

Approaching Brindisi from the sea you will see the **Aragones Castle**, better known as Alfonsino Castle, which was built in 1491 on the **St. Andrea island** opposite the port, by **Ferdinand I of Aragon**, in defence of its city, against possible sea attacks. For many centuries, it has been utilized for this purpose.

It is made up by two distinct parts: the **Red Castle**, so named for the distinct and characteristic colours of its bricks, and the **Fortress**, called also Sea Fortress, built afterwards as a depot housing the garrison. Nowadays it is being restored.