



Distance from Milan to Lake Como

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[Lake Como](#) is located north of Milan. It is a very touristy place, easily accessible for a weekend from France. You can reach Milan by plane, train or car.

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How do I get from downtown Milan to Como?

We've written a full article on [how to get to Lake Como from Milan](#), but here's a quick summary.

The closest you can get to **Lake Como** is 50 km from the center of [Milan](#) if you take the A9 freeway towards the city of Como. It is therefore very easy to visit Lake

Como from Milan. It will take you more than **50min** if you are not caught in traffic to get to the city of **Como**. To avoid any disappointment, take an hour and a quarter.

From the **Milan** train station, you will save time, as it is located to the north, so you don't have to cross the city. However, allow more than an hour and a quarter if there is traffic and an hour and a half if you leave during the hours when the Milanese leave their work.

1-day excursion to Lake Como

→If you are not vehicular, you can book [1 day at Lake Como and its most beautiful villages](#) organized from Milan. Your driver will drop you off in **Como**, **Bellagio** and **Varenna** and then you will explore the lake by boat, for 1 hour, to enjoy beautiful panoramas from the lake.

[Find out more about the 1-day trip to Lake Como](#)

Distance from Milan airport

Many of you will arrive by plane from **Milano-Malpensa** airport. The distance to Lake Como is the same, but it will take you only **42 minutes** to drive.

The advantage is that you will rarely have traffic jams on this road, so you can leave quietly.

If you arrive at the airport, we recommend [renting a car](#) to connect and fully explore Lake Como.

How do I rent a car?

Car rental: To compare rental prices, we recommend the [RentalCars](#) website, which compares the prices of hundreds of rental companies to find the best price. To give you an idea of the price, we found a car for 50€ for 4 days through Hertz (in April).

[Compare car prices](#)

Go to Lecco

On the other side of the lake, much less touristy, is the town of Lecco. From Milan, it takes the same amount of time to get there by car as it does for Como.

However, from the airport, the journey is longer, about 75km. You can count on a good hour to get there

Walk around the lake

Many tourists want to go around Lake Como. It takes about 160km if you take the coastal road, passing through the towns of [Como](#), **Menaggio**, **Domaso**, **Dervio**, [Varenna](#), [Lecco](#), etc. and [Bellagio](#) before returning to Como.

For our road trip, we [rented a car](#) in order to be able to stop whenever we wanted. The **national** road that goes around the lake is in **very good condition**. The coastal road offers nice views of the lake, but it is narrower.

The roads are narrow and the landscapes are beautiful. Count 4 hours without stopping and at least two days if you want to enjoy the landscapes and the place.

Looking for a place to stay on Lake Como? To make your visit easier, we've included an article detailing **the most interesting villages** to stay in [on Lake Como](#), along with our **best hotel addresses**.

As you can see, Lake Como is **an ideal place** for a weekend road trip, as a couple or with friends!

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