MILANO, 10 July 2022

SUMMER BOOT CAMP

(the photos you'll find in this file were taken during previous tours)

For the this tour you will need to use the geocaching app (the caches you will find on your way are marked in red)



Do not forget to take photos for your PHOTOSTORY

And find the answers to the questions you will find here in this document

Piazza Gae Aulenti and the Bosco Verticale (THE VERTICAL FOREST)
Also mark the 231m-tall **Unicredit Tower** (the tallest skyscraper in Italy so far) and the **Tree Library** (la Biblioteca degli Alberi).

1st cache of the day:

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Piazza Gae Aulenti, Virtual Reward 2.0 https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/G C88YVH

the cache contains the description of the place – it's a VIRTUAL CACHE (you should take a photo of the **Solar Tree**)





Vertical Forest:https://www.greenroofs.com/projects/bos
co-verticale-vertical-forest-milan/



Piazza Gae Aulenti (it's a premium)
https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/G
C4T5FG The cache is magnetic.



Corso Como

This is a very trendy and cool area, full of shops and venues. After dark it becomes one of the centre of the nightlife in the city. Peek into **Corso Como 10** and be surprised ... https://flawless.life/en/italy/milan/10-corso-como/



Porta Garibaldi (Corso Como)



Porta Garibaldi is a city gate located on the route to Como. It is built in the neoclassical style. It was created to commemorate the visit of the Austrian Emperor Franciszek I, which took place in 1825. In 1860, the gate was rebuilt and dedicated to the memory of Garibaldi. Porta Garibaldi is a perfect example of Doric style. It is surrounded by two impressive portals overlooking the streets. In 1839, customs houses were built near the gate. Despite its monumental dimensions, the gate fits well with the proportions and architecture of the nearby streets.



Chiesa di Santa Maria Incoronata [Double Church]

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6XWG8

This cache also might have been disabled but the story of the place is so **romantic!** Do not forget to read it in the "Description".

The Italian Team knows where the cache is - we might replace it ©





Milano curiosa: l'ippopotamo (the hyppo)

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC16E3Y

This cache has been archived – read info on the place in the "Description". The Italian Team knows where the cache is – we might replace it ©



Parco Sempione

It is the biggest park of the city; originally it was part of the Sforza's Castle. It was turned into a public space at the end of the XIX century.

In the park there are several caches. We suggest you look for this one:

Il Pioppo ribelle (the rebel poplar tree) - UrbanTour

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC70M9V temporary disabled

The Italian Team knows where the cache is – we might replace it $\ensuremath{\textcircled{\sc o}}$





Castello Sforzesco

Castello Sforzesco was **originally a Visconti fortress** and later home to the mighty **Sforzas**, the rulers of Milan, who transformed it into a magnificent ducal palace thought to have been decorated by several of the greatest artists of the times including Donato Bramante and Leonardo da Vinci.

Trasformed into a **military complex** during four centuries of foreign occupation and subsequently used as the barracks of the Italian army, at the end of the 19th century the Castle was **restored by architect Luca Beltrami** who turned it into the headquarters of <u>Milan's Civic Museums</u>.

https://www.milanocastello.it/en Michelangelo's Rondanini Pietà



On the front side of the Castle:



La "Turta di Spus" – UrbanTour (the Wedding Cake Fountain)

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6R0WE

Read the story of the fountain in the Description. It is funny.

The cache is magnetic. There were roadworks around the cache which we hope are over today.

SAN MAURIZIO'S CHURCH (Corso Magenta) open from 10 to 17 on Sundays



San Maurizio

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC2VQ8P

The cache is quite challenging but the place is astonishingly beautiful. Get inside the church – you won't regret it!

Info on the church: https://www.italiaslowtour.com/san-maurizio/







Milano: S.Maria alla Porta e Madonna del Grembiule

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6RPNK

This is a very hidden spot - a secret lane and a roofless church... Will you be able to find it? Photos here might help you:

https://goo.gl/maps/SN5hjMiTY8GZ7xJi7 https://le-strade.com/la-chiesetta-a-cieloaperto/ (or they may not!)

If the cache is complicated to find, just take photos of the place $\ensuremath{\mbox{\@olive{\odot}}}$

Piazza Affari (The Stock Exchange Square)



San [CnK] Il monumento 'particolare' [Milano Curiosa]

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC30N96

This cache is an easy catch and you will definitely find THE FINGER! The cache is a micro magnetic container.

The title of the sculpture is L.O.V.E., which stands for Libertà, Odio, Vendetta,

Eternità (Freedom, Hate, Vengeance, Eternity). Can you understand the meaning behind it? Read here: https://publicdelivery.org/maurizio-cattelan-

love/#:~:text=%E2%80%9COfficially%2C%20its%20name%20is%20L.O.V.E.,%E2%80%93%20Maurizio%20Cattelan



Piazza Cordusio - "Milano Roastery" (former Starbucks)

https://www.starbucksreserve.com/en-us/locations/milano

The best place in the area to find a free and clean restroom ©

From here you can **head to the DUOMO SQUARE**, going through the **Piazza Mercanti** https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/loggia-dei-mercanti-whispering-gallery

THE DUOMO SQUARE, THE DUOMO and ITS SURROUNDINGS

Milan Cathedral is the symbol of Milan and is located on the square in the centre of the city. It is one of the most famous and complex Gothic buildings in the world. In size it is the second highest church in the world (after the cathedral of Beauvais in France) and the third largest (after St. Peter's in the Vatican and the cathedral of Seville).

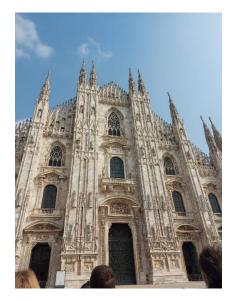
It took 500 years to build it!!!

The mysteries of the Duomo

The duomo dinosaur: https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/duomo

The skinned saint: https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/saint-bartholomew-flayed

The Duomo in figures: do the questionnaire to discover them...







Galleria Vittorio Emanuele



Watch out! You can get a good espresso with a view for a reasonable price at Marchesi's

And do not forget to spin around the **Bull's balls** three times if you want to bring home some good luck!



Piazza della Scala, Teatro alla Scala (The Scala Opera House)

Piazza della Scala / Granito rosa di Baveno

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6T3E8

This is an EARTHCACHE

Can you find the **TOWN HALL** in the same square?



Piazza San Fedele e Alessandro Manzoni

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6R31K

This one is a truly easy catch!

Inside the church there is a modern Art Museum (!) and the famous Ballerina's Chapel: https://www.sanfedeleartefede.it/eng/

Santa Maria presso San Satiro open from 14 to 17 on Sundays (Via Torino)

Enter this church and be surprised by what you see - have a look at the APSE - do you notice anything strange?





FROM NOW ON WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO EXPLORE THE SURROUNDINGS WITH THE HELP OF GEOCACHING. THE FOLLOWINGS ARE ONLY A FEW SUGGESTIONS:



[CnK] San Babila e Colonna del Leone

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC1Q3NA The cache is in the photo's spectrum.





Montenapo [Fashion Epicentrum]

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6P634

This seems an easy catch.



Sandro Pertini [il Presidente!]

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6QTM1

This is a Magnetic Slim cache. Our hint: go to the top of the pyramid! Black on black.



Fashion Triangle in Milan [Just Grab!]

https://www.geocaching.com/seek/cache_details.aspx?wp=GC6QVC4&title= It's a black box.



The Bronze ear

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GCZAKE

It's a multiple cache. Do not spend too much time in doing it. Just take a photo of the place and move on.







Villa Invernizzi, la villa dei Fenicotteri

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GCPMY2

This also is a multiple cache. Do not spend too much time in doing it. Just take a photo of the place and move on.



Palazzo Berri-Meregalli

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC2BNJK

The cache might not be available but the palace is worth seeing. Peep into the main entrance.

A BIT OFF TRACK



Milano: Casa 770 (la casa del rabbino)

https://www.geocaching.com/seek/cache d etails.aspx?wp=GC2T1NZ&title=

(it's a premium)

The history of this place is unique. And you might be lucky enough to meet the lady owner of the house (the rabbi's wife)!





Piazza Fontana [la Strage]

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC70HY8

The square is connected to a dramatic event in the history of the Italian republic.



Milano curiosa: San Bernardino alle ossa

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC1YWXH

The church and the chapel are closed on Sundays but the cache can be reached easily. It's magnetic and it is a quick catch.



G Walk of fame

https://www.geocaching.com/geocache/GC6FWYQ

The cache has been archived but the place can be worth seeing. A bit old fashioned though. Do not be mislead by the coordinates and look for the "Acqua e Farina" Restaurant.



