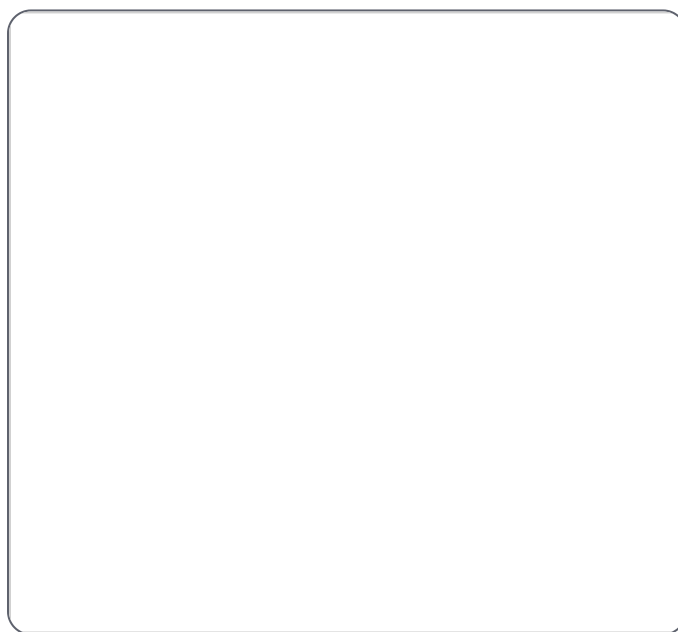


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Niccolo

Niccolo is not a real person. But his life story is created from the statistical reality of the Italian Peninsula in 1792 CE.

☐ See an AI image of what he might have looked like. [\(i\)](#)



Niccolo was born in the countryside near Rome, in 1792 CE. His hamlet was home to about 30 people. He lived in a half-timbered thatched house. Of five children, Niccolo was the second. His mother died when he was 24; his father when he was 39. He mostly ate wheat bread, beans and cheese, pork, and greens and onions, with grapes, figs, and olives for fruit. He stood some 156 cm tall (5 ft 1 in).

He never married. Niccolo had no children. The greatest distance he ever travelled was 5 days' walk, as far as Naples. Niccolo spoke a regional Italian dialect, and his faith was Christianity. He worked as a farmer.

When he was 17, ash from the distant eruption of an unidentified volcano in the tropics dimmed the sky, and the harvest failed. The Italian famine of 1817 reached his district

when he was 25. Halley's Comet crossed the sky when he was 43. He was 67 when the fighting in Italy began.

Death came at 91, of pneumonia or influenza. After death, he was buried in the churchyard.

WHEN 1792 CE · 234 years ago SOURCES: S06 S01 RH06	WHERE the Italian Peninsula · Europe SOURCES: RH05 RH33 RH11	NAME Niccolo SOURCE: RH28	COMMUNITY hamlet, ~30 SOURCE: RH24
BORN 2nd of 5 SOURCES: RH01 RH75 RH43 RH109	PARENTS Lost mother at 24 · father at 39 SOURCES: RH01 RH75 RH43 RH109	CLIMATE the cool Little Ice Age, modestly colder than the 20th century SOURCE: RH110	DIET wheat bread, beans and cheese, pork, and greens and onions, with grapes, figs, and olives for fruit SOURCE: RH29
MARRIED Never married SOURCE: RH43	CHILDREN No children SOURCE: RH109	FARTHEST TRAVEL 5 days' walk, as far as Naples SOURCES: RH33 RH25	DWELLING a half-timbered thatched house SOURCE: RH56
LANGUAGE a regional Italian dialect SOURCE: RH109	BELIEF Christianity SOURCE: RH54	WORK a farmer SOURCE: RH109	SOCIAL STANDING a free peasant or commoner SOURCE: RH46
AFTER DEATH Burial SOURCE: RH105	HOW HE LIVED On what the land and the animals gave SOURCE: RH46	MAJOR FAMINES 1 · the Italian famine of 1817 SOURCE: RH87	VOLCANIC WINTER a dimmed sky at 17 SOURCE: RH97
HALLEY'S COMET seen at 43	LITERATE No	HEIGHT 156 cm (5'1")	LIFE Lived to 91

SOURCE: RH89

SOURCES: RH47 RH77

SOURCE: RH51

SOURCES: RH01 RH173

RH106 RH134 RH120

CAUSE OF DEATH

pneumonia or
influenza

SOURCES: RH180 RH109

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