

In Milano, every neighborhood has its own soul.

Explore the city and choose your favorite neighborhood.



Brera is the **art district** of Milano. You will find cobbled alleys, unique boutiques, historic restaurants, and the same-name Pinacoteca which houses immortal paintings. Here you can experience nightlife on a human scale in its many **cafés and restaurants**. Intriguing alleys and mesmerizing squares offer perfect opportunities for suggestive photos.

Milano has the second largest **Chinatown** in Europe, and its history begins a century ago. Via Sarpi is the main pedestrian thoroughfare of the neighborhood: Chinese **gastronomy** is everywhere with specialized restaurants, supermarkets and dumpling shops, but there's also pizzerias and garment stores, patisseries and wine shops. Via Sarpi is the place where everybody likes to hang out at night.

The Navigli are two **fresh-water canals** that enter the city from the south and southwest: the **Naviglio Grande** and the **Naviglio Pavese**, which flow into the **Darsena**, Milano's ancient river port, near the Porta Ticinese gate. From there Corso di Porta Ticinese takes you to the Colonne di San Lorenzo, also reachable by tram or on foot from Via Torino and Duomo. Navigli and Colonne is where the Milanese go when they want to spend a night out.

Multicultural and queer, Porta Venezia has all the best Milano can offer: green parks, cool bars, East African cuisine, elegant architecture, great shopping (M1 metro stations: Palestro, P.ta Venezia, Lima). Set just outside the city center, it is the **rainbow neighborhood** where you can be free to be who you want. Built in the **Art Nouveau** and **Futurist** eras, Porta Venezia hosts unique modernist villas in the neoclassical district facing the Giardini Pubblici, the local public gardens.

Set between the bridges over the tracks of the Central Station and the Viale Monza and Via Padova avenues north of Piazzale Loreto, Nolo is the happening neighborhood for the city's **creative class** and **urban subcultures**, replete with tasty eateries, cheap bars and graffiti displays. It has the best art house cinema in Milano, in addition to bicycle shops, vegan cafés, Peruvian restaurants and rainbow squares.

The district develops south of the same-name 16th-century gate in the Spanish walls. It has its own food district replete with wine bars, regional and ethnic **restaurants** and a buzzing weekly market (Fridays). Populated by professionals and students, Porta Romana is one of the most enjoyable and attractive neighborhoods of the city.

Isola, **the Island**, so called because it is isolated by the railway tracks from the rest of the city, acts as an **urban bridge** between the old Milano of railings houses and the new Milano of Italy's tallest skyscrapers in Porta Nuova. Isola proper is a neighborhood of young **creatives** and alternative families, dotted by bars and cafés, markets and associations, where you can embrace new cultural trends and be a protagonist of change in the city under the shadow of the **Vertical Forest**.

This is the latest project to have transformed the aesthetics of Milano, inaugurated during Expo 2015. The **three skyscrapers** by Hadid, Libeskind, Isozaki are clearly visible from many areas of the city. Around the three towers rises the CityLife luxury district, a cluster of sparkling residential condos and office buildings, set around a ritzy shopping mall and a vast park. Your visit to Isola is not complete without a stop at CityLife.

Duomo, Galleria and Scala are the **essentials** of any trip to Milano. Take in the views from the roof or ground of the Duomo, shop at the luxurious glass-and-iron arcade, and experience the world-renowned temple of opera music. Stroll along the popular shopping street, Corso Vittorio Emanuele, where global brands have their stores (M1 S. Babila). Don't forget to explore the Fashion Quadrangle for a taste of refined and daring style.

5 THINGS TO DO IN BRERA

1. Feast your eyes on the art of Mantegna, Hayez and Raffaello at **Pinacoteca di Brera** [40] (M2 Lanza).
2. Stop for a coffee in **Piazza del Carmine**, then have risotto alla milanese for lunch in one of the many fine eateries around Via San Marco.
3. Enter the **art shops** and design stores that make Brera one of the arbiters of Milanese taste.
4. Lose yourself in the **alleys** traveled by the protagonists of Italian contemporary art, from Via della Madonnina to Via Fiori Chiari and Via Solferino.
5. Take a walk in **Parco Sempione** [33], climb on Torre Branca and visit the **Triennale Museum of Art** [34], Architecture and Design, with the fountain designed by De Chirico.

5 THINGS TO DO IN SARPI - CHINATOWN

1. Walk down **Via Paolo Sarpi** [53], the longest pedestrianized street of the city, for a **street food** bonanza: bao sandwiches, dumplings, ravioli, tacos, Sicilian cannoli - just choose your favorite!
2. Pay homage to Milanese design: the **ADI Design Museum** [54] features all the slick products that have made the history of international design (M5 Monumentale).
3. Visit the largest open-air museum in the city: the **Cimitero Monumentale** [52], a place that keeps the memory of the individuals that made the city great.
4. Take a break in the Lea Garofalo community gardens, a jewel of tranquility near the triangular skyscraper.
5. Have a noisy drink in Via Cesare **Cesariano**, where the locals like to hang out.

5 THINGS TO DO IN NAVIGLI

1. Enjoy a true Milanese **aperitivo** on a canal bridge at sunset, basking into the magical atmosphere of the lights and the water of the Navigli [61].
2. Join the youthful crowd at the **Colonne** [66], drinking and chatting by Roman columns in front of the vast Basilica of San Lorenzo [65]: it only happens in Milano.
3. Visit the **Tortona Design District** beyond the Porta Genova train station (M2 P.ta Genova FS). Along Via Tortona and Via Savona, in an industrial landscape, there is a cool succession of ateliers, showrooms, bar lounges, select diners and fashion hotels.
4. Visit **MUDEC** [60], the museum of world art and cultures. Then check out an event or a party, or just hook your laptop and sip a cup of tea at **BASE**, the creative innovation space, in the former Ansaldo factory.
5. Grab a **bike** or enjoy a **boat tour** and see how far into the Lombard countryside the Navigli canals can take you.

5 THINGS TO DO IN PORTA VENEZIA

1. Relax at **Giardini Pubblici**, with the Natural History Museum [43] and the Planetarium [44], or be amazed by **Villa Necchi Campiglio** [16] and **Villa Invernizzi** [45] (with pink flamingos in its garden).
2. Walk down Via Melzo to reach Via Malpighi and be amazed by the masterpiece of the Milanese Liberty style of architecture, **Casa Galimberti** [47].
3. Do power **shopping** in Corso Buenos Aires [48]: one of the longest shopping avenues in Europe.
4. Food and drinks! From Eritrean zighini to a taste of ramen, from gourmet vegan to Italian cuisine, Porta Venezia has it all. A drink in a **queer bar** in **Via Lecco** [46] or a glass of orange wine in a natural wine bar of the area can be the perfect end of your night out.
5. Walk down Via Plinio, reach **Bar Basso**, an institution which invented Negroni Shagliato, and beyond that you enter Città Studi, the modernist university district dominated by Politecnico and Statale.

5 THINGS TO DO IN NOLO

1. Jump on Tram #1 and get off at Liberty-style **Piazza Morbegno**: choose one of the local venues to get the best perspective on the architecture of the square while you sip your drink or read your book.
2. Be wowed by the **street art** of Via Pontano and Vicolo del Fontanile.
3. Jog along in the **Ravizza** park by the sprawling Bocconi campus.
4. In for a dip? In Porta Romana there are beautiful **swimming pools** and spas where you can refresh and relax while sipping a soft drink.
5. Play ping pong with friends and strangers in **Piazza Arcobalena**, the most beloved tactic square of the city (M1 Rovereto).
5. Discover the neighborhood's **cuisine**: ceviche from Peru, noodles from Sichuan, Milanese meatballs. Also, Mercato Crespi hosts plenty of dining opportunities inside the modernist-style covered market (M1 Pasteur).

5 THINGS TO DO IN PORTA ROMANA

1. Watch the carps swimming in the baroque fish bath of the luscious **Giardini della Gaustalla** [19], behind the Medieval cloisters of the State University.
2. Hungry for real **Italian food**? Find restaurants from all regions of the Boot in Porta Romana. For a quick lunch, discover Milano's most famous **roast chicken** joint in Piazza Buozzi.
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5. South of Piazzale Lodi (M3 Lodi TIBB), there's the urban future of Milano, with the Parco Romana project which will host the Olympic Village of the 2026 Winter Games, and connect **Fondazione Prada** [71], one of Europe's hotspots for contemporary visual arts (M3 Lodi T.I.B.B.), to Porta Romana through a vast park. The Prada tower offers a privileged view of the city's southern half.

5 THINGS TO DO IN ISOLA

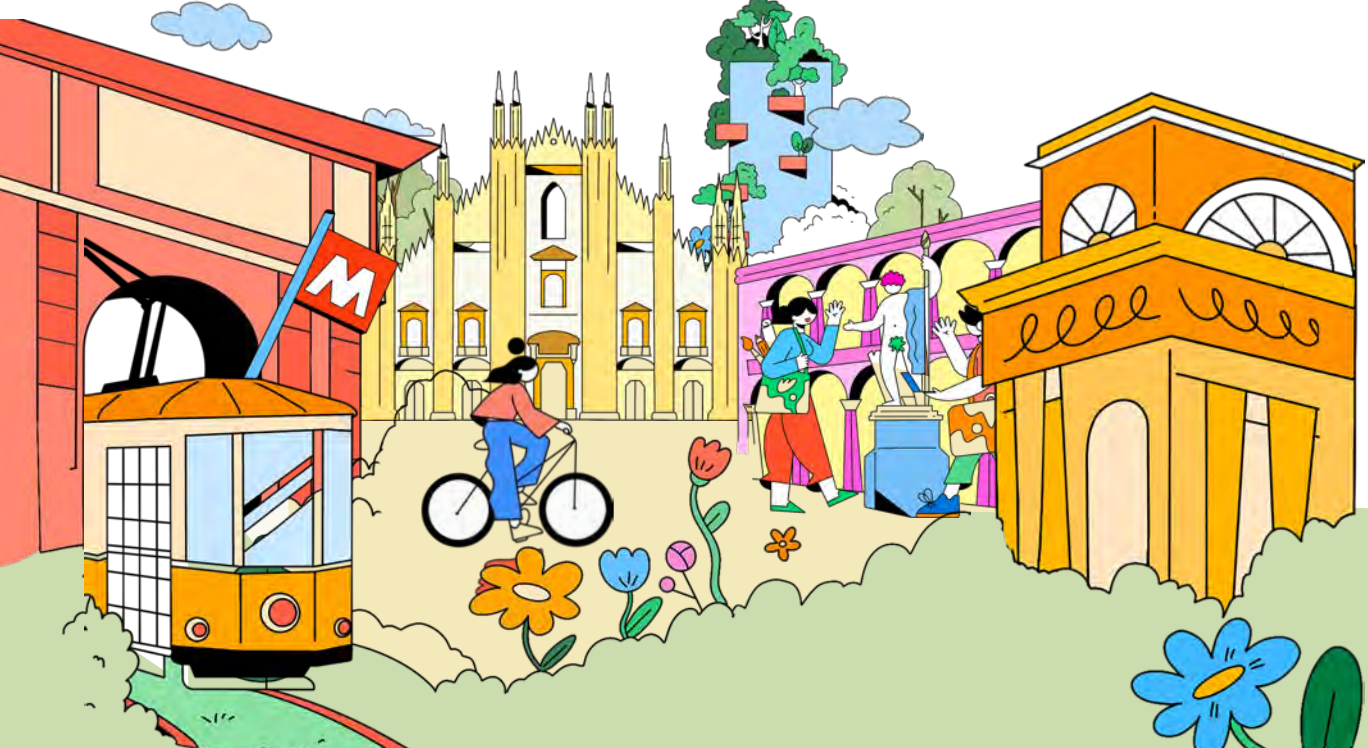
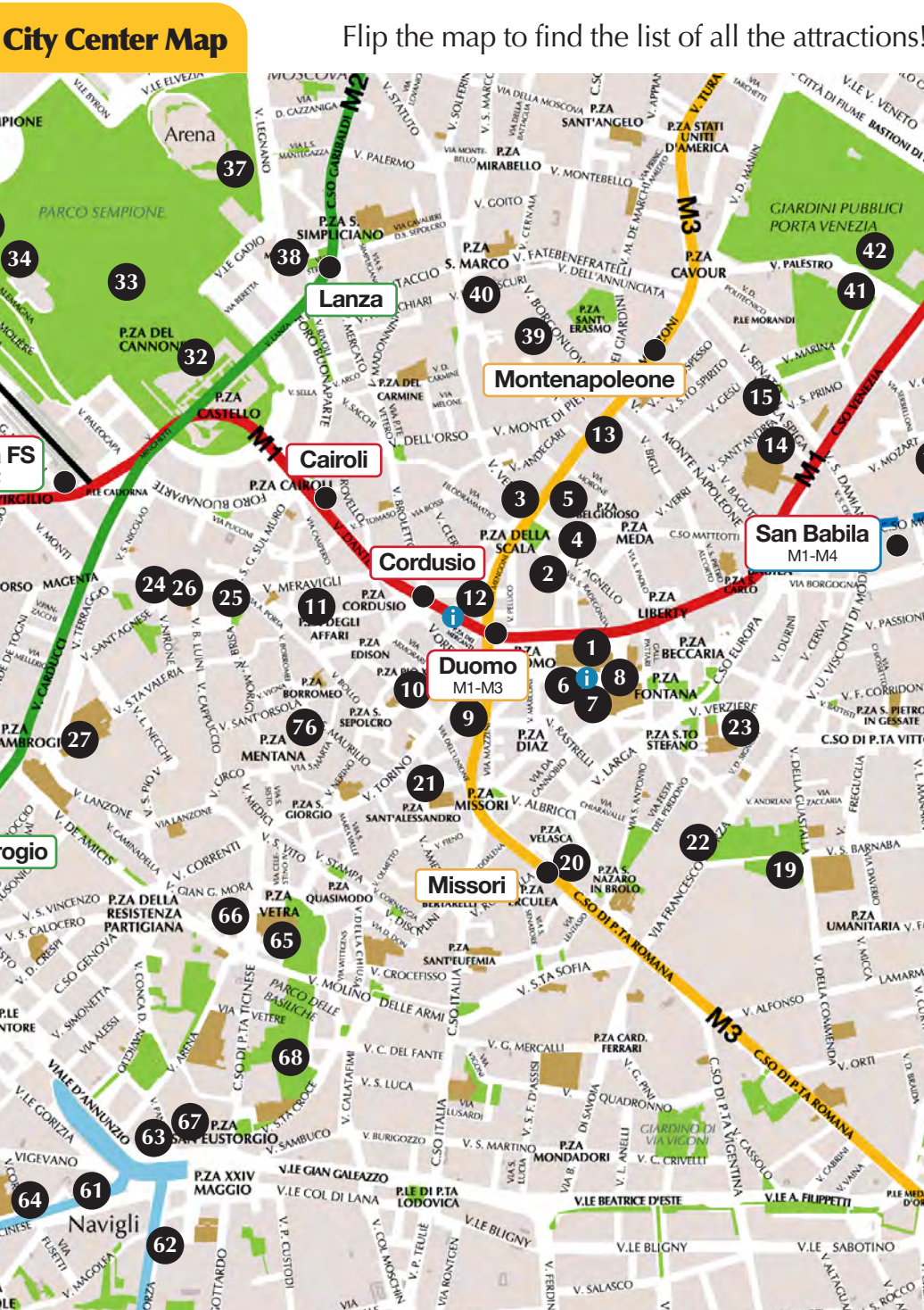
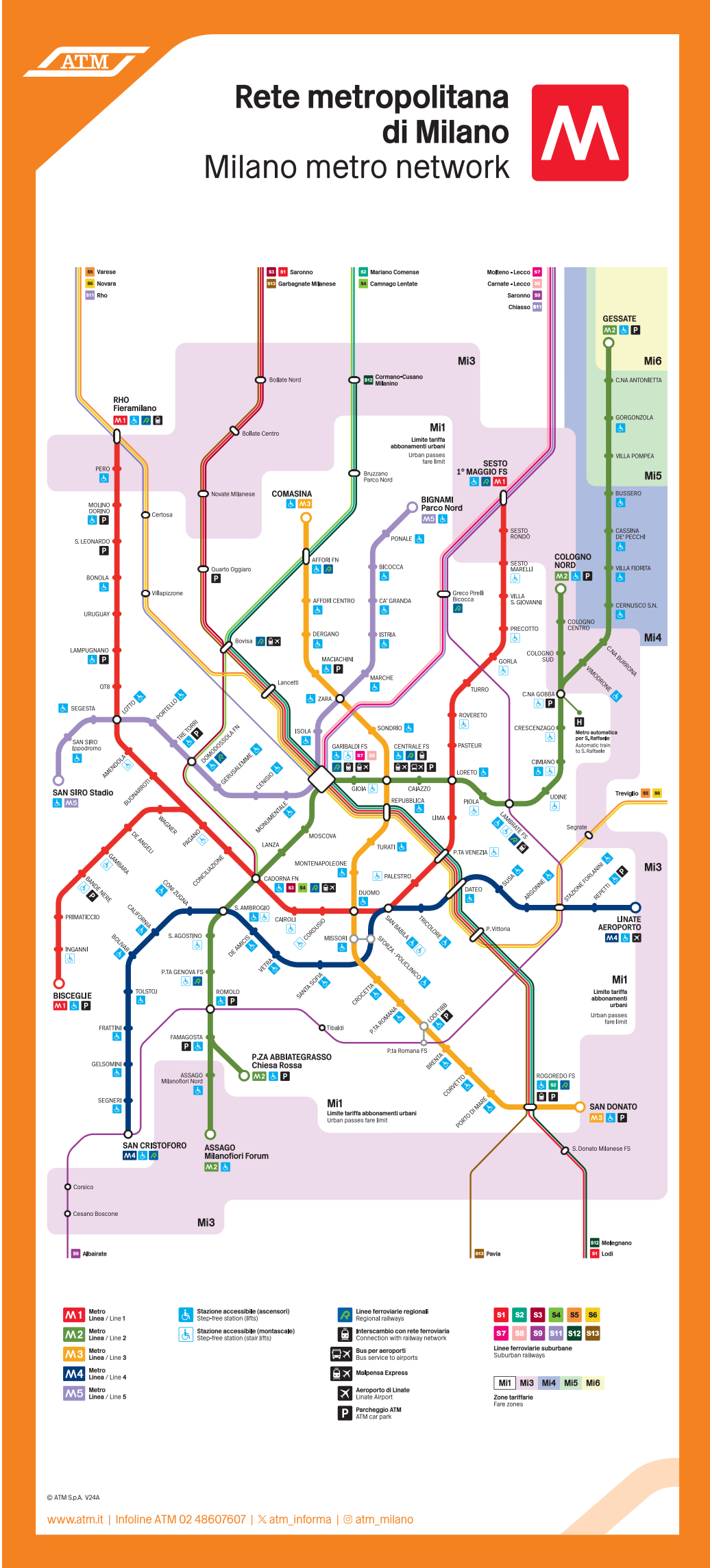
1. Buy food or dine at the brand new **Mercato Isola**, a completely renovated covered market that offers all kinds of gourmet foods and fine delicatessen (M3 Zara).
2. Expand your green mind at **BAM Biblioteca degli Alberi** [51] (M5 Isola), the botanical park with walkways going to Piazza Gae Aulenti, the plaza surrounded by **skyscrapers** and global brands where you can literally walk on water (M2/M5 Garibaldi).
3. Visit the shops in Via Borsieri and Via Thaon de Revel: from ceramists to jewel designers, **craftsmanship** is the soul of Isola.
4. Want to chill out in a different environment? Try one of the benches of **Isola del Pepe Verde**, a haven for eco-activism. There's also Piazzale Archinto nearby, a square full of bars where the locals like to hang out.
5. An elegant, alternative, vegan aperitivo? A selection of great gins or sublime wines? Isola has it. Then it's time for a dance in Via Valtellina (M3 Maciachini).

5 THINGS TO DO IN CITY LIFE

1. Discover all the works of **Artline**: stroll along the contemporary art park looking for its many sculptures and installations.
2. Time for **shopping!** Multi-brand stores, food delicacies and movie showings: all at the CityLife Shopping District [56], Milano's most sophisticated mall (M5 Tre Torri).
3. Lay down on the grass of **Parco delle Tre Torri** [56] to admire the three **skyscrapers** designed by architects of world renown.
4. Check out the **MiCo Convention Center** [77] and its incredible vaporwave roofing which seems taken straight out of a sci-fi movie (M5 Portello).
5. Enjoy a stroll amid the leafy and **elegant palazzos** of Via Pagano, and shop at the fine boutiques of Corso Vercelli.

5 THINGS TO DO IN CITY CENTER

1. Go up the terraces [1] to enjoy a view of the city through the marble spires of the **Duomo** [1] next to the golden Madonnina. From here you can see your next destination, the **Castello Sforzesco** [32].
2. Get emotional at **Teatro alla Scala** [3] watching an opera or a ballet and marvelling at the breathtaking stage.
3. It's time for shopping! From the **Galleria** [2] to the **Fashion Quadrangle** [15]; through **Via Montenapoleone** you can gaze at the windows of the most glittering fashion designers.
4. Pass through the iconic **Cinque Vie** district [76] to reach the Romanesque **Basilica of St. Ambrose** [27]. Next to it, the **Leonardo Da Vinci Museum of Science and Technology** [28] is the perfect family destination.
5. Admire the **Last Supper** by Leonardo Da Vinci at Santa Maria delle Grazie [30] (M1/M2 Cadorna FN), a world masterpiece. Book your visit in advance!



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17	Studio Museo Vico Magistretti	E4	60	Mudc - Museum of Cultures	C5
18	Rotonda della Besana - MUBA	E5	61	Naviglio Grande	C5
19	Guastalla Gardens	D5	62	Naviglio Pavese	C5
20	Torre Velasca	D5	63	Darsena	C5
21	Piazza Sant'Alessandro	D5	64	Vicolo dei Lavandai	C5
22	Università degli Studi di Milano	D5	65	Basilica San Lorenzo Maggiore	D5
23	San Bernardino alle Ossa	D5	66	Colonne di San Lorenzo	D5
24	Museo Archeologico	C4	67	Sant'Eustorgio	D5
25	Palazzo Imperiale di Massimiliano	C4	68	Parco Giovanni Paolo II - delle Basiliche park	D5
26	San Maurizio al Monastero Maggiore	C3	69	Teatro Franco Parenti	E5
27	Basilica di Sant'Ambrogio	C5	70	Bagni Misteriosi	E5
28	National Museum of Science and Technology Leonardo da Vinci	C5	71	Fondazione Prada	E6
29	The Last Supper	C4	72	Naviglio Martesana	E2
30	Santa Maria delle Grazie	C4	73	Hangar Bicocca	E1
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32	Castello Sforzesco	C4	75	Abbey of Chiaravalle	F6
33	Parco Sempione	C4	76	5 Vie	D5
34	Palazzo della Triennale	C4	77	Allianz MiCo	B3
35	Torre Branca	C4	78	Rho Fiera	A3
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38	Piccolo Teatro Strehler	D4	81	Allianz Cloud - ex Palalido	B3
39	Botanical Garden of Brera	D4	82	ICA Milano	E6
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