

The Park

During the early Middle Ages, the building complex was located within a marsh, in the Pomposiana ait. This area was surrounded by woods and by two branches of the river Po, with seaside on the other side and it bordered the Volano island, which used to be a shelter for hermits. Today it is part of the Po river delta Park (*Parco del Delta del Po*).

It is one of the most prominent delta natural parks in Europe and it was declared Unesco heritage site in 1999. The shifting nature of the delta area has radically changed the shape of the landscape and how it could have looked in the Middle Ages. However, the supremacy of water and its alternation with dry lands is the key to understand the history of Pomposa. Within the natural park, a small building hosts the Office for Tourist Information and Hospitality of the Pomposa Abbey.

