









#### **ITALY**

# ESSENTIAL MILAN (TOUR CODE: 11707)

STARTS AND ENDS	TRAVEL PERIODS	EXPERIENCE	TRAVEL STYLE
in Milan	1 Nov 25 - 31 Oct 26	Cultural	Independent Holiday Packages
		City Stays	

Often known as "the Italian fashion capital", there is much more to Milan than meets the eye...Get close and discover the city's vibes!

### Highlights

- Stay at a 4-star hotel centrally located in Milan
- Return Private transfers to Malpensa Airport is included,
- Hop on and off as you please, exploring at your own pace and making the most of every moment in this stylish and vibrant city

Your Milan escape begins with a private transfer from Milan Malpensa Airport straight to your hotel, where you'll settle in for three nights in the heart of the city. As an exclusive gift for Entire clients, you'll receive a 48-hour Milan Open Tour ticket, your passport to discovering the city from a whole new perspective. Hop aboard panoramic double-decker, open-top buses and take in Milan's most iconic sights while capturing unforgettable photos along the way.

With a full day at leisure included, you can tailor your journey exactly as you wish. Choose an in-depth private guided tour to uncover Milan's hidden secrets, take a breathtaking trip to St. Moritz aboard the famous Bernina Express, or simply relax and enjoy the beauty of Italy's stunning lake district. These are just a few of the fabulous experiences waiting for you when you start your adventure in Milan.



- ENTIRE Cooling-Off Period
- ENTIRE Change of Mind
- ENTIRE On Ground Support
- ENTIRE AUD Prices
- ENTIRE Industry Accredited
- ENTIRE Australian Owned

# **INCLUSIONS**

- 3 nights in Milan at 4\* Starhotels Ritz or similar
- · Return Private transfer to/from Milan airport or Railway Station
- Daily Breakfast

# **ITINERARY**

### <sup>≥</sup> 1 Milan

Welcome to Milan! Meet your driver at the airport/station for the transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in Milan at the Starhotels Ritz or similar.



### § 2 Milan

After breakfast at the hotel, Today, use your hop-on hop-off pass to discover Milan's highlights.

Explore Milan at your own pace with this essential city break package. Enjoy the freedom of a **48-hour Milan Open Tour pass**. With two scenic hop-on hop-off routes covering the city's must-sees, it's the perfect way to experience the best of Milan – from its iconic monuments to its elegant boutiques and green parks.

• Line A will take you to the Duomo, Castello Sforzesco, La Scala, and the shopping district of Via Montenapoleone.

• Line B brings you toward the modern skyline of Porta Nuova, the Monumental Cemetery, and the vibrant Navigli canals. Enjoy the flexibility to stop wherever and whenever you want. Relax at Parco Sempione, explore the art scene, or sip a cappuccino in a chic square.

The afternoon is at leisure.

Overnight in Milan at the **Starhotels Ritz** or similar.

#### Breakfast



# 3 Milan

After breakfast at the hotel, today is at leisure to explore what Milan has to offer.

Alternatively, check out our optional extras to fill your day with a pre-booked experience (own expense).

Overnight in Milan at the  $\textbf{Starhotels}\ \textbf{Ritz}$  or similar.

### Breakfast



### § 4 Milan

After breakfast at the hotel, you will be transferred to the airport/station for your departure.

Breakfast



### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS**

## Day 2 & 3: Shared Gran Tour of Milan with Last Supper

Milan is one of the world's top fashion capitals, but this trendy metropolis also boasts an extraordinary artistic and cultural heritage, including **Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece The Last Supper**. Guarantee your visit to this world-famous work with this best-selling tour, which includes advance booking, skip-the-line tickets, and a half-day tour of Milan.

Housed at Santa Maria delle Grazie and listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, The Last Supper is just one of Milan's highlights. Your half-day tour also includes a walking visit through Italy's most stylish city: explore the *Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II*, a 19th-century glass-roofed arcade filled with elegant shops and cafés and known as the "Salotto di Milano".

Visit the medieval *Sforza Castle*, once home to Milan's ruling family and now host to important museums and art collections. Continue to the magnificent *Duomo*, one of the world's largest Gothic cathedrals, featuring 135 spires and 3,200 statues. Finally, discover *La Scala Opera House*, founded in 1778 and still active today. Many of the world's greatest musicians and singers, including Pavarotti and Verdi, have performed here. Your ticket grants 24-hour access to both the theatre and its museum.

### Includes:

- Transport
- Local guide
- Entrance tickets to The Last Supper and La Scala Opera House

Blackout Dates: Every first Sunday of the month December 07/25, January 01, April 25, May 01

The minimum group size required for departure is 10 passengers, and the maximum allowed is 50 passengers.

Please note that full names and dates of birth of all participants should be collected at the moment of the reservation. On the day of the tour, customers must bring their passport.

Operates on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

### Day 2 & 3: Shared Navigli Canal Cruise with Apertif

Cruising the Navigli is one of the most authentic ways to get to know the real Milan. Doing it while enjoying the evening breeze, sipping a good glass of wine is even better.

The Navigli district is famous for its canals and vibrant evening life. With this tour you will have the pleasure of cruising along the Naviglio Grande sipping an excellent cocktail and tasting good food. Aperitivo in Milan is the combination of drinks and fingerood. You will see the typical Milanese railing houses, which represent the Milan of the past, now home to numerous bars and restaurants, going upstream to one of the oldest churches in the city: the Church of San Cristoforo, whose construction began in the 13th century.

You will see the historic headquarters of Canottieri Milano Olona and the famous alley of the launderers, an architectural jewel that takes its name from the residents who washed their laundry there, all in complete relaxation and in a convivial atmosphere. If you want, you can also listen to our audio guide, to learn a bit of history, or simply enjoy the navigation while chatting with your friends about the beauties of Milan.

#### Includes:

- · Boat cruise on the Navigli
- · Assistance on board and English commentary
- · One drink (red wine, white wine, or spritz) or non-alcoholic drink
- · Gourmet finger food
- Wi-Fi on board

The minimum group size required for departure is 10 passengers, and the maximum allowed is 50 passengers.

1 hour

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

### Day 3: Shared Lake Como and Bellagio

Nestled between the huge snow capped Alps that rise up from its shores, is fashionable lakeside town Como. After spending time shopping and dining, you will take a two-hour panoramic cruise on Lake Como. Lake Como is the third largest lake in Europe and is surrounded by stunning alpine scenery and beautiful villages famed for their high quality silk production. On your cruise, admire the lakeside villas and keep an eye out for Villa d'Este at Cernobbio, a luxurious hotel set in tropical gardens. The mild Mediterranean climate ensures an abundance of exotic and rare plants thrive year round. In the afternoon, return to Milan.

#### Includes:

- Transport
- Local guide
- Boat trip across Lake Como

During the low season (1 Nov - 28 Mar 26) the tour runs only Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturday and Sundays at 9:00 AM. During the high season it runs daily.

The minimum group size required for departure is 10 passengers, and the maximum allowed is 50 passengers.

12 hours

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

The newest alpine delight! Take a ride on the Bernina Panoramic Train along one of the world's most spectacular railway routes. A UNESCO World Heritage site, travel across the Swiss Alps along the Bernina Pass to the exclusive resort of St. Moritz; the 'Top of the World'.

Your journey starts amid the palms of Tirano, northern Italy, taking you over the spiraling Brusio viaduct and through the Bernina Pass (2253 metres above the sea level) into the Engadin Valley before arriving at St. Moritz. Along the way you'll pass wild gorges and icy glaciers, cross soaring bridges and shoot through loop tunnels. This north-south Alpine crossing offers breathtaking views and stunning scenery as you travel over boldly curved viaducts and through winding tunnels. After the train journey you will visit the exclusive resort of St. Moritz, enjoy free time to explore the 'Top of the World' before returning to Milan by air-conditioned coach.

#### Includes:

- Transport
- Tour leader
- Bernina train ticket in 2nd class (not panoramic coach)

Important note: Passport and visa may be necessary to enter Switzerland.

The minimum group size required for departure is 10 passengers, and the maximum allowed is 50 passengers.

#### Departures

Low season: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays at 07:15 AM High season Daily at 07:15 AM (From March 30th to November 1st )

Approximately 13 hours

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

### Day 3: Private Milan Half Day Tour with 4-hour Chauffeur Service

Discover the world capital of fashion and design with a private driver at your total disposal!

Experience Milan at your own pace with a private chauffeur-driven 4-hour tour. This tour offers you the perfect opportunity to explore Milan's iconic landmarks and indulge in world-class shopping. Your personal driver will pick you up from your hotel (in the central area) and take you on a comfortable and stylish ride through the city.

During your 4-hour experience, you'll be driven around the most famous sights of Milan, including the majestic Duomo, Sforza Castle, Galleria Vittorio Emanuele, and Milan's chic fashion district. Whether you want to stop for a quick photo or spend time strolling through luxury boutiques, the choice is yours. This is a relaxed and flexible tour, ideal for those who prefer to experience Milan without the structure of a guided tour. Simply sit back, enjoy the views, and shop at your leisure. Whether you're after designer fashion or unique Milanese finds, your driver will ensure you're taken to the best spots in town.

A perfect blend of shopping, sightseeing, and comfort, all with the luxury of a private chauffeur.

#### Includes:

- Transport with English speaking driver at your disposal for a maximum of 4 hours
- · Guide Supplement 3-hour service

4 hours

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

# Day 2 & 3: Private Milan Guided Walking Tour

Discover the world capital of fashion and design with a private guide.

Enjoy a private guided tour of Milan, led by your expert guide, and explore the city's most iconic landmarks. Your experience begins with hotel

pickup if your accommodation is located in the central area; otherwise, a convenient meeting point will be communicated.

Start your adventure with a visit to the magnificent Duomo di Milano, where you will not only admire the stunning interior of this Gothic masterpiece but also have the chance to ascend to the terraces. With a ride in the elevator, you will reach the top for panoramic views of Milan, offering an unforgettable perspective of the city and the cathedral itself.

The tour continues with external visits to the Sforza Castle, Colonne di San Lorenzo, and the famous Scala Opera House, among other important landmarks. Explore Milan's rich history and culture as your guide shares fascinating insights along the way.

#### Includes:

- Expert local guide maximum of 4 hours
- · Duomo entrance with terraces by lift (For organisational purposes, the descent may be via the stairs)

4 hours

Operates on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

## Day 3: Private Full Day Excursion to Lake Como from Milan

Discover the beauty of Lake Como with its spectacular views, the fascinating town of Bellagio and its authentic villas with this full day excursion from Milan!

The day will begin with the pickup in the lobby of your hotel. The driver collecting you and within an hour, you will reach Lake Como and continue driving along the panoramic lake road SS 340 until your first tour stop: Villa Carlotta (entrance ticket and visit not included)

The property was lastly owned by the Italian explorer and philanthropist Guido Monzino, who donated the building and gardens to the FAI (National Trust of Italy). The Villa now hosts an extremely beautiful, rich and complete museum of Monzino's expeditions and also includes many art masterpieces of his collection. More recently the property was used as movie-set for James Bond: Casino Royale and Star Wars: Il Episode films. You will then proceed with a car-ferry ride that arrives to the famous town of Bellagio. After that, you can enjoy some free lunch-time in town with a stunning panorama, shop at world-class stores and admire the centuries-old architecture.

After lunch (not included) the tour will conclude, and your private driver will take you back to your hotel in Milan.

#### Includes:

- · Transport with English speaking driver
- · Ferry tickets

Please note that an additional supplement must be added to have the Tour Leader from Milan.

8 hours

Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

# **ACCOMMODATION**

#### Starhotels Ritz

#### Milan

Its chic, contemporary atmosphere and strategic position **near the shopping district of Corso Buenos Aires** and Porta Venezia make the **Starhotels Ritz** an ideal starting point to experience Milan's fascinating charm.



# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
Italian	EURO

- We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit. The package price is based on 4-star accommodation.
- The itinerary of the optional tours could be modified by act of force majeure and the boat service could be replaced by another service in case of bad weather.
- Kindly be advised that additional fees may apply for transfers that occur outside of the designated arrival or departure times in Milan, as well
  as during any special events.

## Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package