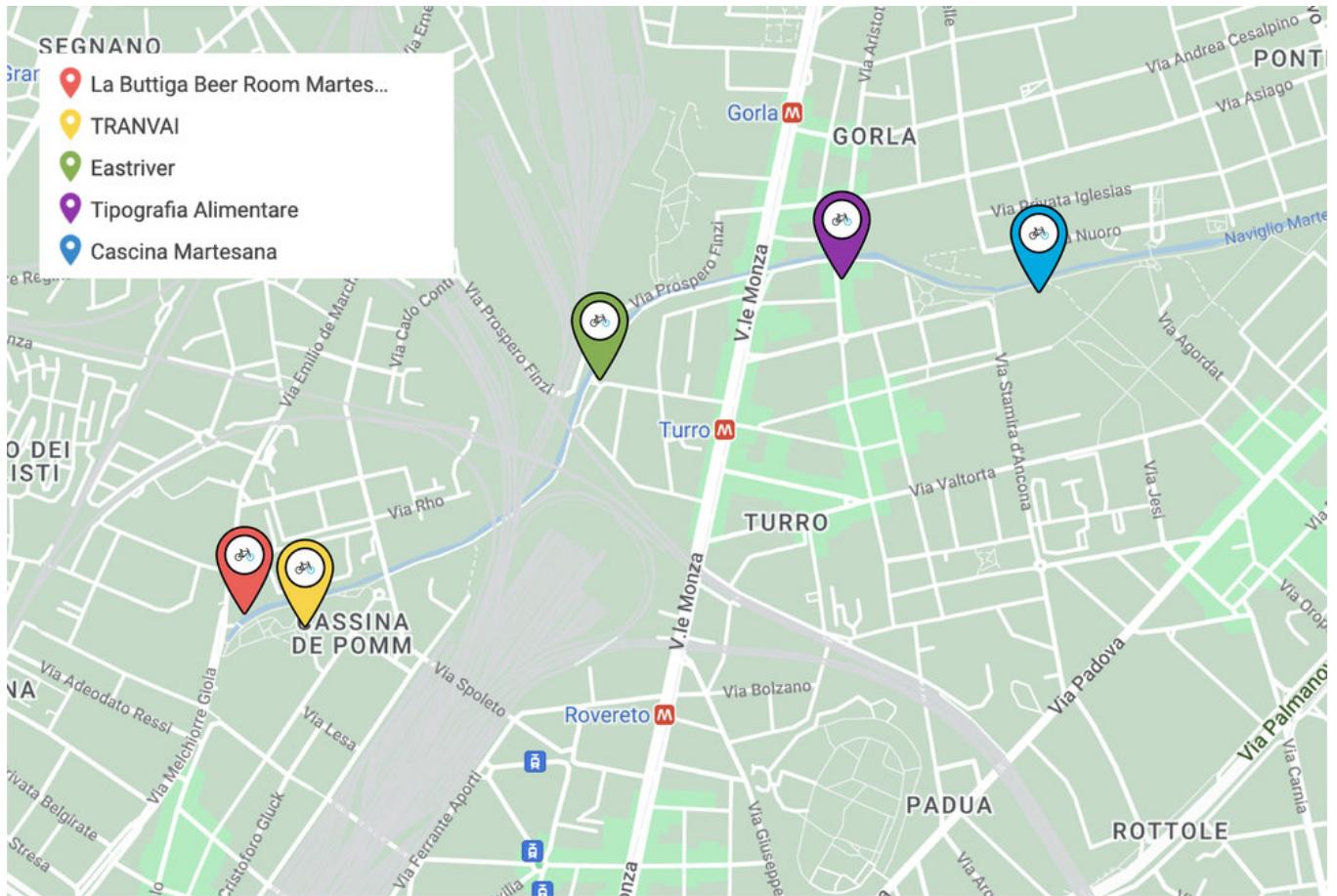




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Milan bike guide: discover the other side of the design city by bike

Milan is famous for its design, fashion and the Duomo, but (of course) has much more to offer. On the weekends, locals hop on their bikes to escape the hustle and bustle of the city and to get a breath of fresh air. The cycling route along the Naviglio della Martesana (or “La Martesana” for locals) is very loved. It is 38 kilometers long, has beautiful nature, and offers plenty of opportunity for an extensive pit stop (or five) along the way. We have listed the nicest and most special addresses along this route for you.



1. La Buttiga Beer Room

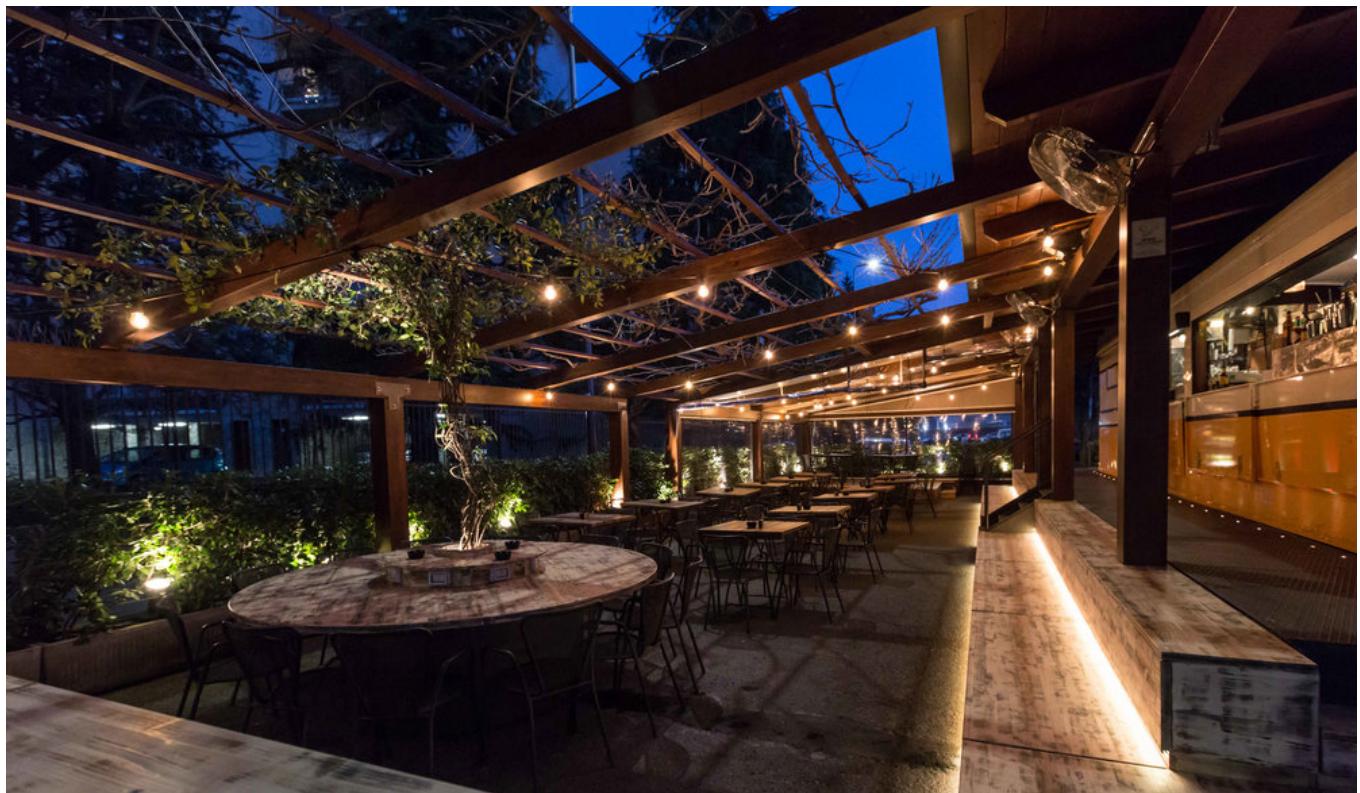
The name 'room' does it justice because here you can drink a beer in a place that feels like someone's living room. Dangerous though: once plopped on the couch with a cold drink, it takes an iron discipline to get yourself back on that bike.



La Buttiga beer room

2. TRANVAI

Speaking of special places: TRANVAI is a bar in an old tram on the Martesana. A delicious spot for an aperitif, but also great for a lunch with a salad or a good hamburger. With a little luck, you will also be treated to live music. Don't forget to make a reservation in advance though.



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3. Eastriver

Eastriver is a highlight in itself. This project was set up in 2016 to attract more Milanese to the Martesana. It is now a social meeting hub where people garden, play sports, learn and work. Do plan your cycling break over here - there's a good chance you'll leave with a head full of new ideas.



Source: A Milano poui

4. Tipografia Alimentare

Breakfast, lunch, dinner, or coffee with a treat: whatever you crave, you can get it all here while admiring the wonderful view over the Martesana. The bistro is decorated according to the theme of printing. You can see that in all the typewriters in the cafe and the reading table strewn with newspapers and magazines. Nothing beats losing track of time while sipping coffee and reading a book in the spring sun over here.



Source: Zero.eu

5. Cascina Martesana

Cascina Martesana is an old ruin that has been dusted and transformed into a bustling meeting place. You can go there for workshops (yoga class, anyone?) and exhibitions, but also wander through the hidden garden in which the bustle of the city feels like a different world.



Source: Ululu



<https://www.instagram.com/cascinamartesana/>

Check out the entire route in Google Maps:



La Buttiga Beer Room Martesana to Eastriver

Andiamo!

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