



Most are hidden, silent survivors of a bygone era, when Perugia was called the Turrena: in the XIII century there were over seventy towers that stood, imposing, on city streets and alleys. That were guard posts or testimonials of the wealth of the wealthiest nobles and bourgeois, today they have almost completely disappeared: earthquakes, building renovations and city wars ... and then the Salt War which in the 16th century caused a movement of rebellion among the Perugians. The pages of the chroniclers of the time tell us of how these - obliged by Pope Paul III Farnese to buy salt in the exorbitant pontifical salt workers - first deprived themselves of its use, then rebelled against the same pontiff declaring war. The proud city troops had the worst and the Turrena subdued city: the stately towers, among the main symbols of power, were destroyed to leave the field to the monumental Rocca Paolina, symbol of papal power over the city. Today the streets of the acropolis still retain traces of ancient vestiges, perhaps absorbed in Renaissance buildings: the Torre degli Sciri, recently restored to its former glory and the only one remaining intact, the Tower of the Palazzo dei Priori, the Tower of the Donati, up to the Cassero di Porta Sant'Angelo ... to mention some of these works that you can admire from those who walk through the streets of Perugia with the nose upwards....