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I am Andrea Jarach, editor of the Welcome Magazines, periodicals that we have been publishing for 12 years for international visitors in some of the most important cities for

tourism in Italy. Welcome back to Milan!

After the two terrible years of the pandemic, the city finally reopens to life. As you can see in the following pages, the Welcome Magazine offers useful information **about events**, **shopping**, **food and wine**, everything that can interest the visitor answering the question: "what can I do, what can I discover during my stay?". Our aim is to create memorable experiences of the visit, also by linking together the different opportunities offered by the area. Our mission is to provide **essential tourist information** for the benefit of visitors who choose wonderful Italy as their destination.

We too have renewed ourselves in recent years, especially with the new carbon-free distribution method that you are probably using now as you read us; thanks to **QR codes**, we can reach the whole world without using paper and avoiding physical transport by road. We have therefore decided as of last month to extend our coverage (information and distribution) to the entire **Lombardy region**. As you know, Lombardy is also mountains and lakes. So don't miss the opportunity to visit the lakes of Lombardy by taking advantage of the train plus lake navigation offer (see page 16).

Andrea Jarach *Publisher*Welcome Smart Network



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Giuseppe Sala Mayor of Milan

I am glad to welcome you in Milan. No matter whether you are in our city for business or on holiday, whether you are staying for just one day or decide to spend a week. From the most representative places - such as Duomo, Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. Teatro alla Scala - to those that show the modern face of the city - such as Porta Nuova or CityLife -, from **Darsena** to the many **city** museums, from the street art works that color our neighborhoods to the most fashionable and niche clubs. Milan will conquer you. You will fall in love with its 26 centuries of history, its being traditional, international and open to innovation at the same time. I am sure.

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Lara Magoni Councilor for Tourism, Territorial Marketing and Fashion of the Lombardy Region

Lombardy is a region that presents a perfect mix of nature, history, art, culture with innovation and technology.

It offers a passion and authenticity you will seldom see elsewhere: there are countless things to do here, whether you are looking for day trips or planning a longer holiday. For example, in our regional capital, **Milan**, you can spend your time in wonderful and breathtaking places such as the **Castello Sforzesco**,

the monumental cathedral or **La Scala** theatre. But you can find cultural beauties also in the provinces visiting palazzos, archaeological parks, castles, and villas: pieces that make up the puzzle in a rare cultural landscape.

Lombardy is also a perfect destination for those who love **mountain holidays** in front the amazing scenery of the Alps and I am sure that with many activities on offer, finding what to do will certainly be easy. Moreover, we must not forget our four **great lakes and the countless smaller ones** where you can spend pleasant vacations or just an intense Summer weekend.

Exploring the territory through its extraordinary flavours is another way to come face to face with the local identity, Lombardy is full of **restaurants and cellars** hiding some of the delicious local gastronomy you can also discover the varied regional cuisine experiencing the wonder of hundreds of events and festivals around the region. You will discover **unexpected corners**, choose an itinerary full of **unique experiences** and Lombardy will surprise you!



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH



ROLEX BOUTIQUE BY PISA OROLOGERIA

Pisa Orologeria has just reopened its Rolex Boutique in **Via Montenapoleone 24**, in the heart of the Quadrilatero della Moda. A tribute to the Swiss brand that is famous throughout the world for its know-how and the quality of its products. **Three levels** dedicated to **sales and service** and an **elegant new terrace**. **www.rolex.com**



RINASCENTE

A spot destination for the **best brands** in fashion, luxury accessories, jewellery, beauty, home&design collections. The **Design Supermarket** in the basement boasts classic must haves and new cults. Then take a privileged look at the Duomo spires from the **Food Hall** on 7th Floor and explore gourmet foods at the **Food Market. www.rinascente.it**



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH





DOLCE&GABBANA CASA

The brand has opened in Milan its first two boutiques in the world dedicated to the home furnishing universe. The boutique in Corso Venezia 7 houses the furnishing accessories, while the furnishing elements can be found in the boutique at Via Durini 23, created in partnership with Luxury Living Group. www.dolcegabbana.com



CAFFÈ TRIENNALE

Triennale Milano has revamped its cafeteria, creating an increasingly attractive and welcoming place to stop and meet, with a **cafeteria** and **kitchen** service. The restyling follows principles of **sustainability** and gives a central role to **greenery**, enhancing the perspective axis from the entrance to make the view of Parco Sempione more visible. **www.triennale.org**





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- Business & Leisure

Each year, millions of visitors flock to Milan for several of the world's most important international trade fairs, from fashion to design, from tourism to culture with "mustattend" calendar events including the Salone del Mobile. Milano, the Fashion Weeks, Miart and Bit Milano.

- The best shopping

A reference point for international fashion, year after year, Milan confirms its status as a must-visit destination for fashionistas who make a pilgrimage here to shop at the designers' flagship stores in the Quadrilatero, featuring the most highly sought-after fashion collections. For the more romantic, we suggest the flea markets on the Navigli, the artistic workshops of Brera or, for those who don't have much time, well-known department store la Rinascente, the ultimate one-stop-shop which carries the most esteemed brands in the world under just one roof!

- Food & taste

Milan is the ideal place for gourmands and food connoisseurs. In addition to hosting renowned gastronomic events like Taste of Milano, Identità Golose and Milano Food Week, here you can discover, purchase and taste



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the authentic flavours of Italian tradition either at historic downtown restaurants or more trendy, innovative locations.

- Performing arts

Each day the city is animated by a plethora of unmissable events: from awe-inspiring performances at Teatro alla Scala to film festivals; from dance to high-profile concerts by world-class performers, Milan is truly a city that never sleeps.

- Art & treasures

Milan is a real open-air museum, a keeper of some of the world's most unique treasures: from stunning architecture to art galleries right up to the countless museums that, year after year, host several of the most interesting art exhibitions ever featured. Milan is also home to several masterpieces by Renaissance artist and genius Leonardo da Vinci including the Cenacolo, the Biblioteca Ambrosiana and the Codex Atlanticus.

- For sport lovers

Those travelling to Milan should not miss a visit to the temple of football: the San Siro Stadium which, in addition to its iconic museum and shop, also hosts important football matches and concerts by world famous Italian and international stars





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- Porta Nuova is a sprawling area, the result of a **project of urban and architectural redevelopment** involving the area that leads from the Porta Garibaldi railway station to Piazza della Repubblica, up to Palazzo Lombardia.
- In 2005, an architectural project curated by American real estate developer Hines focused on transforming the area into a **technological hub** comprising more than **twenty buildings** including skyscrapers, offices, cultural centres and urban residences
- Several of Milan and Italy's highest and most innovative skyscrapers, including the futuristic CityLife complex (visible in the background), are located in the Porta Nuova district. Among these, the **Torre UniCredit** –housed in the vibrant Piazza Gae Aulenti -, the **Torre Solaria** the highest residential skyscraper in Italy-, the **Torre Diamante** and the green complex of the **Bosco Verticale** featuring hanging gardens designed by Stefano Boeri.
- The large public park in the middle of the neighbourhood, known as the **BAM Biblioteca degli Alberi**, extending over an area of 90,000 sq.m., was designed to provide a vast number of interconnecting pedestrian paths and to create a real botanical library. The park features over **450 trees** and **90,000 different plant species**, plus recreational areas, themed circular forests, teaching paths and pedestrian and bike paths. In summer, the park is also used to host outdoor concerts and events.

www.portanuova.com - bam.milano.it







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- After crossing the threshold of its 18th century façade in **Candoglia marble**, the interior of the Cathedral is revealed in all its majesty. One of the **most important Gothic buildings in the world**, the church, constructed 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.
- The interior boasts an apse with a **large rose window**, stained glass windows decorated with episodes from the Bible, chapels and **high marble columns** with capitals featuring statues of saints.
- To experience the Duomo at its most majestic 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". Here you can wander among 135 spires and 3,400 statues.
- **Guided tours** for small groups help visitors learn about the secrets behind the Duomo's construction. The tour starts from the back of the choir which leads to the **Crypt** housing the tomb of San Carlo Borromeo, and then moves on to the **Archaeological Area** where you'll find the remains of the Battistero di San Giovanni alle Fonti, dating back to 397 A.D. This is where Sant'Ambrogio christened St. Augustine. Next is the old Basilica of Santa Tecla (4th century).
- Before accessing the Cathedral and its treasures, visit the nearby **Museo del Duomo**, located inside Palazzo Reale. The museum houses more than **150 masterpieces** from the 15th century to the present time, including statues, architectural models, plaster casts, terracottas and paintings.

www.duomomilano.it





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- DAVID LACHAPELLE. I Believe in Miracles
 PHOTOGRAPHY MUDEC Photo until 11 September
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- ELLITT ERWITT 100 Fotografie EXHIBITION

 Museo Diocesano until 16 October
- ANICKA YI. Metasphore INSTALLATION
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- USELESS BODIES. Elmgreen & Dragset
 CONTEMPORARY ART Fondazione Prada until 22 August
- MARC CHAGALL. A Tale of Two Worlds EXHIBITION

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- RUGGERO SAVINIO. Opere 1959-2022 EXHIBITION
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- GRAZIA VARISCO. Percorsi Contemporanei CONTEMPORARY ART Palazzo Reale • until 16 September
- The Torlonia Marbles. Collecting Masterpieces

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MUDEC, UNTIL 11 SEPTEMBER

THE UNIQUE "GESTURAL" SHOTS BY LACHAPELLE

PHOTOGRAPHY More than **90 works** - including large formats, site-specific installations and new productions - coming **directly from the artist's studio** - narrate his vision of a new world and a new possible humanity. Starting with the early works, the Museo delle Culture presents a **world premiere** of a series of works that are part of the **new**, **visionary production** (until 2022).

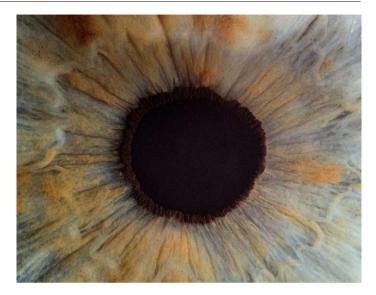
David LaChapelle. I Believe in Miracles

MUDEC PHOTO-Museo delle Culture. Via Tortona, 56, www.mudec.it









TRIENNALE MILANO, 15 JULY-11 DECEMBER

WHAT WE DON'T KNOW

EVENT The 23rd International Exhibition will open this month at the Triennale, which the President of Triennale Milano Stefano Boeri has described as "an opportunity for a collective and proactive reflection on the near future". "Unknowns Unknowns" - this is the title of the exhibition - will attempt to answer a series of questions about what we still "don't know" in various fields: from genetics to astrophysics, from the universe to the bottom of the oceans. The challenge of the pandemic that has affected all of humanity in recent years has also broadened the sphere of phenomena that we do not know and placed man in a state of fragility. Designers, architects, artists, playwrights and musicians will be involved in the debate. Curator of the event will be the astrophysicist Ersilia Vaudo and designer of the installation Francis Kéré.

UNKNOWN UNKNOWNS. An Introduction to Mysteries *Triennale Milano. Viale Alemagna, 6. triennale.org*





MUSEO DIOCESANO, UNTIL 16 OCTOBER

A GLIMPSE OF THE 20TH CENTURY

PHOTOGRAPHY For this summer, the Museo Diocesano will host a retrospective dedicated to Elliott Erwitt, one of the most important photographers of the 20th century who is still alive. The exhibition presents one hundred of his most famous shots, from the most iconic black and white ones to the lesser-known colour ones for his editorial, institutional and advertising work. The exhibition offers a glimpse of the world through the ironic, surreal and romantic – but always curious – gaze of the photographer, who in his long career has immortalised various fields, from politics to social issues, from architecture to cinema and fashion. A journey through portraits of celebrities and children, images of travel, metropolises and the great events of history, but also of his own family.

JUST TO KNOW >> Erwitt is **very attached to Milan**, where he spent his childhood until he left for the US because of the racial laws. The selection of images in the exhibition, many of **which** have never been exhibited in Milan, was also **curated by him**.

Elliott Erwitt. 100 Fotografie

Museo Diocesano Carlo Maria Martini chiostrisanteustorgio.it/en/mostre-eventi



PIRELLI HANGARBICOCCA, UNTIL 24 JULY

THE LIVING WORKS OF ANICKA YI

INSTALLATION This is the solo exhibition of one of the most innovative and interesting contemporary artists. Anicka Yi combines languages and themes from different fields: from philosophy to biology, from politics to science fiction. "Metaspore" brings together in the space of the Sheld of Pirelli HangarBicocca over twenty works that the Korean-American artist made in the last ten years and deepens her multifaceted approach characterized by the mixture of perishable and industrial materials, between sculpture and installation. The exhibition project focuses on the olfactory dimension, presenting a series of works characterized by the use of fragrances, and on the analysis of biological processes such as decomposition and metamorphosis.

ANICKA YI. Metaspore

Pirelli HangarBicocca. Via Chiese, 2. www.pirellihangarbicocca.org

Photo: Anicka Yi, Biologizing The Machine (terra incognita), 2019 - Courtesy the artist, Gladstone Gallery, New York and Brussels, and 47 Canal, New York - Photo Renato Ghiazza





FIRST IN ITALY

FONDAZIONE PRADA, UNTIL 22 AUGUST

IS THE BODY AN OBJECT AMONG THE THINGS OF THE WORLD?

EXHIBITION "Useless Bodies?" is an exhibition curated by Scandinavian artists Elmgreen & Dragset that examines the condition of the human body in the post-industrial era. The installation stems from a reflection on the current meaning of man's physical presence, particularly after the experience of the pandemic. Having passed the century of man as a "producer" of consumer goods, and the following century in which he became a "consumer", today we can speak of the human being as a simple "object of data analysis" by big tech. Following a route through four exhibition spaces within the two floors of the Podium, the North Gallery and the Cisterna, the public encounters a sequence of immersive installations.

Useless Bodies. Elmgreen & Dragset

Fondazione Prada. Largo Isarco, 2. Podium (1st and 2nd Floors). fondazioneprada.org







MUDEC, UNTIL 31 JULY

CHAGALL CITIZEN OF THE WORLD

EXHIBITION The exhibition, curated by the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, approaches the work of Russian artist **Marc Chagall** from a new perspective, placing it in the context of his cultural background. This is facilitated by the **Israel Museum's extraordinary collection**, featuring dozens of prints, drawings, and paintings donated mostly by Chagall's family and friends. **Over 100 of these exquisite works are now on display at the MUDEC**. The exhibition project is dedicated in particular to Chagall's **graphic works** and his activity as a **book illustrator**, which show how Jewish, Russian and French cultures intersect.

Marc Chagall. A Tale of Two Worlds

From the Collection of The Israel Museum, Jerusalem MUDEC-Museo delle Culture. Via Tortona, 56. www.mudec.it





PALAZZO REALE, UNTIL 4 SEPTEMBER

THE MEANING OF PAINTING ACCORDING TO SAVINIO

EXHIBITION Ruggero Savinio (Turin, 1934) gets back to Milan with an anthological exhibition retracing his entire artistic and biographical path through some works that are partly unknown or have not been seen for a long time, coming from public and private collections. The exhibition, which collects **paintings**, **drawings and works on paper**, starts from Savinio's formative years between Rome, Paris and above all Milan: the city is the scene of one of his most intense and tormented seasons. Twenty-three years have passed since 1999, when Milan hosted a major exhibition of the artist's work in the Sala Viscontea of the **Castello Sforzesco**

Ruggero Savinio. Opere 1959-2022

Palazzo Reale. Piazza del Duomo, 12. www.palazzorealemilano.it







MUSEO DEL NOVECENTO, UNTIL 2 OCTOBER

THE ALDO ROSSI UNIVERSE

DESIGN This is part of the **Museo del Novecento**'s project to investigate the interdisciplinary dialogue between the arts. In order to explore the figure of **Aldo Rossi** – architect, designer, theorist and critic, one of the protagonists of the visual culture of the twentieth century – **more than 350 pieces of furniture and everyday objects, prototypes and models, paintings, drawings and studies** designed and created by Rossi from 1960 to 1997 are on display for the first time. In a spectacular itinerary **the exhibition** offers a visual testimony to the complexity of his activity as a designer, planner and architectural theorist.

Aldo Rossi. Design 1960-1997

Museo del Novecento Piazza del Duomo, 8 www.museodelnovecento.org



RHO FAIRGROUNDS, 12-14 JULY

ITALIAN TEXTILE FAIR

Milano Unica, the international textile and apparel accessories marketplace held twice a year in the setting of Rho fairground, conjures up once again the latest trends in textile and innovative fabrics born from a mix of experience, fine quality and tradition. Now on its 35th edition, the July 2022 fair introduces the latest trends for the Fall/Winter 2023-2024 season, displaying top-quality products from both Italian and European textile manufacturers. The fair is developed in collaboration with Pitti Immagine, which has contributed the experience of its new multi-channel model.

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PALAZZO REALE, UNTIL 16 SEPTEMBER

GRAZIA VARISCO AND HER ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE

CONTEMPORARY ART This anthological exhibition is the most important to date on the work of the Milanese artist Grazia Varisco. An exhibition that covers 60 years of her projects on multi-sensory perception translated into active aesthetic experience. The themes of Grazia Varisco's artistic research are presented divided by type of work, from the early 1960s to her most recent experiences. An important room is dedicated to the reconstruction of the artist's historic solo exhibition at Galleria Schwarz 1969 in Milan, which constituted a moment of synthesis of the entire artistic-kinetic period.

Grazia Varisco. Percorsi Contemporanei Palazzo Reale. Piazza del Duomo, 12. www.palazzorealemilano.it











GALLERIE D'ITALIA-PIAZZA SCALA **UNTIL 18 SEPTEMBER**

A COLLECTION OF COLLECTIONS

EXHIBITION From the **Torlonia Collection**, the most important private collection of classical statuary, 96 marbles are on display at the Gallerie d'Italia, including five recently restored works. The Collection's worldwide exhibition programme is thus inaugurated in Milan, and will conclude with the identification of a permanent exhibition venue for the new Torlonia Museum. This group of masterpieces is the result of a long series of acquisitions and some significant movements of sculptures between the various residences of the Torlonia family.

The final section devoted entirely to restoration is remarkable, where the "Hercules" composed of 112 pieces dialogues with the sculpture of "Leda with a Swan": in both works, various phases of the cleaning process are visible, to illustrate the challenges facing contemporary restoration. Gallerie d'Italia has supported this fundamental work of conservation by contributing to this restoration.

THE TORLONIA MARBLES, COLLECTING MASTERPIECES Gallerie d'Italia-Piazza Scala, Piazza della Scala, 6

www.gallerieditalia.com



PANORAMIC VIEWS AND LIVE MUSIC FROM THE TOP OF THE DUOMO



Get a close-up view of the characteristic spires of Milan's Duomo, and enjoy an unrivalled panoramic view of the city. On reaching the rooftop Terraces, you'll discover that "vision of ravishing beauty" which thrilled Stendhal when admiring Milan from the cathedral's rooftop maize of spires and statues silhouetted against the sky

Every Thursday until 28 July, visitors to the Duomo can enjoy the opportunity of climbing up to the Terraces by lift (from € 15.00/7.00) until 10 pm (the last ascent is at 9.10 pm). For the occasion, Ticket Office 1 - Sala delle Colonne (Piazza del Duomo, 14/a) will also remain open until 9 pm. In addition, from around 8.30 pm live musical accompaniment will guide the steps of all those present between the high spires of the Cathedral at sunset. www.duomomilano.it

ABOUT THE DUOMO'S TERRACES

- **>** they span a surface area of 800 sq.m.
- > they're the largest 'walkable' terraces of a Gothic cathedral.
- > they're located at a height of 65-70 metres.
- **)** you can access the terraces on foot by climbing 251 steps (first level).
- > you can get a close-up view of the famous golden statue of the Madonnina. The statue measures 4.16 metres in height and is perched atop the cathedral's highest spire, which is 108.5 metres from the ground.





SAN SIRO IPPODROME, UNTIL 17 SEPTEMBER

SUMMER CONCERT IN THE CITY

MUSIC Great live music is back in Milan with the Milano Summer Festival 2022 at the Ippodromo SNAI San Siro. Among the great summer concerts in the city, after two years of suspension due to the pandemic, the live concerts of some of the most beloved idols of Italian and international pop music are back. In July and September, some of the biggest international artists acts on stage.

3 July: So '90s 11 July: Caparezza 12 July: The Kid Laroi 17 July: Gazzelle

3 September: Louis Tomlinson 16 and 17 September: Blanco

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OUT OF TOWN

Milan is a mixture of art, culture, shopping and lifestyle and its outlying areas are equally attractive. Discover our pick of these fabulous destinations for an unmissable out of town trip.



Our tour begins on the outskirts of Milan at the 17th-century Villa Arconati 1 (www.villaarconati.it). Known also as 'the small Versailles of Lombardy', it is set within the vast green spaces of the Groane Park in Bollate. This is a splendid example of Lombardy Baroque architecture, and visitors are welcomed in its frescoed rooms, while summer evenings are jazzed up with a series of concerts and events in its magnificent gardens. We recommend a visit to the Villa Visconti Borromeo Litta 2 (www.villalittalainate.it) which is just a short distance away in Lainate. This neo-classical jewel of architecture is surrounded by a lovely park that earned the title of the 'Most Beautiful Historical Park in Italy' in 2016. The Villa is renowned for its Nyphaeum and spectacular water features. A mixture of sacred and profane, the Metropolitan City area is interspersed with numerous abbeys. In fact,



there are somany that there is even a **Road of Abbeys** (www. stradadelleabbazie. it). Our route starts from the **Abbey of Chiaravalle 3**, dominated by an imposing, richly frescoed 14th-century bell tower, and continues onwards to the **Abbey of Viboldone 4**, one the most beautiful medieval complexes in Lombardy, until we reach **Mirasole 5**, a 13th-century monastery which, with its numerous moats, resembles a fortress. After travelling for a few more kilometers, in a southwesterly direction, we come to the **Abbey of Morimondo 6**, a former Cistercian monastery renovated in Gothic style.

The area housing the abbeys is also the heart of the large **Parco Agricolo Sud Milano** (www.parcoagricolosudmilano. it). The Park boasts a rich historic and agricultural heritage and comprises old farmsteads, waterways and important residential complexes, including **Gaggiano 7**, which, with its small, pastel-coloured houses nestling on both banks of the **Naviglio Grande**, is well worth a visit.

This charming hamlet can be accessed from the city via a scenic bicycle track skirting the canal. The Naviglio Martesana also offers views of rare beauty as it flows towards the Adda river. Rural centres are interspersed with expanses of greenery (an absolute must is a visit to the Adda Park which can also be crossed by bike or on horseback) and charming urban centres, including Crespi d'Adda and charming urban centres, including Crespi d'Adda and the second also be crossed by bike or on horseback) and charming urban centres, including Crespi d'Adda and charming urban centres, including and ur







SANTA CATERINA DEL SASSOA hermitage perched on a rocky overhang

According to tradition, the **hermitage of Santa Caterina del Sasso** (75 km from Milan) was founded in the 12th century by Alberto Besozzi, a rich local merchant who, after having survived a heavy storm while crossing **Lake Maggiore**, decided to give up his worldly goods and live the life of a hermit. The particular appeal of this hermitage (which contains important frescoes) is mostly due to its **astonishing location**, perched on a rocky overhang with a sheer drop down to the Lake.

www.santacaterinadelsasso.com



SUMMER EVENTS IN LOMBARDY

This season is not only the time for outings out of doors, but also the space for events ranging from music festivals to excursions to discover nature and traditions, from tasting good local food to participating in major international sporting events. Here are some editor's tips.

>> Festival Como Città della Musica

Until 17 July - Arena of the Teatro Sociale (Como) teatrosocialecomo it

>> Festival Musica sull'Acqua

3-17 July - Colico (Lake Como) www.festivalmusicasullacqua.org

>> Stralivigno

23 July - Livigno (Sondrio) www.stralivigno.it

>> Duomo-Stelvio

23 July - Amateur cycling challenge from the Duomo di Milano to the Passo dello Stelvio (Bormio) – first edition team 100-1.it/duomostelvio

>> Brescia Photo Festival

Until 24 July - Museo di Santa Giulia, Brescia www.bresciamusei.com/evento/ brescia-photo-festival/

>> World Rowing Championship

(Under 30 & Junior) 27-31 July - Schiranna, Varese (Lake Varese)

>> Festa Medievale di Varzi 30-31 July

Varzi in Oltrepò Pavese (Pavia)

>> Centomiglia

3-4 September Italy's longest-running regatta Gargnano, Brescia (Lake Garda)

>> Formula 1 Italian Grand Prix

11 September 2022 Monza (Milan) www.formula1.com



2022 EVENTS IN ITALY









JULY

3/7 | Siena | Palio. www.ilpalio.org

8-17/7 | Perugia | Umbria Jazz. www.umbriajazz.it

15/7-11/12 | Milan | 23rd Triennale Milano. www.triennale.org

16/7 | Venice | Festa del Redentore. venice.welcomemagazine.it

AUGUST

16/8 | Siena | Palio dell'Assunta. www.ilpalio.org

31/8-10/9 | Venice | International Exhibition of Cinematographic Art. www.labiennale.org

SEPTEMBER

10-18/9 | Milan | The Italian Glass Weeks.

www.theveniceglassweek.com

11/9 | Monza (Milan) | Formula 1. Italian Grand Prix. www.formula1.com

16-18/9 | Florence | Fragranze.

fragranze.pittimmagine.com

15-17/9 | Verona | World Tourism Event, www.wtevent.it

16-19/9 | Terni | Umbria Jazz. www.umbriajazz.it

17-25/9 | Venice | The Italian Glass

Weeks. www.theveniceglassweek.com

20-26/9 | Milan | Milano Moda



2022 EVENTS IN ITALY









22-27/9 | Genoa | International Boat Show, www.salonenautico.com

OCTOBER

8/10 - 6/12 | Alba (Piedmont) | International Alba White Truffle Fair. www.fieradeltartufo.org 9/10 | Trieste | Barcolana. www.barcolana.it

NOVEMBER

3-6/11 | Verona | Fieracavalli (124th edition). www.fieracavalli.it 8-13/11 | Milan | EICMA International Motorcycle and Accessories Exhibition, www.eicma.it

16-20/11 | Milan | BookCity Milano. bookcitymilano.it

18-19/11 | Milan | Ospitiamo 2022. ospitiamo.eu

21/11 | Venice | Festa della Salute. venice.welcomemagazine.it

End of November | Venice | Teatro La Fenice. Opening of Opera and Ballet season, www.teatrolafenice.it

DECEMBER

3-11/12 | Milan | Artigiano in Fiera. artigianoinfiera.it

7/12 | Milan | Teatro alla Scala -Opening of the Opera Season with the "Boris Godunov". www.teatroallascala.org



The Lombardy region is **one of the richest in attractions in Italy**. The area, between Switzerland and Emilia-Romagna, Veneto and Piedmont, offers countless **destinations for day trips** from Milan.

In addition to **Milan**, there are **11 main cities** that preserve traces of centuries of art and culture - Bergamo, Brescia, Como, Cremona, Lecco, Mantua, Monza and Brianza, Pavia, Sondrio and Varese - and hundreds of smaller villages with **art, history and traditions**. But Lombardy also has some unmissable natural beauty, such as the vast Po Valley, the parks and the Pre-Alps with the five largest lakes: Garda, Maggiore, Como, Iseo, Lugano and Ceresio.

With its 10 Unesco Sites, as well as 3 intangible heritages including the lutherie art of Cremona, Lombardy is the Italian region with the largest number of such sites: Valle Camonica's Rock Art, Santa Maria delle Grazie and the Cenacolo Vinciano, the Workers' Village of Crespi d'Adda, the Sacred Mountains of Piedmont and Lombardy, the Rhaetian Railway between Tirano and Saint Moritz, Mantua and Sabbioneta, Monte San Giorgio, the prehistoric pile-dwelling sites in the Alps, the Lombard monuments and the city walls of Bergamo.

For those who love **panoramic places**, a trip to Monte **Isola** is a must, with its breathtaking view of Lake Iseo; to the **Sacro Monte of Varese** with a view over the plain from the Alps to the Apennines; the **Brunate cable car** with an absolute view of Lake Como; the ascent to the **Torrazzo of Cremona**, the highest masonry tower in Europe; the **Terrazza del Brivido** in Tremosine overlooking Lake Garda at a height of 350 metres.

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>> Taking a train trip to Lombardy's cities of art is the ideal way to rediscover, in a comfortable and sustainable way, the beauty of the region's towns, visiting exhibitions, museums and monuments. www.trenord.it/giteintreno/citta-darte



The symbol of **Milan**, the city of design, fashion and business, is the **Duomo**, close to which are the 18th-century Teatro alla Scala and the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II: these are the most visited landmarks in the city. Not to be missed are the Sforza Castle, the Basilica of Sant'Ambrogio, the complex of the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie and the Cenacolo Vinciano.



Two cities within a city, **Bergamo** ("Alta" and "Bassa") is linked by two funicular railways. Five kilometres of walls surround domes, towers and palaces, including the **Accademia Carrara**, the Piazza Vecchia, with its Civic Tower and the Palazzo del Podestà, the "perfect" square also loved by the architect Le Corbusier. Bergamo is also the birthplace of the **composer Gaetano Donizetti**, to whom the city dedicates a major opera festival every year. (50 km from Milan)





Brescia presents itself in its Renaissance guise with its marvellous salon squares, an embattled castle, two cathedrals, a theatre and the **Museum of Santa Giulia**, a Unesco World Heritage Site. The famous **1000 Miglia** race has been held here every year since 1927, and in September the world's best-loved **Opera Festival** transforms the city into a magical open-air theatre. (95 km from Milan)



Como is the city of water, light and silk, rich in history and culture. The **Volta Temple** is a small Pantheon on the banks of the Lario, built in memory of the physicist Alessandro Volta. Strolling within the medieval walls, among alleyways and old shops, the late **Gothic Cathedral** and the imposing **Broletto** from 1215 stand out. A dynamic and entrepreneurial town. *(50 km from Milan)*





Known throughout the world as the "City of Art and Music", **Cremona** is the cradle of the violin, as is home to the **Violin Museum**. In the medieval Piazza del Comune you will find the Cathedral, the **Torrazzo**, the highest in Italy, the Baptistery and the Gothic Loggia dei Militi. Don't miss the magnificent **Ponchielli Theatre**, home to important musical seasons. (76 km from Milan)



In a natural setting of rare beauty lies the city of **Lecco**, where Alessandro Manzoni set his masterpiece "I Promessi Sposi" (The Betrothed), and where are monuments in **baroque** and neoclassical style. The Lecco branch of Lake Como is characterised by the S. Martino and Barro mountains, the Resegone and the Grigne. Lecco is the starting point for fantastic trips around the lake. (55 km from Milan)





Lodi is a small Lombard town in the **lower Po Valley**, rich in art and history with many green areas. Places to visit include the **neoclassical Palazzo Broletto**, the 15th-century Palazzo Vistarini, the Basilica della Vergine Assunta, a Romanesque cathedral, and the Tempio Civico dell'Incoronata, a masterpiece of the Lombard Renaissance in the style of Bramante. *(38 km from Milan)*



Mantua, the tranquil and elegant city of the Gonzagas, is **surrounded on three sides by water** from which you can enjoy a fascinating city skyline. Sung about for its beauty by famous writers such as Virgil, Baudelaire and Dickens, the city is told through its many monuments, including the Rotonda di San Lorenzo, **Palazzo Te**, Palazzo Ducale and the Duomo. (185 km from Milan)





Over the course of history, the Romans, the Lombards and the Habsburg and Napoleonic dominations have passed through **Monza**, leaving precious legacies such as the **Villa Reale**, a sumptuous neoclassical palace with its famous park around, one of the largest in Europe. Every year Monza is ready to host the **Formula 1 Grand Prix** in September. (18 km from Milan)



Pavia is home to one of the oldest universities in the world. It preserves evidence of its culture in the Castello Visconteo. Of considerable historical and religious interest are San Pietro in Ciel d'Oro, where the remains of Saint Augustine are kept, and San Teodoro and San Michele Maggiore. Don't miss a walk on the romantic Ponte Vecchio, which connects the historical centre with the picturesque Borgo Ticino district. (45 km from Milan)





Sondrio is a town of Lombard origin in the heart of the **Valtellina**. The historical centre is characterised by stone houses typical of the most beautiful **mountain towns**. The precious architecture of the **Torre Ligariana** is remarkable. A stop at a crotto or a **typical restaurant** is a must in the area to savour the cuisine based on pizzoccheri and Sassella or Inferno wine. (135 km from Milan)



Varese, also known as a "garden city", enjoys a wealth of landscape, architecture and art that have been appreciated since the last century, when the city became a **holiday** destination with its prestigious Art Nouveau villas and hotels. An unmissable destination for contemporary art lovers is the 18th-century Villa Panza with its unique collection. (58 km from Milan)







The shores of **Lake Maggiore** wash up on the banks of Piedmont and Lombardy in Italy, while its more austere northern basin lies in the mountainous region of Switzerland. The most famous island, lying just off **Stresa** – a small, elegant town, rich in neoclassic and liberty buildings and a shopping mecca boasting a myriad of boutiques – is **Isola Bella**, anchored like a fantastic ship-garden and dominated by the majestic Palazzo Borromeo, built in the 17th century and rich in art treasures, including the private collection of Milan's most famous aristocratic family. The Borromeo clan also owned **Rocca di Angera**, an imposing fortress (12th-17th century) boasting opulent ambiences, of which the most famous is the Sala di Giustizia. The "Rocca" also has a medieval garden (www.isoleborromee.it).

Lake Como is the romantic and worldly older sister of Maggiore and Garda and takes its name from the city of Como. "Must-visit" sights include the Gothic **Duomo**, the Romanic





basilicas of San Fedele and Sant'Abbondio and the neoclassic Villa Olmo. Nestling on the banks of Lake Como in Lenno and currently owned by FAI – a private non-profit trust – Villa del **Balbianello** is a magnificent example of a perfectly preserved 18th century dwelling. Surrounded by a stunning, terraced panoramic garden, with a breathtaking view of the lake, the Villa is one of the area's most romantic retreats. Standing on the tip of a promontory overlooking the waters of the lake, the Villa was chosen by director George Lucas as one of the evocative settings for the famous "Star Wars" series. Lying just a stone's throw northwest of Como is **Cernobbio**, a small fashionable resort frequented by the wealthy of Europe because of its deluxe hotel Villa d'Este and Villa Erba where director Luchino Visconti spent his childhood (www.villaerba.it). Continuing North, we find Isola Comacina a jewel of art and nature, rich in Mediterranean vegetation and one of the most important archaeological sites of the dark ages in Northern Italy. In nearby Tremezzo, don't miss a visit to the Baroque-style Villa Carlotta,



featuring an Italian garden and sculptures by Canova. At the junction of the southern arm of the lake lies **Bellagio**, also referred to as the pearl of Como, set in a strategic position to soak up the panorama.

Don't miss a visit to the other lakes that are also easily accessible from Milan. These include **Lake Lugano**, where the enchanting towns of Morcote, Melide and Lugano offer many cultural attractions and charming itineraries; **Lake Iseo**, a gem of rare beauty nestled between the provinces of Bergamo and Brescia; **Lake Garda** attracing millions of visitors every year thanks to its mild climate, its old-fashioned atmosphere and its breathtaking scenery, including scenic roads along the coast, Renaissance villas, Romanesque hamlets and small villages.

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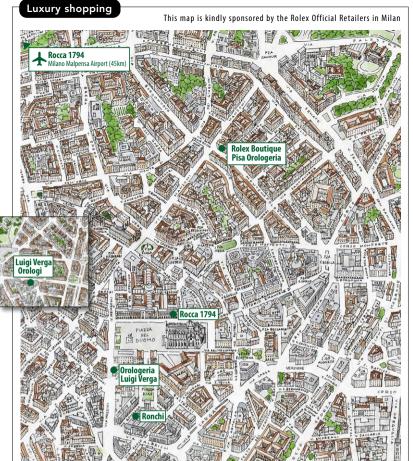
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Strolling through Milan

Milan, famous for being one of the fashion capitals of the world, has always something new to reveal, from its main shopping streets, always up-to-date with trends from abroad, to fabulous niche venues with sought-after products.



Another reference point for upmarket shopping is the picturesque, iconic and simply spectacular Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, home to the fashion giants and several high-class restaurants: a unique destination whose upper and lower spaces are well worth a visit. After honoring the Milanese tradition that requires firmly grinding the heel of your shoe into a bull depicted on the mosaic floor of the Galleria, which is said to bring luck, you can indulge yourself by purchasing something from one of the fabulous boutiques lining the Galleria.





CORSO VITTORIO EMANUELE & VIA TORINO: TRENDY SHOPPING

Trendy venues can be found starting from Plazza Duomo and corso Vittorio Emanuele II which leads to piazza San Babila, and the nearby via Torino, which stretches as far as porta Ticinese. These are the shopping meccas for youngsters and fashion-interested, in search of the latest trends. These areas boast **loads and loads of shops** and it's easy to get lost among the myriad offers of everchanging, ready-to-wear fashion.







Milan's historic centre is contained within a relatively small area which is now mostly closed to traffic, meaning that it's easy to explore on foot. There's no need to choose between planning a 'cultural' itinerary or a 'shopping' itinerary because you can combine the two and get the most out of both. This area is home to myriad shops, including big-name fashion brands, historic 'botteghe' and some of the city's most sought-after cafés, bars and eateries. In the space of just a few kilometers you'll find the Duomo, the Galleria, Teatro alla Scala, the Castle, the ancient Basilica di Sant'Ambrogio, as well as sporadic traces of 'Roman Milan', which was the first settlement and the predecessor of present-day Milan. In the immediate vicinity, overlooking the various sides of the large square surrounding it, you'll find several of the world's most exclusive addresses. For the ultimate one-stop shopping **experience** look no further than the Rinascente flagship store (under the arcades): an amazing array of fashion items under just one roof!



PORTA NUOVA: MODERN TIMES



Beneath the imposing UniCredit Tower, one of the symbols of the Milanese skyline, you'll find the newest and most modern part of Milan, home to the skyscrapers of **Porta Nuova** and **Piazza Gae Aulenti**, a real jewel of architecture and design with its increasing number of boutiques. This is really one of Milan's most **contemporary**, fashionable districts, bursting with buzzy bars that cater to the traditional aperitivo ritual, a destination where hip youngsters are always in the limelight. In addition to the latter, the area also contains the **Corso Como** complex, where you'll find some of the most famous and fanciest clubs in Milan alongside fashion and art hotspots. If shopping is your objective you'll be spoilt for choice in **piazza Gae Aulenti**. The piazza hosts numerous bookshops, perfumeries and design or clothing shops.







THE LEGENDARY MONTENAPOLEONE

The Quadrilatero della Moda, or Golden Quad, is situated just east of the Piazza della Scala, amidst four of Milan's most expensive and prestigious shopping streets, namely via Montenapoleone, via Manzoni, via della Spiga and corso Venezia. It is here that the most important fashion designers offer their luxurious creations. It's an open-air shopping mall, where haute couture takes centre stage and with its cornucopia of eye-catching window displays it make the eyes of even the most hardened fashionistas sparkle. In just a few hundred metres, you'll find everything your heart desires, including boutiques, museums, restaurants and luxury hotels.

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Nowadays this is one of the liveliest areas of the city, still maintaining a characteristic athmosphere that summons its past, when the district was inhabited by artists and **bohemians**. Its narrow cobbled streets host a number of interesting chic antique shops, galleries, restaurants and bars. The area is expanding rapidly and its neighbouring streets, including Corso Garibaldi and Corso Como, are home to several of the trendiest addresses in the city. In fact, as you walk through this historic district, you will be struck by a treasure trove of small artists' workshops and quaint shops selling canvases and paints. Highlights include the masterpieces at the **Pinacoteca**, the historic Biblioteca Nazionale Braidense, the Astronomical Museum, and the Botanical Garden, an evocative green oasis in the heart of the city. Now, countless boutiques showcasing rare essences are springing up, transforming Brera into a 'district of Artistic Perfumery.





Design at your feet by Fratelli Rossetti





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"Design at your feet" is the Fuorisalone 2022 event that sees designers from the international scene take on the world of footwear. The two architects Ludovica+Roberto Palomba have designed a new genderless sandal for Fratelli Rossetti and redesigned the windows of the boutique in Via Montenapoleone 1: a "cage sandal" made of soft black leather with an avant-garde sole, which combines geometric and essential lines with a decisive and rigorous mood in an original way. The model, produced in a limited edition, will be available exclusively in Milan boutiques and on the e-boutique fratellirossetti.com.

The Fratelli Rossetti boutiques can be found at **Via Montenapoleone 1, Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II** (*see photo*) and **Corso Magenta 17**; these are joined by the recently opened boutiques at **Milano Linate** and **Milano Malpensa airports**.





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NAVIGLI: NICHE SHOPPING



Trendy Milanese, who could never mingle in big crowds, shop in the **Ticinese area** and surrounding neighbourhoods. Here, amongst the columns of **San Lorenzo** and the **Navigli**, you'll find numerous trendy boutiques, niche labels and small vintage shops where it's still possible to bag a bargain and find showrooms that sell to the public. Together with Brera, the Navigli is one of the most **picturesque districts** in old Milan. The **Navigli** and the **Darsena** are two favourites among the locals, who love to enjoy the traditional aperitivo here, but are also a must-visit for visitors who will find themselves seduced by the artistic atmosphere of its numerous painters' studios.











Corso Vercelli is a 'niche' shopping street which is less busy and easier to shop in than the city centre. Overflowed with small shops just waiting to be discovered, the street is embraced by a distinctive atmosphere that is further enhanced by the passage of historic trams. This is one of Milan's most upmarket districts: a residential area, still inhabited by Milan's upper crust, it epitomizes the traditional soul of the city and is distinguished by its air of sophistication, elegance and stunning residential architecture. Here you will come across **several trendy shops** for all tastes, offering clothing, footwear, home décor and eateries. What's more the area is located just a stone's throw from one of Milan's most important attractions: the **Last Supper**, Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece; the Parco Sempione and the Triennale Milano are also within easy walking distance, and, if you're feeling energetic, you can easily push onwards until you reach the Castello Sforzesco.





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The oldest and biggest Chinese district in Italy is an interesting location for a quiet walk or to take a look at the typical products displayed on both sides of the road. This pedestrian district stretches over the central via Paolo Sarpi and reaches the nearby via Bramante, via Aleardi and via Niccolini, forming a real city within the city. Christmas, Chinese New Year and the Oriental Design Week create a lively atmosphere packed with events, during which you can admire the beautiful lanterns and decorative elements.







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Just in the last few weeks, the **new extension of the shopping centre** opened its doors, designed by **architect Mario Botta** and characterised by a modern and **sustainable design** thanks to the use of recycled materials. From the current **160 luxury boutiques** and the best international fashion brands, to almost **200 by the end of 2022**, FoxTown consolidates its position among the best outlets in Europe with collections at **prices reduced by 30% to 70% all year round.**







Get ready for sales!

Sale time is an absolute must for shopping addicts: when it's sale time in Milan the city is inundated with hordes of fashion addicts in search of desirable objects.



Milan is the fashion capital of the world. In case you don't believe this, various surveys conducted over the past few years have confirmed that **Milan is the number one luxury-shopping destination**: it is not surprising that the whole city is alive with shoppers during the eagerly awaited **summer and winter sales**.

WHEN >> In Italy sale times occur two times a year, according to the different Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter seasons. Generally, they are held after Christmas, January-February for winter collections and July-September for summer collections, though the starting dates change from region to region. Sales generally last for 60 days and keep in mind: the earliest you go, the widest choice you will find!



SHOPPING

WHAT >> First and foremost, remember that discounts are only applied to collections already on sale at shops and **not to new in-store arrivals**. According to the Italian laws, sales always refer to **seasonal products** belonging to the **outgoing collection**. And it's important to bear in mind that **discounts are not fixed**, but they can range **from 5% up to 70%** depending on the individual policy of each shop even if applied **to all kinds of articles**, from clothing to accessories.

WHERE >> While the so-called 'Quadrilatero della Moda', which includes via Montenapoleone, via della Spiga, via Manzoni and Corso Venezia, is the place that has the highest average price tags (followed by Paris, New York and London) and the largest concentration of the most prestigious designer boutiques, new highend shopping districts are gradually emerging. A suggestion: don't limit yourself to the shopping streets in the centre... if you avoid following the crowds, you'll be able to take advantage of a much wider choice! And if you want to take the maximum advantage of the sales experience, we recommend focusing on fashion outlets (several located out-of- town) that offer additional discounts on their collections.

>> INSIDER TIP

By the Italian laws, items bought on sale can be tried on, as well as full-price ones, but they can have stricter rules on returns. While articles coming from new collections can be returned within 30 days, products with reduced prices can't be returned unless flawed. So, if you buy a reduced price dress or accessory, always pay attention to the fitting or to the size; if you make a mistake, maybe you can be given a voucher, but it's at the shop owner's complete discretion to agree.



Tax Free Refund Guide

According to the Italian law. non-EU resident travellers may be granted VAT relief/refund for goods intended for personal or family use purchased in Italy. This relief is surely an advantage for the foreign travellers: in fact, it allows to save from a minimum of 4% up to a maximum of 22% of the selling price of the goods purchased. Here is a **short** quide according to the Italian legislation to discover the common system of value added tax exclusively for non-EU resident travellers

- 1. VAT (in Italian: IVA) is a value added tax on goods and services, and is part of the European Union's value added tax system.
- 2. In some cases, travellers may be granted a VAT refund. This refund does not cover the services supplied by hotels, restaurants, taxis or agencies.
- 3. You may be eligible for a VAT refund provided that:
- you are a non-EU resident;
- the goods purchased are intended for personal or

- family use only and are carried in your luggage;
- the overall value of the goods purchased exceeds 154.94 Euro (VAT included):
- the purchase is certified by an invoice. This invoice should include a description of the goods purchased, your personal information as well as the details of your passport or any other equivalent document;
- the goods shall leave the EU territory by the third month following the date of issue of the invoice, as proved by the "customs stamp";
- from 1 September 2018, tax free invoices in Italy must be electronically transmitted by the national seller to OTFLLO information system (Online Tax Refund at Exit: Light Lane Optimization) and their validation is digitally carried out.
- after the digital "customs stamp" is obtained, OTELLO will send a message to the retailer that all the requirements are met and, as a consequence, the retailer will reimburse the amount due or will settle the tax relief.





Tax Free Refund Guide

- the invoice is returned to the Italian retailer within four months after the purchase was made. If the invoice is stamped by other EU countries, it needs to be brought to the shop retailer by the fourth month following that of the purchase.
- 4. The goods purchased and the relevant invoice must be shown at the customs exit point when leaving EU territory (if you intend to pack the purchased items into your check-in luggage, you must go to Customs BEFORE checking in).
- 5. After leaving EU territory, the traveller must return the original invoice, regularly endorsed by the customs office, to the Italian retailer. Said invoice must be returned within four months from the date when the document was issued
- 6. The refund can be made directly by the Italian retailer (however, make sure that the shop you've chosen displays a "Tax Free Shopping" or "Euro Tax Free" sign in its window).

- 7. Several Tax-Free companies are able to offer immediate VAT cash refunds when the goods leave either Italian or EU territory (thus exonerating the passenger from having to return the invoice to the retailer). However, this procedure only applies at major international airports or main border crossings. Most major department stores have Tax Free Refund offices.
- 8. The services provided by Tax-Free companies imply the payment of a small administrative sum which is **directly deducted** from the amount of VAT refunded to the traveller.
- 9. In the event of a traveller not receiving a VAT refund within a reasonable period of time, he or she should re-contact the Italian retailer or one of the aforementioned companies.
- 10. However, please note, VAT cannot be refunded directly by customs offices.

Source: www.adm.gov.it/portale/ ee/citizen/



FASHION & DESIGN

OUTLETS



Just a few kilometres from Milan, the nec plus ultra for the fashion addicted are the city's outlying fashion outlets. Don't miss a trip to these unique shopping destinations!





SERRAVALLE DESIGNER OUTLET

The largest Designer Outlet in Europe, it is located just 50 minutes away from Milan. Its beautiful setting combines all the appeal of luxury designer brands with the beauties of the surrounding Piedmont countryside and the Ligurian Riviera. McArthurGlen also boasts "Barberino" near Florence, "Castel Romano" near Rome, "La Reggia" near Naples and "Noventa di Piave" close to Venice.

- WHERE: take the A7 Milano-Genova motorway and exit Serravalle Scrivia
- **WHAT:** a unique shopping experience with 300 of your favourite designer brands for up to 70% less all year round. *McArthurGlen.it/Serravalle*



SERRAVALLE DESIGNER OUTLET

Take advantage of our daily shuttle service from Milan. The ticket entitles you to a **Fashion Passport**, a daily card that guarantees an additional -10% in participating stores, to be collected upon arrival at the Guest Services.

>> Zani Viaggi (www.zaniviaggi.com)

Central Station	Largo Cairoli	Departure from Serravalle
9.30am	10am	6.15pm

>> Autostradale Viaggi (www.lookmitours.com)

Central Station	Corso Buenos Aires	Piazza Duomo	Departure from Serravalle
10am	10.05am	10.30am	7pm

>> Flixbus (for timetables and travel days: www.flixbus.co.uk)

Departures from Lampugnano (Bus Station) to Serravalle Designer Outlet and return.



OUTLETS

SCALO MILANO OUTLET & MORE

Scalo Milano Outlet & More is the Milan's outlet located just 15 minutes from Milan downtown, combining outlet collections and new arrivals at retail prices.

- WHERE: located in Locate Triulzi (via Milano, 5), it can be accessed via a daily shuttle bus from downtown Milan (Piazza della Repubblica, 3 corner of via Turati) and straight to Scalo Milano in a few minutes.
- WHAT: it hosts 150 fashion and design brands, including Cavalli Class, Twinset, Fratelli Rossetti, Patrizia Pepe, Puma, a Ferrari store and 15 showrooms of leading interior décor and home furnishing brands (Alessi, Kartell, Calligaris...) and discounted products up to 70% all year round. Incredible entertainment program through the year with concerts, events and exhibitions.
- **NOT ONLY SHOPPING:** other highlights include accessories, cosmetics and sporting goods, 14 restaurants and cafés. Non-EU residents can reclaim any VAT paid on items purchased here. *scalomilano.it*



SCALO MILANO OUTLET & MORE

A shuttle service runs from the centre of Milan to Scalo Milano with 3 daily departures. Bookable everyday at scalomilano.it

>> Departure from Piazza della Repubblica by Frigerio Viaggi. www.scalomilano.it

Piazza della Repubblica 5, corner of Via Turati	Departure from Scalo Milano	
10.30am	12.30am	
2pm	3.15pm	
5pm	7pm	





THREE REASON

WHY

MILANESE STYLE ICONS

Choose among Milanese Style icons representing the italian spirit in the world. 150 stores with national and international brands among Fashion. Design & Food. Get a 10% off and the chance of winning up to €50 Gift Card signing-up to Scalo Milano I Love Card.







Milan's Outlet just 15 minutes from Milan Downtown, easily accessible by our free shuttle bus for a comfortable experience. Find out more on scalomilano.it

TAXI AND TAX-FREE SHOPPING

Easy access to in-store Tax-Free service and innovative payment method such as Alipay and WeChat Pay to buy Scalo Milano Gift Card. Moreover, whether you are a tourist and applied to our Scalo Milano I Love Card. you might get a €50 Taxi Voucher through €500 shopping in a day for a pleasant way back to the city.







OUTLETS

FOXTOWN FACTORY STORES

A haven of luxury and elegance where 160 stores offer the very best fashion labels discounted from 30% to 70% all year round.

- WHERE: in Switzerland, just 50 km from Milan.
- **WHAT:** 160 exclusive stores, more than 250 top brands ,1 casino, 7 bars and restaurants, an exchange office and various Tax Free refund points. www.foxtown.com

FIDENZA VILLAGE

One of the 11 Villages of "The Bicester Collection" by Value Retail in Europe and China, the Village offers its guests a complete '360-degree' experience.

- **WHERE:** in the heart of the Food Valley and the Land of Verdi, just 60 minutes from Milan.
- WHAT: over 120 boutiques with a selection of Italian and international brands at prices reduced by up to 70% off the retail price and a Virtual Shopping Service allowing you to shop directly via WhatsApp, phone or email. www.fidenzavillage.com



FIDENZA VILLAGE

The Shopping Express® coach service runs **Thursday to Sunday** on a complimentary basis. *All passengers must present their Super Green Pass, FFP2 face masks must be worn on the coach and all passengers' temperatures will be checked before boarding.*

>> For tickets and information: www.tbvsc.com/fidenzavillage/en/getting-here/shopping-express

Piazza della Repubblica, 5 (corner of via Turati, in front of the newsstand, M3)	9.45am
Arrival at Fidenza Village	11.15am
Departure from Fidenza Village	5.30pm
Piazza della Repubblica, 5 (corner of via Turati)	7.15pm



FRANCIACORTA VILLAGE

Nestled between Lakes Garda and Iseo, less than an hour from Milan, Franciacorta offers a unique shopping experience.

- WHERE: take the A4 Milan-Venice motorway and exit at Ospitaletto or the A35 Bre-Be-Mi and exit at the A4 junction.
- **WHAT:** over 190 stores of Italian and international brands for up to 30-70% less all year round. *www.franciacortavillage.it*

VICOLUNGO THE STYLE OUTLETS

Situated just 30 minutes from Milan and the Malpensa Airport, this is one of the closest outlet to Milan.

- **WHERE:** take the A4 Milano-Torino motorway and exit at Biandrate Vicolungo. A shuttle bus connects the outlet to the centre of Milan
- **WHAT:** 150 prestigious designer stores offering clothing for the whole family, homeware and beauty products at discounted prices up to 70%. Special selection of several of the world's most coveted sports brands. *www.vicolungo.thestyleoutlets.it*



VICOLUNGO THE STYLE OUTLETS

Take advantage of the daily Shuttle Bus connecting the centre of Milan (and Turin on Sat and Sun) with Vicolungo The Style Outlets. **Daily service.** The Reinforced Green Pass and FFP2 mask are necessary to board the bus.

Free service on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays. Return ticket €20 adults - €10 children 4/11 – 0-3 years: free.

>> For tickets and information: www.autostradaleviaggi.it or call +39 02 30089900

Central Station (Piazza IV Novembre, corner of Hotel Gallia)	Via Manzoni, 6 (corner of Piazza Scala) — first stop	Departure from Vicolungo
10.00am	10.30am	4.30pm



FOOD & WINE

TASTING



The new Ricci
Osteria represents
the winning
understanding
of Antonella and
Vinod, a couple in
life before being a
professional couple

>> Via Pasquale Sottocorno, 27 www.ricciosteria.it T: 02 49705612 Open Tuesday to Sunday, 7pm-11pm; Saturday and Sunday also 12pm-3.30pm

ntonella Ricci's cuisine originated in Apulia, thanks to her experience in the family's historic restaurant "Al Fornello da Ricci", where Vinod Sookar, born in the Republic of Mauritius, worked as executive chef. He has cultivated in parallel the cuisine of his country of origin (under the banner of fish, fruits and spices) and that of Apulia. Ricci is first and foremost an "Osteria", where guests feel at home and savour a "tasty simplicity", as Antonella likes to repeat. On the menu you can breathe in the air of Apulia, from the appetisers to the fish and meat dishes, from the selected raw materials that enhance the territory, to Antonella and Vinod's





>> INSIDER TIPS



- Breakfast time in Italy can be from 6am to 11am, depending on what time you got up, and it usually includes a cappuccino, which is a morning drink, and "cornetto" or other sweet pastries.
- Lunchtime usually ranges from midday to 2pm (that is

why many of the shops of the shops close in these hours), **dinnertime** from 8pm to 10pm.

- Between 6pm and 9pm it's **aperitivo time**, an Italian tradition started in Milan. If you're feeling hungry between 3pm and 5pm then it's time for you to have a "merenda", a quick snack between the two main meals. Should you be hungry at late night, you can check several list of **latenight restaurants in Milan**.
- Never forget to check the restaurant's **weekly closing day**, which most of the time will be Monday.
- Reservations for most restaurants are strongly advised.
- In Italy, service is included in the price meaning that although **tipping is not compulsory** but 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 (usually between 1 and 3 euros per person).
- If you want tap water, you should specify it to the waiting staff of the restaurant or bar, asking for a glass of "acqua di rubinetto".
- Although no dress code exists in Italy, **semiformal clothing** is usually considered de rigeur at restaurants.
- All restaurants and bars are non-smoking unless a separate smokers' area is specifically offered.



Obicà, not only Mozzarella and Pizza



Where in Milan can you enjoy the best Mozzarelle di Bufala Campana DOP, pizza and traditional Italian dishes in a cosy and convivial atmosphere? **Obicà Duomo** (at the Food Hall on the 7th floor of Rinascente), and the new **Obicà Cusani** in the Brera district, offer a selection of seasonal dishes made with the best Italian ingredients, divided into six types: **Mozzarella Bar, Pizza, Pasta, Salads, Main Courses** and **Desserts**.

At Obicà - which in Neapolitan dialect means "Here it is!" - the protagonist is **Mozzarella** (in the classic or smoked version or in the "bocconcini" format) made **exclusively from buffalo milk**. The selection of dairy products is completed by "Stracciatella"







and "Burrata" from Puglia and "Ricotta di Bufala". Alongside dairy products, it is also possible to enjoy "Small Tasting" or "Gran Tagliere" of cold cuts. The Mozzarella Bar's menu also includes leavened items such as "Gnocco Fritto", "Focaccia" and "Crostini" in different variations, and another iconic dish: Pizza, prepared with stone-ground flour from 100% Italian wheat.

1. Obicà Duomo

Food Hall 7th Floor Rinascente Milano Piazza Duomo

2. Obicà Cusani

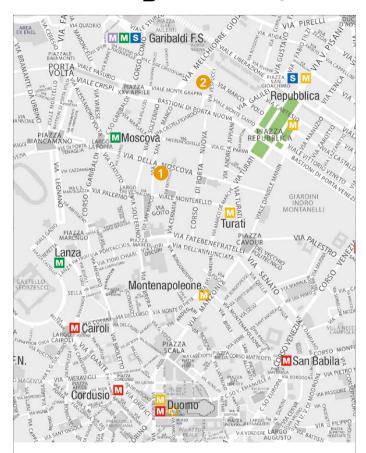
Via Cusani 1 www.obica.com



OBICÀ ALL OVER THE WORLD – The authenticity and genuineness of the best Italian products of which the Obicà Mozzarella Bar Group is a spokesman, can now be tried in no less than **20 restaurants around the world.** In Italy, between Milan and Palermo, Florence and Rome, but also abroad, where the Italian soul is intertwined with a cosmopolitan spirit: London, Porto, New York, Tokyo, Osaka and Yokohama.



Dining at the top



All the flavours of Milan

We've rounded up some of the most interesting restaurants in the city: here are two locations where you can enjoy excellent cuisine with a Roman flair.



ADVERTORIAL



VOLEMOSE BENE MOSCOVA

Since 2012, this **Ostaria Romana** has brought true Roman cuisine to the city, with its tradition. In a **cosy, informal setting**, you can enjoy everything from starters to desserts, with an excellent wine list, including **wines from Lazio**. Very popular for lunch and dinner, 7 days a week.

Via della Moscova, 25 T: 02 36559618 volemosebenemilano.it

ADVERTORIAL



VOLEMOSE BENE VESPUCCI

With the restaurant on Via Moscova, this second **Ostaria Romana** in the city is in an elegant setting with a **dehors**, just a few steps from Milan's skyscrapers. Here you can enjoy everything from starters to desserts, with an excellent wine list, including **wines** from Lazio.

Via A. Vespucci, 5 T: 02 89690870 volemosebenemilano.it







Milanese tasting

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 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 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". Try the creative dishes signed by Carlo Cracco at his restaurant in Galleria Vittorio Emanuele (www.ristorantecracco.it)



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 "Da Giannino" (www.gianninoristorante.it) or at the "Al Garghet" restaurant (www.algarghet.it).

TRIPE (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. Try the fried variant on the menu of the eponymous trattoria Trippa Milano, on Via Giorgio Vasari 3 (www.trippamilano.it).

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.





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For a taste of old-world Milan, suggest you try it at "Antica Trattoria della Pesa" in Via Pasubio (www. anticatrattoriadellapesa.com).

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. You can taste the traditional Milanese meat balls at "Al Matarel" (www.almatarel.it).

PANETTONE

Boasting 500 years of tradition, panettone is a type of large, **sweet bread**, leavened very slowly and enriched with **raisins and candied fruit**. Amidst history and legend, the theories as to the origins of panettone vary widely. One of the most romantic is the story linking its invention to Ugo, a young falconer employed by Prince Ludovico il Moro. Ugo yearned to conquer the heart of the daughter of a poor baker named Toni.



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To win her over, the nobleman disquised himself as a baker and invented a rich bread in which he added to the flour and yeast, butter, eggs, dried raisins and candied lemon and orange peel. The fame of the bread spread far and wide and became known as "Pan del Toni" (Toni's bread). According to history, the tradition of panettone is documented by a manuscript conserved at the Biblioteca Ambrosiana dating back to the 15th century. Already at that time, on the night of 24 December, it was customary for the pater familias to place a huge log in the fireplace and to slice the large loaf of bread which he then distributed among those present. From a gastronomic point of view, the distinguishing feature of panettone is that it is leavened two or three times. Its golden colour derives from the skilful combination of butter and egg yokes, while its overall beauty is completed by the orange, green and brown notes resulting from the addition of candied fruit and raisins. The gourmet trick is to warm it for a few minutes in front of an open oven or on top of a radiator before serving it.



2022 Michelin-starred restaurants

The 2022 Michelin Guide has reconfirmed Lombardy as the region with the highest number of gourmet hubs awarded, and 16 restaurants can be found in the beating heart of Milan: check our guide here!



Enrico Bartolini al Mudec assa

Via Tortona, 56. T: 02 84293701 www.enricobartolini.net

D'O #\$

Piazza della Chiesa, 14 – Cornaredo (MI). T: 02 9362209 www.cucinapop.do

Il Luogo di Aimo e Nadia 👯

Via R. Montecuccoli, 6. T: 02 416886 www.aimoenadia.com

Seta by Antonio Guida 👯

Via Andegari, 9. T: 02 87318897 www.mandarinoriental.it

Felix Lo Basso Home&Restaurant

Via Carlo Goldoni, 36. T: 02 45409759

www.felixlobassorestaurant.it

AALTO 💲

Viale della Liberazione, 15. T: 02 25062888 www.aalto-restaurant.com

Piazza Alvar Aalto /

Berton 8

Via Giacomo Watt, 37. T: 02 8088 8624. www.lumemilano.com



TASTING

Contraste \$

Via Meda, 2. T: 02 49536597. www.contrastemilano.it

Cracco \$

Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II. T: 02 876774.

www.ristorantecracco.it

Innocenti Evasioni

Via privata della Bindellina. T: 02 33001882.

www.innocentievasioni.com

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Via Piero della Francesca, 74. T: 02 45476898. www.iyo.it

Joia 👶

Via Panfilo Castaldi, 18. T: 02 29522124. www.joia.it

L'Alchimia 3

Viale Premuda, 34. T: 02 82870704 ristorantelalchimia com

Sadler **\$**

Via Ascanio Sforza, 77. T: 02 58104451.

www.sadler.it

Tano Passami l'Olio 💲

Via Petrarca, 4. T: 02 8394139. www.tanopassamilolio.it

Viva Viviana Varesec/o Eataly Smeraldo

Piazza XXV Aprile, 10. T: 02 5462930.

www.vivavivianavarese.it





ENTERTAINMENTS & TOURS

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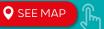


The leading British food&beverage and lifestyle brand has chosen Milan for the opening of its larged House of EL&N in the world.

>> Piazza del Liberty, 4 it.elnlondon.com T: 02 91447806/7 Open daily, 8am-10pm

n emblematic location in the heart of Milan has been chosen by EL&N: the **Liberty Tower**, with a space of 480 sq.m. on three floors. The EL&N cafeteria offers a delicious food and drink selection, to be enjoyed in an ambience that is strongly inspired by fashion, elegant, colourful and inspiring, and that instils positivity. Products and location are irresistibly chic, pink and perfect for being immortalised in a social snapshot. The iconic flowery walls, the pink interior and the drinks with sophisticated flavours served scenically are just some of the factors that have made EL&N the most Instagrammed café in the world.





Milan is the home of the Aperitivo

Aperitivo and Happy Hour in the city are most definitely a ritual which no Milanese is prepared to forego



The Aperitivo, the beloved Milanese tradition of predinner drinks, is accompanied by complimentary "stuzzichini" and an all-you-can-eat buffet. Spreads range from traditional olives, nuts, cheeses and potato chips to awesome pasta dishes, "bruschetta", cold cuts, crudités, raw fish and fruit salads. Generally, lasting for 3 hours from 6 to 9pm (though most people rarely get there until 7pm), the aperitivo scene has become an evening meeting for people of all ages. Cocktails - alcoholic or not - are expertly mixed and a Negroni, Negroni sbagliato

(a delicious mix of prosecco, red vermouth and Aperol instead of gin) or a Spritz are **Milanese specialities**. Favourite beverages consumed during this beloved tradition in Milan include also the city's renowned Martini, Prosecco or Campari, accompanied by an all-youcan-eat buffet.



LANDMARKS & MUSEUMS

ITINERARIES



La Vigna di Leonardo is just a short distance from the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie where Leonardo painted The Last Supper.

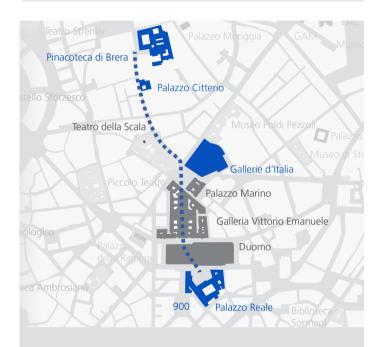
>> La Vigna di Leonardo. (Casa degli Atellani). Corso Magenta, 65. www. vignadileonardo.com

t's one of the landmark locations frequented by Leonardo da Vinci, an unknown piece of history, imbued with mystery. To mark the opening of Expo 2015, researchers excavated the plot where Leonardo's vineyard once stood in the gardens of the Casa degli Atellani, a magnificent Renaissance dwelling situated in front of the Church of Santa Maria delle Grazie. The House and Vinevard museum tour is divided into seven designated areas (the courtyards of Piero Portaluppi, the Zodiac Hall, the Luini Hall, Ettore Conti's studio, the Staircase Hall, the Garden of Earthly Delights - the novellas of Matteo Bandello and Leonardo's Vineyard).









Milan's Street of Art

The city of Milan is enriched by an **art circuit** featuring the city's three main museum hubs: the **Pinacoteca di Brera**, the **Gallerie d'Italia** in piazza della Scala and the civic complex consisting of **Palazzo Reale** and the **Museo del Novecento**. An itinerary extending over **900 metres**, that can be crossed on foot in **just 15 minutes**, from via Brera to piazzetta Reale, cutting through piazza Scala and the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, which hosts an extraordinary part of our country's art history, thus making Milan a prestigious international art capital.



DUOMO DI MILANO

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. To experience the Duomo at its most majestic you must ascend to the **terraces** (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**".





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.

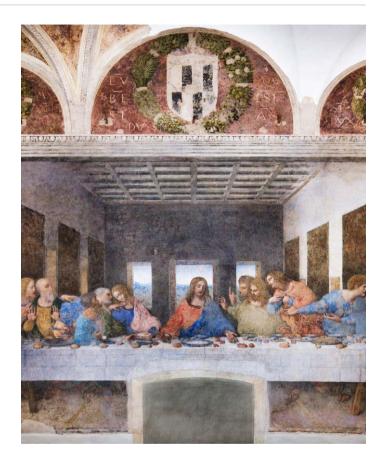




CASTELLO SFORZESCO

The ancient seat of the ruling Visconti, the Castello Sforzesco was later rebuilt by Francesco Sforza and is now simply known by the Milanese as "Il Castello". Antique art, paintings, period furniture, sculptures and musical instruments are housed in its precious treasure trove. Today, it houses a number of interesting museums and libraries: don't miss the museum of the Michelangelo's masterpiece "Pietà Rondanini".

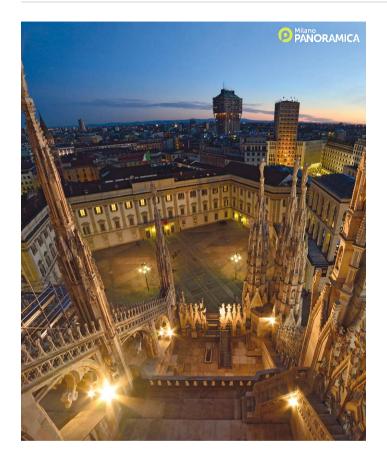




CENACOLO VINCIANO

One of the most famous attractions in the world, "The Last Supper" 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 Refectory close to the church of Santa Maria delle Grazie.





PALAZZO REALE

For many centuries it was the **seat of the government** of the city, of the Kingdom of Lombardy-Venetia and then a **royal residence** until 1919, when it was acquired by the State and became a **venue for exhibitions**. Today it has consolidated relations with museums all over the world and has become the exhibition heart of central Milan, with over **a million visitors** every year.







TEATRO ALLA SCALA

Built at the behest of Empress Maria Teresa of Austria, Teatro alla Scala was **inaugurated in 1778** with an opera by Antonio Salieri. The Scala Opera House is **one of the most famous theatres in the world**. Lose yourselves in the magic of the theatre while admiring its magnificent auditorium. With a bit of luck, you might also have a chance to watch a rehearsal in progress.







AMBROSIANA ART GALLERY AND LIBRARY

The Ambrosiana Picture Gallery 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" and Caravaggio's "Basket of fruit". The Library boasts the largest collection of Leonardo's writings and drawings, the "Codice Atlantico" (Atlantic Codex).







PINACOTECA DI BRERA

Magnificent Palazzo di Brera is clearly the artistic district's centre of gravity. The complex includes the Pinacoteca and the National Braidense Library, but also an important Academy of Fine Arts, a media library, a charming Botanical Garden and an Astronomical Observatory. The "Caffè Fernanda", designed as an integral part of the museum, and "Bottega Brera", the museum shop and bookstore, are part of the "Great Brera".





MUSEO NAZIONALE SCIENZA E TECNOLOGIA

The most important museum of science and technology in Italy, it hosts the testimonies of **history of science**, technology and Italian industry dating from the 19th century to present times. Don't miss the **Enrico Toti** submarine, the 1:1 scale model of the first **Vega vector** and the "**Leonardo da Vinci Galleries**".







TRIENNALE MILANO

One of the most vibrant, popular and **important exhibition centres** in the city. Since 1923, it is an international institution which organises exhibitions and events about design, architecture, visual arts and theatre: don't miss the **Museo del Design Italiano** in the spaces of the Curva on the ground floor. Triennale Milano has also a superb **media library** on design, art and architecture and the **garden** is home to great artists and designers.









GALLERIE D'ITALIA



Two buildings host masterpieces of **19thcentury Italian art** from the collections of Fondazione Cariplo and Intesa Sanpaolo: Palazzo Anguissola and Palazzo Brentani. The palazzo housing Milan's historic Banca Commerciale features **20th century masterpieces**.



MUSEO DEL NOVECENTO



The museum is located inside the **Palazzo dell'Arengario** in Piazza del Duomo and hosts a collection of over four thousand works that catalyze the development of **20th century Italian art**.





BASILICA DI SANT'AMBROGIO P SEE MAP



One of the most ancient churches in Milan, it is a wonderful example of Romanesque style and the focal point is the Ciborium with the "Golden Altar" underneath, a masterpiece of Carolingian goldwork.



SAN MAURIZIO AL MONASTERO MAGGIORE





On entering this 16th-century church, also dubbed the "Sistine Chapel of Milan" it is impossible not to be awestruck by the number and beauty of the paintings, stuccoes and frescoes.







STAZIONE CENTRALE



A complex characterised by a mixture of **different architectural styles**: Neoclassical, Art Nouveau and Art Deco. In recent years it has undergone major **restoration and redevelopment** work, with the opening of new spaces and services.



PARCO SEMPIONE



A green lung in the heart of the city, with **centuries-old trees** and **fitness trails**, this renowned park occupies a vast area linking the Arco della Pace to the Castello Sforzesco.





ORTO BOTANICO



A small but delightful **Botanical Garden** in Brera. Dating to the **18th century**, it was reopened to the public a few years ago and offers a delightfully **peaceful setting** within Milan's densely urbanized historical centre.



NAVIGLI DISTRICT



A widespread **network of canals** whose history is linked to the genius of **Leonardo da Vinci**. It boasts small **artisan workshops** and **painter's studios** reminiscent of those found on the left bank in Paris.





MONTENAPOLEONE DISTRICT (SEE MAP



The Quadrilatero della moda is set amidst four of Milan's most expensive and prestigious shopping streets. It is here that the most important fashion designers, of international repute, offer their luxurious creations.



BRERA DISTRICT





Its narrow cobbled streets host a number of interesting chic antique shops, galleries, artisanal workshops and cafés. As a "district of Artistic Perfumery" it boasts delectable shops carrying only the most sought-after fragrances.







PORTA NUOVA DISTRICT



This is a sprawling area, the result of a project of urban and architectural redevelopment. A **technological hub** comprising more than twenty buildings including **skyscrapers**, **offices and urban residences** with the scenic **Piazza Gae Aulenti**.



CITYLIFE DISTRICT



A **residential and commercial complex** in the Portello district designed by architects Arata Isozaki, Daniel Libeskind and Zaha Hadid. The complex also includes the **shopping district**, a **public park** and three **residential complexes**.



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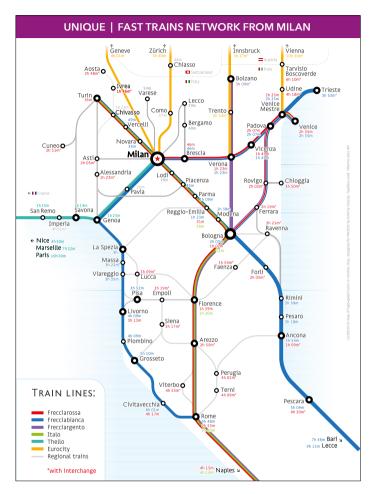
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