



COMUNE DI SAN PELLEGRINO TERME
PROVINCIA DI BERGAMO

TRATTO DELL'ANTICA VIA PRIULA

1600



Archivio Visit Brembo

The Via Priula was built by the Venetian Republic to connect Porta San Lorenzo in the Upper City to Valtellina and Grigioni, passing through Val Brembana and crossing the San Marco Pass. Intended for commercial and military reasons, the road was built between 1592 and 1593 with such enormous efforts that the then Podestà of Bergamo Alvise Priuli, after whom it was named, claimed to have 'cut a road through living stone'. In order to meet the new needs of the citizens and the Serenissima, the road was built on the valley floor passing through San Pellegrino Terme, unlike the Via Mercatorum. In the village, a long arcade (still present) was crossed, where in a short time a *caneva* was built, a shop where essential goods were sold at prices decided by the municipality, which still gives the place its name today.