

The agricultural hamlet of Camporeso, with a manor house and oratory of the 18th century, presents itself as the nucleus of the courtyard, confirmed at the beginning of the 14th century.

In Camporeso is located the headquarter of the Ethnographic Museum of the Upper Brianza, with a surface area of 600 metres squared devoted to the exhibition. Up to recent times **the ground floor environment was designated to stables, while the first floor there were the farmhouses and in the attic there was the hayloft.**

The word **“ethnography”** derives from Greek and it means “description of the people” This activity consists **in a researcher that observes the life of a human group**, the researcher also participates to all the different activities that the people do and that are part of that group.

The MEAB (Ethnographic Museum of the Upper Brianza) therefore defines itself as an ethnographic museum as it uses in its researches the **investigation method that is used in anthropology**, that is from the study of men through **the meeting between the researcher and the carrier of a culture different from his** for a prolonged acquaintanceship.

In 1980 it was initially thought as the museum of agricultural activities, **the MEAB was inaugurated in 2003** with a wider appellation of Ethnographic Museum of the Upper Brianza. This choice has been made with the aim of documenting and studying the various topics that have been offered to the careful observer in the past and present social life.

The research conducted in our territory, have led the museum to make **long-term set-ups dedicated on certain aspects of great importance for the daily life** of the generations that have preceded us: the cultivation of silkworm to produce silk, farm work, the nourishment and cooking, the barn, the rural transports, the wine cellar and the usage of Pan flute (*firlinfö*), the hunting and bird trapping. The first sections of the MEAB have been set up on these activities and on these settings. **An ample space is intended to temporary exhibitions** on different topics of the ethnographic research, specifically in Brianza and in the Lecco area.

At the museum are available audioguides for a visit lasting about one hour.