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When preparing our [stay in Milan](#), we were pleasantly surprised by the size of the city and the number of things to do.

Below, we detail the **different neighborhoods** we have visited and visit **main activities** to help you prepare for your trip! We also provide you with our **favorite neighborhoods** for accommodation in Milan, as well as our best hotel addresses – there's something for every budget!

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The best districts in Milan [carte]

We've listed below the areas of Milan we think are the most interesting to visit and therefore the nicest places to stay.

Milan's metro system comprises 5 lines that criss-cross the city. We advise you to opt for a day ticket for just a few euros.

For accommodation, we recommend the **city center**, close to the main points of interest: the Duomo, **Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II** and [La Scala theater](#) (*pink and orange districts on our map*).

Another option for sleeping in Milan is to select a district with good public transport links, such as Navigli or Porta Romana (*green and yellow districts on our map*).

Finally, Milan's northern districts (*purple and blue on our map*) are close to the main railway station, making them ideal for getting around Milan or visiting the surrounding area.

We'll explain everything below!

1. Duomo: Milan's historic center

Located right in the heart of Milan, this is the **historic district** you won't want to miss on your visit.

This district is home to [Milan's](#) magnificent [Duomo cathedral](#), the **Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II** and the **La Scala** theater.

It's obviously the ideal area to stay in Milan, with immediate access to the main tourist attractions. Please note, however, that hotel prices may be higher due to the central location.

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You can get there easily by metro, using the red or yellow line, stopping at “Duomo”.

Coup de coeur ♥

Our favorite: [INTOMILAN Aparthotel Galleria Duomo](#), just a **few minutes’ walk from the Duomo**. The hotel’s location is perfect for visiting Milan. Our room was spacious, clean and well decorated. We had an excellent stay.

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2. Brera: the most beautiful district

This is one of Milan's most charming districts, full of small boutiques, art galleries and cosy restaurants.

Don't miss a visit to the Pinacoteca di Brera, an **art museum** featuring **works** by the great painters Raphael, Rembrandt, Tintoretto, Caravaggio, Boccioni and Modigliani, displayed in **38 rooms**.

The district is ideally located north of the **Duomo cathedral** and next to **Milan's fashion** district (Quadrilatero della Moda). This is Milan's luxury district, the trendy area with all the capital's **chic addresses**.

It's also a great place to stay in Milan, as it's less touristy than the Duomo, yet close to all the sights. Note that prices remain high in this neighborhood.

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Fully equipped apartment

[Brera apartments Alla Scala](#) we had hesitated for a long time about this accommodation, which is also very well located and well decorated. It's an apartment, so it's easier to cook than in a hotel.

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3. Navigli: Milan's canal district

It's one of our favorite neighborhoods. This is Milan's most romantic district, the **little Venice of Milan**, famous for its canals, where we recommend you take a stroll. It's a lively district with many bars and restaurants.

To get there, take streetcar no. 2 or metro line 2 to the "Porta Genova" stop. The neighborhood is a 30-minute walk from the **Duomo**, passing by the **San Lorenzo Columns**.

It's a good place to sleep if you're looking for a lively neighborhood, and therefore a little noisy in the evenings. We recommend a hotel just a 10-minute walk from the heart of Navigli, where you can enjoy a quiet night's sleep and the evening entertainment.

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Quiet in Navigli

[VERSOVERDE HOTEL Alzaia Naviglio Grande](#): An excellent, quiet option just a 10-minute walk from the docks and restaurants. The brand-new hotel is truly magnificent and just 20 minutes from the Duomo.

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Youth hostel

[Combo Milano](#): This is the ideal area to stay in a youth hostel. The welcome is great, it's clean, quiet, the breakfast was excellent, the common areas are comfortable and it's close to lots of bars.

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With swimming pool

[21 House of Stories Navigli](#): a four-star hotel with a rooftop swimming pool offering a magnificent view of the city of Milan. A great place to treat yourself.

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4. Isola: an ideal family neighborhood

It's also a lively **residential area** during the day and quieter in the evening, so it's a good option for a quiet night's sleep in Milan, while still being a 30-minute walk from the Duomo and next to Milan's Central Station.

This district is home to the 2 vegetal towers, known in Italian as bosco vertical. or vertical forest. This architectural project is often cited as an example of how to create more biodiversity in cities. We loved looking at these beautiful buildings filled with greenery.

Chinatown, the Chinese quarter, is right next door. If you've eaten enough pasta and pizza, you can take the opportunity to indulge in Asian dishes at low prices.

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The area can be reached by taking the purple metro line to the “Isola” stop.

Family apartment

[BePlace Apartments in Isola](#): beautiful apartments for 2 or 4 people. It's ideal for families, as the accommodation is equipped with a kitchen. You can prepare your own breakfasts and meals if required. You'll feel safe in the Isola neighborhood, and everything is within walking distance.

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5. Porta Romana: where to sleep on a budget

Located in the southeast of Milan, it's one of the oldest districts in Milan, with lots of charm and traditional Italian restaurants. The incredible Prada Foundation is located in this district.

This neighborhood is a great option for low-cost, quiet accommodation in a convenient location. You can easily reach the **Navigli** district next door.

The other advantage is that this district is located on the yellow line of the metro at the "Porta Romana" stop, which takes you to the "Duomo" station after 4 stops. We therefore advise you to sleep close to the metro.

Youth hostel

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[YellowSquare Milan](#): a great hostel in Milan, with modern rooms, dormitories and common areas. A good option for sleeping on a budget.

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7. Porta Nuovo: close to Milan's main railway station

This is Milan's business district, famous for its skyscrapers, including the **Unicredit** Tower, Italy's tallest (including the spire).

Located in the north of Milan, this district offers a good alternative for staying in a quiet, low-cost area.

Located right next to the train station, this neighborhood is ideal for getting around Milan and the surrounding area, for example to [visit Lake Como](#).

Low-cost apartment

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[Brera Apartments in Moscova](#): Spacious, well-decorated, self-catering accommodation in a convenient location near the train station. A good option for small budgets.

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8. Parco Sempione: green in the heart of Milan

In this district, you'll find **Parco Sempione**, Milan's largest park, as well as **Castello Sforzesco**, the Sforza castle, which houses several museums. It lies to the west of the Duomo, within easy reach on foot or by streetcar.

This district lies to the north of the **Santa Maria delle Grazie** convent, which boasts a single work of art, but not just any work of art: **Leonardo da Vinci** 's world-famous " [Last Supper](#)". If you'd like to learn more about its creator, the [Leonardo da Vinci Museum of Science and Technology](#) is nearby.

There are very few accommodation addresses in this area.

Where to sleep in Milan? our top 3 accommodations

We advise you to book your accommodation as far in advance as possible, so that you can choose your **area** and the **best hotels**, as Milan is a tourist city in high season.

Nos conseils et hébergements

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3. **With pool:** [21 House of Stories Navigli](#): a four-star hotel with a rooftop pool offering a magnificent view of Milan. A great place to treat yourself.

[Top rated accommodations in Milan](#)

Are there any neighborhoods to avoid in Milan?

Milan is generally a safe city for tourists. However, it is always advisable to exercise caution and vigilance wherever you are in the city, especially at night or in less frequented areas.

We hope you enjoy your **trip** to Milan!

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