



## Summer 2018 in Milan: What to Do

Does Milan shut down in Summer, especially in August? If you've heard that nothing goes on in Milan in the hot summer weeks, then you've heard wrong! Check our selection of activities to get the best out of your summer stay in Milan.

Date

Time

Location

Different locations in Milano

Categories

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Enjoy the Estate Sforzesca at the Sforza Castle

This summer, the 'Courtyard of Arms' at Castello Sforzesco is offering a must-attend extravaganza titled Estate Sforzesca. This means concerts, theatre stagings, dance performances and much more, plus exclusive music performances by laVerdi.

Feel the Latin American Vibes at Assago Forum

The annual appointment with Milano Latin Festival pays homage to all things Latin American with concerts, dance performances, gastronomic offerings and interesting cultural events, set in the open-air spaces of Assago Forum.

Swim at Milan's **BagniMisteriosi** pool

The vast open-air swimming pool of **BagniMisteriosi** (Mysterious Baths) located in the centre of the city, behind the Franco **Parenti** theatre, is open all-summer-long, here guests can freely swim, sunbathe, enjoy swimming lessons for adults and youngsters alike as well as mermaid-style swimming trials. Several events are held through the summer season.

Spend some family time at the Idroscalo

Located just a little distance from Linate airport and from the city centre, the Idroscalo is a family nature park where you can either spend a few leisurely hours or indulge in sporting activities. The area boasts all types of facilities including swimming pools, a beach, two adventure parks, a butterfly conservatory, water skiing and the hire of boats and pedalòs

Enjoy a trendy aperitivo in the city

The highly-central illy Caffé Monte Napoleone features a rich programme of aperitivos with music every Tuesday in July starting from 6.30pm. Moreover, the café is open all-summer-long (even on 15 August) to offer its guests a trendy and calm location to have breakfast, lunch or to savour a tasty aperitivo in the inner open courtyard.

Open Mon-Sat 8am-9pm and Sun 9am-9pm.

BASE Milano

Summertime is the perfect occasion to enjoy outdoor destinations, like the inner yard of BASE, the cultural hub located within the former Ansaldo workshops and near the MUDEC, Museum of Cultures. Friendly and easy going atmosphere and fine wine and cocktails can be found every night from 6.30pm at the double-decker bus by tannico.it.

A different 'Wine Monday' is held weekly, introducing wines from different wine labels. Guests can savour the wines of the week until the following Monday.

#### Chiringuito - City Life

Those wishing to enjoy a drink in a stunning location amidst futuristic skyscrapers can pay a visit to the new Chiringuito in CityLife District. Located next to CityLife's Orti Fioriti (the vegetable gardens in Piazzale Arduino, 1), this bar serves freshly made cocktails and is a favourite among young trendsetters – but not only.

Open daily 11am-11pm

Enjoy aperitivo at a hotel's terrace

5-star boutique hotel Sina The Gray offers hotel guests and external visitors the chance to enjoy an exclusive aperitivo on its 'Terrazza Aria' rooftop terrace and enjoy the 'Milano Torino 1958' signature cocktail, created to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Sina group. Open daily from 6pm to 10pm.

Enjoy shopping during sales at the outlets near Milan

Besides participating to the sales season – which means further reductions on outlet prices – in Summer the many outlets located just a short distance from Milan usually become the stage to events involving music, entertainment and special initiatives.

Visit a local historical villa

Located just a short distance from Milan, Villa Arconati is an architectural jewel of rare beauty. Even in Summer months, its spaces are open to visitors and also serve as the backdrop to special events. Moreover, on the hottest days, water games from the main gate to the monumental garden are open. Among the featured events guests can find:

The beautiful Villa Litta in Lainate (less than 20km from Milan) is open for visits on guided tours both in July and August. Visits include access to the 16th and 18th century palaces and to the Ninfeo water games.

Set within the ruins of Milan's historic Roman walls, SPA QC Terme Milano is a great place to relax and rejuvenate while indulging in a unique pampering experience, thanks to state-of-the-art facilities which include Turkish baths, whirlpools, Finnish saunas and much more.

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