



## **Certaldo**

Certaldo, in the province of Florence, is the picturesque hometown of the family of Giovanni Boccaccio, who died and was buried here in 1375.

Boccaccio was author and poet, a friend, student, and correspondent of Petrarca, an important Renaissance humanist and the author of a number of notable works including the Decameron. His house of red brick, like the other old houses of the town, was restored in 1823 and fitted up with old furniture.

A statue of him was erected in the main square in 1875.

The Palazzo Petrorio or Vicariale, the residence of the Florentine governors, recently restored to its original condition, has a picturesque façade and court adorned with coats of arms, and in the interior are various frescoes dated 13th-16th century.