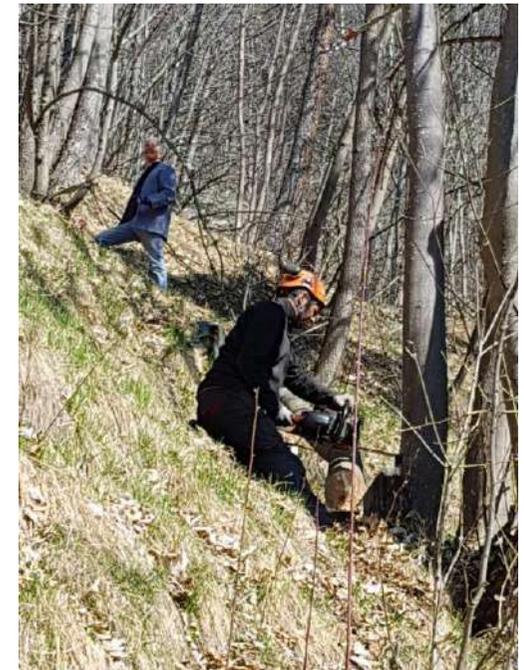


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ACIVITIES

Maintain the historical memory of the operation of the mill and those who worked there.

Maintain and improve the mill structure and related equipment.





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ACIVITIES

Manage the complete grinding process and the necessary materials.





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ACIVITIES

Publicize and organize opening days for the public, accompanying them through the history, operations of the mill and products obtained.



CHI VA AL MULINO... S'INFARINA

**Domenica 28 aprile 2024
dalle 14 alle 18
Mulino Canton aperto e funzionante**



**Si macina e
ci si infarina
come una
volta!!!**

**Visite con accompagnatore
Gruppi formati sul posto**

Mulino Canton 2024

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**USSEAUX (TORINO) - ALTA VAL CHISONE
Mulino Canton**



Sabato 18 e domenica 19 dalle 14 alle 18
Mulino aperto e funzionante - Visita a gruppi formati in loco - Offerta libera

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ACIVITIES

Recover economic funds that allow to carry out the various activities.

**A bag of flour from
the mill for a
free offer**





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ACIVITIES

Carry out activities and initiatives of various kinds for promotional purposes.

Increase the activities aimed at children and schools.



ASSOCIAZIONE ITALIANA AMICI DEI MULINISTORICI

seconda edizione 2018

LA SEZIONE PIEMONTESE DI AIAMS ORGANIZZA

maggio-luglio 2019
mostra delle opere selezionate al
concorso fotografico

"MULINI STORICI D'ITALIA"
ARCHITETTURA, TECNICA, CULTURA, TRADIZIONE E REALTÀ TERRITORIALE

UN ITINERARIO IN PIEMONTE PER CONOSCERE MULINI ED ECOMUSEI
E VISITARE LA MOSTRA CHE ESPONE LE FOTOGRAFIE DEL CONCORSO

Dopo le tappe di:
Mulino du Detu di Giaveno Via Beale, 8 - Giaveno (To) - Ecomuseo Alta Val Sangone
Mulino di Bobbio Pellicce via Molino 5 - Bobbio Pellicce
La mostra prosegue il suo percorso con possibilità di visita a mulini ed ecomusei ospitanti:

Dal 25 maggio al 16 giugno 2019
Ecomuseo del Freidano via Ariosto 36 bis Settimo Torinese
Apertura: sabato e domenica ore 15/19. In settimana su prenotazione

Dal 25 giugno al 21 luglio 2019
Ecomuseo "Colombano Roman" Sede Parchi Alpi Cozie - Via Fransuà Fontan, 1 - Salbertrand (TO)
Apertura: consulta il sito www.parchialpiccoze.it

Dal 4 al 25 agosto 2019
Mulino Canton Usseaux (To)
Apertura: tutte le domeniche e giovedì 15 agosto (Ferragosto) ore 15/18

Per informazioni: info@ecomuseodelfreidano.it; tel. 0115028716 (Ecomuseo del Freidano) - tel. 3470191152 (Mulino Bobbio Pellicce)



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ACIVITIES

The Association actively participates in the initiatives promoted by the Municipality of Usseaux and the ProLoco 5 villages of Usseaux.

USSEAUX (Torino) in Alta Val Chisone

È PRIMAVERA!!

IL MULINO CANTON VI ASPETTA A PASQUETTA

Lunedì 1° aprile 2024
Mulino aperto e funzionante dalle 14 alle 18
Visita con accompagnatore

MULINO CANTON 2024
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Comune di Usseaux

GIORNATA BANDIERE ARANCIONI

Autunno in Borgata
USSEAUX Alta Val Chisone gusta la tradizione

USSEAUX
domenica 17 settembre 2023
dalle ore 10:00 alle 17:00

Gofri
Pignatta per i bambini (nel pomeriggio)
Prodotti tipici
Mulino Canton aperto
Musica dal vivo

Vi aspettiamo per festeggiare insieme l'arrivo dell'autunno!

In caso di mal tempo la manifestazione sarà annullata
Per maggiori informazioni info.usseaux@gmail.com

installArte 10^a edizione

8, 9, 10 Dicembre 2023
dalle 10:00 alle 17:30

Usseaux - Balboutet - Pourrieres

- Mercatini di Natale nelle stalle e nelle piazze delle borgate Usseaux e Balboutet
- Atelier di pittura e prodotti tipici
- Attività al Mulino Canton di Usseaux 9-10 dicembre
- Borghi in Cammino 10 dicembre
- Mostra di fotografia e premiazione concorso fotografico
- Spettacoli
- Presepi a Pourrieres
- Forni aperti a Balboutet e Pourrieres
- Assaggi di prodotti tradizionali
- Mostra dei legni realizzati dai bambini della scuola di Fenestrelle per le Miniolimpiadi di Valle 2024
- Un simpatico omaggio per chi visita tutte le stalle

Navetta Pourrieres - Usseaux - Balboutet

10 Dicembre

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REGIONE PIEMONTE
TORINO
COMUNE DI USSEAUX
BORGI IN CAMMINO



IL MULINO CANTON I VISITATORI

THE VISITORS

In recent years, the number of people who have visited the mill has been registered.

Here are some figures

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|---------------|-------|
| in 2020 | 1.219 |
| in 2021 | 2.039 |
| in 2022 | 1.610 |
| in 2023 | 1.603 |





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THE EXPERIENCE

The working mill amazes, excites and involves visitors, especially children. Many of the visitors don't expect to see it grind.

And feel.....

... the sound of the water pushing the big wheel ...

... the squeaks of the tumbler

... the gloomy noise of the gears

... the rhythmic noise of the millstones

... the smell of the wood of the hopper

... the scent of freshly ground wheat

... between the fingers the difference between flour and bran

..... and going out with a powdered nose is the first time for many!



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**To all visitors and to those who
in various ways contribute to
preserve this beautiful mill**

THANK YOU!!