## DESTINATION



Show your group the two sides of Milan - world-famous history and leading-edge modern design - with an energy-infused Four Seasons meeting or incentive event.





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### Our Recommend

From churches and theatres to museums and modern landmarks, Four Seasons can custom-design a complete city tour for your group, incorporating rare insider experiences.



#### IL DUOMO

## AND BEYOND

A perfect starting point for discovering Milan, Il Duomo is literally at the centre of the city. The fifth largest cathedral in the world, the magnificent Gothic structure took nearly six centuries to complete, starting in 1386. The church features more statues than any other building in the world, totalling nearly 3,200. A visit to the rooftop is definitely a must, giving a 360-degree overview across Milan. It's even possible to organise a private concert on the rooftop!



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## Our Recommend

Let our chef custom-design your cuisine – featuring food inspired by the original menu of "The Last Supper," or serving an authentic Italian feast.



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## TEATRO ALLA SCALA

Immerse your guests in the Teatro alla Scala, the world's most famous opera house, completed in 1778 and restored in 2004.

Start the morning with a tour, exploring the opulent theatre from centre stage to the royal box. Then visit the theatre's own museum, housing mementos from Puccini, Rossini and Verdi. For the afternoon, go deeper into the world of Teatro alla Scala with a visit to the vast Ansaldo Workshops, the production centre where scenery, costumes and props are constructed.

That evening, your group can attend a Teatro alla Scala performance, sitting shoulder to shoulder with Milan's glitterati in their finery and jewels. Before or after the show, enjoy cocktails in one of the theatre's foyers, hosted by the caterer of Teatro alla Scala.

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## Our Recommend

Let Four Seasons plan an exclusive insiders' tour or an elegant party in one Milan's many historic homes and museums – giving a taste of the glamorous lifestyle of the city's residents. Many of the museums are the former homes of noble families and the leaders of local industry.



#### MANSIONS AND

## MUSEUMS

Just across the street from Four Seasons Hotel Milano is the Museo Bagatti Valsecchi, a sumptuous art-filled home created in the 1880s in Neo-Renaissance style. Another option is Villa Necchi, constructed in the 1930s and displaying sleek Italian art deco. The villa was the setting for the Tilda Swinton film, "I Am Love."

Other destinations include the Pinacoteca di Brera, the city's main public art gallery, featuring four centuries of Italian painting, and the Museo Poldi-Pezzoli, featuring a collection of 19th century works, including Bellinis and Botticellis. Stepping back in time, Four Seasons promises a truly magical Milan experience.

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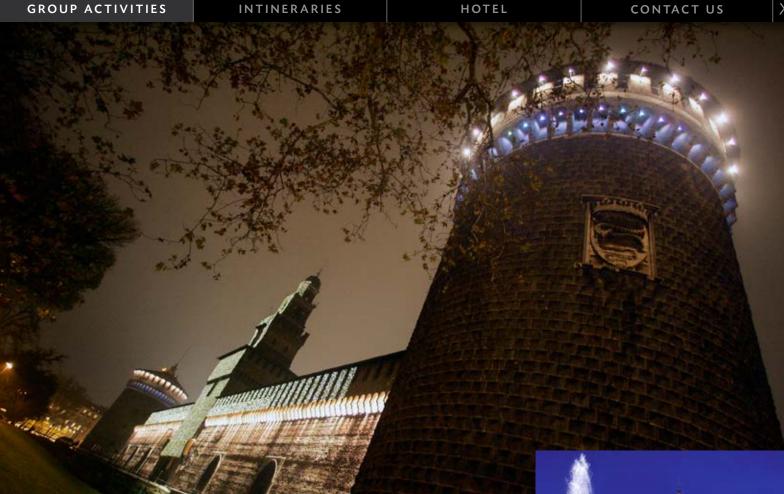
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### Our Recommend

Four Seasons can coordinate a fascinating guided visit to Sforza Castle, including a regal cocktail party or dinner.



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### **EXPLORING**

## SFORZA CASTLE

Built in the 15th century, Sforza Castle is a magnificent castle fortress that is sure to capture the imagination of your group. After many renovations over the centuries, today the castle is home to a series of museums.

Among the treasures is Michelangelo's unfinished final sculpture, the marble statue of "La Pietà di Rondonini," which he worked on from the 1550s until the last days of his life in 1564. Other intriguing exhibits include Egyptian artifacts, a 4th-century sarcophagus, a 14th-century mausoleum, a manuscript by Leonardo da Vinci, and paintings and sculptures by Tintoretto and Canaletto.

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#### CRUISING

## THE CANALS

You might think Venice is the only Italian city with canals, but Milan also has its own historic waterways, originally used for irrigation and transportation. Construction started in 1179 and soon the canals formed a 150-kilometre (93-mile) network connecting with rivers and lakes throughout the Lombardy region. Only three of the canals remain open today.

Travelling in a 9-metre (30-foot) motorboat – accommodating up to 15 passengers – your group can explore this unexpected side of Milan. Take in the beautiful countryside, visit historic villas, stroll the fashionable Naviglio district, and dine at a restaurant tucked inside a 14th-century inn. This adventure provides a wonderful highlight to any itinerary.

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## BEHIND THE SCENES

## IN ITALIAN FASHION

One of the world's true fashion capitals, Milan is home to a thriving couture scene, including the headquarters of many leading designers. Flagship stores include Dolce & Gabbana, Prada, Versace and more. The shopping is truly breathtaking – even just window-shopping!

Giving the ultimate convenience, Four Seasons Hotel Milano is tucked quietly between via Montenapoleone and via della Spiga, Italy's two must exclusive designer shopping streets.

Four Seasons can arrange a guided tour of the fashion district, escorted by an expert in Italian style. Go behind the scenes at famous stores or designers' ateliers, enjoying a private fashion show. Some boutiques offer dedicated spaces for cocktail parties.



shopping experience, guided by a professional image consultant who can give custom-tailored advice on Italian fashion.

Your tour may well include Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II, the world's oldest shopping mall. Constructed in the late 1800s, the mall today is home to the world's biggest names in fashion, including Gucci and Prada.



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### Our Recommend

Enjoy a guided tour with a local designer, including visits to design schools, showrooms, retail stores, the Kartell museum, architects' offices and unique places such as the private home of architect and designer Giò Ponti.



## AT THE FOREFRONT OF

## MODERN DESIGN

Not just a fashion capital, Milan is also at the leading edge of international design for furniture and other products.

Four Seasons can motivate your group to new heights of inspiration and creativity with an immersion in Milan's design culture – giving first-hand insights on the latest trends from leaders in the design world.



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## Did you know?

These gastronomic activities are inspired by "Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life," the theme of the upcoming Expo Milano 2015, taking place from May 1 to October 31, 2015.



# GASTRONOMY

Milan is a delicious place to learn about the finest Italian cuisine. Not only are there many local markets, every neighbourhood has its own biweekly food market, and there are also many permanent market halls spread throughout the city.

Your group can enjoy a private tour with Executive Chef Vito Mollica, visiting the main vegetable market and fish market, or the famous Peck gourmet store, before taking part in a cooking class.

Tours can also be organised at Four Seasons food suppliers, including the fresh pasta maker, the riseria (where they grow and prepare the rice for Milanese risotto), the mozzarella maker, the producer of Grana Padano Parmesan cheese, the salami and cold cut maker, and a winery in Franciacorta wine country.

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# DINNER TOUR ON THE VINTAGE ATMOSFERA

Imagine savouring traditional Milanese cuisine, accompanied by fine Italian wine, while touring the streets of Milan aboard a classic 1920s tram car. A dinner on the Tram Ristorante ATMosfera allows your group to enjoy an unforgettable experience in the most exclusive mobile venue in the city.

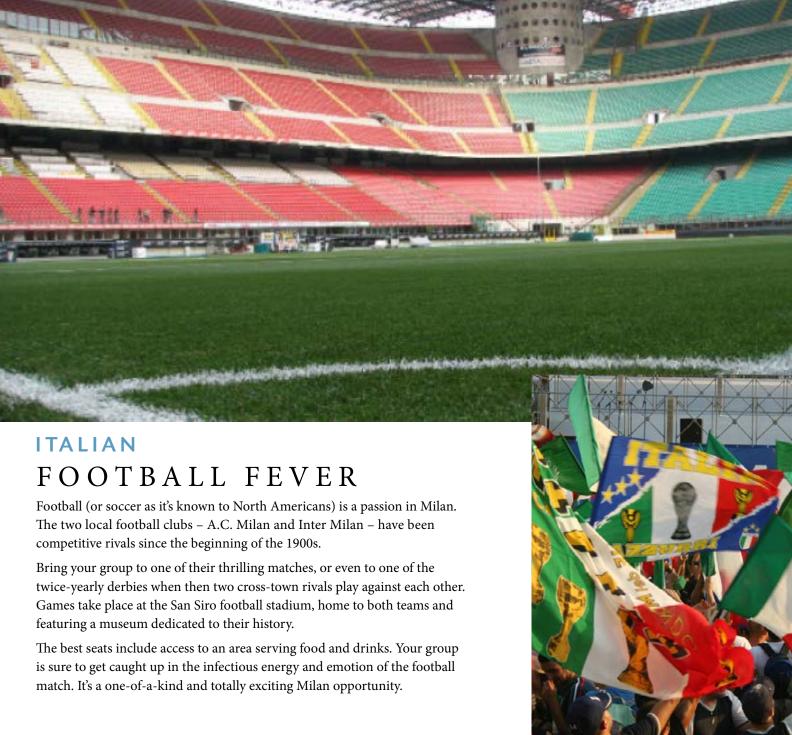
These elegant Carelli carriages, used in Milan in the 1920s, capture the colonial atmosphere of the Orient-Express railway. This chic setting turns a sight-seeing tour in a relaxing and creative special event.

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## Our Recommend

For a total experience of Italian transportation, it's also possible to tour the local countryside in a Ferrari, or to shoot through the streets of Milan aboard a Vespa. Ask Four Seasons for details.



## RACE-CAR FANTASY

Italy is famous for fast cars, and Four Seasons can help your group live the dream of driving a Lamborghini, a Maserati or a Ferrari.

At the Monza Formula 1 race track – just 40 minutes from Milan – plan a full-day training, teaching obstacle avoidance, break control and aquaplaning. Feel the thrill of pulling into a pit stop, then speeding away in a real competition car – whether with a professional driver or independently.

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#### LAKE COMO

Escape to Lake Como, playground of Italian and international celebrities, and climb aboard your own boat – stopping for an aperitivo at the sophisticated lakeside town of Bellagio, then a late lunch at the Villa d'Este Hotel.





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Let Four Seasons make all the plans for excursions to show your group the gorgeous countryside outside Milan in the surrounding Lombardy region. All of these destinations are within one or two hours.

#### **FRANCIACORTA**

Tour Franciacorta wine country

- just one hour east of Milan
- and sample some of Italy's finest sparkling wine



## LAGO MAGGIORE & LAGO DI GARDA

Explore northern Italy's lush lake country with visits to Lago Maggiore and Lago di Garda.



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#### **BERGAMO ALTA**

Visit the medieval town of Bergamo Alta and discover the enchanting churches, palaces, squares and breathtaking views of the Lombardy plains.



#### **VERONA**

In summer months, plan a trip to the fascinating historic town of Verona – home of "Romeo and Juliet" – and enjoy open-air opera at the ancient Roman amphitheatre.



## DESIGNER-OUTLET SHOPPING MALLS

Discover high-end Italian and international brands in the designer-outlet shopping malls at Serravalle and Fox Town – just outside Milan.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Plan your group gathering in Milan during one of the city's many local events, adding even more excitement to your itinerary. Please check with Four Seasons to confirm the dates for upcoming years

#### **WOMEN'S FASHION WEEK**

Twice each year, at the end of February and the end of September

#### MEN'S FASHION WEEK

Twice each year, in the middle of January and the end of June

#### INTERNATIONAL **FURNITURE FAIR**

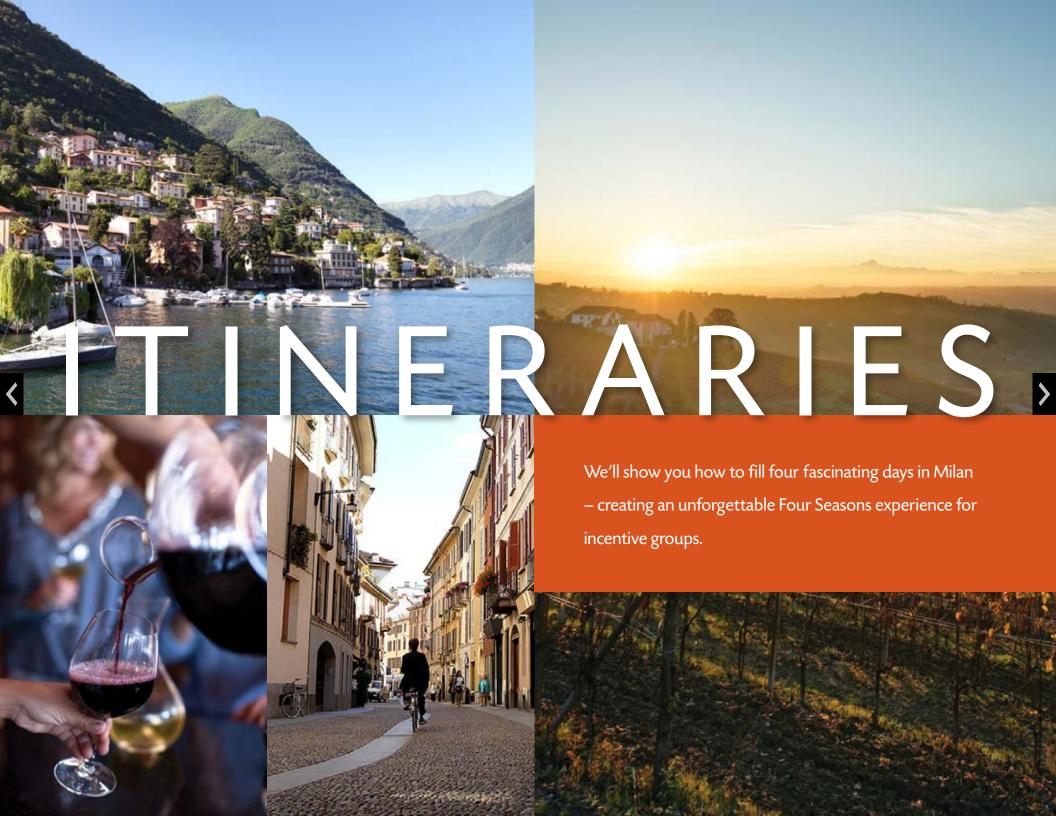
Annually, in April



#### **FORMULA 1 GRAND PRIX** IN MONZA

Annually, on the second weekend of September





DAY ONE **TOURING HISTORIC** MILAN

VISITING THE LAKE

**DESIGNER SHOPPING** 

**CELEBRATING FOOD AND WINE** 



**ENJOY AN AFTERNOON CITY TOUR,** FOCUSING HISTORIC SITES SUCH AS IL DUOMO, THE GALLERIA VITTORIO EMANUELE II AND THE BOHEMIAN NEIGHBOURHOODS OF BRERA AND NAVIGLIO...

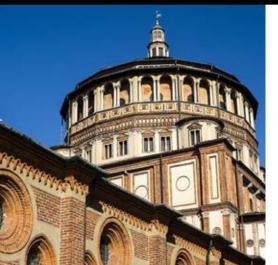


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STOP FOR A BREAK AT A MILANESE COFFEE HOUSE.

**VISIT LEONARDO DA VINCI'S** "THE LAST SUPPER" MURAL AT THE SANTA MARIA DELLE GRAZIE CHURCH.



AFTER RELAXING AND REFRESHING AT FOUR SEASONS, CLIMB ABOARD THE TRAM RISTORANTE ATMOSFERA AND ENJOY A TRADITIONAL MILANESE MEAL AS YOU TOUR THROUGH THE STREETS OF MILAN.

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AFTER BREAKFAST, DEPART FOR LAKE COMO, PLAYGROUND OF ITALIAN AND INTERNATIONAL CELEBRITIES. CLIMB ABOARD YOUR OWN BOAT FOR A TOUR OF THE LAKESIDE VILLAS.

STOP FOR AN APERITIVO AT THE
SOPHISTICATED LAKESIDE TOWN
OF BELLAGIO, VISIT A SILK FACTORY,
THEN ENJOY A LATE LUNCH
AT THE VILLA D'ESTE HOTEL OR
AT RISTORANTE CROTTO DEI PLATANI.

VISITING
THE LAKE
REGION



RETURN TO MILAN FOR AN OPERA
PERFORMANCE AT THE FAMOUS
TEATRO ALLA SCALA, THEN
ENJOY A "DOPO SCALA" DINNER
AT FOUR SEASONS IN IL TEATRO
FUNCTION ROOM.



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DAY THREE **DESIGNER SHOPPING** 

**CELEBRATING FOOD AND WINE** 



FOUR SEASONS HOTEL MILANO IS STEPS AWAY FROM THE CITY'S TWO MOST EXCLUSIVE DESIGNER SHOPPING STREETS: VIA MONTENAPOLEONE AND VIA DELLA SPIGA. ENJOY A GUIDED TOUR WITH A PERSONAL STYLIST, GOING BEHIND THE SCENES AT DESIGNERS' ATELIERS.

**REFRESH OVER LUNCH AT** THE RECENTLY RENOVATED RESTAURANT OF THE PECK GOURMET FOOD STORE.

DAY THREE DESIGNER SHOPPING



VISIT ONE OF THE MANY **MUSEUMS OR ART GALLERIES** OF MILANO, OR LEARN ABOUT MODERN ITALIAN DESIGN AT THE DESIGN MUSEUM AT TRIENNALE.



DINE OUT AT ONE OF THE MANY RESTAURANTS IN MILAN - FROM A LOCAL TRATTORIA TO THE ELEGANT SIGNATURE RESTAURANT OF DOLCE & GABBANA.

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DAY FOUR **CELEBRATING FOOD AND WINE** 

IN THE MORNING, DISCOVER ALL THE SECRETS OF "LA BUONA TAVOLA" AT A FOUR SEASONS COOKING **CLASS WITH EXECUTIVE CHEF VITO MOLLICA. THEN SIT** DOWN AND ENJOY THE LUNCH YOU'VE PREPARED.





DAY FOUR CELEBRATING FOOD AND WINE

IN THE AFTERNOON, VISIT MILAN'S **FAMOUS GOURMET OUTLETS TO** LEARN MORE ABOUT ITALIAN GASTRONOMY, GIVING A CHANCE TO PURCHASE TYPICAL PRODUCTS AND VINTAGE WINES.



STOP FOR AN APERITIVO IN ONE OF THE MANY TRENDY BARS IN THE AREA.

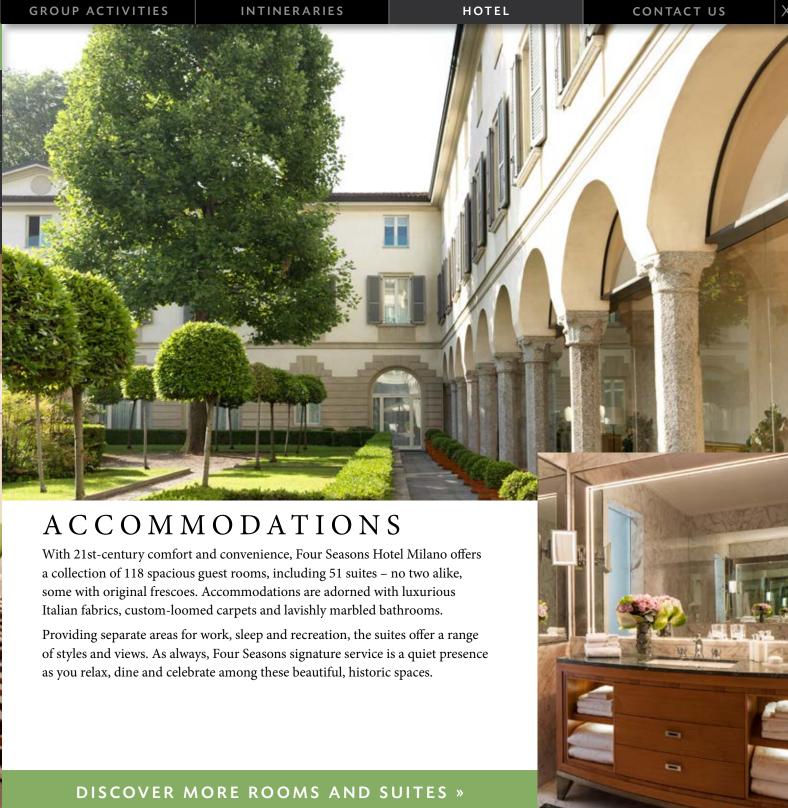


**ENJOY AN EXCLUSIVE DINNER FOR** YOUR GROUP - WHETHER AT FOUR SEASONS AT THE INTIMATE CHEF'S TABLE, OR IN A PRIVATE PALAZZO, SUCH AS PALAZZO CLERICI OR PALAZZO VISCONTI, WITH FOOD CATERED BY FOUR SEASONS.



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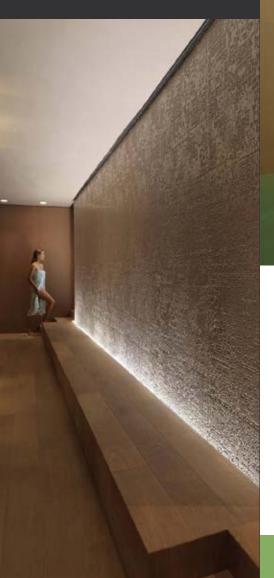


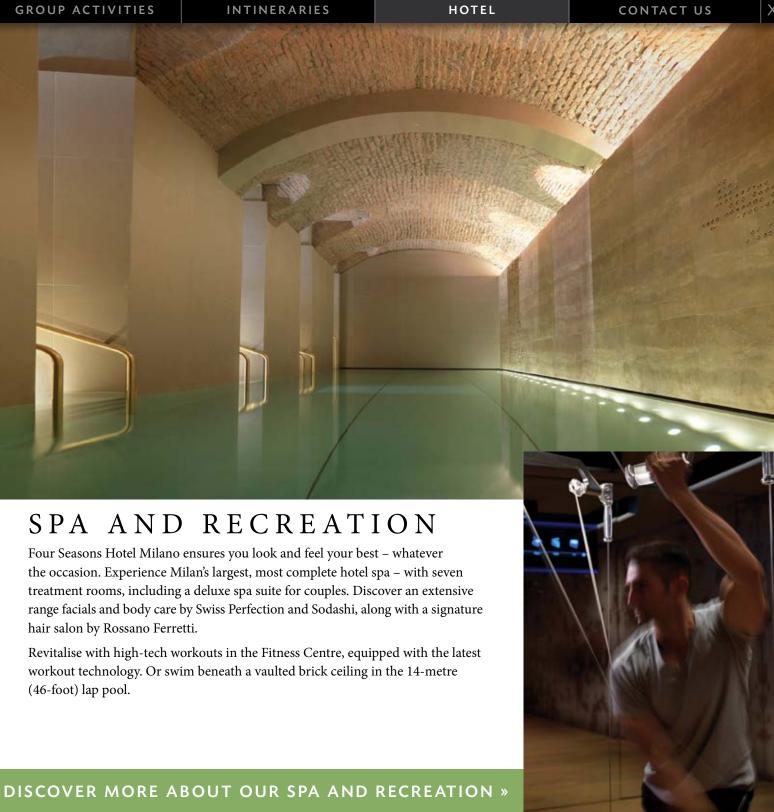
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