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Milan, 7 June 2012: promotion of "Run in Milan" project, set against the splendid backdrop of Villa Necchi-Campiglio (see page 58). From right to left: Mario Gambron, President of Golden Keys Association, Andrea Jarach, Publisher of Where Milan, Fabrizio Cosi, President and Founder of runners' association, Podisti da Marte

As of July 1, several of our associates have subscribed to Where Milan's "Run in Milan" initiative. Thanks to this project, our guests will be able to run in total safety while viewing several of the city's most interesting sights accompanied by volunteer runners. This project has a particularly significant implication and is designed to underscore our city's innate spirit of hospitality. In fact, quest runners using this service will be invited to make a donation to the guest house project for children suffering from cancer promoted by the Italian Association Against Cancer. Donations can be made to www.laretedeldono.it

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MILAN, WATER

Located in the heart of the Po Valley, far from the sea and devoid of large rivers, Milan has always had a special relation with water which, over time, it has used not only as a trade and communications route but also as a means of entertainment and art. Read on and discover how, for centuries, Milan's waterways have served as a source of beauty and creativity.

The system of **Navigli**, a network of waterways which, until the 1930s, surrounded the heart of Milan, tapping into the rivers that surrounded it, made it a real "city of water". A masterpiece of engineering, to whose organization Leonardo da Vinci also contributed, in medieval times, the Navigli were also used to transport people and goods (including the precious Candoglia marble blocks required to build the Duomo) and to irrigate the fields. Today, the only traces of the enormous network of waterways are the **Naviglio Grande**, the oldest and most fascinating, abounding in scenic venues and the heart of the summer movida (with a pedestrian area), and the Naviglio Pavese. Between the two we find the Darsena (Docks), a large stretch of water



On the opening page, the scenographic fountain situated at the entrance to Castello Sforzesco, with the Filarete tower in the background. On the left, some of the species found at the Acquario Civico di

Milano; on the right, a boat ride on the Navigli; below, a

glimpse of Parco Sempione.

SUMMER IN THE CITY

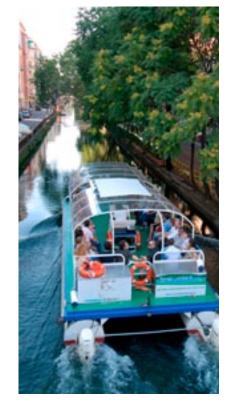
formerly used as a mercantile port which, over the next few years, will be transformed into a green oasis and recreational area. In summer, visitors can take an unforgettable boat trip on the Navigli in discovery of several of Milan's most evocative corners (departure and arrival from Alzaia del Naviglio Grande, 4. M2 Porta Genova). Departure times: Fri-Sun 3pm-6pm every hour; Sun also 10.15am, 11.20am, 11.25am. Info: www.naviglilombardi.it. Reservations

advisable at www.autostradale.it). Discover the Navigli at page 64.

Milan is also a city of fountains, the oldest of which, designed by renowned neoclassic architect Piermarini in 1770 and decorated with mermaids and dolphins, is located in Piazza Fontana After leaving the Duomo behind you, head in the direction of **Castello Sforzesco** without first forgetting to take a souvenir photo in front of the large fountain which, with its plays of water, vies for attention with the imposing Filarete tower and then continue onwards for a leisurely stroll through Parco Sempione. You can cross its small romantic lake by walking over the **Ponte delle Sirenette** (Bridge of Mermaids), a lowered arch decorated with four statues of mermaids. Originally the bridge was located on the Naviglio della Martesana on via San Dominiano which, nowadays, is known as Visconti di Modrone. Continuing onwards in a north-westerly direction, just behind Palazzo dell'Arte, you can admire the Fontana dei Bagni

misteriosi (Fountain of mysterious baths) (1973), one of the last sculptures designed by master of Metaphysics Giorgio de Chirico, consisting of a large curved basin replete with statues of swimmers and wave design decorations.

Always in the park, in the vicinity of the **Arena Civica** (often filled with water, for grandiose naval battles in the 19th century), you will find the Liberty-style Acquario Civico building (via G. Gadio, 2 M2 Lanza. www.acquariocivicomilano.eu), one of the oldest in Europe, designed for the spectacular Universal Expo of 1906. Conversely, the construction of a new naviglio, a "water way" connecting the centre of the city to the event site, is planned for **Expo 2015**.

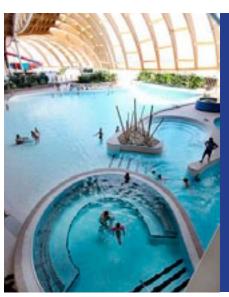




WONDERS AND FUN

The **Acquario di Genova** (Genoa Aquarium), the second largest in Europe, is located in the harbour area of the city (only 140 km from Milan). Designed by famed architect Renzo Piano, the Aquarium was recently extended using the hull of the ship Nave Italia, anchored in front of the building. Today it boasts a continually updated exhibition area, stretching over almost ten thousand square metres, with 70 tanks featuring an array of practically all the ecosystems found in Europe (400 species for 80, 000 specimens). The aguarium is renowned for its shark, dolphin and penguin tanks, its tactile tanks, enabling visitors to actually touch their inhabitants and the reconstruction of local and exotic marine environments such as, for example, that of Le Cinque Terre – a rugged portion of coast on the Italian Riviera (www. acquariodigenova.it). Lying next to the Aquarium is the Biosphere, an amazing botanical garden housed in an iron and glass structure measuring 20 metres in diameter, serving as a reconstruction of a corner of a tropical forest (Area Porto Antico, Ponte Spinola, T: 010 2345659. www.biosferagenova.it).

If you're up for a day of non-stop enjoyment and water activities, make sure to plan a visit to Acquaworld (see photo), the first indoor aquatic park in Italy, located just a few kilometres from Milan divided into thematic areas: Adventure World, featuring the latest generation slides, Funworld, boasting the largest indoor swimming pool in Italy, Summerworld and Relaxworld, complete with a rain grotto, sauna and Turkish bath facilities (via La Pira 16, Concorezzo, M2 Cologno Nord and bus 323 Malcantone stop. Open Mon-Fri 2pm-10pm; Sat-Sun 9am-10pm. www.acquaworld.it).



THIS MONTH IN MILAN

Hot Dates July 2012

A Music-filled Summer

British band **Kasabian** (see photo) will be part of the line-up of **City Sound Festival 2012**, the musical event which, for the entire month of July, will include performances by several of the biggest names on the international music scene. San Siro's Ippodromo del Galoppo will act as evocative backdrop. Ask your concierge.



THURSDAY 5, 12, 19, 26

Summer in the City

initiative, Milan will be enhanced by a rich program of events, performances, extraordinary openings, concerts and exhibitions which will fill the the park, streets and piazzas of the city until 21 September. Among the most interesting events, also worthy of particular note is "giovedì nei parchi" ("Thursday in the park") featuring itinerant stages designed to host yoga and tai-chi displays, jazz and blues concerts and cabaret performances. www.comune.milano/ verdestate.it. Ask your concierge.



THURSDAY 5

DUOMO TAKES CENTRE STAGE

Milan's famed symbol will act as a backdrop to opera "Murder in the Cathedral", a performance comprising part of a series of events scheduled to be staged at the Duomo, to raise public awareness about its extraordinary cultural heritage. www.duomomilano.it

THUESDAY 10

A TRIBUTE TO SPAIN. "Amnistia. Que trata de Spagna" now showing at the Museo del Risorgimento features more than thirty works by Spanish artists including Picasso, Tapies, Chillida, Equipo Crònica, Juan Genovés and Ricardo Zamorano, based on the original exhibition held in 1972 at Milan's Palazzo Reale. www.museodelrisorgimento.mi.it

OPERA DATE. Last chance to see Jonathan Miller's rendition of Donzetti's "Don Pasquale", currently showing at Teatro alla Scala. www.teatroallascala.org

SUNDAY 15

THE POWER OF PAINTING. "Safet Zec. Capolavori senza tempo" (Safet Zec. Timeless Masterpieces") is the title of the exhibition mounted at Rotonda della Besana showcasing 80 figurative works by renowned Bosnian artist Safet Zec. www.capolavorisenzatempo.com

WEDNESDAY 18

MILANESE FESTIVAL. La Milanesiana, Milan's festival of international culture is back: 19 evenings dedicated to international culture with screenings, concerts, readings, theatrical performance, exhibitions and an Aperitivo with its authors. www.provincia.milano.it

THURSDAY 19

ORIGINAL COLLECTIBLES. The characteristic international antiques and collectibles fair will be held in the heart of Milan, under the porticoes of piazza Diaz. A not-to-be-missed date for collectors and stall browsers, www.ascoduomo.com

SUNDAY 29

COMIC BOOKS ON SHOW. Spider Man, his friends and enemies, authors and unforgettable anecdotes can be enjoyed at "Spider-man, il mito dell'uomo Ragno", an exhibition covering 50 years of the comic book and its protagonists. www.museowow.it





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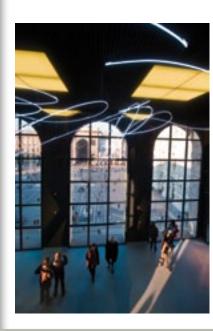
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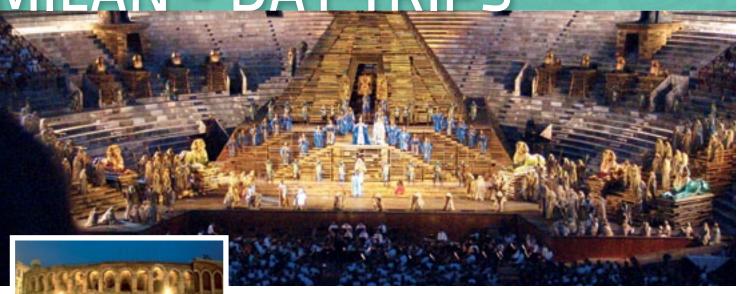
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This month the Arena di Verona will host singers, directors and conductors who will entertain audiences, beneath the moonlit sky, on the open air stage of this Roman amphitheatre with Bizet's Carmen (5, 10, 13, 17, 20, 27 July), Mozart's Don Giovanni (6, 12, 18, 25 July), Gounod's Roméo et Juliette (7, 14, 21, 26 July) and opera favourite par excellence Aida by Verdi (8, 11, 15, 19, 22, 24, 28 July). www.arena.it

Musicastelle in Blue, international jazz festival

In summer, Milanese jazz club Blue Note moves to Val d'Aosta for the third season of the Musicastelle in Blue festival where, against the backdrop of the city's atmospheric Piazza d'Armi del Forte di Bard, several of the most prestigious names on the international jazz scene will entertain audiences. This month, favourites on the roster include Wayne Shorter (13 July), Dee Dee Bridgewater (14 July), the Pat Metheny Unity Band (15 July), Maceo Parker (19 July), the Ludovico Einaudi & Paolo Fresu duo (20 July) and Esperanza Spalding (21 July). www.bluenotemilano.com





MUSIC UNDER THE STARS

Above, an aerial view of the Arena di Verona; on the right, a sketch of the Don Giovanni opera; below a glimpse of Fort Bard and the Pat Metheny **Unity Band**







>> ENTERTAINMENT

A SUMMER DEVOTED TO MUSIC

An offshoot of the renowned Milano Jazzin' Festival, although the new City Sound Festival has changed both its name and its location, the artistic level of its performances will remain the same. Throughout the month of July, at San Siro's Ippodromo del Galoppo, several of the most prestigious names on the international music scene will entertain audiences with a medley of their most famous songs. Ask your concierge.

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ATINOAMERICANDO EXPO



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Monday 30

CLASSICAL SUMMER NIGHTS

A traditional summer date with the masterpieces of Renaissance, Baroque and classical music, this year, the 3rd international Milano Arte Musica festival will be held in different venues including several of the city's most beautiful churches and basilicas, starting from Tuesday, 10 July. Repertoires featured will include music by the Orchestra Barocca di Venezia (10), the Hilliard Ensemble (20) plus a performance by violinist Jos van Immerseel (24 e 25). www.lacappellamusicale.it



VILLA ARCONATI FESTIVAL

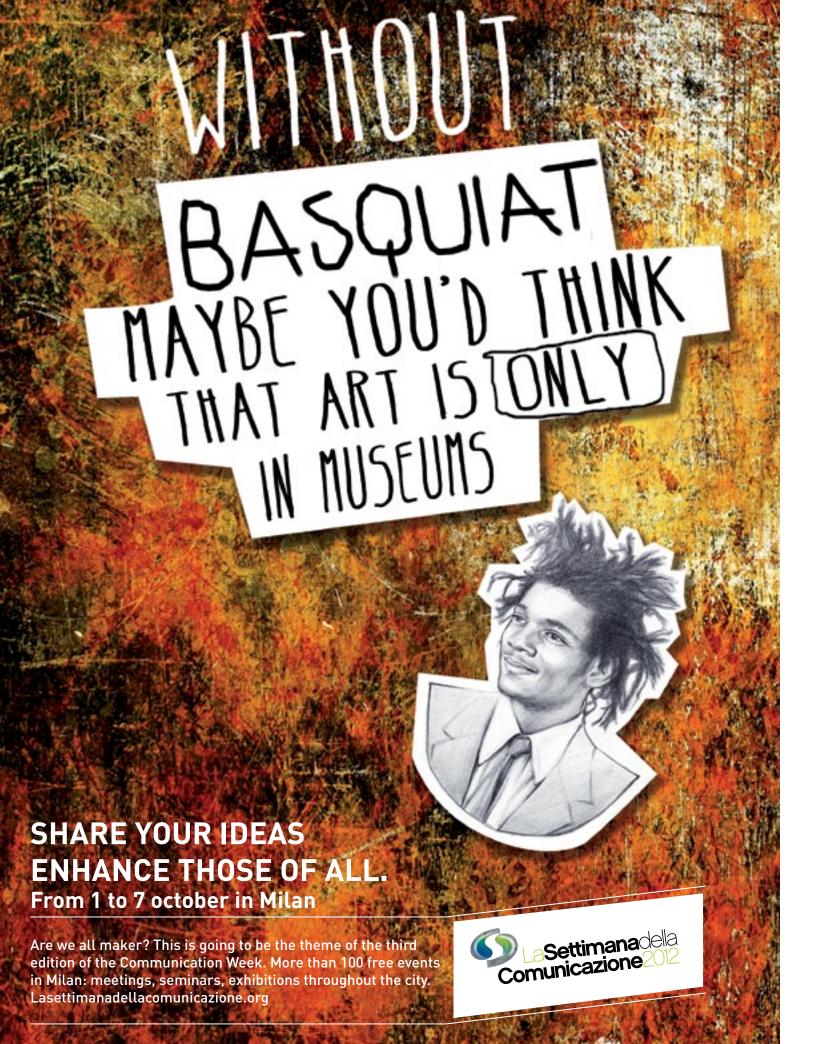
For more than twenty years, the 17th century Villa Arconati in Castellazzo di Bollate has hosted a festival that welcomes all types of musical genres and repertoires in its stunning "French-style" gardens. The program includes performances by pianist and composer **Ludovico** Einaudi (2 July), singer Erykah Badu (7 July), the Pink Martini band (16 July) and "high priestess of rock" Patti Smith (23 July). www.festivalarconati.it



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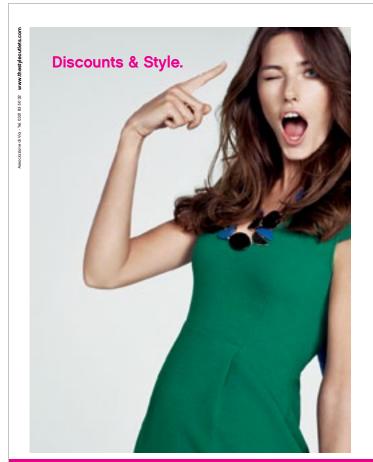


VIDEO ART AT VILLA PANZA

FAI (Fondo Ambiente Italiano) pays homage to contemporary video artist Bill Viola with an exhibition entitled "Reflections". Until 28 October, Villa Panza (Varese), will host an exhibition featuring twelve video installations documenting the artist's research from the mid-seventies until now, created especially for the Villa and its renowned collection of contemporary art. Only 50 minutes from Milan. www.fondoambiente.it

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Milan, famed as the capital of shopping, always has something new to reveal, including the latest trends from abroad, key shopping streets, fabulous hideaways in the city and sought-after products. Over the last few months, the city has seen a myriad of new store and boutique openings.

New Style Spaces

Avirex. Famed for its Chinos and leather aviator jackets, in April, Avirex opened eight new monobrand stores in Italy, six of which are located in Milan. Though featuring different types of decor, each venue is distinguished by its unmistakable "Made-in-Italy" appeal.

www.avirex.it. Via Mancini 1, Corso XXII Marzo 28, Via Belfiore 10, Viale Piave 38, Corso San Gottardo 49, Corso di Porta Romana 25.

An advertisement of Chinos pants, one of the signature products of Avirex, a "Made-in-Italy" brand inspired by the world of aviation.





Massimo Dutti Double

Massimo Dutti. In addition to its other locations, Zara's parent company, Inditex, has opened a new boutique on corso Vittorio Emanuele II, corner of Galleria del Toro. Its twin-level flagship store carries all the Massimo Dutti men and women's collections, plus a vast selection of accessories. Open Mon-Sat 10am-9pm, Sun

www.massimodutti.com. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 37/B. T: 02 76023001. M1 San Babila.



Historical Jewels

De Wan. Costume jewellery and fashion accessories company De Wan has recently opened a new boutique in Milan An elegant, sophisticated space and an ideal venue for this historic brand whose offer ranges from costume jewellery and highly sought-after accessories to leather bags and china collections. Closed Sun and Mon morning. Open Mon 3.30pm-7.30pm, Tues-Sat 10am-1.30pm/3.30pm-7.30pm.

www.dewan.it. Via Manzoni, 44. T: 02 76003018. M3 Montenapoleone. Map C5





Sports Locations

Juventus Store. An ideal venue for "bianconeri" enthusiasts: two floors featuring the entire range of Nike clothing, accessories, gadgets, gift ideas, plus an exclusive area where Juve fans can have their team shirts customized. Open Mon-Sun 10am-8pm.

www.juventus.com. Corso Europa, 20. M1 San Babila. Map G5



Gems of art

Spazio Manfredi. Luxurv jewellery brand Manfredi has chosen the sophisticated backdrop of the Bohemian Brera district to open its latest store. An ideal location for a brand that, since its inception, has been synonymous with "Made-in-Italy" style, sophisticated elegance and its collaborative partnerships with the world of art. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm.

www.manfredi-madeinitaly.eu. Via Brera, 2. T: 02 876324. M2 Lanza. Map F4

AND MORE...

GAGÀ MILANO. The coloured world of Gagà watches debuts for the first time in Italy. After Tokyo, Osaka and Hawaii, Gagà has opened its first monobrand store in Milan's Corso Venezia. Boasting chic, warm, elegant, minimalist style décor, its interior has been designed to offset the brand's extravagant soul, a meld of retro fashion and contemporary taste.

www.gagamilano.com. Corso Venezia, 8. M1 San Babila. Map G4

HARMONT & BLAINE. The iconic dachshund brand has opened a flagship store on Milan's corso Matteotti. Extending over three floors, it stocks the entire universe of men's, women's and children's lines. www.harmontblaine.it. Corso Matteotti, 5. M1 San Babila. Map G4

LE COO SPORTIF. International urban and sports apparel brand Coq Sportif has opened a new store boasting three dazzling window displays in via Dante. The store offers the entire range of its collections for sports enthusiasts with a touch of French chic: clothing, footwear and accessories for both men and women, plus a number of limited editions www.lecoasportif.com, Via Dante, 15. T: 02 49518800. M1 Cairoli. Map E4

RODRIGO. The new Rodrigo flagship store recently opened its doors in Milan's trendy Corso Genova. Known as the "Biker's Brand", its innovative space hosts the entire range of men's clothing and accessories for a total look. The shop also offers customers a "bespoke" shirt tailoring service. www.rodrigo.eu. Corso Genova, 1.

T: 02 39813780, M2 Porta Genova FS, Map C7

Fashion Stores



First and foremost, the **Quadrilatero della Moda**, set amidst four of via Dante area, Brera and Solferino, with corso Garibaldi and cors Como or the Vercelli-Belfiore-Marghera districts.



ALBERTA FERRETTI PHILOSOPHY—

www.albertaferretti.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Montanapoleone, 18. T: 02 76003095. M3 Montenapoleone, M1 San Babila. Map G4

ALVIERO MARTINI 1° CLASSE—

www.alvieromartini.it. Open Mon-Thurs 10am-2pm/3pm-7pm; Fri-Sat 10am-7pm. Corso G. Matteotti corner of via P. Verri. T: 02 76008002. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

ASPESI—www.aspesi.it. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 13. T: 02 76022478. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 🧟

BALENCIAGA—www.balenciaga.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Santo Spirito, 19. T: 02 760841. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

BLUMARINE—www.blumarine.com. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. Via della Spiga, 42. T: 02 795081. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

BORSALINO—www.borsalino.com. Open Mon-Tues 10am-2pm/3pm-7pm; Wed-Sun 10am-7pm. Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II 92 T: 02 89015436 M1 Duomo. Map F3-F4

BOTTEGA VENETA—www.bottegaveneta.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 5. T: 02 76024495. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

CARSHOE—www.carshoe.com. Open on-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-2pm/3pm-7pm.

Via della Spiga, 1. T: 02 76024027. M1 San Babila. Map G4

CASADEI BOUTIQUE—www.casadei.com. Via Sant'Andrea, 1. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. T: 02 76318293. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

CESARE PACIOTTI—www.cesare-paciotti. com. Women: Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 8. T: 02 76001338. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · Men: Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 8/A. T: 02 76001164. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

CHANEL—www.chanel.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 10/A. T: 02 782514-76016545. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

CHURCH'S—www.church-footwear.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 2pm-7.30pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 11. T: 02 76318794. M1 San Babila. Map G4 · Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10am-2pm, 3pm-7pm. Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, 84. T: 02 72094454. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

DIOR—www.diorcouture.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm. Via Montenapoleone, 12. T: 02 76317801. **Map G4**. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone.

DOLCE&GABBANA—www.dolcegabbana.it. Men: open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm. Corso Venezia, 15. T: 02 76028485. M1 San Babila. Map G4 · Women: open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm. Via della Spiga, 26, T: 02 76001155, M1 San Babila. Map G4 · Accessories: via della Spiga, 2. T: 02 795747. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

EMILIO PUCCI—www.emiliopucci.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 14. T: 02 76318356. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

ERMENEGILDO ZEGNA—www.zegna. com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm. Via Montenapoleone, 27/E. T: 02 76006437. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

ETRO—www.etro.it. Open Mon-Sun 10am-7.30pm. Via Montenapoleone, 5. T: 02 76005049. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

FAY—www.fay.it. Open Mon-Sun 10.30am-7.30pm. Via della Spiga, 15. T: 02 76017597. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 🧟

FENDI-www.fendi.com. Open Mon-Thurs 9.30am-9pm; Fri-Sat 9.30am-10pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 16. T: 02 8852236. M1 San Babila. Map G4

FRATELLI ROSSETTI—www.fratellirossetti. com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm, 3pm-7pm, Via Montenapoleone, 1, T: 02 76021650. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

GIANFRANCO FERRÈ—www.gianfrancoferre. it. Open Mon-Sun 9am-6pm by appointment. Via Pontaccio, 21. T: 02 721341. M2 Lanza Brera-Piccolo Teatro. Map E3

GIORGIO ARMANI—www.giorgioarmani.com. Open Mon-Sun 10.30am-7.30pm. Via Montenapoleone, 2. T: 02 76003234. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · One stop shop for Armani Lifestyle, from

food to home accessories. Via A. Manzoni. Map F4

GUCCI-www.gucci.com. Open Mon-Fri 10am-7pm; Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 5/7. T: 02 771271. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · Open Mon-Fri 10am-7pm; Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10am-7pm. Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. T: 02 8597991. M1, M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

HERMÈS—www.hermes.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 21. T: 02 76003495. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · Hermès Aeroporto di Milano-Aeroporto di Malpensa Terminal 1. T:02 58581265. Off Map

HOGAN—www.hoganworld.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 23. T: 02 76011174. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G7

JIL SANDER—www.jilsander.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via P. Verri, 6. T: 02 7772991. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

JIMMY CHOO—www.jimmychoo.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 1/A. T: 02 45481770. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

KENZO-www.kenzo.com. Open Mon-Sat 9am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-7pm. Via A. Manzoni, 25. T: 02 72080735. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

KRIZIA—www.krizia.it. Open Mon 3pm-7.30pm; Tue-Sat 10am-7.30pm. Via della Spiga, 23. T: 02 76008429. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

LAURA BIAGIOTTI—www.laurabiagiotti.it. Open Mon 3pm -7pm; Tue-Sat 10am-1.30pm, 2.30pm-7pm. Via Borgospesso, 19. T: 02 799659. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

LES COPAINS—www.lescopains.it. Open Mon 3pm-7pm Tue-Sat 10am-7pm. Via A. Manzoni, 21. T: 02 72080092. M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

LORO PIANA—www.loropiana.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7,30pm, Via Montenapoleone, 27/c. T: 02 7772901. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

LOUIS VUITTON—www.louisvuitton.com. 7.30pm. Via Montenapoleone, 2. T: 02 7771711 M1 San Babila. Map G4 · Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10.30am-7.30pm. Galleria Vittorio Map F5

LUCIANO SOPRANI—www.lucianosoprani.it. Open Tue-Fri 10.30am -2.30pm, 3pm-7pm; Sat 10am-2pm, 3pm-7pm. Via E. Morosini, 30. T: 02 54063280. M3 Porta Romana. **Map H6**

MILA SCHÖN—www.milaschon.com. Open Tues-Sat 10.30am-2pm; 3pm-7.30pm; Mon 3pm-7.30pm, Corso Venezia, 18, T: 02 89692891. M1 Palestro. **Map H4**

MISSONI—www.missoni.it. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Sant'Andrea corner of via Bagutta. T: 02 76003555. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

MIU MIU — www.miumiu.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-9pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 21 - T: 02 76001799. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · Via Sant'Andrea, 21 (Woman Accessories). T: 02 76001799. M1

San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · Open Mon-Sat 9.30am-10pm; Sun 10am-55028800. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

MOSCHINO—www.moschino.it. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 12. T: 02 76000832 M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4** • Open Mon-Sat 10am -7.30pm. Via della Spiga, 30. T: 02 76004320. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

PRADA—www. prada.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-7pm. Corso Map G4 · Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, 63/65. T: 02 876979. M1 Duomo. Map F5 · Via Montenapoleone, 8 (Woman). T: 02 7771771 / Via Montenapoleone, 6 (Man). T: 02 76020273. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 · Via della Spiga, 18 corner of via Sant'Andrea, 23 (Woman Accessories). T: 02 780465. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

RALPH LAUREN—www.ralphlauren.com. Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm. Via Montenapoleone, 4. T: 02 7788721. M1 San Babila. Map G4 🚬

ROBERTA DI CAMERINO—

www.robertadicamerino.com. Open by 76025820. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

ROBERTO CAVALLI— www.robertocavalli.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via della Spiga, 42. T: 02 76020900. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

ROCCO BAROCCO—www.roccobarocco.it. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via della Spiga, 31. T: 02 76000518. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

SALVATORE FERRAGAMO—www.ferragamo. com, Open Mon-Sat 10am-7,30pm; Sun 11am-7pm. (Woman) Via Montenapoleone, 3. T: 02 76000054, M1 San Babila, **Map G4** • (Man) Via Montenapoleone, 20/4. T: 02 76006660. M1 San Babila. Map G4

TOD'S—www.tods.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 1-7pm. Via della Spiga, 22. T: 02 76002423. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone Map G4 · Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. T: 02 877997. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

TOM FORD—www.tomford.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via P. Verri, 3. T: 02 36529600. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone.

TRUSSARDI—www.trussardi.it. Concept Store: Open Mon-Sat 10am-8.30pm. Piazza della Scala, 5. T: 02 8068821. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5 · Accessories: Open Mon-Sat 10am-8.30pm. Via Sant'Andrea, 5. T: 02 8068821. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

VALENTINO—www.valentino.com. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 20. T: 02 76006182. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

VERSACE—www.versace.com. Open Mon-Sun 10am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 11. T: 02 76008528. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

YVES SAINT LAURENT—www.ysl.com. Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-7pm. Via Montenapoleone, 27. T: 02 76000573. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4



he capital of Italian fashion, the "Quadrilatero" and via Montenapoleone are Milan's most famed and fabled shopping districts. Each year, thousands of tourists flock here to discover the latest trends and to indulge in some of the world's most exclusive shopping, now made even more advantageous thanks to the "Montenapoleone Card" – an initiative launched by Premier Tax Free, a company specializing in tax free shopping services available in 26 countries worldwide. "This Card", explains Sara Bernabè, general manager of Premier Tax Free, "is a unique initiative, launched in collaboration with Associazione della Via MonteNapoleone, which not only allows non-EU citizens to obtain a VAT refund downtown on their purchases but also an additional 15% bonus on the refund itself: an amount that thanks to the card itself, can be spent freely at affiliated boutiques. The card is proving to be a huge success. I am happy to report that most of the boutiques involved in this project stated that the average sale made thanks to the Montenapoleone Card is 120% higher than the amount loaded on the card itself. That's why the stores are delighted to accept our card as it really boosts sales and gives them an advantage over boutiques that are still not involved



Premier Tax Free Italy Via Montenapoleone, 21 20121 Milano T: +39 02 62694032 Open Mon-Fri 10.30am-7pm; Sat 1pm-7pm

Valentino deserves a gold star!

With the use of opulent marble, leather and silk carpets, one has the distinct impression that this newly refurbished flagship store is not just an ordinary shop but rather a luxurious boutique that though boasting the regal character of a grand palace, nevertheless oozes an atmosphere of sheer intimacy. The interesting set up on the ground traces the perimeter of a cube where shoes, bags, jewellery and accessories are displayed. Particularly worthy of note are its Rockstud accessories, iconic details, combining Valentino's signature sophistication with in-depth artisan craftsmanship. Kitten-heel sling-back shoes, featuring a combination of thin straps, best represent the "musthave" Rockstud accessories which include handbags, shoes and small leather goods. Delicate lace scarves hang neatly to one side, only a few steps away from the Maison's jewellery collection. A sublime lighting feature – a column of magnifying lenses – suggesting the way up to the men's and ladies' clothing department as well as a VIP area where beaded evening dresses and bridal gowns hang. Pretty lace dresses in red, soft bluette and rose pink attract shoppers while the fiery 'Valentino red' tinge of chic jackets, boasting a double diagonal frill across the chest, deserves a gold star.



Ready-to-wear and accessories

Via Montenapoleone, 20 T: 02 76006182 www.valentino.com







LARUSMIANI White cotton pants and cardigan in cashmere and silk with pearl buttons Larusmiani Via Montenapoleone, 7 T: 02 76006957

www.larusmiani.it



BOTTEGA VENETA "Intreccio memory" nappa knot clutch Bottega Veneta Via Montenapoleone, 5 T: 02 76024495 www.bottegaveneta.com



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RALPH LAUREN Spring dress inspired by the Great Gatsby Ralph Lauren Via Montenapoleone, 4 T: 02 7788721 www.ralphlauren.com



MISS SIXTY Lady sunglasses **Miss Sixty** Via Montenapoleone, 27 T: 02 76390698 www.misssixty.com



YVES SAINT LAURENT Mini YSL cabas chyc with strap in black leather **Yves Saint Laurent** Via Montenapoleone, 27 T: 02 76000573 www.ysl.com





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Via Manzoni, 38. T: 02 76015369. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

HOST—This elegant men's shop was established as the male counterpart of the historic Pupi Solari (see listing) women's boutique. It not only carries an assortment of traditional but also lesser known brands and is a favourite with Milanese men in the know. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Sun 10am-7pm. Piazza N. Tommaseo, 2. T: 02 436085. M1 Conciliazione. Map C4

charusmiani concept Boutique—An expression of timeless style and a leitmotif of sophisticated elegance located in the heart of Milan's fashion quad in the now completely renovated historic store opened in 1954. A Concept Boutique extending over 700 sq.m. on three floors, it oozes simplicity and understated luxury, reflecting the subtlety of its sumptuous apparel. The perfect place to build your wardrobe with exclusive pieces. Larusmiani takes luxury retail to a new level. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10.30am-1.30pm/2.30pm-7pm. www. larusmiani.it. Via Montenapoleone, 7. T: 02 76006957. M1 San Babila. Map G4

LUISA BECCARIA—A brand boasting an unmistakable, romantic and feminine style. High-fashion and prêt-a-porter collections, painstaking attention to detail and artisan embroidery represent Italian fashion throughout the world. For women who believe that femininity is a plus to be flaunted and worn on a daily basis. Also stocks bridal gowns and children's clothing. Has several branches (Bridal: via Fiori Chiari 17; Boutique: via Formentini, 1). Open Mon 3pm-7.30pm; Tues-Fri 10am-7.30pm; Sat 10am-7pm. Open every third Sunday of the month. www. luisabeccaria.it. Via M. Formentini, 1. T: 02 8638071. M2 Lanza. **Map E3**

M MISSONI—A 1970s spirit is the inspiration behind the new concept for M Missoni's new monobrand store. The new space is distinguished by its minimalist style, innate elegance and pastel shades, in keeping with the women's prêt-a-porter collections on show featuring daring colours, unusual working techniques, patterns and sought-after materials. Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm. www.m-missoni. com. Corso Venezia, 2. T: 02 36510974. M1 Porta Venezia. Map H3

MAX MARA—An Italian fashion house known for its ready-to-wear clothing. Established in 1951, since its inception, Max Mara has always offered clean-cut, beautifully tailored lines. Although it has numerous sales points scattered throughout Milan, Italy and the rest of the world, it is not a chain store but rather a real designer label. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10.30am-7.30pm. www.maxmara.com. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II. T: 02 76008849. M1-M3 Duomo, M1 San Babila. Map G5

MONCLER—Boutique and home to the famous "puffer" jackets which, in addition to the lines of its main sportswear collection, also carries the Gamme Bleu for men and the Gamme Rouge for women, an ultra-sophisticated line featuring noble fabrics and highly sought-after details that combine the style of haute couture with superior-quality materials that have made Moncler a leading name in winter outerwear. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 11am-1pm/3pm-7pm. www.moncler.com. Via della Spiga, 7. T: 02 76025913. M1 San Babila. Map G4

Villa Meissen, Discreet European Luxury

Boasting more than 300 years of history, German manufacturer **Meissen®** has taken a step into the world of Italian luxury brands with the opening of its new **Villa Meissen** European Flagship. A multi-faceted space, located on **via Montenapoleone** – the heart of Milan's most fashionable shopping street – Meissen's flagship store boasts a perfect meld of traditional values and avant-garde concepts to offer visitors a truly unique experience.



The location chosen is, in fact, Casa Carcassola-Grandi, a magnificent dwelling dating back to the 16th century, considered one of the five most important historic houses in the centre of Milan. The villa is imbued with years of architectural and cultural history and has undergone in-depth restoration works including restructuring of its ceilings (frescoed by students of Raffaello) and the entrance designed by none other than renowned architect Giò Ponti. Visitors can thus lose themselves in an atmosphere of timeless elegance and discreet European luxury, for a close-up experience of the various Meissen collections on offer:

Fine Art, Joaillerie and Home. The Villa has been divided into eight themed spaces to host the **Joaillerie Boudoir, Gift Room, Living Room, Dining Room, Architecture Room** and Bedroom.

Its recent opening also saw the exclusive presentation of the new **Meissen Home Collectibles**, an elegant ensemble of carefully studied collectors' items that can be coordinated both in terms of style and colour for uber-luxe interiors. Its sofas, armchairs, tables, lamps, porcelain tableware, luxurious fabrics, linings and accessories create a trip through time featuring the best of the classic modern period of the 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's.





Villa Meissen. Via Montenapoleone, 3. T: 02 89423725. www.meissen.it



PIACENZA 1733— This high quality Italian brand is the reign of cashmere for men and women's clothing and has recently inaugurated a new exclusive tailoring service in its first flagship store. Customers can book an appointment with a tailor for the creation of "made-to-measure" jackets and suits. All fabrics carry the Piacenza Cashmere signature. Open Mon 3pm-7.30pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7.30pm. www. piacenza1733.it. Via Manzoni, 21. T: 02 72023084. M3

PUPI SOLARI—In 1969, Pupi Solari, a woman of exquisite taste, opened this children's shop which now also offers an eye-catching collection of women's clothing. The shop is connected to the men's boutique Host (see listings). They also have an outlet right next door to the shop. Open Mon 3pm-7.30pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7.30pm. Via L. Mascheroni, 12. T: 02 463325. M1 Conciliazione. Map C4

Montenapoleone. Map F4

SIMONETTA RAVIZZA—No longer just furs, but a new total-look in prêt-a-porter. This is the slogan of the brand, a 90's offshoot of maison Annabella, a historic fur label. Situated in the heart of Milan's fashion district, in via Montenapoleone, the boutique offers its clientele an array of high-fashion furs, no longer timeless classics, but also designed to appeal to younger generations. The flagship store carries the brand's most precious creations including mink, sable, leather outerwear but also accessories, bags and vests, highlighted by soft fur inserts. For an easy-chic style. Open Mon 2pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-1pm: 2pm-7pm, www.simonettaravizza.it. Via

Montenapoleone, 1. T: 0276012921. M1 San Babila. Map G4

VIONNET—In the very heart of the design district, this store is characterized by minimalist lines combined with opulent materials including marble and brass, a readaptation of the elegant Parisian atelier founded by world renowned couturier Madeleine Vionnet. For the joy of fashionistas, this exclusive brand has chosen Milan to open its first Italian single brand store. Vionnet's chairman is dapper entrepreneur Matteo Marzotto, also the son of famed Italian designer Marta Marzotto. www.vionnet.com. Corso Monforte, 16. T: 02 49682563. M1 San Babila. Map H4

Concept Stores

BANANA REPUBLIC—Versatile, streamlined clothing and luxury fabrics at affordable prices. This is the secret of the success of Banana Republic which has just opened in Milan. The megastore also hosts Monogram, a collection of basic clothing that represents the best of the collections. By appointment, free image consultancy with personal stylists. Open Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 11am-8pm. www.bananarepublic.gap. com. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 24/28. T: 02 30352900. M1 San Babila. Map G5

CARGO—Home furnishings, books, perfumes, candles, carpets and a sector dedicated to tropical plants.

An exotic open space reconverted from a famous Milanese industrial factory but also a cultural centre

hosting discussions on art, food, music and games. Open Tues-Sun 10.30am-7.30pm. www.hightechmilano.com. Via A. Meucci, 43. T: 02 2722131. M2 Crescenzago. **Off Map**

FERRARI STORE MILANO—Dedicated to Ferrari devotees, this authorized sales point of the historic Maranello headquarters sells over three thousand types of Ferrari merchandise including clothing, leather goods, high-class accessories, toys and models. From a minimum of 3.5 euros for a logoed writing pad up to 42 thousand for a Formula 1 engine. A visit to this futuristic, five-storey, location, expressing the explosive soul of car racing, is definitely a worthwhile experience. Open Sun-Fri, 10am-8pm; Sat 10am-9pm. store.ferrari.com. Piazza Liberty, 8. T: 02 76017385. M1-

store.ferrari.com. Piazza Liberty, 8. T: 02 76017385. M1 M3 Duomo. **Map G5**

GAP—The first Gap megastore in Italy celebrates the legend of casual, informal wear for adults and children. An urban chic style at affordable prices. Its three floors, spread out over 3,000 sq.m., host the most important collections: GapAdults (Men&Women), GapKids, babyGap, GapBody and GapMaternity with multi-coloured T-shirts, sweatshirts and jeans. Open Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 11am-8pm. www.gap-italia.it. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 24/28. T: 02 30352800. M1 San Babila. Map G5

HIGH TECH—A large multi-space emporium selling sofas, bookshelves, fragrances, notebooks, lamps, kitchenware but also ethnic furniture and fashion

accessories. Original, innovative home furnishings at affordable prices. Open Mon 1.30am-7.30pm; Tues-Sun 10.30am-7.30pm. www.high-techmilano.com. Piazza XXV Aprile, 12. T: 02 6241101. M2 Moscova, M2 Garibaldi. **Map F2**

MILAN (MILAN A.C.) MEGASTORE—A "not-to-be-missed" address for A.C. Milan fans the world over: located in the historic Galleria, behind the Duomo, the shop boasts a display area of over 500 sq.m. on two floors, where you can find all the official merchandise of the "most prominent club in the

Department Stores & Shopping Centers

LA RINASCENTE, a fabulous department store overlooking the Duomo, is a real part of Milan's history.

Open seven days a week:

Mon-Sat 9.30 am-10pm; Sun 10am-10pm.

www.rinascente.it

Piazza Duomo, 10. T: 02 88521.

M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

The **Desing Supermarket** is an underground space extending over 2,000 sq.m. carrying more than 200 brands.

La Rinascente Food&Restaurants on the 7th floor features a Food Market brimming with rare delicacies, all origin controlled. It also offers visitors a choice of as many as nine bars and restaurants.

Open 7 days a week until midnight (dedicated entrances also on via Santa Radegonda, 1 and via San Raffaele, 2. T. 02 8852471).

COIN is a historic department store, extending over several floors, with its flagship location in piazza Cinque Giornate. Boasting a seamless glass façade, it features one of the largest video walls in Europe and serves as an interactive medium for dialogue with the city. It offers a number of excellent services and an array of the best fashion brands, ranging from clothing to accessories, from home design to food. It also has other branches located in corso Vercelli 44 and in

Mon-Fri 10am-8pm; Sat 10am-8.30pm; Sun 11am-8pm. www.coin.it. Piazza Cinque Giornate 1/A. T: 02 55192083. Map H5

The **PIAZZA PORTELLO** shopping centre is situated just outside the centre, in a rapidly expanding area: this open-air mall hosts numerous shops and facilities.

Mon-Sun 8.30am-9pm. Via Grosotto, 7. www.piazzaportello.it. Map A2

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Welcome to Brera



Brera is synonymous with the artistic heart of the city. In fact, as you stroll along the streets of this ancient district, you cannot help but be enchanted by its almost surreal atmosphere boasting small artisan's workshops or quaint stores selling canvases and paints. Additionally, Brera is home to the impressive **Accademia di Belle Arti**, where visitors can admire Milan's famous painting collection at the **Pinacoteca** (the Brera Picture Gallery), the historic **Biblioteca** Nazionale Braidense (Braidense National Library), the **Museo Astronomico** (The Astronomical Museum), the oldest scientific research institute in the city and the **Giardino Botanico** (Botanical Gardens), an evocative green space located in the heart of the city.





Art, shopping and entertainment

To start your sightseeing tour on the right foot, we suggest stopping for a cup of coffee at **Princi**, not just an ordinary bakery, but a meeting point where, amidst the heady scents of "brioches" and "cappuccino", you will have a chance to begin your day on a high note. A reference point for antique lovers, Brera boasts a large number of antique shops. As an aside, those interested in bargains or bric a brac should definitely make time to visit the mercatino di antiquariato e **brocantage**, held on the third Sunday of each month. Not far from the elegant artisan footwear sold by **Iliprandi** or the vintage delights of **Cavalli&Nastri**, visitors will find the first Italian monobrand store of fashion guru Marc Jacobs,

whose adjacent café is the perfect spot for a "trendy" aperitivo set against the evocative backdrop of piazza del Carmine. The array of boutiques continues with the taylor-made, Italianstyle shoes by **Alfonso Garlando**, the historic Milanese brand for luxury jewels Manfredi, the sophisticated offer of scarves by Faliero Sarti, bags by F. Clio, silverware by Giovanni Raspini, jewellery by **Kidult** in via Pontaccio, designer eyewear by **Alain Mikli** in corso aperitivo time, the beloved Milanese Como, unique leather accessories by Giòsa in via Ciovasso and the sartorial tradition of Ader and Montezemolo. Conversely, for design aficionados, we suggest a visit to the **Calligaris** flagship store, after which you will have a chance to lose yourself amidst the thousand of furnishing ideas offered by Cargo&Hi-**Tech**; dulcis in fundo, in the real sense of the word, don't forget to sample the specialities of maître chocolatier **Guido** Gobino in corso Garibaldi.

Tasting suggestions

Between visiting one shop and another, you might be surprised to suddenly

discover that it's time for lunch. Try the typical Parma-based charcuterie specialities at **Parma & Co**, where you can also enjoy a Sunday brunch, the typical Italian fare offered by **Chiù**, also an excellent idea for tasty gift food packages, the organic menus found at **Tastàri** or the famed sandwiches sold by Panino Giusto. The afternoon is likely to pass by in a flash until you suddenly realize that it's tradition of pre-dinner drinks and a great way to relax at the end of a

long day: you are definitely likely to be seduced by the purely Art Dècostyle atmosphere of **El Tombon de San Marc** or the trendier atmosphere of **Fashion Café** in via San Marco; other options are heady wine tasting sessions in the informal ambience of either N'Ombra de Vin or Moscatelli. Conversely, the more fashion-oriented will find just what they're looking for in nearby corso Como, featuring Milan's renowned 10 Corso Como, a cafè, restaurant, concept store, bookshop and exhibition space.

Choosing the right restaurant for dinner might pose quite some discussion. Here are some venues where you can savour authentic Italian cuisine: Maxelâ, for meat lovers. La Briciola and Giallo for real "VIP-watching", the Mediterrannean flavours of Mimmo-Osteria del Corso, the Tuscan ones of Osteria Brunello and, last but not least, the characteristic restaurants of old Milan including

Rigolo, All'Isola, La Libera, Bebel's and La Vecchia Lira.



ACCADEMIA DI BELLE ARTI - via Brera 28,

T: 02 869551 - www.accademiadibrera.milano.it

Pinacoteca - T: 02 722631 www.brera.beniculturali.it

Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense T: 02 86460907 - www.braidense.it

Museo Astronomico - T: 02 50314680

www.brera.unimi.i **Orto Botanico** - T: 02 02 50314680

10 CORSO COMO - corso Como 10,

T: 02 29013581 - www.10corsocomocafe.it ADER - via della Moscova 52, T: 02 29062425 www.aderit ALAIN MIKLI SHOP - corso Como 9,

T: 02 29060349 ALFONSO GARLANDO - Via Madonnina 1,

ALL'ISOLA - corso Como 10, T: 02 6571624

BEBEL'S - via San Marco 38, T: 02 6571658 **CALLIGARIS** - via Tivoli corner of Foro Bonaparte, T: 02 91988333 - www.milano.

calligaris.it CARGO&HI-TECH - piazza XXV aprile, T: 02 6241101 - www.cargomilano.it

CAVALLI&NASTRI - via Brera 2, T: 02 72000449 www.cavallienastri.com

CHIÙ - via Pontaccio 5, T: 02 8052296 www.chiu.eu

- via San Marco 20, T: 02 6599507 FALIERO SARTI - via Solferino 11, T: 02 8053223

FASHION CAFÉ - via San Marco 1, T: 02 6572021 www.fashioncafe.it **F.CLIO** - via Pontaccio 7, T: 02 80505000 www.fclio.it

GIALLO - via Milazzo 6. T: 02 6571581 www.ristorantegiallo.biz GIOVANNI RASPINI - corso Garibaldi 51,

T: 02 72080286 - www.raspini.it **GIÒSA** - via Ciovasso 6. T: 02 86997441

www.giosa.eu **GUIDO GOBINO** - corso Garibaldi 39,

T: 02 89096601 - www.guidogobino.it ILIPRANDI - via Solferino (Galleria San Marco). T: 02 29000580

KIDULT - via Pontaccio 3, T: 02 72080271 www.kidult.net

LA BRICIOLA - via Solferino 25, T: 02 6551012 www.labriciola.com

www.ristorantelaliberamilano.com LA VECCHIA LIRA - Largo La Foppa 5, T: 02 6599136 - www.osteriavecchialira.it

LA LIBERA - via Palermo 21, T: 02 8053603

MERCATINO DELL'ANTIQUARIATO E

BROCANTAGE - via Brera, via Fiori Chiari, via Madonnina, via Formentini, T: 02 794593

MARC JACOBS - P.zza del Carmine 6, T: 02 72004080 - www.marcjacobs.it

MAXELA - via della Moscova 50, T: 02 29062926 www.maxela.it

MIMMO-Osteria del Corso - corso Garibaldi 75,

T: 02 6597441 - www.osteriadelcorso.com

MONTEZEMOLO - corso Garibaldi 50, T: 02 29000184 - www.montezemolo.net N'OMBRA DE VIN - via San Marco 2, T:02 6599650 - www.nombradevin.it

OSTERIA BRUNELLO - corso Garibaldi 117. T:02 6592973 - www.osteriabrunello.it

PANINO GIUSTO - corso Garibaldi 123, T:02 6554728 - www.paninogiusto.it

PARMA & CO - corso Garibaldi, T: 02 89096720 www.parmaeco.it PRINCI - via Ponte Vetero 10, T: 02 72016067 /

largo La Foppa 2, T: 02 6599013 - www.princi.it **RIGOLO** - via Solferino 11, T: 02 804589

SPAZIO MANFREDI - via Brera 2, T:02 876324 www.manfredi-madeinitalv.eu

TASTÀRI - corso Garibaldi 59/61, T:02 72008379 www.tastari.it

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Guidelines

This directory, grouped by category, is a list of establishments recommended by the editors of *Where Magazine* and includes regular advertisers. The most popular luxury brands and designers stores are grouped under the separate lisiting **Fashion Stores**, which can be found on pages 22-23.

MAP LOCATIONS

Note that references in **bold** at the end of each listing (**A1, B5** etc) refer to the coordinates on the street maps on pages 62-63.

INFORMATION

Visitors should note that VAT is generally 21% and it is generally included in the price of goods. Before finalizing a purchase, overseas visitors from outside the EU should ask the shop assistant whether they are eligible for a tax refund. Shopping hours are generally from 9.30am to 7.30pm; less centrally located shops still take the traditional lunch break from 12.30pm or 1pm to 3pm or 4pm. Most shops are closed on Sundays (except those located in central Milan) and on Monday mornings. Make sure to always check ahead. Several unusual shops, stocking items and rarities for collectors and aficionados in specific product categories, are listed under **Passion Shopping** rather than in the standard Shopping sections.

world". Special price discounts for fans of the Official A.C. Milan Page on Facebook. Open: 7/7 from 10am-8pm. www.acmilan.com. Corso Vittorio Emanuele Il-Galleria San Carlo. T: 02 49580176. M1 San Babila. **Map G5**

MUJI—Distinguished by its minimalist design and ecofriendly approach, this store is a part of the famous chain of "made-in-Japan" furniture, clothing and hightech items, with 3 stores in the city (via Torino, corso Buenos Aires, corso Vercelli). Muji's strategy is based on low-key design and functionalism at affordable prices. Open Mon 12am-7.30pm; Tues-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-7.30pm. www.muji.eu. Via Torino, 51. T: 02 809441. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

ROSSO PREZIOSO—Just a few steps from via Brera, this small concept store is perfect for intellectual-chic shopping featuring the best of Made-in-Italy. Under the creative directorship of Cristina Bacchetti, it offers original collections of high-fashion costume jewellery featuring an elegant, innovative design. Creative themes, materials and colours are updated regularly in accordance with the latest trends. In addition to costume jewellery, it also stocks a delightful selection of fashion accessories and clothing. Open Mon 1pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www.rossoprezioso.com. Via San Fermo, 1. T: 02 654841. M2 Moscova-M3 Turati. Map F3

Home Décor & Fabrics

VILLA MEISSEN®—Drawing thousands of visitors all over the world each year, Meissen® has created a unique life-style experience with home, fine art. porcelain, accessories, and the most recent Meissen® Joaillerie collection. This 300 year-old German luxury brand has recently refurbished Casa Carcassola-Grandi as the location for its stunning European Flagship store. The location hosts the new Home Meissen® Collectibles – a collection of elegant pieces carefully designed and matched in style and color for interior high level. Sofas, chairs, tables, lamps, tableware as well as the luxurious fabrics. linings and accessories create a journey through the modern era classic from the '40s to the '70s. Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm. www.meissen.it. Via Montenapoleone, 3, T; 02 89423725, M1 San Babila.

Jewellery & Watches

ANGELA CAPUTI GIUGGIÙ—The brand is renowned throughout the world. Sophisticated, original creations made from unusual materials such as plastic and resin, combined to create unique objects both in terms of colour and shape. Her creations have been used as accessories by famous television and film producers. The accessory as a focal point, capable of creating a look or dressing up any type of garment. A magical blend of contemporary and classical taste. A dream well worth the wearing. Open Tues-Sun 10am-

1pm/2.30pm-7.30pm. www.angelacaputi.com. Via Madonnina, 11. T: 02 86461080. M2 Lanza. **Map F4**

BUCCELLATI—Heir to a tradition that dates back to the 18th century and a favourite with the royal families of Europe, Buccellati offers stunning designs featuring a "tulle, lace or honeycomb" effect. Also known for its silver and extraordinary animal collections. Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-1pm/2pm-7pm. www.buccellati. com. Via Montenapoleone, 23. T: 02 76002153. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

BULGARI—Among the most noteworthy names in the world together with Cartier and Tiffany, since the very beginning, Bulgari has been a reference point for luxury jewellery. It also carries watches, fragrances, accessories and small table items. Its most famous collection is the "Bzero1", originally crafted in gold and subsequently embellished with diamonds and precious stones. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. www. bulgari.com. Via Montenapoleone, 2. T: 02 777001. M1 San Babila. Map G4

CARTIER—In addition to its jewellery, Cartier is also famous as a luxury maker of watches, second only in the world to Rolex. Renowned for its design and technology, Cartier's steel watches are embellished with details in gold, platinum and diamonds. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. www.cartier.it. Via Sant'Andrea, 11 (Temporary Boutique). T: 02 3030421. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

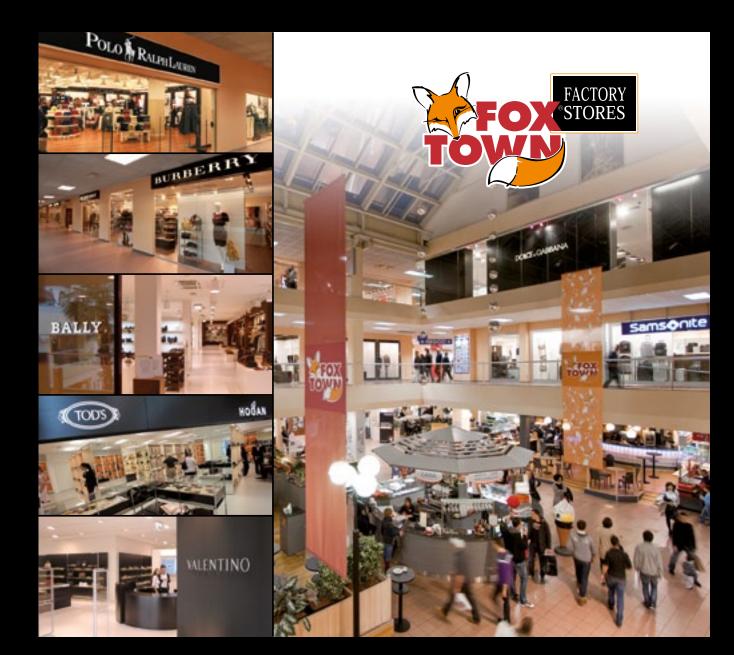
DAMIANI—Master craftsmen since 1924, Damiani has a long goldsmithing tradition which it has always interpreted with the innovative spirit. Line purity, a refined, elegant classic as well as contemporary spirit, are the distinctive values of the Damiani jewelry reproposed in a flagship store designed by Antonio Citterio. A well-lighted space displays all the Maison's jewelry collections, which are admired throughout the world for their jewelry to be realized by master goldsmiths in full accordance with the best Italian tradition. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. www.damiani. it. Via Montenapoleone, 10. T: 02 76028088. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

DODO—The gold Dodo jewellery line, created in 1995 by Pomellato, is by now a classic either for gift or

Excelsior Milano, New Luxury Concept

Seven floors of exclusive brands, in the heart of Milan, ranging from fashion to beauty; from food to design. Among these, worthy of particular note is **Eat's Store**, a food market conceived for a discerning clientele which offers a restaurant divided into three areas: elegant "take-aways", "fast" bistrot fare and, finally, "slow" tasting experiences. The ground floor, overlooking Galleria del Corso, offers a **Design Bar**, a Beauty space and Tiffany's shop-in-shop... plus Valextra, Ladurée and a flower corner. Luxury designer brands showcased include Marc Jacobs, Manolo Blahnik, Christian Louboutin and Givenchy. Open daily 10am-9pm. www.excelsiormilano.com. Galleria del Corso, 4. T: 02 76307301. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**





T H E W A Y O F S H O P P I N G

The temple of luxury and elegance where 160 stores of the most prestigious brands for men's, women's and children's clothing, sport articles, household goods and accessories are under the same roof. A successful combination of quality and low prices where manufacturers offer their surplus and garments from the previous season at prices discounted from 30% to 70% and where the dream of discreet and advantageous shopping becomes true. 1200 parking spaces, a Casino and 7 food corners help to turn a shopping spree into an unforgettable day. FoxTown Mendrisio is just 15 km south from Lugano, nearly 60 km far from Locarno and 50 km north from Milan, directly off the Mendrisio exit of the A2 motorway.

Via A. Maspoli 18, 6850 MENDRISIO - SWITZERLAND Open 7 days a week from 11am to 7pm

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Time Revolution

Historic, high-class watchmakers Jaeger-**LeCoultre** present

their new **Duomètre** à

Sphérotourbillon, a perfect balance of mechanical JAEGER-LECOULTRE BOUTIQUE—Ideally located precision, high-complication lust, and practical wearability, to satisfy even the most demanding connoisseurs and collectors. The Duomètre boasts the Dual-Wing concept, a revolutionary mechanical movement, featuring two separate and Montenapoleone. Map G4 independent mechanisms, housed within a single case: one of them responsible for powering the time indications, and the other for driving an additional

collection purposes. It sells an array of animal charm pieces, each of which has a particular meaning. The new Flagship Store, designed by world-renowned Paola Navone, is characterized by the brand's signature colours and themes. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www.dodo.it. Corso Matteotti, 9. T: 02 49524750. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

FARAONE—Having undergone a complete makeover, this historic maison of highclass jewellery interprets Italy's famous tradition of goldsmithery according to an innovative, sophisticated and exclusive vision. A real jeweller's showroom, a "never-seenbefore" and contemporary concept of high-class jewellery that though boasting a new style and soul nevertheless retains its time-honoured heritage and personality. Faraone offers two exclusive lines, a pret-a-porter line "I Composable" and a haute couture line "One of a Kind", both featuring an infinite number of combinations, shapes and colours. Open Mon-Fri 10am-7pm. www.faraonegioielli. it. Via Montenapoleone, 9. T: 02 76319153. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 🧟

GOBBI 1842—Founded in 1842, Gobbi is a reference point for refined jewellery and precious timepieces, such as Patek Philippe, Rolex, Tudor and Baume&Mercier. You will get the same fine assistance that the Gobbi family has been providing its clients for the last six generations. The upper-floor laboratory provides quick, top quality, watch repair and maintenance service. Open Tues-Sat 10am-1.30pm/2.30pm-7pm. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 15. T: 02 76020536. M1 San Babila. **Map G5**

in the heart of Milan's "Golden Fashion Triangle". Jaeger-LeCoultre opened its first Italian boutique in keeping with the spirit of invention and creativity which has set this reference brand of Haute Horlogerie apart in the field of watchmaking since 1833. Featuring an elegant, low-key interior, this exclusive space harmoniously blends the best of design and contemporary materials with an Art Déco style, a period in which the Swiss watchmakers created the legendary Reverso. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www.jaeger-lecoultre. com. Via Montenapoleone, 1. T: 02 76281376. M3

LINGOTTINO—Just a short distance from via Torino and corso Magenta, Lingottino offers beautiful handcrafted pieces. Unique items, ranging from tiny earrings to diamond chokers. Open Mon 3pm-7pm: Tues-Sun 10am-2pm/3pm-7pm. www.lingottino.it. Via Santa Marta, 10. T: 02 72022203.. M1 Cordusio. **Map E5**

LOCMAN—Original, innovative, trendy watches, distinguished by high-quality artisan finishes. A real atelier where high-tech and tradition meld to create an atmosphere of extreme elegance. Locman is currently one of the most important names in Italian watchmaking Open Tues-Sat 10am-7pm www locman.it. Via Gonzaga, 5. T: 02 36512893. M3 Missori. Map F5

LUIGI VERGA—A large selection of some of the most desirable watch brands available on the market. including Rolex, Patek Philippe, Cartier, IWC, Jaeger-LeCoultre, Tudor. Luigi Verga also prides itself on its after-sales service and boasts an on-premises UNI EN ISO 9001: FDITION 2008 certified repair workshop Open Tues-Sat 10am-1.30pm/3pm-7pm. www.luigiverga.it. Orologeria Luigi Verga:

Via G. Mazzini corner of via Dogana, 3. T: 02 8056521. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5** • Luigi Verga Orologi: Corso Vercelli, 7 T: 02 43995176. M1 Conciliazione. **Map C5**

MATTIA CIELO—A new space devoted to jewellery, designed to showcase the brand's new collection but also to offer its most exclusive clientele a bespoke, high-tech jewellery service. Its eye-catching décor is a meld of leather and metal, LED and micro-projectors, to create an understated, elegant atmosphere. Open Mon 11am-7pm: Tues-Sat 10am-7pm, www. mattiacielo.com. Via Montenapoleone, 6. T: 02 38603860. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

PILGIÒ—A passion for materials and a vocation for handcrafting. Pilgiò's creative line was developed in 1984, gradually making a name for itself over the years thanks to its unparalleled originality and expressive energy. Unique jewels in which a number of the most common materials such as iron, steel and stones are paired with gold and copper-plated silver to give life to beautifully crafted pieces of emblematic jewellery. The signature feature of the brand is its unusual working technique "Oro Muto" (Mute Gold). Open: Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm. www. pilgio.com. Via Caminadella, 6. T. 02 804812. M2 Sant'Ambrogio. Map D6

PISA OROLOGERIA—A watch lover's paradise for over 60 years. Prestigious timepieces with particular attention to the latest innovations. Assistance centre and specialized workshop. Unique gift packaging with delivery guaranteed to any part of the world. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www. pisaorologeria.com. Via P. Verri corner of via Montenapoleone, 9. T: 02 76208328. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

PISA OROLOGERIA-ROLEX BOUTIQUE—The Pisa family has always been a forerunner in the world watch sector and now hosts the Rolex Boutique. The collaboration between the Pisa family and the Rolex brand goes back over 60 years. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www.pisaorologeria. com. Via Montenapoleone, 24. T: 02 76317726. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

POMELLATO—Established in 1967 as an artisan laboratory and currently a reference point in Italian gold-crafting. Pomellato trends include vibrant coloured stones set in red gold, irregular cuts and ultra-feminine designs. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm, www.pomellato.it, Via San Pietro all'Orto, 17. T: 02 76006086. M1 San Babila. Map G5

QUERIOT—A new line of original, sophisticated jewellery, designed for women who rather than following fashion trends prefer to make their own statement with something unique and different. Oueriot offers iewellery at affordable prices because it uses 9-carat gold, silver, precious stones and small diamonds Open Mon-Fri 10 30am-2 30pm/3 30pm-7.30pm. www.queriot.com. Foro Buonaparte, 63. T: 02 72080304. M1 Cairoli. **Map E4**

ROCCA 1794—Master jewellers and watchmakers since the 18th century, Rocca rates among the first importers of luxury Swiss watches. A selection among the most prestigious brands: Damiani. Rolex, Breguet, Ulysse Nardin, Omega, Cartier, Panerai, Piaget, Baume&Mercier. Rocca garantees outstanding levels of competence and expert skillfull consultancy. Open Mon-Sun 10am-7pm.



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it is possible to combine

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www.jaeger-lecoultre.com

Outlets & Factory Stores



Milan is surrounded by a belt of Outlets and Factory Stores. Real shopping villages offering top Italian and international designer brands at prices discounted from 30 to 70%.

- FIDENZA VILLAGE Fidenza Village is part of the collection of nine "Chic Outlet Shopping" villages in Europe. A real shopping village, offering a fabulous array of designer clothing and homeware.
- WHERE: halfway between Milan and Bologna. Take the A1 autostrada and exit at Fidenza/Salsomaggiore Terme. Daily "Shopping Express" shuttle bus also available (departs at 10am from piazza Castello 1, M1Cairoli).
- **WHAT**: 100 boutiques featuring prestigious designer labels at reduced prices, including Valentino, Paul Smith, Missoni and Michael Kors.
- NOT ONLY SHOPPING: thanks to its position, in addition to shopping, Fidenza Village offers a number of other attractions. A great opportunity to learn more about Parma and Terme Verdiane, one of Italy's primary artistic and cultural hubs.

For more information visit: www.fidenzavillage.com

- FOXTOWN An outlet store on the Swiss border, FoxTown uses the popular US-style "Factory Stores" formula: practically all the best designer labels, accessories and not only, at factory prices.
- WHERE: just 15 km from Lugano and 30 km from Milan. Take the Milano-Lugano autostrada and exit at Mendrisio. The outlet can also be accessed by a daily shuttle service (departs at 2pm from Foro Bonaparte 76, M1 Cairoli-M2 Lanza) (www.zaniviaggi.it)
- WHAT: 160 exclusive stores, more than 250 top brands (such as Gucci, Prada, Armani, Dolce&Gabbana, Dior, Polo Ralph Lauren, Lacoste,

Burberry, Nike e Tommy Hilfiger), 1 casino, 7 bars and restaurants. And again, new openings of prestigious brands such as Blumarine, Timberland, Lindt, Pollini, Sebastian and Desigual.

• SERRAVALLE DESIGNER OUTLET - One of the first outlet villages in Europe, Serravalle Scrivia is located in the province of Alessandria. Designed as a typical medieval Ligurian town, it combines all the appeal of luxury designer brands with the beauties of the surrounding Piedmont countryside and the Liguria Riviera.

McArthurGlen boasts also "Barberino" near Florence, "Castel Romano" near Rome, "La Reggia" in Marcianise near Naples, and "Veneto" at Noventa di Piave near Venice.

- WHERE: take the A7 Milano-Genova autostrada and exit at Serravalle Scrivia. The outlet can also be accessed by a convenient daily shuttle service (departs at 10am from Foro Bonaparte 76, M1 Cairoli-M2 Lanza) (www.zaniviaggi.it)
- WHAT: 180 exclusive designer brand stores, elegance, affordable prices and high quality for all pockets. Several events in November:

 To discover your favourite designer brands visit:

 www.mcarthurglen.it
- VICOLUNGO THE STYLE OUTLETS Situated just thirty minutes from Milan, in the province of Novara, the Vicolungo Outlet is the ideal place to spend an exciting day's shopping.
- WHERE: take the A4 Milano-Torino autostrada and exit at Biandrate Vicolungo. Shuttle service available on Fri-Sat-Sun-Mon (departs at 10.30am from Foro Bonaparte 76, M1 Cairoli-M2 Lanza) (www.zaniviagqi.it)
- WHAT: 150 prestigious designer stores offering clothing for the whole family, homeware and beauty products at discounted prices of up to 70%.
- NOT ONLY SHOPPING: Vicolungo Outlet also hosts art exhibitions, events and other initiatives for a enjoyable day's outing. For more information, visit: http://vicolungo.thestyleoutlets.it
- FRANCIACORTA OUTLET VILLAGE- A real fashion town where elegance, good food and quality combine to offer you a unique shopping experience.
- WHERE: Rodengo Saiano, in the province of Brescia. Easily accessible from Milan on the A4 autostrada, Ospitaletto exit.
- WHAT: 160 designer boutiques including Calvin Klein, Boggi and Pinko, but also Bialetti and Basetti for homeware and Lindt to delight your taste buds.
- NOT ONLY SHOPPING: Franciacorta Village is situated in an area famed for its fine wines, from which it takes its name. The area is also known for its castles and golf courses.

For information on package tours and group specials visit: www.franciacortaoutlet.it

www.rocca1794.com. Piazza Duomo, 25. T: 02 8057447. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

RONCHI—Opened in 1929, it has become a prestigious reference point for all watch lovers, always combining the passion for the high level watchmaking with the love for the refined jewellery, the continuous research of the fashion trend as well as the classic. Among the most prestigious brands: Rolex, Tudor, Jaeger-LeCoultre. Open Open Tues-Sat 9.30am-1pm/3pm-7pm www.ronchigioielli.com. Via Albricci, 2 (Temporary Shop). T: 02 877449. M3 Missori Map F6

SWAROVSKI BOUTIQUE—An iconic symbol of luxury shopping, it offers the best of jewellery, key rings, watches, objets d'art and, naturally, the famous animal figurine collectables inc the best of precision-cut crystal glass and related luxury objects. Open Mon-Sun 10am-7.30pm. www. swarovski.com. Via Dante, 15. T: 02 89092256. M1 Cairoli. Map E4

SWATCH—The secrets of the Swatch success are appealing design at affordable prices. In addition to its classical plastic styles, it now also offers new versions ranging from Irony (in metal) to Snowpass (with an integrated access function that can be used as a ski pass) and Beat (featuring an Internet Time function). It also stocks jewellery and specials. Several stores located throughout the city (corso Buenos Aires, 64; via Montenapoleone, 12; corso Vercelli, 3; corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 15; corners at Coin, piazza Cinque Giornate; corso di Porta Ticinese, 58). Open Mon-Sun 10am-8pm. www.swatch.com. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 15. T: 02 76000520. M1 San Babila. **Map G5**

TIFFANY & CO.—This world-renowned jeweller has four flagship stores in Milan, Florence, Bologna and Rome. Located in the heart of Milan's fashion district, it carries an exclusive selection of classically simple jewellery and gift items in perfect keeping with the tradition of its famous New York counterpart founded in 1837. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. www.tiffany.com. Via della Spiga, 19/a. T: 02 76022321. M3 Montenapoleone, M1 San Babila. Map G4

VAN CLEEF & ARPELS—Respect for the past, a taste for beauty, a passion for travel and a search for harmony are the underlying values that the Maison has continued to uphold since its creation in 1906. Values which though never losing sight of contemporary styles nevertheless continue to encourage an ongoing dialogue between those who create the jewellery and those who wear them. A timeless recognizable style defined by elegance, femininity and creative audacity are the hallmark features found in all the collections of this historic brand. For a century Van Cleef & Arnels have been fusing inspiration and technical prowess into creations embodying expertise, ingenuity and talent. Open Tues-Sat 10am-7pm, Mon 3pm-7pm. www.vancleef-arpels.com. Via P. Verri, 10. T: 02 7767951. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 🌉 🧟

VILLA MEISSEN®—Drawing thousands of visitors all over the world each year, Meissen® has created a unique life-style experience with home, fine art, porcelain, accessories, and the most recent Meissen® Joaillerie collection, combining a meld of exclusive

materials such as porcelain, gold and precious stones, exemplifying the brand's supreme craftsmanship. This 300 year-old German luxury brand has recently refurbished Casa Carcassola-Grandi as the location for its stunning European Flagship store. Open Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm. www.meissen.it. Via Montenapoleone, 3. T: 02 89423725. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

VHERNIER—A leader in the production of sublime jewellery, this maison is a hot favourite with the international jet set and specializes in the production of highly exclusive, unique pieces.

Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www. vhernier.it. Via Santo Spirito, 14. T: 02 77331560. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

Leather & Luggage

GIÒSA—An atelier combined with a showroom in the Brera district, where the particular way to work the crocodile leather is, before being a business, a family history for about 40 years. The atelier merges the traditional working techniques of how to handle the most precious leathers with the modern and innovative way to transform them. Today Giòsa has become a reality bringing the finest craftsmanship and producing unique pieces intended to satisfy each costumer's necessity, from the choice of colors to the most sophisticated finish. Open Mon-Fri

9am-1pm/2pm-7pm: Sat and Sun by appointment. www.giosa.eu. Via Ciovasso, 6. T: 02 86997441. M1 Cairoli, M2 Lanza. **Map F4**

PELLUX—Situated just a short distance from the Duomo, Pellux is the epitome of luxury travel luggage selling briefcases, suitcases, bags of all shapes and colours and handcrafted lines made from the most precious skins. It is the first Italian flagship store of Rimowa, leading producer of aluminum and polycarbonate suitcases. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm, www.pellux. it - www.rimowastoremilano.it. Piazza San Fedele, 2 (entrance from via Agnello). T: 02 864104. M1-M3 Duomo. Map G5

Passion Shopping

DRIVE YOUR DREAM — The city tour itineraries of Drive Your Dream offer all the excitement of driving a super car either in Milan's most prestigious shopping streets or its outlying areas (Lake Como and Lake Maggiore). Thanks to a test drive, from 15' to 8 hours, under the supervision of an expert co-pilot, you can experience all the thrill of turning heads behind the wheel of a Ferrari Spider or a Lamborghini Gallardo Spider. Flat rate fee, no deposit or extra charges for insurance or petrol. www.dydrent.it. Piazza Sempione, 5. T: 02 39195044 or 327 6787077 (info and reservations).

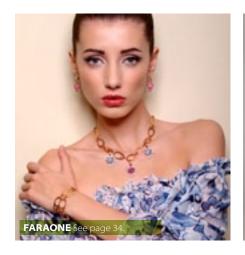
SPOTLIGHT

A Summer of Innovations at Fidenza Village, one of the Chic Outlet Shopping® Villages

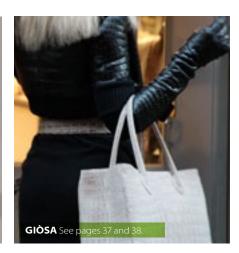
Chic Summer Nights is back. Every Thursday, from 21 June to 30 August, shopping at Fidenza Village is extended until 11 pm, to spend a carefree evening with music, food and drink. Furthermore, to make your Chic Summer Nights experience even more enjoyable, Fidenza Village offers you the free Shopping ExpressTM service. The coach leaves from Milan's Piazza Castello, 1 at 6.30 pm and returns from Fidenza Village at 11 pm. The



Chic Summer season will begin with the launch of the first Italian **Hearts On Fire** boutique, an American jewellery brand certified as the manufacturer of the most perfectly cut diamonds in the world. In addition to its works of art, the limited edition 'Architecture' collection, inspired by the architectural forms of the most beautiful international cities, will also be available at the new boutique. fidenzavillage.com







E. MARINELLA—Established in 1914 the Marinella brand is known throughout the world for its stylish, hand-made neckties, worn by heads of state, industrial magnates and celebrities. In addition to the legendary shop - still located in Naples - and its sophisticated Milan boutique, E. Marinella ties are also sold at its single-brand store in Tokyo, Lugano and London. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7pm. www.marinellanapoli.it. Via Santa Maria alla Porta, 5. T: 02 86467036. M1 Cordusio. **Map F5**

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UnionPay is the national bankcard association in China, responsible for operating the unified inter-bank clearing and settlement system in China and developing the international acceptance network for UnionPay cards. The total number of UnionPay cards issued worldwide has exceeded 2.1 billion: in 2009. the number of UnionPay card inter-bank transactions reached **7 billion** totaling USD 1.1 trillion (shops: 2.13 million / POS terminals: 2.88 million / ATMs: 930 thousand). UnionPay has also established partnerships with around 400 financial institutions all over the world.

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MONTBLANC—A legendary manufacturer of fine writing instruments and sophisticated, high-quality watches and jewellery. The product range also Includes eyewear and leather goods. Two locations In the city (via Montenapoleone and corso Vercelli). Open Mon-Sat 11am-7pm. www.montblancitalia.it. Via Montenapoleone, 27B. T: 02 76317720. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

SCALA SHOP (LA)—A destination store for the lovers of ballet and opera, this fabulously equipped shop offers a wide choice of books, CDs, DVDs, gift items, merchandise, photos and posters. It has a corner dedicated to dance equipment and shoes by Freddy, the official sponsors of the La Scala Ballet corps. Purchases can also be made online. Open Mon-Sun 10.30am-7.30pm and on evenings during performances. www.lascalashop.it. Largo A. Ghiringhelli. T: 02 45483257. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F4 🤵

SEGWAY—The trendiest, most environmentallyfriendly way to visit the city and its fashion streets. Segway offers a wide range of services including: "Downtown tour", 3 hours in discovery of the most evocative places of the city's historic centre, "Shopping Tour" to visit downtown boutiques with a personal shopper, "Movida Tour", to spend a fun-filled evening at one of the city's most glamorous, hot spots. Reservations advisable. www.segwaytourmilan. com. Piazza Sempione, 5 (Arco della Pace). T: 02 39545062, info@segwaytourmilan.com. Map D3

Shoes

ALFONSO GARLANDO—Tailor-made, Italian-style shoes are the protagonists at this charming boutique in the Brera district, which offers madeto-measure shoes for ladies and brides available in hundreds of different styles and a wide array of materials. Open Mon 12.30am-7.30pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 11am-1.30pm/2.30pm-7pm. www.alfonsogarlando.it. Via Madonnina, 1. T: 02 874665. M2 Lanza **Map F4**

BALLIN—The signature brand of "Made-in-Italy" excellence and leader in the artisan production of luxury footwear has recently opened a new singlebrand store in Milan. Extending over a surface area of 200 sq.m. in Milan's Quadrilatero della Moda, the store makes a statement with its minimalist lines and elegant decor. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. www.ballin-shoes.it. Via Santo Spirito, 5. T: 02 76014904. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

FRATELLI ROSSETTI—Renowned throughout the world for their comfort and fit. These beautifully handcrafted shoes are a perfect mix of luxury and tradition, with an added touch of originality. Beautiful and stylish to boot. The boutique is closed for rennovation until the end of March and it will reopen with a completly new concept. The temporary shop is in corso Matteotti. 22 inside Galleria del Toro. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-2pm/3pm-7pm. www.fratellirossetti. com. Via Montenapoleone, 1. T: 02 76021650. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

GEOX—The famous "breathable shoe", the result of the creative genius of Mario Moretti Polegato. distinguished by a special waterproof, breathable membrane. Innovation, design and healthy feet. Nine sales points in Milan. Open Mon-Sat 10am-730pm: Sun 11am-730pm www.geox com. Piazza San Carlo corner of corso Vittorio Emanuele II. T: 02 76028217. M1 San Babila. Map G5; via Montenapoleone, 26. T: 02 76009372. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

HOGAN—Add a touch of high-quality comfort and the best of Italian design to your shoe wardrobe. Innovative, easy-to-wear luxury. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7.30pm; Sun 10.30am-2pm/3pm-7.30pm. www.hoganworld.com. Via Montenapoleone, 23.







T: 02 76011174. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4 🚬 🧟

POLLINI—This new concept store houses all the collections of men and women's footwear and accessories in three rooms. On stepping inside, customers will be welcomed by iconic armchairs of retro inspiration, artistically placed throughout the various rooms, and a hanging lighting system consisting of delicately handcrocheted lamps. Open 10am-7pm. www.pollini.com. Via della Spiga, 15. T: 02 76015351. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

RODO FIRENZE—A new space inspired by the longstanding heritage of this Florentine maison renowned for its high-class craftsmanship in leather and textile footwear and accessories. The boutique features a contemporary ambience dominated by a magnificent crystal staircase that connects the shop to the showroom. Open Mon-Sat 10am-130pm/230pm-7pm www.rodo.it Corso.Matteotti 14. T: 02 84961950. M1 San Babila. **Map G5**

SERGIO ROSSI—Sergio Rossi awakens the femme fatale in every woman. Beautifully crafted, comfortable, eye-catching footwear designed for women in search of an iconic symbol of style. Each pair of shoes is checked for quality at least 120 times. Sergio Rossi also stocks handbags. Open Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. www.sergiorossi. com. Via Montenapoleone, 27. T: 02 76006140. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

STUART WEITZMAN—A brand specializing in comfortable, high-fashion women's footwear, Stuart Weitzman offers trendy styles, uber-luxe pumps with staggeringly high stiletto heels and evening sandals featuring the brand's unique, unmistakable style. More than 600 creations for all seasons combing both classic and exotic materials - from cork to printed snakeskin from goretex to gelatinous materials -, worn by beautiful people and fashionistas the world over. Open daily 10am-7pm. www. stuartweitzman.com. Via della Spiga, 3. T: 02 76003316. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

VERGELIO—A historic brand offering some of the finest quality footwear for men and women. Collections that are always abreast of the latest fashion trends without ever foregoing quality. A Made-in-Italy "must". The chain has many other shops scattered around the city. Open Mon 3pm-

7.30pm; Tues-Sat 10am-7.30pm. www.vergelio.it. Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 10. T: 02 76003087. M1 San Babila. **Map G5**

VIBRAM—From the well-known Italian company that produces rubber soles for sports footwear and, in particular, hiking boots, amongst other things, this shop offers the highly original "Vibram FiveFingers" product that adapts perfectly to the shape of any foot. Open Mon 3pm-7.30pm; Tues-Sat 10am-1.30pm/3pm-7.30pm. www. vibram.com. Via R. Sanzio, 6. T: 02 36528461. M1 Wagner. **Map B4**

Stationery

PETTINAROLI—Established in 1881 as a print shop and this year celebrating its 130th anniversary, it subsequently branched out into traditional stationery. On offer, highly unique gifts, personalized planners, business cards printed on the finest of papers and antique prints. Open Mon 3pm-7pm; Tues-Sat 10am-2pm/3pm-7pm. www.fpettinaroli. it. Piazza San Fedele, 2 (entrance from via T. Marino), T: 02 86464642-1875, M1-M3 Duomo. Map F4 🧟

SPOTLIGHT

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Milan, by shuttle bus from Foro Bonaparte (M1 Cairoli-M2 Lanza): you'll discover our beachwear collections and experience the sheer joy of the perfect buy at an unbelievable price with **Summer Sales** starting July 7th. Extra opening hours July 7-8, 14-15 from 9am to 10pm.

You can reach the Centre by car, by train or by the shuttle bus service from Milan running everyday: find out more on www.mcarthurglen.it and facebook.com/ SerravalleDesignerOutlet







La Malmaison, Timeless Charm

Its name is reminiscent of Napoleone Bonaparte's favourite dwelling, a country home, not far from Paris to which the Emperor loved to retreat. This exclusive Milanese restaurant still retains all the charm and romantic aura of this glorious past offering diners an elegant, unforgettable experience. The venue serves an array of highly sought-after dishes (mainly fish) which can be savoured by candlelight in an ambience of pure sophistication. Open Mon-Sun 8pm-12pm (make sure to book ahead even for lunch). www.lamalmaison.it. Via Comune Antico, 27. T: 02 67101302. Off Map

For more detailed listings, please see www.wheretraveler.com

Haute Cuisine

ACANTO-PRINCIPE DI SAVOIA—A fabulously elegant ambiance awaits you at the famous Hotel Principe di Savoia. The tables are set just the right distance apart, the service is impeccable and the atmosphere exudes charm. The restaurant offers superior quality food prepared by renowned chefs with dishes that stylishly update the classics of Milanese cuisine, with risotto taking centre stage.

The chef's creativity is also expressed in the pasta, meat and fish dishes. Open daily 7pm-11pm.

Brunch on Sun 12.30am-3pm (65 euros); Business lunch from Mon to Fri (50 euros). €€€. www. hotelprincipedisavoia.com/ristorante-acanto. Piazza della Repubblica, 17.

T: 02 62302026. M3 Repubblica.

Map G2

ARMANI NOBU—An ultra-trendy ambiance patronized by the fashion crowd. It goes without saying that this fab restaurant, owned by the legendary "Giorgio", is located in Milan's "Quadrilatero della Moda". Contemporary luxury, impeccable service and creative cuisine with a touch of Japanese, signed by the internationally renowned chef, Nobuyuki Matsuhisa. Open Mon-Sat 12am-3pm; 6.30 pm-midnight. Sun 6.30pm-midnight. €€€. www. armaninobu.it. Via G. Pisoni, 1 corner of via A. Manzoni. T: 02 62312645. M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

BULGARI-IL RISTORANTE—An oasis of tranquillity, carrying the Bulgari trademark, in the heart of Milan. The famous chef, Andrea Ferrero, offers elegant presentations and small, though satisfying, portions. €€€€. Open daily. www.bulgarihotels.com. Via privata Fratelli Gabba, 7/b. T: 02 805805233. M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

DON CARLOS-GRAND HOTEL ET DE MILAN—Set against an elegant backdrop in the heart of Milan (entrance also through the Grand Hotel et de

Milan), it is an intimate spot set within a warm, sophisticated ambience. It has an elegant outdoor area and a cellar boasting over 200 superlative wines. The menu is enhanced by the creative cuisine of Angelo Gangemi, a young, talented Roman chef, and his team. Open every day until late at night for after-theatre diners. €€€. www.ristorantedoncarlos.it. Via A. Manzoni, 29. T: 02 72314640. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

JOIA—Pietro Leemann is considered the guru of vegetarian food or, according to his own definition, of "natural haute cuisine". Several of his finest creations include his "uovo apparente" ("Fake Egg"), his "tonno e la sua ombra" ("Tuna and its Shadow"), his "elogio della Sicilia" ("A Tribute to Sicily") and his "dolcezza a strati" ("Sweet Layers"). The wine list is just as classy as the restaurant. Closed on Sat at lunch and on Sun. €€€€. www.joia.it. Via P. Castaldi, 18. T: 02 29522124. M1 Porta Venezia; M3 Repubblica. Map H2

Guidelines

This directory, grouped by category, is a list of establishments recommended by the editors of *Where Magazine* and includes regular advertisers.

MAPLOCATIONS

Note that references in **BOLD** at the end of each listing (**A1, B5** etc) refer to the coordinates on the street maps on pages 62-63.

INFORMATION

Reservations for most restaurants are strongly advised. Consult your concierge. In Italy, service is included in the price meaning that although tipping is not compulsory, it is obviously appreciated as a sign of satisfaction. Some menus include the word "coperto", a small surcharge corresponding to the cost of the service and bread. Although no dress code exists in Italy, semi-formal clothing is usually considered de rigeur at restaurants. All restaurants and bars are non-smoking unless a separate smokers' area is specifically offered. Several unusual venues, offering unique gourmet delicacies, are listed under **Tasting Experience**.

PRICES

Prices are per person.

€ = 30 € or less / €€ = 31-50€ / €€€ = 51-100€ / €€€€ = 101-150€ / €€€€€ = 150€ and above.

Where on the web: when you find this logo go to www.wheremilan.com to find the updated menu online.



LE NOIR-THE GRAY—In perfect keeping with the hotel's style and design the "Le Noir" Restaurant, situated on the first floor of the Grey Hotel, has a totally black look, in a post-modern oasis where one can enjoy Mediterranean dishes skilfully revisited by the Chef: a cuisine based on fresh and light products, like hand made pasta, fresh fish and vegetables. The restaurant also offers every day a business lunch menu. A vegetarian menu is also available on request for those who love healthy and light recipes. €€€. www. hotelthegray.it Via San Raffaele, 6. T: 02 7208951. M1, M3 Duomo Map F5

MARCHESINO (IL)-TEATRO ALLA SCALA—Gualtiero Marchesi, the "Maestro" of Italian cuisine, is the mind behind these fabulous restaurant and bistrot which, among other things, are set in a superb location: the Teatro alla Scala. Music and good food, a combination which gives life to the best dishes of Italian haute cuisine, featuring original creations and updates of the classics of Milanese cuisine, from risotto to breaded veal cutlets. After-theatre dinner service. Closed on Sat at lunch and on Sun. www. ilmarchesino.it. €€€€. Via Filodrammatici, 2 corner of Piazza della Scala. T: 02 72094338. M1-M3 Duomo, M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

SAVINI—As much a city Landmark as La Scala, this well-established restaurant is considered to be the city's finest. Stylish decor and period furnishings create a sophisticated ambiance which, combined with impeccable service, make this a perfect dining experience. The chef Giovanni Bon offers an array of wonderfully creative food, demonstrating his truly authentic talent. Two tasting menus, "Savini 2011" (5 dishes for 95 euros), or "Sorpresa" (6 creations by the chef for 110 euros). Closed on Sat at lunch and on Sun. €€€€. www.savinimilano.it.

Via U. Foscolo, 5 (Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II). T: 02 72003433. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

VERANDA (LA)-FOUR SEASONS—The wonderful cuisine prepared by Sergio Mei, one of Italy's foremost chefs, can be experienced at this ultraluxurious restaurant located inside one of Italy's most glamorous hotels overlooking the gandens. His unique Mediterranean style of cooking, with particular emphasis on the cuisine of Sardinia, the chef's native birthplace, brings to life an array of unforgettable flavours and ingredients. Open daily 7am-11pm. €€€€. www.fourseasons.com. Via Gesù, 6/8. Ti 02 77081435.

M3 Montenapoleone, M1 San Babila. Map G4

TRUSSARDI ALLA SCALA—Located next of the Teatro alla Scala, this restaurant, boasting two Michelin stars, embodies outstanding interior design and top-rate cuisine. The chef Andrea Berton is known for his scallops with ginger and peanut cream sauce. Other signature dishes include "liquid salad with cuttlefish dumpling and black olive oil", "risotto with raw prawns Sicilia and coral" and "duck Nantaise, steamed breast, fried leg and grilled spring onion". Closed on Sat at lunch and on Sun. €€€€. www.trussardi.it. Piazza della Scala, 5. T: 02 80688201. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F4

VUN-PARK HYATT—A fabulous restaurant, overlooking the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele, with food by the supremely talented chef, Andrea Aprea. Signature dishes include, seafood salad, porcini mushroom salad with slivers of Parmesan cheese, eggs poché, catalogna chicory soup, fresh spaghetti alla chitarra with Vesuvio tomatoes and basil, mullet stuffed with potatoes, capers, olives, orange sauce and sea urchins, costoletta alla Milanese and, for dessert, Montebianco "à la mode du chef". Closed on Sat at lunch and on Sun. €€€. http://milano.park.hyatt.it. Via T. Grossi, 1. T. 02 88211234. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

Traditional Italian Cuisine

AL' LESS—The signature dish at this restaurant is "bollito misto" (boiled meat) served with all the traditional sauces. Al'Less is also a nursery so don't be surprised by the fact that they also sell plants, particularly aromatic ones, and books on plants and healthy eating. Closed on Mon at dinner. €€€. www.alless.it. Viale Lombardia, 28. T: 02 70635097. M2 Piola. Off Map

AURORA—A nineteenth century interior in winter and a fresh outdoor area for alfresco dining on hot summer evenings. Located in the vibrant design area, its offers typical Piedmontese cuisine with typical cold meats, fresh cheeses and substantial main courses. Don't forget to end your meal with Aurora's pear and chocolate cake. Great selection of wines from the Piedmont region. Closed on Mon. €€€. Via Savona, 23. T: 02 89404978. M2 Sant'Agostino, M2 Porta Genova FS. Map C7

BAGUTTA—One of Milan's oldest restaurants, Bagutta is famous, among other things, for a literary prize that was once awarded here. In fact, it is also for this reason that it is patronized by VIPs and intellectuals. Its top-class cuisine (Tuscan and Lombard) can also be savoured in the garden. House specialities include: la "forentina", the famous Florentine T-bone steak, the "scaloppina alla Bagutta", and soups. Closed on Sun. €€€.

www.bagutta.it. Via Bagutta 14. T: 02 76002767. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

BOTINERO—Nestling in the characteristic Brera district, this restaurant is a welcoming, soughtafter gourmet location. Owned by soccer stars Zanetti and Cambiasso, it offers all the typical flavours of Italian cuisine, with particular emphasis on fresh, seasonal ingredients. Wine connoisseurs will be delighted by its serious wine list. The venue boasts five dining areas (including three private rooms) for all occasions, from romantic dinners right up to corporate events, and seats up to 120 people. The whole is completed by a fabulous outdoor area for "al fresco" dining, far removed from the hustle and bustle of city life. €€. www.botinero.it. Via San Marco, 3. T: 02 65560840. M2 Moscova, M3 Turati. Map F3

CANTINA PIEMONTESE—A top-level "trattoria" with a welcoming atmosphere situated in a beautiful corner of Milan just a short distance from the Duomo. Originally a winery with a prestigious tradition, this charming bistrot furnished in 1930s style offers diners a choice of classic regional cuisine from all over Italy. Certified by the Italian association for celiac disease. Closed on Sun. €€. www.cantina-piemontese.it. Via Laghetto, 2. T: 02 784618, M1-M3 Duomo. Map G5

DON LISANDER—For more than sixty years, a fashionable restaurant situated right in the heart of Milan, just a short distance from the Teatro alla Scala. An elegant atmosphere and impeccable service. The menu features traditional Lombardy and regional Italian cuisine. The speciality of the house is risotto. For dessert, also try the chestnut semifreddo with persimmon sauce. €€€. www. ristorantedonlisander.it. Via A.Manzoni, 12/A. T: 02 76020130. M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

GALLERIA—Situated halfway between the Duomo and La Scala, Galleria offers elegant inside and outside dining, the perfect place to enjoy Italian style hospitality, from a simple espresso to the cuisine or mouth watering. Established as a mid twentieth century café, today Galleria is also a stylish restaurant and pizzeria featuring a traditional wood-fired pizza oven. Open 365 days a year from 8am to 1am. Live music after 7. €€. www.ristorantegalleria.it Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, 75. T: 02 86464912. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

GIANNINO TRATTORIA—One of the oldest restaurants in Milan, it was opened in 1899, by Pisa-born Giannino Bindi. Boasting a 300 seating capacity, the restaurant has a number of elegantly furnished dining rooms decorated in light and dark shades. Classic menus and simple food made from only the finest, freshest ingredients. A varied menu in keeping with the restaurant's age-old tradition featuring a wide selection of fish and meat, regional dishes and mouth watering desserts. Closed on Sat and on Sun at lunch. EE. www.giannino.it. Via V. Pisani, 6.

IL GIORNO BISTROT-HERMITAGE—This is a contemporary space featuring decor and settings inspired by "Il Giorno", a traditional Milanese newspaper of longstanding repute. A sort of "literary restaurant" which, though

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Milanese Tasting Highlights

Get ready for the Golden Guide Restaurants, the first guide to Milanese restaurants reccommended by the Golden Keys Concierges. Here we offer you a sneak preview of several of the most interesting locations featuring the best of Italy's culinary tradition – bon appétit!

ACANTO—The five star restaurant at the Hotel Principe di Savoia is renowned for its impeccable cuisine, a fresh, wholly Milanese alternative to standard dining. Chef Fabrizio Cadei specializes in classics cooked with an ingenious twist. The chef's creativity is also expressed in the surprising presentation of his dishes. Open daily 7pm-11pm. Piazza della Repubblica, 17. T: 02 62302026 www.principedisavoia.com/ristorante-acanto.

AL CELLINI—Set within an elegant ambience, in the vicinity of the highly central piazza Cinque Giornate, the restaurant is patronized by a demanding clientele that loves good food and unique atmospheres. The venue is renowned for its tantalizing, rigorously fresh, fish-based dishes including its platter of raw seafood specialities, its tuna and sea bass tartare and its "seafood carbonara-style paccheri" considered the restaurant's signature dish. Open daily (except on Saturday at lunch) 12am-3pm/7.30pm-11.30pm. Via B. Cellini. 19. T: 02 76024484. www.yalcellini.it.

Map H5

Map G2

BICE—More than a restaurant, Bice is an iconic Milanese restaurant renowned for its exquisite cuisine. A culinary haunt of the fashion crowd and a must-visit stopover for stars and visiting heads of state. This historic venue, established in 1926, has upgraded its menu with four, high-quality, "fast" proposals: Mediterraneo (pasta), Light (fish), Vegetarian and Meat, featuring favourites like "bistecca alla fiorentina" or classic Milanese steak. Open daily except on Sunday at dinner. Via Borgopesso, 12. T: 02 76002572/795528. www.bicemilano.it. Map G4

CAVALLINI—Recently subjected to a makeover, the elegant, though informal Antica Osteria Cavallini, is now back on the culinary map. The restaurant boasts a charming garden, filled with coloured orchids, gardenias and lemon trees that create a welcoming atmosphere and offer diners an unusual touch of green in the heart of downtown Milan.

A combination of old-world charm and innovation meld in a mix of traditional and avant garde cuisine, with particular emphasis on the search for fresh, seasonal ingredients and authentic flavours. Open 12am-3pm/7pm-midnight. Closed on Saturday at lunch. Via M. Macchi, 2. T: 02 6693174/6693771. www.ristorantecavalliniit. Map H2

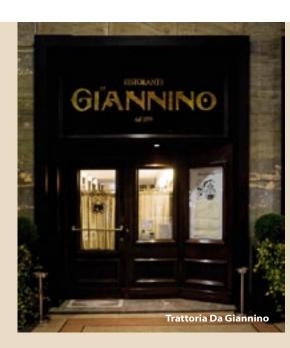
DA BERTI—An oasis of unexpected peace and

elegance immersed in lush, green surroundings in the centre of Milan. Four large dining rooms with exposed timbers and wall decorations of times gone by, the restaurant offers diners a large frescoed veranda overlooking a marvellous century-old garden. Da Berti offers typical Milanese cuisine including classic standout dishes such as "risotto alla milanese" and "risotto al salto", tripe or "busecca", "Magnum alla Berti" (ossobuco with risotto), Lombardy-style escalopes and the city's famed breaded veal cutlet. Open 12am-2pm/8pm-10.30pm. Closed on Saturday at lunch and on Sunday. Via Algarotti, 20. T: 02 6694627. www.daberti.it. **Map G1**

DA GIACOMO—Set against a romantic backdrop reminiscent of old early 20th century Milanese "trattorie", Da Giacomo offers a prevalently fish-based menu inc. tuna, prawns, crab and sea-bass which can be selected straight from the display case at the entrance, as a tangible sign of the freshness of the food served. All dishes are accompanied by a wide selection of fine wines. In season, visitors can also savour dishes flavoured with the white truffles of Alba, porcini mushrooms and Caesar's mushrooms. Open daily 12.30am-2.30pm/7.30pm-11.30pm. Via P. Sottocorno, 6. T. 02 76023313.

www.giacomoristorante.com. Map H5

DAL BOLOGNESE—Offering a wholesome take on Bolognese cuisine, with lots of egg pasta dishes interpreted in mouth watering combinations including Caesar mushroom salad, "pasta e fagioli", "spaghetti cacio e pepe", mixed boiled meats, roast beef, Bolognese-style meat loaf, braised pork cheek, fish tartare, curried prawns with rice, grilled calamari and prawns with artichokes. Closed on Saturday at



lunch and on Sunday. Piazza della Repubblica, 13. T: 02 62694845. **Map G2**

GENTE DI MARE—A perfect meld of French charm and classic Mediterranean influences. The emphasis is on simple dishes prepared with fresh, genuine produce, where the chef shows off his winning ways with classic seafood dishes flavoured with delightfully scented herbs, aromas and vegetables to accentuate their taste. Open 12am-2.20pm/7pm-11.30pm. Closed on Sunday. Bastioni di Porta Volta, 5. T. 02 29005823. www.ristorantegentedimare.it. Map E2

GIACOMO ARENGARIO—A tribute to Art Déco set within a unique location: the Museo del Novecento. From the top floor of the building which hosts a precious art collection, the restaurant is the latest creation of patron Giacomo Bulleri and his family, already well-known restaurateurs in Milan, where visitors can savour the delectable delicacies of Giacomo's rich menu boasting highly sought-after dishes, but also lighter ones for a quick lunch, with a stunning panoramic view over the Duomo. Open daily 12am-12pm.Via G. Marconi, 1. T. 02 72093814. www.giacomoarengario.com. Map F5

GIACOMO BISTROT—Ideal for a pre-or post-cinema/
theatre meal in an ambience where the decorative
mood brings to mind the decor of times gone by.
Sophistication made simple is the motto here and it
doesn't disappoint. Quick, standout dishes include
meat and game with the addition of Parisian bistrottype food such as oysters and truffles accompanied
by champagne. Open daily 12am-12pm.
Via P. Sottocorno, 6. T. 02 76022653
www.giacomobistrot.com. Map H5

IL CORIANDOLO—Located in the heart of Milan, Il Coriandolo offers diners an elegant, pleasant atmosphere for a relaxed dinner with friends. A good venue for a post-theatre/cinema dinner or a light business lunch. Its upscale Italian menu offers fish-based and seafood dishes, which arrive fresh every morning, as well as a wide choice of typically Milanese entrees and main courses. Open daily



9.30am-3pm/7pm-1.30am. Via Dell'Orso, 1. T: 02 8693273. www.ilcoriandolo.com. **Map F4**

Il LUOGO DI AIMO E NADIA—A restaurant boasting fifty years of history, Aimo and Nadia are the most famous team of great chefs in the city. This stylish restaurant offers delicious, imaginative wholly Italian cuisine, featuring a blend of updated classics. Open Mon-Fri 12.30pm-2pm, Mon-Sat 7.30pm-10pm. Via Privata R.Montecuccoli, 6. T: 02 416886. www.aimoenadia.com. Off Map

LA BRICIOLA—A refined, elegant ambience, outstanding Mediterranean cuisine and respect for traditions, a wine cellar boasting several of the finest labels and, last but not least, a warm, welcoming atmosphere: this is what make La Briciola an exclusive Club – a home from home. Feast on the best of Mediterranean cuisine with a decidedly contemporary twist. Open 12.30am-3pm/7.30pm-11pm. Closed on Sunday and on Monday at lunch. Via Solferino, 25. T: 02 6551012. www.labriciola.com. Map F2

LA RISACCA 6—For more than thirty years, La Risacca 6 has confirmed its status as one of the city's best seafood places. Set within one of Milan's oldest districts, its sophisticated, vibrant cuisine is distinguished by the outstanding quality of its wonderfully fresh, seasonal fish. In fact, house specialities vary according to the catch of the day and range from "tagliolini with prawns and zucchini flowers" to "Gragnano-style paccheri and linguine". Open 12.30am-2.30pm/7.30pm-11pm. Closed on Sunday and on Monday at lunch. Via Marcona, 6

(corner of via Cellini). T: 02 55181658/5468041. www.larisacca6.it. **Map H5**

MAMMA ROSA—At this restaurant you can taste outstanding delicacies of Italian regional cuisine, with a menu that offers exclusively seasonal meat or fish-based menus. The restaurant's pride and joy is its cellar, a real museum dedicated to wine. Its cellar master will be more than happy to take you on an enriching tour in order to enlighten you about the restaurant's impressive selection of more than one thousand wines. Closed on Sunday. Piazza Cincinnato, 4. T: 02 84571125.

SADLER—Claudio Sadler is an internationally renowned two-Michelin star chef whose enormous creativity and culinary innovation are expressed in the various menus on offer. An ongoing quest in search of regional traditions, with particular emphasis on freshly sourced, seasonal ingredients that change according to his creative mood and the season in question. Open 7.30pm-11pm. Closed on Sunday. Via A. Sforza, 77. T: 02 58104451. www.sadler.it. Off Map

TRATTORIA DA GIANNINO—One of the oldest restaurants in Milan, Giannino is a favourite haunt of the Milanese jet-set and offers a rich menu in keeping with the venue's age-old tradition, including signature dishes such as veal kidneys cooked in olive oil with garlic and parsley or "cotoletta alla Milanese," but also lighter menus for a quick business lunch. Open daily, 12am-3pm/7pm-11.30pm. Via V. Pisani, 6. T: 02 66986998. www.giannino.it. Map H2



DISHES & SPECIALTIES: A MINI-GUIDE

Milan offers a cuisine featuring a number of truly unusual flavours. Here is a brief guide to make sure that you don't miss out on several of the city's best and most typical recipes.

Risotto giallo allo zafferano: this is one of the few dishes boasting a specific "birth date". In fact, legend has it that, on 8 September, 1574, master glassmaker Valerio di Fiandra was presented with a dish of saffron-coloured rice at his daughter's wedding feast after which time it became an iconic dish of Milanese cuisine. Master Chef Gualtiero Marchesi (Ristorante Teatro alla Scala "Il Marchesino", see listing page 41) has transformed this delicacy into a real work of art, with the addition of a square of edible gold leaf! We also suggest trying its crunchier version: so-called "riso al salto".

Cotoletta alla milanese: mentioned for the first time in 1500 at the court of the Sforza, its "invention" was a source of contention with the Viennese who laid claim to its origin. According to the traditional recipe, the veal slices used should be at least as thick as a finger, coated in egg and bread crumbs and deep fried in butter. One of the best places to eat breaded veal cutlets in Milan is at the "Al Garghet" restaurant in via Selvanesco 36.

Trippa (or busecca): a hearty winter dish that will keep the cold out, its main ingredient is the stomach lining of sheep or cows. It was originally served to celebrate special occasions in the peasant world. Upgrades include the addition of oysters and caviar which can be sampled at Michelin-starred osteria, "Al Pont de Ferr" on the Navioli.

Cassoeula: according to the history books, composer and conductor Arturo Toscanini was mad about this dish made from pork (sausages, pork rinds and spare ribs) and cabbage. For a taste of old-world Milan, we suggest you try it at "Ponte rosso" in Ripa di Porta Ticinese 23.

Polpette (or mondeghili): small meat balls fried in butter and oil and a signature dish of renowned chef Bruno Barbieri who has made them an art form. Don't miss a visit to "Cicilla la prima polpetteria di Milano" in via Volta 7.

Dulcis in fundo, in the true sense of the word, are the city's famous desserts, pastries and confectionery. In addition to world famed Italian gelato (see page 48), an absolute "must" in summer, there are also a number of other typical delicacies that are prepared during the holiday season including panettone (at Christmas), Colomba (at Easter) and Chiacchiere and Frittelle (at Carnival). However, year-round, you can also try Milan's traditional Tiramisù (although the main ingredient of the classic recipe includes coffee, there are also other variations on the theme, which can be tasted at "Il Paradiso del Tiramisù" in via Vela 8) and, finally, Profiteroles, mouth watering, chocolate coated puffs filled with custard

And, if after all these delectable tasting experiences, you would like to bring home a taste of Milan, you can sign up for a few lessons at one of the city's numerous **cookery schools** including "teatro7" (www.teatro7.com), "Accademia di Italiano" (www.aimilano.it), "Altopalato" (www.altopalato.it) and "La Scuola de La Cucina Italiana" (www.scuolacucinaitaliana.com).





reserved, also offers a "laid-back" atmosphere. Its regional Lombardy cuisine, created by chef Alessandro Tamborrino, is based on a careful selection of products, with no fuss or frills. An interesting detail: alongside the traditional menu, the restaurant offers its customers also a totally gluten-free menu that enhances all the flavours of high-quality regional cooking. €€. www.monrifhotels.it/ HotelHermitage.it. Open daily. Via Messina, 10. T: 02 31817402. **Map D1**

LA RENA—Just a stone's throw from the Duomo, this new restaurant offers a typical Mediterranean fishbased menu. Lobster and crayfish are the specialties proposed in "Plateau Royal", where raw fish is a must. The restaurant boasts a warm, welcoming atmosphere. In addition to its main dining room, enhanced by an original 19th century column, it also has two more private dining areas for intimate lunches or dinners. At midday, the chef offers a light, creative menu, eminently conducive to quick business lunches. Open daily noon-2,30pm/7pm-11.30pm. www.larenaristorante.it. Via Festa del Perdono, 1, T: 02 76281274, M3 Missori, Map C6

LA TERRAZZA DI VIA PALESTRO—Overlooking the gardens of Porta Venezia, the standout features of this restaurant are inventive Italian cuisine and a breathtaking view over the city. An ultra-cool restaurant boasting stylish, contemporary design interiors and a stunning outdoor area with a lounge, the perfect spot for a pre-dinner aperitivo. For an evening with friends or a corporate event, its cuisine will satisfy even the most demanding palates. Its menu varies according to the seasonal products on offer Guests can take their pick from the restaurant's extensive wine list boasting several of Italy's finest wines, champagne and French wines. €€. www.laterrazzadiviapalestro.com, via Palestro, 2. T: 02 76028316. M1 Palestro. **Map G3**

LOCANDA DEL GATTO ROSSO (LA)—The

restaurant, advertising itself as "agritourism in the city" provides diners with a charming neo-liberty setting in keeping with the elegant atmosphere of the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele and offers the old-world cuisine of Northern Italian regional cooking based on fresh, seasonal ingredients. Courteous service and an elegant atmosphere further enhance classic dishes interpreted with particular flair. Also great for after-Scala dining. Open daily, 9am-midnight. Reservations required. €€. www.lalocandadelgattorosso.it. Via U. Foscolo, 3 corner of Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II T: 02 72022411. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

MAMMA ROSA—A sophisticated ambience specializing in inventive gastronomic cuisine featuring fresh produce, high-quality ingredients and the search for original upgrades to typical Italian fare. Chef Valerio Stumpo offers exclusively seasonal, meat or fish-based menus. Try the restaurant's array of sirloin steaks, breaded

Milanese cutlet served with chips, fresh pasta and home-made desserts. The venue offers topquality food at affordable prices and an impressive selection of more than one thousand wines. English French Spanish and German spoken Open Mon-Sat. €€. www.osteriamammarosa.it. Piazza Cincinnato, 4. T: 02 29522076. Map H2

MEMO RESTAURANT—A charming restaurant featuring a 1930s ambience where you can spend an entire evening starting with an aperitivo and ending with an after-dinner drink. The cuisine offers regional dishes made from only the freshest seasonal ingredients with a choice of 3 tasting menus, from the kitchen, from the grill and from the wood-fired oven. Also the ideal spot for after-dinner entertainment thanks to a rich calendar of performances and shows. Open Mon-Sat 7.30pm-2am, €€, memorestaurant.it, Via Monte Ortigara, 30. T: 02 54019856. Off Map

OLTREMARE-BOSCOLO EXEDRA—Located inside the Boscolo Exedra Hotel in Milan, just a few steps from the Duomo, the Oltremare restaurant expresses an innovative concept of contemporary luxury. Decorated with eclectic is also somewhat unconventional, as is its cuisine. Its sophisticated culinary philosophy is expressed through artisan dishes, cooked highlight their taste, re-evoking its regional and unusual flavours. Always open. €€€. www. boscolohotels.com. Corso Matteotti, 4-6. T: 02 77679640. M1 San Babila. **Map G4**

OSTERIA DEL BINARI—This delightful "Osteria" with its romantic air, also offers its clientele a charming garden for al fresco dining. Saffron risotto, vegetarian cuisine. Pasta, bread and desserts are always home-made Open daily €€€ Via Tortona 1 T: 02 89409428. M2 Porta Genova FS. **Map C7**

OSTERIA PRIMO NOVECENTO—An historic early 20th century villa acts as the perfect backdrop for this old world Milanese venue where quests will be enchanted by its romantic, sophisticated atmosphere in pure Art deco style featuring crystal chandeliers and characteristic period paintings. The menu offers all the flavours of timehonoured Mediterranean tradition with standout specialities including fish dishes (first and foremost lobster and prawns), served ad hoc for business lunches or romantic dinners, boasting only the finest, seasonal ingredients. Open Mon-Fri lunch 12am-2.30pm/dinner 7pm-11pm; Sat only dinner: Sun (September-May) lunch and dinner. €€. www.primonovecento.it. Via R. di Lauria, 17

with international and Italian meals, featuring a selection of vegetarian dishes. €€. Pacific Milano T: 02 69833008. M2 Centrale FS. **Map G1**

RIGOLO—Established in 1958 this Tuscan restaurant

artworks, its décor, though supremely elegant, with only the freshest organic ingredients that past in order to allow diners to experience new

"cotoletta alla milanese" and braised dishes but also

corner of piazza Firenze. T: 02 33611643. Map A1

PACIFIC MILANO RESTAURANT-HILTON—It takes a particular interest in vegetarian and vegan cuisine Restaurant c/o Hotel Hilton Milan. Via L. Galvani, 12.

has contributed to the fame of the Brera district and offers diners a warm, convivial atmosphere In the words of Oscar Wilde, "simple pleasures are the last refuge of the complex" and, in fact, for



RISTORANTE LA RENA

7.30pm to midnight. English and Russian spoken. Map G6

Via Festa del Perdono, 1 - T: 02 76281274

years, this has been a favourite haunt of famous writers from Montale to Ouasimodo, artists, Heads of State, VIPs and newspaper editors. The menu includes meat and fish dishes, breaded cutlets, spaghetti with aragostelle (a mix between a langouste and a prawn), soups, sliced fillet of beef with artichokes and home-made desserts. Closed on Mon. €€€. www.rigolo.it. Largo Treves. T: 02 804589. M2 Moscova, M3 Turati. **Map F3**

SALUMAIO DI MONTENAPOLEONE (IL)—A historic Milanese location – has recently re-opened at Palazzo Bagatti Valsecchi where it now defines itself as a "delicatessen, café bistrot and restaurant" Open from 12 noon to 11pm (closed on Sun), it offers all kinds of delicious home-made delicacies including fresh pasta, hot appetizers and main courses. Topnotch cocktails and delicious snacks are also served at the café bistrot. €€. www.ilsalumaiodimontenapoleone.it. Via Santo Spirito, 10. T: 02 784650-76001123. M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

TAVERNA DEL SACRIPANTE—Simone Suardi is one of Milan's youngest and most talented chefs. A protégé of the famous Pietro Leeman, chef patron of the famous Joia restaurant, he boasts creativity, technical ability and intelligence. At his restaurant, with its Parisian-bistrot type atmosphere, clients can savour a mixture of creative, traditional dishes. In addition to risotto, fish'n chips and fried pizza are his "must-try" specialities. Always closed at lunch and on Mon, €€, www.sacripante.com, Viale Coni Zugna, 52. T: 02 83390065. M2 Sant'Agostino. **Map C6**

TORRE DI PISA (LA)—This historic trattoria offers traditional Tuscan cuisine in a warm, welcoming atmosphere. Guests are greeted at the entrance by a long table, spilling over with simple, genuine food which you can watch being prepared in the open-air kitchen. Delicious food and an elegantly simple atmosphere to make diners feel totally at home. Closed on Sat at lunch. €€. www.trattoriatorredipisa.it. Via Fiori Chiari, 21/5. T: 02 874877; T: 02 804483. M2 Lanza. **Map F3**

VALTELLINA—A warm ambiance, reminiscent of mountain resorts ("Valtellina" is a wonderful valley situated in the middle of the Italian Alps and a favourite Milanese holiday destination) featuring typically Alpine-style decor. Serves regional dishes from the area, with platters of cold cuts and rich starters. Closed on Fri and on Sat at lunch. €€€. Via Taverna, 34. T: 02 7561139. **Off Map**

3pm/6.30pm-midnight. Sun 6.30pm-midnight. **ZIO PESCE**—A welcoming, informal atmosphere offering a high-quality, tasty though simple www.bentobar.com, Corso Garibaldi, 104. fish-based menu. Catalan-style lobster, oyster T: 02 6598075. M2 Moscova. **Map F2** and seafood platters, Seafood risotto, imperialstyle turbot, a mixed-fry of local seafood and

lots of other dishes of the best Italian and

international tradition. Defining itself as a

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influences, this modern location, boasting a "New

York-style" atmosphere offers American fare and

not only, upgraded with high-quality ingredients

and the all-Italian passion of its chefs. Open Tues-

cuisine and Spanish gastronomic tradition at this

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BBQ—A perfect choice for those who love char-grilled

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"pappardelle with porcini mushrooms and "bistecca

choice of desserts. Closed on Sat and on Sun at lunch.

alla Fiorentina" (T-bone steak) with potatoes. Great

€€€. Via P. Sottocorno, 5/a T: 02 76003571. **Map H5**

BENTO SUSHI—A trend-setter in Japanese cuisine,

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atmosphere. Patronized by VIPs and international

typically oriental atmosphere the restaurant also

based Happy Hour. €€€. Open Mon-Sat 12.30pm-

boasts a top-level sushi bar. Also offers a great sushi-

food aficionados, in addition to exuding a chic,

Bento is distinguished by the quality of its fish

courteous waiters in a sophisticated, laid-back

and its wide choice of beverages. Only the

or barbecued meat: rib roasts, chops, lamb and

and varied each day, are also definitely worth a

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Sun. www.202milano.it. Via Cesare da Sesto, 1.

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DENZEL—One of the few truly Kosher restaurants in Milan, serving an international fish and meat menu of delicate contrast. Traditions of the Middle East America Asia and South America are combined in delectable, tasty dishes, served against the backdrop of a warm, friendly, welcoming ambience. It uses only the finest ingredients and rigorously follows the rules of Kashrut. Closed on Friday evening and on Sat. €€. www.denzel.it. Via G. Washington, 9. T: 02 48519326. M1 Wagner. Map B5

DON JUANITO—Welcoming and trendy, this restaurant offers delightful specialities in which meat takes centre stage, accompanied by a selection of excellent red house wines. From South American fast-food-style dishes at lunch to a more intimate romantic setting at dinner, featuring all the enticing flavours of Argentina. Open Mon-Fri 12am-3pm/7pm-11pm. Sat 7pm-11pm. €€. www. donjuanito.it. Corso di Porta Vigentina, 33. T: 02 58431217. M3 Crocetta. **Map G7**

EL PORTENO—Possibly the best Argentinean restaurant in Milan. El Porteno is renowned for its succulent meat and churrasco cuts. Exquisite dishes offered by chefs focusing primarily on tradition and high-quality ingredients, house specialities inc asado criollo, grilled beef, pork and veal, empanadas and pollo en escabeche. Also offers a fabulous selection of important wines including Argentinean specialities such as Malbec and Torrontes. Open for dinner. €€€. www.elporteno.it. Viale G. Galeazzo, 25. T: 02 58437593. **Map E7**

GIACOMO—Thanks to its impeccable service and fabulous food, this is one restaurant that would not know what the word "crisis" means. Top-notch fish dishes with particular attention to seasonal ingredients. A favourite VIP haunt. Great wine list. €€€€, www.giacomomilano.com, Via P. Sottocorno, 6 corner of via B. Cellini.T: 02 76023313. Map H5

GIARDINO DI GIADA (IL)—Experience and impeccable service are the strong points of this



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large, luminous restaurant. An oriental ambience with design undertones, the side window houses the modern, Jade Café "noodle bar", featuring cocktails. In addition to traditional, mouth watering Asian fare it also offers real Cantonese cuisine, fish and seafood. Only the finest ingredients and the freshest products, prepared in the stir-fry version, on a hot griddle, steamed or with tofu. The best Chinese restaurant in Milan. Closed on Mon. €€. www.giardinodigiada.it. Via Palazzo Reale, 5.
T: 02 8053891. MI-M3 Duomo.

Tel 02 8053891

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HONG KONG—Chinese cuisine. An elegant, evocative atmosphere boasting good food and impeccable service. Try the chef's specialities like Kong Pao chicken, i.e. chicken pieces with nuts, chilli pepper and a special sweet soya-based sauce; the fish dishes; Pekinese, Cantonese and smoked duck and rice puffs for dessert. Closed on Mon at lunch. €€. Via G. Schiaparelli, 5. T: 02 6701992. M3 Sondrio. **Off Map**

MAMA CAFÈ RESTAURANT—Something good at all hours of the day. This is the philosophy of this restaurant which stays open from the early morning till late at night. In the morning, a great breakfast with lots of mouth watering treats. At lunch, dishes and sandwiches made from the best Italian produce. In the late afternoon, Happy Wine, a wine aperitivo. Brunch on Sundays

and, at dinner, typical Italian regional dishes. Closed on Sun and on Sat at lunch. €€. www. mamacafe.it. Via Caminadella, 7. T: 02 86995682. M2 Sant'Ambrogio. **Map D6**

Closed on Monday

RE SALOMONE—Located in the heart of Milan, this restaurant offers typically Jewish fare together with an excellent selection of Israeli wines. Its stylish, low-key interior is the ideal place for an evening featuring top-level Middle-Eastern cuisine. "Must-try" dishes include falafel, tasty kubbe and an assortment of expertly cooked, fresh fish. Closed on Fri and Sat lunch. €€. www.resalomone.eu. Via Sardegna, 45. T. 02 4694643. M1 Wagner. Map A5

SARLA—Sarla in Indian means "virtuous simplicity", the underlying philosophy of this famous Indian restaurant which is also the best in town. We suggest trying: "Aam Baadam" (chicken pieces in a mango, almond and cashew nut sauce), "Punjabi Kadhi" (vegetables and chickpea patties in a delicate yoghurt sauce, flavoured with aromatic Indian spices), "Lamb Korma" (lamb cooked in a delicate cashew nut sauce) and "Chicken Balti" (chicken breasts in a hot tomato sauce). Open daily for dinner and Mon-Fri for lunch. €€. www.sarla.it. Via G. Stampa, 4. T: 02 89095538. M3 Missori, M1-M3 Duomo. Map F6

SEVEN—Relaxing in a charming ambience while tasting the best meat in the world, chosen by our expert staff. Filetto steccato (filet wrapped in

a thin layer of lard), Angus rib-roast, suckling pig and other delicacies. Fusion cuisine that brings the world to your home, accompanied by a fine selection of wines: over 180 labels on the list, with a choice of 24 wines also available by the glass. Closed on Sunday. The kitchen is open from 7pm to midnight. €€€. www.sevengroup. it. Four locations: Casa dei Ciliegi. Via L. Bertelli, 4. T: 02 2615190. M1 Turro. Off Map • Corso Colombo. Corso C. Colombo, 11. T: 02 58101669. M2 Sant'Agostino. Map D7 • Viale Monte Nero, 29. T: 02 54019867. M3 Porta Romana. Map H6 • Sempione. Via Gherardini, 1 corner of corso Sempione. T: 02 34592908. Map D3

SHIKI RESTAURANT—The cuisine at this restaurant located in via Solferino, in the heart of old Milan, sees inventive Japanese cooking infused with a continental sensibility. Chez Shiki, the best Japanese specialities, enriched by a touch of Italian creativity, can be enjoyed in a sophisticated ambience, featuring top-level, courteous service. Customized menus are available on request. Guests can also reserve a private room or the entire restaurant. The ideal place for business lunches or dinners. Lunch Mon-Fri noon-3pm; dinner daily 8pm-2am. www.shikimilano.it. Via Solferino, 35. T: 02 29003345. M2 Moscova. Map F2

SHIVA—A warm, welcoming atmosphere where guests can savour the exotic aromas of traditional Northern Indian cuisine. Located just a short distance from the Naviglio Pavese, this restaurant – listed in the Michelin Guide – serves specialities including prawn curry with onions, lamb kebabs and other delectable tandoori delicacies. Open daily. Take aways also available. €€ www.ristoranteshiva.it. Via G. Galeazzo, 7.T: 02 89404746. Map E7

VIETNAMONAMOUR—Located in a small, early twentieth century building, this is the best restaurant in Milan for Vietnamese cuisine. "Must try" dishes include crab soup with ginger, chicken cooked in an earthenware pot and fillet of sea bream in lotus flower. Closed on Sun. €€€. www.vietnamonamour.com. Via A. Pestalozza, 7. T: 02 70634614. M2 Piola. Off Map

ZERO CONTEMPORARY FOOD—A true culinary temple dedicated to Sushi enthusiasts, it is the brainchild of authentic Japanese chef, Hide Shinohara and two Milanese Japanese foodies. Shinohara's passion for all things Italian prompted his decision to move to Milan where he found fertile ground for his creativity. His cuisine encompasses a delightful all-round mix of a wide range of different ingredients and new, unusual food pairings, including truffles, caviar and foie gras, but also excellent dishes based on the best Japanese tradition. Open Mon-Sat for dinner only; take aways available from 6.30 pm to 1 pm. €€. www. zeromagenta.it. Corso Magenta, 87. T: 02 45474733. M1 Conciliazione. Map C5

Pizza

GEMELLI—Fabulous pizza made by the Falcone family, originally natives from the Amalfi coast, this is the place that has taught the world how to make pizza. The house speciality is the "Gemelli pizza": tomatoes, mozzarella, mushrooms, eggs and chilli pepper. Other dishes, all of Mediterranean origin, are also available. Their signature dessert is "cassata",

MILAN EXPERIENCE



CANTINA PIEMONTESE

Thanks to the passion of its patron Laura, and the expertise of Chef Ivo, at this top-level "trattoria" – just a few steps from the Duomo – not only will you find a traditional, top-quality restaurant but also a welcoming, rustic and unpretentious atmosphere. The food is comforting too, featuring typical Italian dishes (homemade pasta and fabulous beef) plus an astute selection of fine wines for a memorable dining experience. Certified by the Italian Association for celiac disease. Closed on Sunday.

Via Laghetto, 2 T: 02 784618 www.cantina-piemontese.it

LA TERRAZZA DI VIA PALESTRO

Overlooking the gardens of Porta Venezia, the standout features of La Terrazza di Via Palestro are inventive Italian cuisine and a breathtaking view over the city. An ultra-cool restaurant boasting stylish, contemporary design interiors and a stunning outdoor area with a lounge, the perfect spot for a pre-dinner aperitivo. For an evening with friends or a corporate event, its cuisine will satisfy even the most demanding palates. Its menu varies according to the seasonal products on offer. Guests can take their pick from the restaurant's extensive wine list boasting several of Italy's finest wines, champagne and French wines.

Via Palestro, 2 – T: 02 76028316 www.laterrazzadiviapalestro.com



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MAMA BURGER

"The best burger in town": this is the perfect place to enjoy a real hamburger, either during your lunch break or at dinner (but also for a nighttime snack), in perfect American style. A brainchild of Guido Cancellieri, the venue boasts minimalist décor and a cosmopolitan atmosphere – the perfect backdrop to delectable, genuine, underground cuisine made only from the freshest ingredients. Its open-space kitchen and glass-fronted windows overlooking piazza della Repubblica convey a trendy, welcoming atmosphere. To stay or to go, open daily from 11 am to 2 am.

Via Agnello, 18 – T: 02 84579407 Via V. Pisani, 14 – T: 02 67075379 www.mamaburger.it

LA MALMAISON

This exclusive Milanese restaurant still retains all the charm and romantic aura of its glorious past offering diners an elegant, unforgettable experience. The venue offers an array of highly sought-after dishes (mainly fish) which can be savoured by candlelight in an ambience of pure sophistication. Open Mon-Sun 8pm-12pm (make sure to book ahead even for lunch).

Via Comune Antico, 27 T: 02 67101302 www.lamalmaison.it



More info: www.wheremilan.com



Italian Gelato

GROM—Vanilla ice-cream, the way it "used to taste." Mouth-watering flavours include pistachio, strawberry and lemon and Sicilian cassata... an almost maniacal choice of all natural ingredients. www.grom.it.

- Via A. da Giussano, 1. T: 02 43511942 Open Mon-Sat 12am-11pm; Sun 11am-11pm M1 Conciliazione
- Via S. Margherita, 16. T: 02 80581041 Open Sun-Thurs 12am-11pm; Fri-Sat 12am 12midnight M1-M3 Duomo
- Corso di Porta Ticinese, 51. T: 02 58107110 Open daily 12am-1am
- Corso Buenos Aires, 13. T: 02 20520104 Open Sun-Thurs 11am-12midnight; Fri-Sat 11am 1am M1 Lima
- Corso XXII Marzo, 5. T: 02 55199175 Open Sun-Thurs 11am-12midnight; Fri-Sat 11am-1am

IL MASSIMO DEL GELATO—Six different types of chocolate ice-cream (including Aztech made from 100% cocoa with little gold leaves) in the chilli pepper, rum, sour cherry, almond or pear Williams versions.

Open Tues-Sun 12am-12midnight Via Castelvetro, 18. T: 02 3494943

RONCHIMILANO — Quality and elegance paired to create an innovative approach to ice-cream: a new generation concept store.
www.ronchimilano.it
Open Mon-Thurs 8am-11pm; Fri-Sat 8am-12midnight; Sun 9am-11pm
Viale Piave, 8. T: 02 76319237. M1 Palestro

CHOCOLAT MILANO—Chocolate in all shapes, sizes, tastes, aromas and colours. www.chocolatmilano.it Mon-Sun 7.30am-1am. Via Boccaccio, 9.
T: 02 48100597. M1-M2 Cadorna FN

cioccolati italiani—lce-cream as a sophisticated tasting experience featuring unusual combinations and gourmet-style ingredients. www.ciocolatitaliani.it. Mon-Sun 7am-12midnight - Via E. De Amicis, 25. T: 02 89406651

M2 Sant'Ambrogio - Via San Raffaele, 6. T: 02 89093820 M1-M3 Duomo

CHOCO CULT—A chocolate, ice-cream and coffee shop offering a wide assortment of flavours, including savoury ones such as courgette flower, beetroot and balsamic vinegar.

Open daily 7am-1am. Via M. Buonarroti, 7. T: 02 48027319. M1 Wagner

○ WHERE TIP GELATERIA SEMPIONE—

For fans of chocolate or fruit. Open daily 11am-11pm. Corso Sempione, 81 corner of via Filiberto. T: 349 3523508.



a typical delicacy from Southern Italy. Closed on Sat. €€. Via della Torre, 1. T: 02 2619809. M1 Turro. **Off Map**

SPONTINI—Renowned for its outstanding sliced pizza topped with tomatoes, mozzarella and anchovies. Soft with a crisp base, the pizza is baked in a wood-fired pizza oven. Owned by Massimo Innocenti, it has been a favourite with pizza fans since the '50's. Closed on Mon. Other branches can also be found in via Marghera, via Cenisio and in viale Papiniano. €. No credit card. www.pizzeriaspontini.it. Via G. Spontini, 4. T: 02 20474444. M1 Lima. Off Map

Tasting Experience

AM BIRRA&CUCINA—Set in a warm, Nordic atmosphere, this restaurant, in partnership with a brewer of some of the best quality raw beer in the world, features home-cured cold cuts, light fries, cheese fondue, great meat grills, skewered chicken, and original Vienna sausages as well as a number of high-quality, beer-based drinks and more. The establishment also offers 150 home-brewed beers from several of the best breweries in the world plus an assortment of 12 different home-baked breads made with whole meal flour and natural yeast. Closed on Sunday. The kitchen is open from 7pm to midnight. www.ambirraecucina.it. Via Tertulliano, 38. T: 02 55184989. M3 Lodi. Off Map

CAFFÈ LETTERARIO—Located inside the Teatro Grassi and its 17th century cloisters, restored to their former glory following in-depth restructuring work, the Caffè Letterario, run by Soti's Events, offers its custumers a catering service 7 days a week. In addition to being available for business lunches, tempting happy hours and delectable Sunday brunches, it is also open to the public during the performances held at the Fondazione Piccolo. Via Rovello, 2. T:02 72333505. M1 Cairoli. Map E3

CAFFÈ VERGNANO—A combination of old-world Italian elegance and contemporary taste and design. The secrets of its success: the highest quality coffee beans are purchased directly in their places of origin and roasted according to rigorously traditional methods. The ideal place to get to know and appreciate not only the aroma of real Italian coffee but also a variety of unusual food. Open Mon-Sun 7am-8pm. www.caffevergnano.com. Via Speronari, 3. T: 02 86996858. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

CALIFORNIA BAKERY—A corner of America where you can relax and take a break from the hustle and bustle of city life and taste typical specialities prepared with only the finest ingredients. Goodies on offer inc homemade cheesecake, muffins, apple pie, stuffed bagels and doughnuts to delight your palate either at breakfast or lunch. Also available, fabulous savourv quiches of all types. A warm welcoming atmosphere offset by shabby chic furnishings and an open oven Different menus served at different times. Several locations (via Larga, 19; piazza Sant'Eustorgio, 4; viale Premuda, 44; via Verzieri corner of via Merlo, 1). Open Mon-Fri 8am-midnight; Sat 9am-midnight. Reservations for brunch on Sat and Sun. www.californiabakery.it. Piazza Sant'Eustorgio, 4. T: 02 39811538. M2 Porta Genova FS. **Map E7**

EATALY—A fabulous tasting and purchasing experience. A branch of the famous Turin shop, Eataly offers customers several of the best artisanal



and organic products on the market. Based on the philosophy of Slow Food, it guarantees a selection of healthy, environmentally sustainable and socially responsible products. A real haven for food lovers. Open Mon-Fri 10am-8pm; Sat 10am-8.30pm; Sun 10am-8pm. www.milano.eataly.it. Eataly c/o Coin. Piazza V Giornate, 1. T. 02 92870066. Map HS

JOE CIPOLLA—Choose your meat directly from the meat counter and have it cooked over a charcoal fire, for a really special, unique flavor. An array of house specialities: cold cuts and cheese produced by small local manufacturers; a wide variety of meat from the best pastures: charcoal-cooked rice, bruschette made with home-baked bread, char-grilled onions and lots of other specialities cooked directly over a charcoal fire; "homemade" desserts and pasta and an excellent selection of fine wines. Closed on Sunday. The kitchen is open from 7pm to midnight. €€. www.joecipolla.it. Two locations: via Vigevano, 33. T: 02 58114363. M2 Sant'Agostino. Map D7 and via San Marco, 29. T: 02 45488837. M2 Moscova. Map F2

JUICE BAR—This new establishment, situated just a stone's throw from the Duomo, is the natural antidote to the hustle and bustle of everyday city life. It enables you to rediscover the pleasure of a healthy break: from smoothies to yoghurts, all made while you wait, this corner is likely to give you the necessary energy to face the frenetic rhythms of a city that is constantly on the go. Open daily 7am-22pm. www.juicebar.it. Via Agnello, 18 corner of via Hoepli. M1-M3 Duomo.

LUINI—A Milan institution since 1948, the original bakery exists since 1880. At this stand-up counter near the Galleria, you'll have to elbow your way through a throng of well-dressed patrons to purchase the house specialty: "panzerotto", a pocket of pizza crust stuffed with all sorts of ingredients, including the basic cheese-and-tomato. Service is quick and efficient, with buns, drinks and cakes. Open Mon 10am-3pm; Tues-Sat 10am-8pm. www.luini. it. Via Santa Radegonda, 16. T: 02 86461917. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

MAMA BURGER—"The best burger in town": this is the perfect place to enjoy a real hamburger, either during your lunch break or at dinner (but also for a nighttime snack), in perfect American style. Its minimalist décor and cosmopolitan atmosphere act as a backdrop to delectable, genuine, underground cuisine made from only the freshest ingredients. Its open-space kitchen and glass-fronted windows overlooking

piazza della Repubblica convey a trendy, welcoming atmosphere. To stay or to go, open daily from 11 am to 2 am. www.mamaburger.it. Via V. Pisani, 14. T: 02 67075379. M3 Repubblica. **Map G2 •** Via Agnello, 18. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map G5**

MAMA KITCHEN —Though recently inaugurated, this restaurant is already a cult destination for foodies and bons vivants. From brunch to an aperitivo, for lunch or dinner, this is the ideal spot to savour underground delicacies in Milan's highly central piazza della Repubblica. More than a traditional Italian restaurant, more than a typical American fast-food venue: a real international experience of taste and design. To stay or to go, open daily from 11 am to 2 am. Via V. Pisani, 14.

T: 02 67490133. M3 Repubblica. **Map G2**

PANINO GIUSTO—The "panino" (sandwich) is an Italian and Milanese speciality, which holds enormous appeal on account of its mouth watering ingredients, above all, Italian deli delights such as ham, salami, cheese and vegetables. The establishment offers some of the best "Panini" in Italy including one of the most popular, truffle and salmon. It also serves other dishes including cold roast beef and "vitello tonnato". Open Sun-Fri noonlam; Sat noon-1.30am. www.paninogiusto.it. Corso G. Garibaldi, 125. T: 02 6554728. M2 Moscova. Map F2

PASTICCERIA MARCHESI—Pralines and pastries, biscuits and panettone (from November to February), chocolates, sweets and over thirty different types of homemade cream cakes, cannoncini and éclairs. It still retains its original early nineteenth century atmosphere and has a counter at which you can drink a cup of coffee accompanied by tiny, mouth watering treats. Pastries baked fresh on a daily basis and for the holiday season. A truly sweet treat. Open Tues-Sat 7:30am-8pm; Sun 8:30am-1pm. www.pasticceriamarchesi.it. Via Santa Maria alla Porta, 11/a. T: 02 876730. M1 Cairoli. Map E5

PECK—A paradise for food lovers. At this high-class delicatessen, for years an authentic temple of Milanese taste, you will find the best of Italian excellence, from cured meats to sauces, from wines to liqueurs, from cheeses to olive oil. Spread out over three floors, Peck is also a great place for an unforgettable stopover, thanks to its large sampling areas. The search for quality is Peck's primary aim, achieved through a careful selection of products from all over the world. A totally worthwhile gastronomic experience. Open Mon 3.30pm-7.30pm; Tues-Fri 9.15am-7.30pm; Sat 8.45am-7.30pm. www.peck.it. Via Spadari, 9. T. 02 8023161. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

PESCHERIA DA CLAUDIO—Is an upscale seafood shop, aperitivo and recently also a restaurant serving an array of pesce crudo (raw fish). Good restaurant at the first floor for lunch (12.30am-2.30pm) and dinner (from 7.30pm). One of the oldest seafood places in the city and definitely the most famous, it is distinguished by its fabulously fresh produce. Mon 11am-8pm; Tues-Sat 9am-9.30pm. www. pescheriadaclaudio.it. Via Cusani, 1. T: 02 8056857. M1 Cairoli. Map E4

SANT'AMBROEUS—A traditional meeting place, since 1936, just a few steps away from the La Scala Theatre. It offers a fabulous selection of typically Italian cakes, pastries, candies and chocolates. The aperitivo spread includes international cocktails and delicious appetizers. Open Tues-Sun 7.30am-8.30pm. Closed on Monday. www.santambroeusmilano.it. Corso G. Matteotti, 7. T: 02 76000540. M1 San Babila. Map G4

THE BAGEL FACTORY—This is the second Milanese sales point dedicated to bagel buffs where real American bagels are prepared according to ancient Jewish tradition for either a quick in-house snack or a take-away treat that can be eaten while strolling along the Navigli or through downtown Milan. Open Mon-Sun 8am-8pm. www.thebagelfactory.it. Corso di Porta Vittoria, 46. T: 02 87187697. Map H5



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A Hot Date at the Diana!

With its charming private garden, the h club>diana at Milan's Hotel Sheraton Diana Majestic is the perfect place to spend an evening devoted to fashion and style. This season, guests will find loads of innovations including the traditional happy hour appointment with live performances and the recently restyled bar, garden and gazebo by Italian brand Baxter. Open daily for "aperitivi" from 7pm-10pm and for after-dinner entertainment from 10pm-1am.

For info and reservations: www.sheratondianamajestic.it.Viale Piave, 42. T: 02 20581 Map H3

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Aperitivo

10 CORSO COMO CAFÉ—Lounge bar (with adjoining restaurant) located inside a vast complex dedicated to shopping and entertainment (art, fashion and design) founded in 1990 by the publisher and gallerist Carla Sozzani. Open Mon 6pm-1am; Tues-Fri 12pm-1am; Sat 11pm-2am; Sun 11pm-1am. www.10corsocomo.com. Corso Como, 10. T: 02 29013581. M2 Garibaldi FS. **Map F1**

BAR STRAF—The street bar of the Straf design hotel in the heart of Milan. The bar echoes the basic materials used inside the hotel such as concrete walls and floors, although here the interior designer Vincenzo De Cotiis has created a sort of spatial overwriting by using a hyper-decorative style. Open daily from 9am to midnight (Sat-Sun 11-midnight); aperitivo 6pm-10pm. Live music on Tues from 6pm, dj set on Thurs-Fri, www.straf.it, Via San Raffaele, 3. T: 02 80508715. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

CAMPARINO IN GALLERIA—One century after it was first opened, Camparino - historically known as the "bar of the Campari brand" - has returned to its original spot in the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. In the early 20th century it was a meeting place for musicians, artists and men of learning, and the place that gave birth to the tradition of the Milanese aperitivo. The new modern interpretation of the famous original sign has been designed by the master Ugo Nespolo. A place where visitors can **CUBO—**An elegant cube-shaped glass greenhouse, experience a true Campari "full immersion". Open Tues-Sun 7am-8.30pm, www.camparino.it, Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II corner of Piazza Duomo. T: 02 86464435. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

CONTI CAFÉ—This small cosy café-restaurant and lounge bar is located in the courtvard of a prestigious location in via Montenapoleone. Here you can taste and purchase not only confetti (sugared almonds), cakes, chocolates and tea and coffee blends but also raw fish caviar and Mediterranean-style pasta dishes. Open Mon-Sat 8am-11pm; Sun 10am-11pm. Aperitivo 6.30pm-11pm. Dj set with aperitivo on Wed. Via Montenapoleone, 19. T: 02 76394934. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone, Map G4

COVA—Founded in 1817, by none other than one of Napoleon's soldiers. Thanks to its strategic

position in the heart of the Quadrilatero della moda, this venue is a true Milanese classic. Established as a pasticceria, it also offers a house aperitivo: an infusion of herbs and flowers based on a secret recipe. Open 7.45am to 8.30pm. Also lunch noon-2pm and aperitivo from 6pm. www.pasticceriacova.it. Via Montenapoleone, 8 T: 02 76005599. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

overlooking a charming English-style garden, located in the heart of the trendy Brera district. This stylish complex houses the Bookshop & Caffetteria degli Atellani, the ideal spot for a drink, a business lunch, a dinner, or a special event. The Caffetteria offers a vast selection of fine Italian wines serving as the perfect accompaniment to light delectable menus. Open Monday-Friday 12am-6pm. www.atellani.it. Via della Moscova, 28. Bookshop T: 02 36535957; Caffetteria T: 02 36535959. M2 Moscova, M3 Turati. **Map F3**

DESEO—This elegant, crowded lounge-restaurant is situated just a few metres from the Arco della Pace. Boasting a sophisticated setting, it offers delicious cocktails and a rich buffet. It also has a small tobacconist's counter for the joy of smokers. Aperitivo from 5.30pm to 9.30pm. Corso Sempione, 2. T: 02 315164. Map D3

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MAP LOCATIONS

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INFORMATION

Several venues offering food are included in this section. These are considered as meeting places rather than gourmet addresses and thus explain our decision to list them here rather than under Dining. Most major theatre productions are listed here together with a list of other entertainment. Since programme times are subject to change (often on a daily basis) it is impossible to list all of them here. We therefore suggest that you doublecheck details regarding specific programme times. Major events can be found in the "Where Now" section, Open-air markets are an excellent opportunity not only to make purchases but also to acquaint visitors with the folklore of the city or indulge in VIP watching. For this reason, we have listed them here rather than under "Shopping". All details are correct at the time of going to press but times can, and do, change. Always ask your concierge to double-check all details.

EL TOMBON DE SAN MARC—This historic Milanese establishment was opened in 1963, in the picturesque Brera district. A restaurant and American bar, it serves typical Milanese fare until 11pm Aperitivo served from 6pm Via San Marco 20. T: 02 6599507. M2 Moscova, M3 Turati. **Map F3**

FASHION CAFÉ—An architectural project based on a "home experience", but also a hot favourite with industrial magnates, models and young upmarket Milanese trend-setters. Open Mon-Fri from 7am to 2am: Sat 8.30am-2am; Sun 10am-2am, Aperitivo from 6pm to 9.30pm. After dinner dj set on Thurs-Sun www.fashioncafe.it Via San Marco 1 T: 02 6572021. M2 Lanza, M2 Moscova. Map F3

GLOBE—An elegant lounge bar and restaurant with a panoramic terrace on the 8th floor of Coin, one of the city's best-stocked and trendiest department stores. The aperitivo comes with a rustic buffet inc cold cuts and cheeses but also platters of select raw fish and upmarket wines. Open daily 11.30am-2am, aperitivo from 6.30pm to 9.30pm. www.globeinmilano.it. Piazza Cinque Giornate, 1, T: 02 55181969, Map H5

JAMAICA—One hundred years after its establishment, Jamaica combines tradition with contemporary art. Formerly a favorite haunt of artists and poets such as Giuseppe Ungaretti, Salvatore Quasimodo, Alessandro Francesco Tommaso Manzoni, Fernando Fontana. beat generation poet Allen Ginsberg and photographer Ugo Mulas, Jamaica today hosts

photographic exhibitions and cultural events accompanied by an "aperitivo" in an atmosphere that continues to retain the intellectual appeal of years gone by. Evening entertainment continues at the Jamaica restaurant, which is only open for dinner. Open daily 9.30am-2am; Restaurant on Wed-Thurs-Sat. www.jamaicabar.it. Via Brera, 32. T: 02 876723. M2 Lanza. **Map F3**

PASTICCERIA BIFFI—A pasticceria established in 1847, its name is linked to the invention of "panettone", the famous Milanese Christmas cake, exported throughout the world. A taste of old Milan: quality and impeccable service. In the late afternoon, it serves traditional aperitivi accompanied by a buffet. Open every day from 6.30am to 8.30pm. www.biffipasticceria.it. Corso Magenta, 87. T: 02 48006702. Map C5

ROIALTO—A spacious, elegant bar-restaurant, distinguished by several buffets counters and a wide selection of cocktails. Aperitivo from 6pm to 10am Closed on Mon www.roialtogroup.it Via Piero della Francesca, 55. T: 02 34936616. Map B1

SANT'AMBROEUS—A traditional meeting place, since 1936, just a few steps away from the Teatro alla Scala. The aperitivo spread includes international cocktails and delicious appetizers based on the theme of the day; oysters, salmon or Parma ham. Open daily 8am-1am. Aperitivo from 5.30pm to 20.30pm, www.santambroeusmilano. it. Corso G. Matteotti, 7. T: 02 76000540. M1 San Babila. Map G4

Golf Facilities

Italy boasts a number of fabulous golf courses. The latest addition to the Milanee golf scene is **SAN SIRO GOLF,** a new driving range located at the Ippodromo di San Siro Galoppo in Piazzale dello Sport 12, T: 02 48216293. Measuring more than 300 metres, it also features 31 driving range stalls, of which 15 are covered and a short play area consisting of a 650 sq.m. putting green with bunker. The ideal spot for even the most demanding golf enthusiasts! Open Mon 12noon-10pm; Tues-Fri 8am-10pm; Sat 8am-8pm: Closed on Sun

Additionally, several golf courses can be accessed by car in just half an hour from the centre of

- GOLF CLUB MONTICELLO (36 holes) located in Cassina Rizzardi (CO), host to several Italian Opens (T: 031 928055; www.gesgolf.it)

- CIRCOLO GOLF BOGOGNO (36 holes) located in Bogogno (NO), open throughout the year and set against the magnificent backdrop of Monte Rosa (T-0322 863 794: www.golfboggggg.com)

CASTELLO DI TOLCINASCO GOLF & COUNTRY

CLUB (27 holes) in Pieve Emanuele (MI), an exclusive golf club built around an old 16th century castle (T: 02 90428035; www. golftolcinasco.it).

GOLF CLUB MILANO (27 holes) set within the Parco Reale di Monza (MR), Golf Club Milano was founded in 1928 and won the CONI "Gold Star" award for sporting achievements (T: 039 303081; www.golfclubmilano.it).



- GOLF CLUB AMBROSIANO (18 holes) located in Bubbiano (MI), a "Kosaido European Tour" associate (T: 02 90840820, www.golfclubambrosiano.com). GOLF CLUB LE ROVEDINE (18 holes) located in Noverasco di Opera (MI), just 8 kilometres from Piazza

del Duomo (T: 02 57606420, www.rovedine.com) - MOLINETTO COUNTRY CLUB (18 holes) located in Cernusco sul Naviglio (MI), on-site facilities include a swimming pool, restaurant and 14 tennis courts (T: 02 92105128; www.molinettocountryclub.it).

Just a little further out of town:

GOLF CLUB BERGAMO L'ALBENZA (27 holes) located in Almenno San Bartolomeo (BG), seat of Professional international tournaments (T: 035 640028; www.

- CHERVÒ GOLF SAN VIGILIO (27 holes) located in Pozzolengo (BS), resort with residence, hotel, spa and wellness centre (T: 030 91801; www. chervogolfsanvigilio.it).

GARDAGOLF COUNTRY CLUB (27 holes) located in Soiano del Lago (BS), situated just a short distance from Lake Garda (T: 0365 674707; www.gardagolf.it).

GOLF CLUB LE ROBINIE (18 holes) located in Solbiate Olona (VA), an oasis of tranquillity with resort situated just 15 minutes from Malpensa airport (T: 0331 329260; www.lerobinie.com).

GOLF DEI LAGHI (18 holes) located in Travedona Monate (VA), set amidst the hills and woods between Lake Maggiore, Varese and Monate (T: 0332 978101; www.golfdeilaghi.it).

GOLF CLUB VARESE (18 holes) located in Luvinate (VA). Founded in 1934, this challenging course offers scenic views of incomparable panoramic beauty (T: 0332 229302; www.golfclubvarese.it).

LA PINETINA GOLF CLUB (18 holes) located in Appiano Gentile (CO), set within 4,800 hectares of magnificent pine forests in the Parco Pineta (T: 031 933202; www.golfpinetina.it).

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TRUSSARDI CAFÉ—Located on the ground floor of Palazzo Trussardi in Piazza della Scala and run by the chef. Andrea Berton, this is the ideal place for those more relaxed moments. Complete with an outdoor area and a vertical garden, it provides an eco-sustainable backdrop for trendy aperitivi. Open Mon-Fri 7.30am-11pm; Sat noon-11pm. www.trussardi.it/trussardi_cafe. Piazza della Scala, 5. T: 02 80688295. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F4

Brunch

CIRCLE—This "restaurant & lounge bar" is situated in the heart of the design district, in the Tortona area, at the Diesel Headquarters. Trendy and innovative, it is open on Mon from 7.30 in the morning to 5pm; Tues-Fri and Sun from 7.30am to 2 at night; Sat from 5pm to 2 at night. There is always music, with great food. Brunch on Saturdays noon to 4pm. Closed on Sunday, www.circlemilano.com, Via E. Stendhal, 36. T: 02 42293745. M2 Sant'Agostino. **Map B7**

H CLUB DIANA-SHERATON DIANA MAJESTIC-

Bar-fover of the hotel Sheraton Diana Maiestic. renowned for its Sunday brunch and its happy hour which goes on until 10pm. Open daily from 8am to 1am; brunch 12.30am-3pm. Live Dj on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. www.sheraton. com/dianamaiestic. Viale Piave, 42. T: 02 20582034. M1 Porta Venezia. Map H3

TRIENNALE DESIGNCAFÉ—Set against the backdrop of one of the most important museums in the city it offers a traditionally American-style brunch. Elegant though informal, it is also suitable for children. A trendy bar and an exclusive restaurant resulting from the expertise of the chef Carlo Cracco and the architect Michele De Lucchi. Open Tues-Wed and Sat-Sun 10am-8.30pm; Thurs-Fri 10am-11pm (aperitivo 7pm-10pm), Brunch on Sun from 11,45am to 4pm.Kitchen open until 6pm. Viale Alemagna, 6. T: 02 89093899. M1-M2 Cadorna. **Map D4**

Concert Venues & Theatres

AUDITORIUM DI MILANO FONDAZIONE CARIPLO—

Inaugurated in October, 1999, the Auditorium is one of Milan's premier concert halls (boasting a seating capacity of 1,400) and home to the Giuseppe Verdi Symphonic Orchestra and Milan Chorus. It also acts as a venue for visiting international jazz acts, symphony concerts and chamber music. www.laverdi.org. Largo G. Mahler. T: 02 83389401. **Off Map**

BLUE NOTE—A branch of the famous New York, Tokyo and Nagoya venues, this is the new temple of Milanese jazz and features world-class performers and big-names on the International music scene. True to tradition, it hosts two shows a night (at 9pm and 11,30pm, with dining option). Tickets only valid for one show. www. bluenotemilano.it. Via P. Borsieri, 37. T: 02 69016888. M3 Zara. Off Map

GIUSEPPE VERDI MUSIC CONSERVATORY—

Founded in 1808, this Conservatory is another of Milan's most illustrious venues for classical concerts and also offers a wide range of courses and cultural activities (masterclasses, seminars, performances, etc.). Many famous Italian musicians studied here - although oddly enough, the young Giuseppe Verdi was rejected. There are two concert halls: the smaller Sala Puccini for chamber music and the bigger Sala Verdi for symphonic and choral music. www.consmilano.it Via.Conservatorio 12 T: 02 762110. M1 San Babila. **Map H5**

MAGAZZINI GENERALI - A former, early 20th century warehouse, the club is located on two levels. Its main floor, extending over a 1000 sq.m. area, features a bar. a dance floor and a stage. It hosts gigs, DJ sets directly from London rave parties and concerts dedicated mainly to avant-garde sounds from the electro-pop world Open on Wed (free entrance) Fri and Sat (admission around €20). www.magazzinigenerali.it. Via Pietrasanta, 14. T: 02 5393948. Off Map

San Siro, **Temple of Football**

Named after the famous Milanese footballer Giuseppe Meazza, the Giuseppe Meazza Stadium (San Siro) is the largest stadium in Italy and the third in Europe. All seats are covered in this three-tiered structure which has a capacity of 80,074 and is the home stadium of two of the three most successful Italian Football League clubs: A.C. Milan and F.C. Internazionale (Inter). It also has a gift shop (T: 02 4046430) and a museum (T: 02 4042432) displaying all kinds of historic items from both Milan's and Inter's past: old jerseys, photos, boots, tickets and a fabulous trophy case. However, even better than the museum is the guided stadium tour which gives you a chance to sit in VIP seats and visit each of the home teams' locker rooms In summer it also hosts important concerts. www.sansiro.net. Piazzale A. Moratti. M1

SALUMERIA DELLA MUSICA (LA)—This old industrial warehouse was listed among the 100 best jazz clubs in the world by the prestigious American magazine, Down Beat. Over the years, it has hosted international star performers like Norah Jones and Pat Metheny, but also rock, pop and soul concerts and cabaret acts, www. lasalumeriadellamusica.com. Via A. Pasinetti, 2. T: 02 56807350. Off Map

TAM/TEATRO DEGLI ARCIMBOLDI—Inaugurated in 2002, for three years it acted as Milan's main opera venue while the historic Teatro alla Scala was being restored and restructured. Boasting a seating capacity of 2,400, it currently hosts a variety of concerts ranging from classical music to rock and pop but also festivals, performances and TV shows. www.



Special Nights

For a truly different evening experience, William's Club le Roy is a historic Milanese nightclub which has entertained both Italian and foreign businessmen and industrialists for more than 40 years with live music, a disco, performances by several of the world's most famous international orchestras and the famous **Elodie Tirard** dance revue. Open daily (except on Sunday) 10.30pm-5am. www. williamsnightclub.com. Galleria Manzoni, 40 . T: 02 799252. M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

Another reference point for those who enjoy clubbing, is Foca Loca, a new lap dance venue which has revolutionized Milan's nightlife. Inspired by famous Parisian clubs and located in the heart of the city centre, it offers a young, sophisticated atmosphere. Open Mon-Thurs 10.30pm-4am; Fri-Sat 11pm-5am. www.focalocaclub.it. Via Baracchini, 11. T: 02 80582619. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

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teatroarcimboldi.it. Viale dell'Innovazione, 1. T: 02 641142200. **Off Map**

TEATRO ALLA SCALA—For over two centuries, a hallowed temple of Milanese music and opera. Designed by Giuseppe Piermarini and inaugurated in 1778, it was recently totally refurbished under the supervision of the renowned architect, Mario Botta. Today the theatre is recognized as one of the leading opera and ballet theatres in the world and offers seasonal events including choral and orchestral works. Out-of-season events are also often organized by private institutions and foundations. www.teatroallascala.org. Piazza della Scala (Ticket Office Via Filodrammatici, 2). T: 02 88791. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F4**

Nightlife

ARMANI / PRIVÉ—Elegant and selective, this is a favourite Milanese haunt with VIPs, models and

aesthetes of all ages. Its fabulous cosmopolitan atmosphere is the perfect place for a drink or a spin on the dance floor to the sounds of seductive DJ sets. Make sure to call ahead to get a table. Open Wed-Thurs 11.30pm-2.30am; Fri-Sat 11.30pm-3am. www.armaninobu.it. Via A. Manzoni, 31. T: 02 62312655. M3 Montenapoleone. **Map G4**

JUST CAVALLI HOLLYWOOD—Dinner-club owned by Roberto Cavalli, a designer of world-renowned fame. A Milanese hot spot for beautiful people, this elegant club, with its ultra-innovative, glamorous interior, is located inside Parco Sempione, one of the green lungs of the city. A fabulous location where you can drink, dine and dance till the small hours of the morning. A chic haven for VIPs and fashionistas. Aperitivo, dinner and after dinner: every day from 8pm to 3am. www. justcavallihollywood.it. Via L. Camoens at the Torre Branca. T: 02 311817. M1-M2 Cadorna FN. Map D3

Sport

IPPODROMO DI MILANO—For over one century, this national monument has represented one of the most prestigious horse racing tracks in the world. Located just a short distance from the Meazza Stadium, it holds horse racing meets (from March to November, Wed, Sat and Fri), harnessracing (throughout the year, except in August, on Tues, Thurs and Fri) and night racing (June and July), www.ippodromimilano.it. Piazzale dello Sport. T: 02 482161. M1 Lotto. Off Map

MEDIOLANUM FORUM (ASSAGO)—Extending over a covered area of 40,000 sq.m., on 4 floors, it includes a multi-functional centre for 25 sports disciplines: bowling and squash, a permanent ice rink, 2 swimming pools and a central arena for basketball, volleyball, cycling, tennis and riding, but also concerts, performances and television events. www.forumnet.it. Via G. Di Vittorio, 6 - Assago (MI). T: 199128800. Shuttle bus from M2 Famagosta. **Off Map**

Gambling & Casino

A few not-to-be-missed opportunities for those who love gambling and betting. Here are some of the most interesting locations both in Milan and "out of town"... good luck!

WINCITY—Set within the heart of Milan, the new Wincity concept offers not only some hundred different games, including the latest generation slot machines, video lotteries and an automatic roulette system, but also tasting events with live music. This entertainment venue houses a restaurant serving typical Italian cuisine and a lounge bar. An innovative touch is the presence of a Personal Player to assist customers and outline play procedures and methods. Smokers' area available. Open daily 8am-2am.Torre Martini, piazza A. Diaz, 7. T: 02 99297302. M1-M3 Duomo.

CASINÒ DI VENEZIA—This magical lagoon city hosts one of the oldest gaming houses in the world. Inaugurated in 1638, since its inception, the Casinò di Venezia has always drawn an international crowd. Check out the unmatched luxury, sumptuous ambience, live entertainment and non-stop gaming experience against the spectacular backdrop of one of Italy's most beautiful cities. Open daily 11am-3am. Ca' Vendramin Calergi - Cannaregio 2040. T: 041 5297111. www.casinovenezia.it

CASINÒ DI SANREMO—Built way back in 1905, the building housing the casino is a magnificent example of Sanremo's famed Belle Epoque style. Its elegant interiors and décor offer visitors a unique ambience in which to spend unforgettable moments thanks to the wide array of gaming options on offer including French and American games and slot machines. Aside from the casino, guests can also relax at the Roof Garden restaurant featuring a romantic panoramic terrace. Open Sun-Thurs 10am-2.30am; Fri-10am-3am; Sat 10am-3.30am. Corso degli Inglesi, 18. T: 0184 5951.



CASINO DE LA VALLÉE—The small town of Saint Vincent, home to the famous casino since 1947, is set within the magnificent mountainous region of the Valle d'Aosta, a well-known tourist destination for weekends and holiday breaks. In addition to all the main games, it also offers a rich events calendar. Open Sun-Fri 10.30am-3am; Sat 10.30am-4am. Via I. Mus, 1 - Saint-Vincent (Aosta). T: 0166 5221. www.casinodelavallee.it

CASINO DI LUGANO—The third largest Swiss financial market and an important tourist hub, Lugano is home to the famous casino nestling on the banks of Lake Lugano, which, this year, will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. Defined as a "play boutique" on account of its stylish, alluring atmosphere, it operates an all-games casino for an unlimited number of tables and slot machines. Restaurant with panoramic terrace, offering a special business lunch menu during the day. Open Sun-Thurs 12am-4am.

Fri-Sat 12am–5am. Via Stauffacher, 1 - Lugano (Switzerland). About 70km from Milan. T:+41 919737111. www.casinolugano.ch

CASINO MUNICIPALE DI CAMPIONE D'ITALIA—

Though existing outside of its fatherland, this tiny piece of Italian soil, located in Switzerland, is home to Europe's largest Casino and can be reached in just under an hour from the centre of Milan. Its beautiful new headquarters, designed by architect Mario Botta, are set within an elegant, international ambience. The casino offers roulette, chemin de fer, baccarat, black jack, poker and slot machines. It also has two in-house restaurants. Open Sun 10.30pm-5am; Mon-Thurs 11.30pm-5am; Fri 11.30pm-6am; Sat 10.30pm-6am. Piazzale Milano, 2 - Campione d'Italia (CO). T: +41 916401111 (free phone). About 70 km from Milan.



Enjoy Lugano

Located just 70 kilometres from Milan, the city of Lugano will surprise you with its natural beauties and wide array of shopping and entertainment venues at all times of the day.

Taking things slowly is an absolute "must" in Lugano. In fact, it is only by strolling leisurely that one is able to discover several of the old city's best kept secrets and hidden corners. Before exploring the city's many charming streets, it is imperative to either take a walk along the shores of the lake as far as the magnificent **Parco Ciani**, which offers a natural panorama of rare beauty year-round, or to indulge in a relaxing boat ride.

Exclusive shopping

When talking about shopping in Lugano, one immediately thinks about **via Nassa**, a reference point for luxury boutiques, including historic jewellers **Bucherer** whose name, since 1888, has been synonymous with stunning high-precision timepieces and jewellery, and the splendid **Les Ambassadeurs** boutique.

During the year, the street is also home to traditional events like the **Nassa boat show**, an open-air boat show in March, and **Nassa in fiore** in April, a fabulous horticultural event combined with the elegance of the location's unique, unmistakable architecture. Finally, for an exclusive shopping experience, we suggest a trip to the renowned **FoxTown** outlet in Mendrisio, boasting more than 160 boutiques carrying several of the world's most important haute couture labels at prices discounted from 30 to 70%.

Music, art and gaming

For family entertainment, Lugano offers countless attractions. In addition to hosting numerous events and exhibitions year-round, including **Estival Jazz** (5-7 July) - one of the most celebrated musical events in Europe – the city is also known for its **art museums** (Museo d'Arte Moderna,

Museo Cantonale d'Arte and the Museo delle Culture).

Another interesting experience is a visit to **Swissminiatur**, an open-air museum which houses scale models of more than 120 important Swiss buildings. Before heading home, make sure to take a tour of the mountains surrounding Lugano, including **Monte Brè** or **San Salvatore** which can be accessed by taking a romantic cable car ride.

Another alternative is to take a trip to the summit of **Monte Generoso**, standing at an altitude of 1,700 metres, which can be reached by a little cogwheel railway train. For nightlife amusement, the **Casinò di Lugano** and the **Casinò di Campione** offer ongoing, glitzy entertainment in a modern, elegant ambience.



BUCHERER - Via Nassa 56, T: +41 919231424, www.bucherer.com

CASINÒ DI CAMPIONE - Piazzale Milano 2 (Campione d'Italia - CO), T: +41 916401111 www.casinocampione.it

CASINÒ DI LUGANO - Via Stauffacher 1, T: +41 919737111, www.casinolugano.ch

FOX TOWN - Via A. Maspoli 18, T: +41 848828888, www.foxtown.ch

LES AMBASSADEURS - via Nassa 5, T: +41 919235156, www.lesambassadeurs.ch

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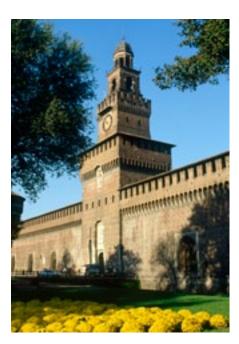
Viale Castagnola 12, T: +41 919715223, www.lakelugano.ch

SWISSMINIATUR - 6815 Melide, T. +41 916401060, www.swissminiatur.ch

HOW TO REACH LUGANO

By car. From Milan take the A9 "autostrada dei Laghi" in the direction of Como-San Gottardo, or the A8 autostrada in the direction of Varese-Stabio (Gaggiolo). **By train**. Trains depart daily both from Milan's Central Station and Porta Garibaldi FS. Info www.trenitalia.com and www.ffs.ch **By bus**. FoxTown Outlet Mendrisio: Zani Viaggi, Foro Bonaparte 76. www.zaniviaggi.it





The Resurgence of Bramantino in Milan

The Renaissance genius of Bartolomeo Suardi, known in art as Bramantino, is the focal point of the exhibition currently on show at Milan's magnificent Castello Sforzesco, hosting a number of works by the Bergamoborn artist. The exhibition is mounted in two large rooms of the Castle, already home to important works by the artist: "Sala del Tesoro" in which Argo, the large fresco created by the painter around 1490 predominates, and the upstairs "Sala della Balla", housing the twelve tapestries of the Trivulzio collection, acquired by the City of Milan in 1935. Open 9am-5.30pm.

Piazza Castello. T: 02 88463700. www.milanocastello.it

For more detailed listings, please see www.wheretraveler.com

Monuments & Places of Interest

DUOMO CATHEDRAL—Among one of the most important (and majestic) Gothic buildings in the world the church constructed on and off over a period of 450 years (begun 1386) is the symbol of Milan, Built in the shape of a Latin cross, the cathedral is divided by soaring pillars into five naves, the largest of which measures 45 metres in height. It has 135 spires and its inside columns measure 3 and a half metres in diameter. To experience the Duomo at its most maiestic you must ascend to the roof (either by elevator or by steps) where you will be surrounded by an outburst of pinnacles, turrets and marble statuary and, naturally, the city's famed golden Madonnina The cathedral is open daily 8 30am-6.45pm. Admission free. For guided tours and private visits: didattica@duomomilano.it. Info point via Arcivescovado, 1 (open 9am-noon/1pm-6pm). www.duomomilano.it. Piazza Duomo. T: 02 72023375. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

BRERA—Home, since 1776, to an important Academy of Fine Arts, this is an artsy

neighbourhood which really comes to life at night. In addition to several churches, the district also hosts a number of interesting galleries and antique shops. One of the areas in the city is particularly known for its nightlife. Pubs, window displays, stalls and quaint fortune tellers meld with important places of culture. For museums in Brera, see "Entertainment" section. Via Brera and surrounding areas. M2 Lanza. Mao E3-F3

CASTELLO SFORZESCO—The ancient seat of the ruling Visconti, it was later rebuilt by Francesco Sforza and is now simply know by the Milanese as "Il Castello". Demolished and reconstructed several times from 1300 onwards, it has served as the backdrop for numerous historic events. Today, it houses a number of interesting museums and libraries. Its park is a favourite with old and young alike. ■ WHERE TIP ask for the walls tour. Castle: open daily 7am-6pm. Free admission. Castle Museums: Tues through Sunday 9am-5.30pm. Full ticket €3. www.milanocastello.it. Piazza Castello, 1.
T: 02 88463700. M1-M2 Cadorna FN; M1 Cairoli; M2 Lanza. Map E4

CENACOLO—One of the most famous attractions in the world, "L'Ultima Cena" or "Cenacolo" by Leonardo da Vinci is a 15th century large mural painting representing the scene of the last supper of Jesus narrated in the Gospel. It can be found in the church of Santa Maria delle Grazie. Tues to Sun 8.15am-7pm. English guided tour 9.30am and 3.30pm. Reservation compulsory. Full ticket €6.50. www.cenacolovinciano.net. Piazza Santa Maria delle Grazie, 2. T: 02 92800360. M1-M2 Cadorna FN, M1 Conciliazione. **Map D4**

CIMITERO MONUMENTALE (MONUMENTAL

CEMETERY)—A real outdoor museum catering, on the one hand, to the whims of the elite of Milan's society and, on the other, to works of art by famous sculptors of various eras. Among the notables buried here are Alessandro Manzoni and Arturo Toscanini. Open Tues-Sun from 8am-6pm. Piazzale Cimitero Monumentale.

T: 02 88465600. M2 Garibaldi FS. **Map D1-E1**

GALLERIA VITTORIO EMANUELE II—Sometimes known as "the living-room of the Milanese", this elegant, four-storey arcade, housing luxury cafés and famous designer shops, is covered by a glass barrel vault and a beautiful glass cupola and measures 196 metres in length. Tradition has it that placing your right heel on the bull, depicted in the mosaic on the floor, and then spinning around inside it, will bring good luck. Piazza Duomo-Piazza della Scala. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

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GIUSEPPE MEAZZA STADIUM (also known as San Siro)—The famous Milan football stadium, home to Inter and AC Milan, was inaugurated in 1926. It was completely renovated in 1990. For stadium events, see section on "Entertainment". www.sansiro.net. Via dei Piccolomini, 5. T: 02 4042432. M1 Lotto. Off Map

NAVIGLI—The "Navigli" are artificial canals built 800 years ago to ferry people and merchandise to Milan, to irrigate the fields and to defend the city. The network of canals was perfected in 1457 by Leonardo da Vinci. Today, the area, bursting with trendy dining and nightlife spots, is one of the main hubs of the Milanese movida. M2 Porta Genova FS. **Map D7-E7**

"PIRELLONE"—Designed by the famous architect, Gio Ponti, it was inaugurated in 1960. Standing 127.10 metres tall, until a few years ago, the Pirelli "skyscraper" was the highest building in Milan. Although today, even higher buildings are going up, the "Pirellone" (i.e. "big Pirelli") still remains one of the symbols of the city. Open to visits on Saturday. Booking required. www.regione. lombardia.it. Piazza Duca d'Aosta. T: 02 45487400. M2-M3 Centrale FS. Map F1

SANT'AMBROGIO—One of the most ancient churches in Milan, it was built by St Ambrose (patron of the city) in 379-386 A.D., in an area where numerous martyrs had been buried. The church is a wonderful example of Romanesque style. Open daily 9.30am-12.30am/2.30pm-6pm (Sun 3pm-pm). Admission free. www. santambrogio-basilica.it. Piazza Sant'Ambrogio, 15. T. 02 86450895 (10am-noon/4pm-6 pm). M2 Sant'Ambrogio. Map D5

SCALA (LA)—The world's premier opera house, built at the behest of Empress Maria Teresa of Austria and designed by Piermarini, it was inaugurated in 1778 with an opera by Antonio Salieri. For more information, also see "Entertainment". www.teatroallascala.org. Piazza della Scala. T: 02 72003744. Open daily 9am-6pm. Closed on November 1. M1-M3 Duomo; M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

STAZIONE CENTRALE—The Central Railway Station, the largest rail hub in Italy, is also an impressive work of architecture. Inaugurated in 1931, it is characterized by an imposing white stone facade. Platform 21 has a commemorative plaque testifying to the deportation of the Jews between 1943-44. Piazza Duca d'Aosta. M2-M3 Centrale FS. **Map H1**

Museums

ACQUARIO DI MILANO—Housed in a splendid Liberty-style building, it is one of the largest and oldest of its kind in Italy. Established in 1906 and restructured in 2006, it hosts 36 gigantic pools filled with more than 100 species of fish, living in recreated environments ranging from the Amazon to the Mediterranean. The main focus of the pools is more towards native Italian fish, both fresh and saltwater, and plenty of exotic sea life from other continents. The aquarium hosts events whole suitable for the family and the library is one of the most important resources for marine biology and oceanic studies in Italy. Open Tues-Sun 9am-1pm/2pm-5.30pm. www.acquariocivicomilano.eu. Viale G. Gadio, 2. T: 02 88465750. M2 Lanza. Map E4

AMBROSIANA PICTURE GALLERY—The

"Ambrosiana" contains several exquisite works of art from the 15th through 17th centuries and includes "The musician", attributed to Leonardo, Raphael's cartoon for the "School of Athens" fresco and Caravaggio's "Basket of fruit". The Ambrosiana will be exhibiting Leonardo's entire "Codice Atlantico" (Atlantic Codex) until 2015, 44 or 45 pages at a time for three months at a stretch—the longest the International archival norms will allow such documents to be exposed to light. Open Tues-Sun 9am-7pm. Admission fee €15, €10 for the adjacent Bramante Sacristy, €20 for group tickets. www.ambrosiana.it. Piazza Pio XI, 2. T. 02 806921. M1-M3 Duomo. Map F5

BIBLIOTECA DELLA MODA—A venue midway between a reading lounge and a large private apartment, this library is open to those who wish to conduct research, improve their knowledge or simply bone up on the secrets and history of more than 45,000 publications and 25,000 videos An establishment that fashion fans and lifestyle enthusiasts can use for consultation purposes but also sell and purchase books, magazines, journals and catalogues dating from 1850 to the present day. Those wishing to access the service need to be in possession of a membership card which can be purchased at an annual fee of 90 euros. Open Mon-Fri 10am-7pm. www. bibliotecadellamoda.it. Via Alessandria, 8. T: 02 83311200. M2 Porta Genova FS. **Map D7**

inhabited by the married couple Antonio Boschi and Marieda Di Stefano, the Boschi Di Stefano House Museum has been open to the public since February 2003. The collection–paintings, sculptures and drawings – is an extraordinary testimony to the history of Twentieth Century Italian art. Open Tues-Sun 10am-6pm. Free admission. www.fondazioneboschidistefano.it. Via G. Jan, 15. T. 02 74281000. M1 Lima. Off Map

GALLERIA D'ARTE MODERNA—Boasting 2,700 paintings and 700 sculptures, this Galleria inaugurated in 1921 is above all a "nineteenth century museum" hosting mainly Italian and French works of art. Set against the beautifully elegant backdrop of the Villa Reale, with its magnificent English garden. Open daily 9am1pm/2pm-5.30pm. Closed on Mondays. Free admission. www.comune.milano.it. Via Palestro, 16. T: 02 76340809 (10am-noon/3pm-4pm). M1 Palestro, M3 Turati. Map G3

inaugurated, the Gallerie d'Italia-Piazza Scala are housed in two historic buildings overlooking Milan's elegant via Manzoni and host masterpieces of 19th century Italian art from the collections of Fondazione Cariplo and Intesa Sanpaolo: the opulent Neo-classical rooms of Palazzo Anguissola and the 19th century Palazzo Brentani. Open: Tues-Sun 9.30am-7.30pm. Thurs 9.30am-10.30pm. Closed on Monday. Free admission until opening of the section dedicated to 20th century works (late 2012).www.gallerieditalia.com. Via Manzoni, 10. For info and reservations (advisable for groups) call toll-free number 800.167.619. M1-M3 Duomo, M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

MUSEO BAGATTI VALSECCHI—Located in the heart of Milan, this museum/house is one of the best preserved in Europe. Its evocative rooms house precious Renaissance collections: paintings, sculptures, weapons and armour, ceramics, jewellery and tapestries. Open Tues-Sun (except holidays) 1pm-5.45pm. Full price ticket €8 (€4 on Wednesdays). www. museobagattivalsecchi.org. Via Santo Spirito 10/Via Gesù, 5. T: 02 76006132/76014857. M1 San Babila, M3 Montenapoleone. Map G4

MUSEO DEL 900 — One of the youngest museums in the city, lying adjacent to the Duomo, hosts more than 400 20th century masterpieces of Italian and international art - ranging from Fontana to Picasso - at the recently refurbished Palazzo dell'Arengario. A building where works of art interact with the city, engaging with the past while looking towards the future.

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MUSEO DEL CASTELLO SFORZESCO—Antique art, paintings, period furniture, sculptures and musical instruments are housed in Castello Sforzesco's precious treasure trove. The building alone is well worth a visit. Rooms 9, 10, 15, 23, 24 not accessible to the disabled. Tues-Sun 9am-5.30pm (admission until 5pm), closed on Mondays (holidays included). Full price ticket €3. Free admittance: every day except Fri after 4.30pm; Fri 2pm-5.30pm; always free for children under 18. www.milanocastello.it. Piazza Castello, 3. T: 02 88463703. M1 Cairoli. Map E4

MUSEO DELLA SCIENZA E DELLA TECNOLOGIA-**LEONARDO DA VINCI**—Found in a 16th century monastery, this is one of the most important museums of science and technology in the world. Its collections, featuring cars, aircraft, ships, scooters, trains, reconstructions of ancient workshops for metalworking, clock-making right through to electronics textiles and astronomy explore the relationship between men and machines starting from the ingenious inventions of the world famous Leonardo da Vinci who lived in Milan between 1482 and 1500. Open Wed, Thurs, Fri 10am-5.30pm; Sat, Sun and Holidays 10am-6.30pm. Full ticket price €8 + Guided tour inside the Enrico Toti submarine €10. www.museoscienza.org. Via San Vittore, 21. T: 02 48555558. M2 Sant'Ambrogio. **Map C5**

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MUSEO DI STORIA NATURALE—Home to valuable mineral, botanical and zoological collections. Highlights include a large fossil collection, reconstructions of extinct animals and dioramas with stuffed animals shown in their natural habitats originating both from Europe and other exotic places. It contains the only dinosaur skeleton existing in Italy. WHERE TIP magical for children of all ages. Open Tues-Sun 9am-5 30pm. Full price ticket €3 (free admission on Friday afternoon). www.comune.milano.it. Corso Venezia, 55. T: 02 88463280. M1 Palestro. Map H3

MUSEO DIOCESANO—This museum of religious arts, whose new headquarters were inaugurated in 2001, hosts 600 works dating back to the 4th century A.D. By maximizing their historic and religious meanings, it preserves and promotes the valuable art treasures belonging to the "Diocese", with smaller pieces collected from Church museums and treasuries across Lombardy. PAC-PADIGLIONE DI ARTE Open Tues-Sun 10am-6pm. Full ticket price €8 (€4 on Tuesdays) www.museodiocesano.it Corso.di Porta Ticinese, 95. T: 02 89420019. Map E7

MUSEO POLDI PEZZOLI—Formerly the aristocratic home of its founder, Gian Giacomo Poldi Pezzoli (1822-1879), it houses a remarkable collection of Italian Renaissance masters: from Botticelli to Mantegna, from Piero della Francesca to Tiepolo. It also displays weapons,

ceramics, glass, textiles, clocks, watches and jewellery. Open Mon-Sun 10am-6pm (closed on Tuesdays). Full ticket price €8. www. museopoldipezzoli.it. Via A. Manzoni, 12. T: 02 794889/796334, M3 Montenapoleone, **Map F4**

MUSEO TEATRALE ALLA SCALA—Founded in

1913, it is one of the top visitor places in the city. It is dedicated to the history of the famous Milan Opera House with a vast collection of musical instruments and documents dedicated to famous musicians, including Verdi and Toscanini, Visitors can look into the theatre, provided there are no rehearsals or admire the "machine" that gives stage directions. Open Mon-Sun (except holidays) 9am-12.30am/1.30pm-5.30pm. Full price ticket €5. www.museodimilano.mi.it. Largo A. Ghiringhelli, 1 corner of Piazza della Scala. T: 02 88792473/7423. M1-M3 Duomo; M3 Montenapoleone. Map F4

this 1 200 sam space is the most important exhibition centre for contemporary art in Milan, boasting a garden area for sculptures. a raised floor for paintings and a balcony for photos and graphic works. Fully accessible by the disabled. Opening hours and ticket prices vary according to the exhibition on show. www.comune.milano.it.Via Palestro, 14, T: 02 88446359/360. M1 Palestro, M3 Turati. Map G3

CONTEMPORANEA—Completed in 1996,



The Last Supper

One of the most famous attractions in the world, "L'Ultima **Cena**" or "Cenacolo" by Leonardo da Vinci is a large 15th century mural paintig representing the scene of the last supper of Jesus narrated in the Gospel. It can be found in the church of Santa Maria delle Grazie. Booking required: ask your concierge. www.cenacolovinciano.net.

PALAZZO MORANDO-COSTUME MODA

IMMAGINE —To celebrate the capital of fashion, Palazzo Morando shows Milanese women's dress styles between the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the 20th century. The magnificent rooms of this 18th century "palazzo," located in the Quadrilatero della Moda, are definitely imbued with a touch of style. WHERE TIP best short visit program to

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PALAZZO REALE—Formerly the residence of all those who governed Milan, from Napoleon to the Royal House of Savoy, the Royal Palace is currently one of the most important cultural centres in the city, hosting exhibitions of international renown. Opening hours vary according to the exhibition on show. www.comune.milano.it. Piazza Duomo, 12. T: 02 875672. M1-M3 Duomo. **Map F5**

PINACOTECA DI BRERA—The Brera Art Gallery is one of the most important museums in Milan. Its permanent collections offer a wealth of exceptionally good Italian and foreign masterpieces including Mantegna's "Dead Christ", Raphael's "Marriage of the Virgin". Caravaggio's "Supper at Emmaus" and, for a little light relief, "The Kiss" by Hayez. Open Tues-Sun 8.30am-7.15pm. Full ticket price €11. www.brera. beniculturali.it. Via Brera. 28. T: 02 722631. M2 Lanza, M3 Montenapoleone. Map F3

TRIENNALE DESIGN MUSEUM—

The Triennale di Milano is one of the most vibrant, popular and important exhibition centres in the city. Featuring annually changing exhibitions of note, it also owns the most important permanent collection of design works. This fantastic museum is brimming with endless installations originating from brilliant minds all over the world. It has a superb media library on design, art and architecture. In 2006, in addition to the historic headquarters, a branch was also opened in the emerging Bovisa district. Open Tues-Sun 10.30am-8.30pm; Thurs-Fri 10.30am-11pm. www.triennale.it. Viale E. Alemagna, 6. T: 02 724341. M1-M2 Cadorna FN. Map D3

VILLA NECCHI CAMPIGLIO—Constructed between 1932 and 1935 by the Milanese architect Piero Portaluppi, it has survived completely intact, both outside with its ample yard, tennis court and pool, and inside with its rich succession of rooms. Architecture, decorative arts, furnishings and collections express as a harmonious whole the high standard of living of the owners, who belonged to the upper middle class of Lombard industrial families. Open Wed to Sun from 10am to 6pm, www.fondoambiente.it, Via Mozart, 14. T: 02 76340121. M1 Palestro. **Map H4**

WOW SPAZIO FUMETTO—Extending over 1000 sq.m. and housed in an hold food factory the Comic Art Museum hosts exhibitions and events dedicated to comic strips but also cartoons, illustrations and literature in general. Other on-site amenities include a library, a bookshop, a laboratory area and a restaurant-coffee shop, Closed on Monday, Tues-Fri 3pm-7pm; Sat-Sun 3pm-8pm. www.museowow.it. Viale Campania, 12. T: 02 49524744. Off Map

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DISCOVER MILAN Welcome to Naviali

A stroll along Milan's Navigli will most definitely take you back in time, magically conjuring up an era boasting a unique atmospheric charm which you will find hard to resist.

The Navigli are a widespread network of canals, whose history is linked to the genius of Leonardo da Vinci. Among the most characteristic, worthy of particular note is the **Naviglio Grande**, with its intriguing meld of styles and architectural expressions. One of the most vibrant districts in the city, it boasts small artisan workshops and painters' studios, hundreds of trendy venues for either an aperitivo or an after-dinner drink. With the arrival of the warm weather, the renowned "movida Milanese" takes on a special vibe and the Navigli become a compulsory stopover for the ritualistic Milanese "Happy Hour, a great way of relaxing after a hard day's work or a shopping spree.

The area is also famed for its numerous traditional "osterie" (bistrots) where, among several of the city's cosiest, most intimate atmospheres, customers can savour all the flavours of typical Milanese cuisine including saffron-flavoured risotto with "ossibuco" or scrumptious Milanese breaded cutlets.

However, the Navigli also serve as the perfect backdrop to exhibitions and events like the **Mercatino dell'Antiquariato** (held on the last Sunday of each month), **Fiera di Sinigaglia**, a traditional appointment featuring a display of bric a brac and vintage clothing (every Saturday) or a **boat tour of the Navigli**.

Boating options include short or long tours, operating from mid-April to the end of September (for information and reservations: T: 02 92273118 - www.naviglilombardi.it).

The Naviglio Grande also hosts a particular events like Cimento Invernale, a historic swimming race in winter, where thousands of fearless swimmers brave the icy waters near the San Cristoforo Church. In spring Fiori sul Naviglio, a happening boasting a delightful display of spring scents and colours, featuring a wide array of stalls selling mouth watering treats plus the works of artists and artisans; **NavigaMI**, a small yacht and sailboat fair and **Arte sul Naviglio Grande**, two days dedicated to paintings by more than 200 exhibitors.





● WHERE TIP

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