

VENERANDA FABBRICA DEL DUOMO DI MILANO

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

SCHOOL PROGRAMMES 2024/2025











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#### THE VENERANDA FABBRICA

The Veneranda Fabbrica is the centuries-old institution charged with the conservation, development and promotion of Milan Duomo. Founded in 1387, its role is to take care of and restore the monument, promote the extraordinary heritage of art, culture and history that the Duomo holds, support liturgical activities and welcome the millions of visitors who come each year. From the Middle Ages to today, a collective enterprise that, from generation to generation, has shaped a unique monument.

#### **EDUCATION AND CULTURAL HERITAGE**

Careful research of content and methods is at the core of every educational activity, adapted for every school level. Guided tours are designed to mediate the approach to cultural heritage and to encourage students of all levels to discover their ability to look at, think about, and enjoy art. Through direct contact with works of art, students can acquire the tools, interdisciplinary knowledge and specific historical, artistic and technical skills.

#### A WIDE-RANGING OFFER

In addition to the itineraries offered for exploring the Duomo Historical Complex, thematic guided tours are also available for temporary exhibitions. The Education Department is available to develop customised tours based on specific topics linked to study subjects.

## THE HISTORICAL COMPLEX OF MILAN DUOMO

The Historical Complex of Milan Duomo is made up of the Cathedral, Archaeological Area, Rooftops, Museum and the Church of San Gottardo in Corte. By visiting the Duomo, you can follow a fascinating tour showing works of art from every era, from the Middle Ages to modern times. The ruins of the Baptistery of San Giovanni alle Fonti and the Church of Santa Tecla can be found in the Archaeological Area, where you can discover the city's late-antiquity history. Details of the Gothic architecture can be admired from the Rooftops, as well as an amazing view over the city. While the Museum houses treasures and statues, stained glass windows, and original architectural models that all illustrate the history of the Cathedral's construction. The Church of San Gottardo in Corte, found inside the museum, preserves traces of 14th-century Milan, such as the monument to Azzone Visconti.

# **VIRTUAL TOURS**

From school term 2021/22 are offered virtual tours of the Historical Complex of Milan Cathedral with the assistance of a qualified guide leading the tour on remote mode. Through a new digital platform students will be able to sweep down the Duomo's naves, venture between the Rooftops and rooms of the Museum, and go down the Cathedral's most hidden places.

# THE MONUMENTAL COMPLEX

Guided tours organised to discover the great heritage of Milan Duomo's Historical Complex. All itineraries are designed to familiarise students with the history of the construction and provide an understanding of the works of art through contextual analysis and stylistic characteristics. We also offer teachers the opportunity to agree on and plan itineraries that build on what is taught in the classroom. It is possible to choose from the following itineraries: Elementary school, Middle school and High school.

#### **DUOMO**

Milan Duomo is the most important example of the Late Gothic style in Italy. It covers a surface area of over 11,000m² and is full of rich, impressive decorations. Construction began in the 1300s and continued for over six centuries: a fascinating monument where you can understand the development of the city's art and history.

#### **ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREA**

Where the Duomo now stands today, an episcopal complex has been present there since the 4th century A.D. Archaeological digs have conserved the ruins of the Baptistery of San Giovanni alle Fonti and the Church of Santa Tecla, both important testaments to Milan's late-antiquity history.

#### **ROOFTOPS**

Exploring the Duomo's Rooftops allows for up-close admiration of the flying buttresses, the 135 spires, the 150 gargoyles, and all the other particular details of Gothic architecture. The Rooftops also offer an amazing view over the city.





#### **MUSEUM**

A fascinating place where you can admire beautiful works of art originally found in the Duomo. The Museum illustrates the history of the Duomo through the centuries: close-up views of ivories, architectural models, tapestries, sculptures and stained glass windows reveal details normally difficult to see due to their vertiginous positioning inside the Cathedral.

## **CHURCH OF SAN GOTTARDO**

Built in 1337 and renovated in the Neoclassical Period, the Church of San Gottardo in Corte still preserves the remains of a fresco from the Giotto School and a magnificent monument to Azzone Visconti by Giovanni di Balduccio. Also worthy of mention is the bell tower which was constructed in 1339 from a plan by Francesco Pecorari.









# PLAN YOUR VISIT

#### **ITINERARIES**

**60 minutes** Duomo

**60 minutes** Museum

**90 minutes** Rooftops

**90 minutes** Museum + Church of San Gottardo in Corte

**90 minutes** Duomo + Archaeological Area

**120 minutes** Duomo + Rooftops

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- Tours of the Duomo, Archaeological Area and Rooftops run every day from 9.30am to 6.00pm, subject to availability.
- Tours of the Duomo Museum and the Church of San Gottardo are carried out every day except Wednesdays from 10am to 6pm, subject to availability.
- Tours are available in the following languages: Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

#### **HOW TO BOOK**

- Choose your itinerary.
- Contact us at didattica@duomomilano.it and ask for the ONLINE BOOKING REQUEST FORM.
- If you need help completing the form, please contact us at didattica@duomomilano.it or on
  +39 02 361691 int.3 and we will be happy to help.
- Once we have received your online booking form, we will send you all the information to organise your tour.



# **TICKETS**

€4.00	Cathedral + Museum + Church of S. Gottardo
€2.00	Museum + Church of S. Gottardo
€5.00	Culture Pass (Cathedral + Museum + Church of S. Gottardo + Archaeological Area)
€7.00	Rooftops <b>by lift</b>
€6.00	Rooftops <b>by stairs</b>
€10.00	Duomo Pass Lift (Rooftops <b>by lift</b> + Cathedral + Museum + Church of S. Gottardo + Archaeological Area)
€8.00	Duomo Pass Stairs (Rooftops <b>by stairs</b> + Cathedral + Museum + Church of S. Gottardo + Archaeological Area)

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#### **GUIDED TOURS**

The price of the guided tours is per group and vary depending on the duration. Groups may be made up of a maximum of 25 people for Museum and Archaeological Area and of a maximum of 30 people for Cathedral and Rooftops.

It is possible to choose from the following itineraries:

- 60 minutes €80
  Duomo or Museum
- 90 minutes €100 Rooftops or Museum + Church of San Gottardo in Corte or Archaeological Area + Duomo
- 120 minutes €120
  Duomo + Rooftops or Duomo + Museum or Archaeological Area + Duomo + Museum or Archaeological Area + Duomo + Rooftops

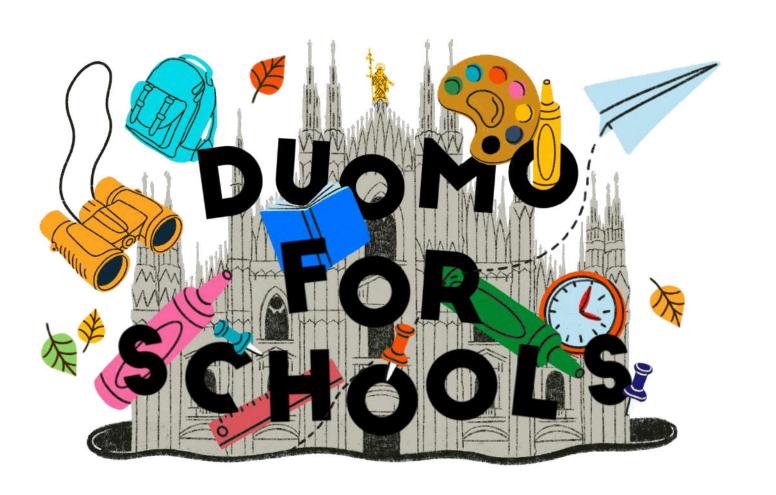
Whispers and headsets are mandatory for groups inside Duomo (€2.00 per person). Tickets and whispers per person are to be added to the cost of the guided tour. Tickets and whispers are free for two group leaders and for disabled students and their carers/personal assistants.

## **VIRTUAL GUIDED TOURS**

The price of the virtual tours depends on the duration. Choose one of the following options:

- 60 minutes €80 Duomo
- 90 minutes €100 Duomo + Rooftops or Duomo + Museum
- 120 minutes €120 Archaeological Area + Duomo + Museum or Archaeological Area + Duomo + Rooftops





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