



28 UN POSTO A MILANO

5 places with a GARDEN

26 RATANÀ

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Castillia 28**

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ratana.it

In a small building, dwarfed by the skyscrapers of Porta Nuova, chef Cesare Battisti prepares dishes that 'express the soul of Milan', sourcing his raw material from local producers. The risottos and meats are excellent. His partner and sommelier Federica Fabi is in charge of the front of house. Games for children in the garden.

27 U BARBA

**Via Pier Candido
Decembrio 33**

South-East ⑦

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ubarba.it

A *bocce* club which has become a Genovese tavern. The food is very basic here, and includes *trofie* (short, twisted pasta) with pesto, *pansotti* (stuffed pasta) with walnut sauce, and cheese-stuffed focaccia. You can enjoy their cuisine, that reminds the Milanese of weekends by the sea, at a communal table. Or outdoors, near the *bocce* court. Also open for lunch on weekends.

5 cool BARS IN MUSEUMS

- 91 **LÙBAR**
AT: VILLA REALE GAM
Via Palestro 16
Porta Venezia ①
+39 02 8352 7769
lubarstreetfood.com
- Today the former orangerie of Villa Reale is a splendid winter garden, with large windows overlooking the greenery. The tables also occupy part of the southern portico, through which the horses once entered. The atmosphere is laidback, like in the park where there's an area designed for children.
- 92 **BAR LUCE**
AT: FONDAZIONE PRADA
Largo Isarco 2
South-East ⑦
+39 02 5666 2611
fondazioneprada.org
- When this place opened it became the hipsters' new favourite hangout, from breakfast till evening. The best moment to enjoy the bar, which was designed by Wim Wenders, who won an Oscar for *The Grand Budapest Hotel*, is on weekdays, without the chaos of the weekend.
- 93 **ROTONDA BISTRO**
Via Enrico Besana 12
Porta Romana ②
+39 02 5501 1404
rotondabistro.it
- The location plays a major role at Rotonda della Besana. The baroque structure – which until the 1700s served as the cemetery of Ca' Granda city hospital – with its beautiful portico has since become a bistro. The church of San Michele was transformed into a children's museum a few years ago.

- 94 **CAFFETTERIA
DECANTO GALLERIE
D'ITALIA**
Piazza della Scala 6
Duomo-San Babila ②
+39 02 8901 4372
gallerieditalia.com
- A large, quiet, and luminous space. Unlike other bars in the city centre, DeCanto is spacious enough for you to catch your breath. You can browse your guidebook and plan your next visit or take a break before enjoying the Gallerie d'Italia collection. A perfect pit stop while shopping.
- 95 **GIACOMO CAFFÈ**
Piazza del Duomo 12
Duomo-San Babila ②
+39 02 8909 6698
giacomocaffe.com
- One of the stars of the 'Giacomo' constellation, which includes a restaurant in the nearby Arengario and an enclave in Via Sottocorno with a bistro, pastry shop and bar-tobacco shop. They all have the same furniture, atmosphere and vintage dinnerware. The cafe of Palazzo Reale also has a pleasant courtyard and a mezzanine where you can browse old and recent exhibition catalogues.





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5 CONCEPT STORES

211 ACQUA DISTILLATA MILANO

Via Santa Croce 21
5vie-Ticinese ②
+39 02 3657 6952
[acquadistillata
milano.com](http://acquadistillata.milano.com)

A store that sells art and design, where you can buy creations by niche contemporary artists, both Italian and international. Thanks to its special relationship with artists and designers, Acqua Distillata also designs and sells creative furniture solutions.

212 MARRAS

Via Cola di Rienzo 8
South-West ③
+39 02 8907 5002
nonostantemarras.it

This concept store is located in a former workshop, which is tucked away in a flowery courtyard. A dreamlike space, which is also an art gallery, a meeting venue with antique sofas and furniture and large chandeliers. In the centre, you can find clothes made from special fabrics, surrounded by flowers, books and artworks.

213 SIX GALLERY

Via Scaldasole 7
Sant'Ambrogio ④
+39 02 4548 9540
+39 02 8907 5002
(bistro)
six-gallery.com

A new hidden space in a courtyard with a landscape architecture studio and a design studio with eclectic furniture from the early 20th century to the 1970s. A field of wheat hangs down from the ceiling. The bistro, the Sixième, has a few tables and a large cocktail bar.

214 GARAGE ITALIA
Viale Certosa 86 /
Piazzale Accursio 1
North-West ⑩
+39 02 3343 1857
+39 02 2222 0307
(restaurant)
garageitaliamilano.it

Opened by Lapo Elkann, the scion of the Agnelli dynasty, Garage Italia customises all means of transportation, from scooters to off-road vehicles, and even helicopters! It's located in the former Agip Supercortemaggiore gas station, known as the 'spaceship', which was commissioned by ENI's founder Enrico Mattei. The building, which has been restored, has a cocktail bar and a restaurant.

215 ROSSANA ORLANDI
Via Matteo
Bandello 14-16
Sant'Ambrogio ④
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rossanaorlandi.com

Rossana Orlandi has established her creative space in a former tie factory. The original setting, wall furniture and stairs surround an infinite number of drawers. Recently the bistRo opened here. She joined forces with one of Milan's most popular restaurants, Il luogo di Aimo and Nadia (aimoenadia.com), for this project.



5 beautiful GARDENS

271 BOTANICAL GARDEN OF BRERA

Via Brera 28
Brera-Corso
Garibaldi ①
+39 02 5031 4683
[ortobotanicoitalia.it/
lombardia/brera](http://ortobotanicoitalia.it/lombardia/brera)

This tranquil, beautiful oasis is hidden behind the austere Palazzo di Brera, in the centre of Milan. Created in 1774 at the behest of Maria Theresa of Austria, as a haven of pleasure and delight, the Brera Botanical Garden also supplied medicinal plants to the Brera Pharmacy.

272 BOTANICAL GARDENS OF THE UNIVERSITY

AT: UNIVERSITY OF MILAN,
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
Via Camillo Golgi 18
East ⑥
+39 02 5032 0886
[ortobotanicoitalia.it/
lombardia/milano](http://ortobotanicoitalia.it/lombardia/milano)

This space is situated near the Polytechnic University and close to some faculties of the State University. It is open to the public and is used for scientific research and educational activities. Here the region's native species of the region are preserved and studied. The avant-garde greenhouses host an interesting collection of carnivorous plants.

273 ORTI FIORITI AT CITYLIFE PARK

West ⑧
city-life.it

The CityLife public park will become the city's second 'green lung' and will also have flower gardens. The project includes the cultivation of aromatic and medicinal herbs, flowers and vegetables on 3000 square metres of city land.

274 PARCO TROTTER

Via Giuseppe
Giacosa
NoLo ⑤

A former racetrack. In the 1920s Parco Trotter became the *Casa del Sole*, a special school with a state-of-the-art garden with an educational function. Today it's listed as Environmental Heritage and is always teeming with mothers and children who live in this multicultural neighbourhood.

275 ORTICOLA FLOWER SHOW

AT: INDRO MONTANELLI
PUBLIC GARDEN
Corso Venezia
Porta Nuova ①
orticola.org

The opening is always a society event. Guests show off their eccentric hats and colourful clothes, which are all very flowery. It is a pleasure to stroll among the many plant varieties and rare and ancient flowers in the morning when there are fewer people and to stop for a chat with the nursery owners.



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CONTEMPORARY ART STOPS

356 **FABBRICA DEL VAPORE**

Via G. C. Procaccini 4
North-West ⑩
fabbricadelvapore.org

A 30.000-square-metre space, that is half covered and is dedicated to all artforms including visual, performative and multimedia. The fabbrica is situated in premises that once belonged to a railway equipment factory, with sheds, buildings with large windows and an art nouveau design, where young artists can also reside. Check the online events calendar.

357 **FONDAZIONE PRADA**

Largo Isarco 2
South-East ⑦
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fondazioneprada.org

Rem Koolhaas's OMA studio has juxtaposed the existing buildings of an early-20th-century distillery with three new buildings, called Podium, Cinema and Tower. The latter, which was inaugurated in 2018, offers an unprecedented view of the city through the large windows and from the rooftop bar. All the spaces host artworks and installations from the Prada collection.



358 **PIRELLI HANGARBICOCCA**

5 experiences for FOOTBALL LOVERS

411 STADIO SAN SIRO

**Piazzale Angelo
Moratti**
West ⑧
+39 02 4042 432
sansiro.net

Inside the stadium, the museum tells the story of the Milan and Inter teams through champions' jerseys and shoes, trophies and memorabilia. Combine the tour with a visit of the stadium, when there are no events and games in progress. Do check in advance.



412 CASA MILAN

Via Aldo Rossi 8
West ⑧
+39 02 6228 4545
casamilan.acmilan.com

Another museum dedicated solely to AC Milan fans, by Casa Milan, where children can participate in fun-educational itineraries thanks to 14 touch screens, find all the merch at the store and eat with their parents in the Cucina Milanello restaurant. A full 'red-and-black' immersion.

413 MILAN STORE

AT: GALLERIA SAN CARLO
**Corso Vittorio
Emanuele II**
Duomo-San Babila ②
+39 02 2630 3235
store.acmilan.com

From onesies to teddy bears wearing the Milan jersey, to a plush ball, tracksuits and bathrobes for older kids and adults. Many of the official products can be customised on the spot for a fun gift. In the city centre or available online.

414 INTER STORE

Galleria Passarella 2
Duomo-San Babila ②
+39 02 2630 3235
store.inter.it

Black and blue is the theme of this store. And in 2018, to mark the team's 110th anniversary (it was founded in 1908), they launched a series of celebratory products, including signed t-shirts. And smartphone covers that can be personalised with your name.

415 ARENA CIVICA / ARENA GIANNI BRERA

AT: PARCO SEMPIONE
Viale Giorgio Byron 2
Cairoli-Castello ③
fondambiente.it

The arena is named after Gianni Brera, a journalist and sports writer. But the arena is Italy's oldest stadium and home to Inter Milan for over twenty years. Here the first championship, the first pennant, and the first Italian Cup were won. Long before Inter, the arena was once filled with water, hosting naval battles.

5 UNESCO SITES (out of 10 in Lombardy)

471 **BERGAMO**
CARRARA ACADEMY
Piazza Giacomo
Carrara 82
+39 035 234 396
lacarrara.it

The walls – which were built by the Republic of Venice from 1561 onwards, and which are just over 5 km long – became a UNESCO site in 2017. Follow them to the upper town, which you can also reach by funicular, to Piazza Vecchia, with the Colleoni Chapel that charmed Le Corbusier. The marvellous Carrara Academy recently reopened in lower Bergamo.



472 **VILLAGGIO CRESPI D'ADDA**
Crespi d'Adda (BG)
+39 02 9098 7191
villaggiocrespi.it

This 'ideal company town' was built by the Crespi family, next to its textile factory, along the river Adda. The employees and their families had a house with a vegetable garden and a yard, as well as a communal indoor pool. Also worth visiting is the moving cemetery.

473 **SANTA GIULIA MUSEUM**
Via dei Musei 81-B
Brescia (BS)
+39 030 297 7833
santagiulia.info
turismobrescia.it

Built in 753 AD by the Longobard King Desiderius, the Santa Giulia Museum is a former convent. Visit the Longobard basilica, the Romanesque oratory, the Choir of the nuns, the 16th-century church of Santa Giulia and the cloisters. The Pinacoteca Tosio Martinengo, with works by Raphael, Romanino, Hayez and Canova, is also worth a visit.

474 **SABBIONETA**
turismo.mantova.it

Along with Mantua, which is also on the UNESCO heritage list, Sabbioneta is one of the symbols of the Renaissance. This small 'independent state', an 'ideal city', was built from scratch in the second half of the 1500s by Vespasiano Gonzaga. The hexagonal city wall has been preserved.

475 **CREMONA**
turismocremona.it

The sound of violins resounds throughout the city, from over 150 violin shops and the Violin Museum. On special occasions, you can hear some of the historical instruments in the Auditorium, which has perfect acoustics. The Duomo and the Torrazzo, Europe's tallest brick tower, are also worth visiting.