Bede entered the Monastery of St. Peter and St. Paul at Jarrow in Northumbria when he was 7 years old, in about 680 AD. He was given into the care of the abbot by his relatives, perhaps because they were too poor to keep him. Bede’s master work was his Ecclesiastical History of the English People, completed in 731. This history was commissioned by the Northumbrian king, and it seems clear that Bede had to phrase his writings so as to avoid offending his patron. Bede did more than write one book, indeed his scope was prodigious. His writings encompassed a speculative history of the world from the Creation to his own times, commentaries on the Bible and Biblical characters, speculations on the nature of science, lives of saints, even a book of hymns. See more ideas about monastic, monastery, monastic life. Affordable romantic holidays at the Fortress Monastery of Santo Spirito in Ocre near L’Aquila, book a short autumn holiday in bed & breakfast accommodation for only €200.00 Open-Air Museum at the Pieterje Carthusian Monastery - Open-air museum or Pleterje Skansen is situated in village Vratno, in the parking place for the Monastery Pleterje. Open-air museum is spread out across a lovely green field. Skansen represents a typical farmyard from this region in the 19th century. Photos: Inside the monastery.