#### READ THE DESCRIPTIONS

## THE CATHEDRAL OF MILAN

It's the symbol of the city and it's one of the most important Gothic buildings in the world. It's decorated with 3400 statues and more than 135 spires. On the top there is the most important statue in Milan. The gold-plated "Madonnina"; it is four metres tall.

## THE SCALA THEATRE

In the past, going to it was a very enjoyable pastime (when there were no television, video games or tablets).

Now it's the most famous opera house in the world. The exterior is simple and sober, while the rich interior is characterized by the colours red and ivory.

## VITTORIO EMANUELE II GALLERY

This arcade was created to connect the Duomo Square and La Scala Theatre. When you enter the arcade, you'll be amazed with the fine decorations.

Today it's known as "The living room of Milan", a favourite meeting place for residents and tourists. Inside you can enjoy the elegant shops, cafés, restaurants and book shops.

# SFORZESCO CASTLE

This building was started in 1450 by Francesco Sforza who ruled Milan. It was a strong fortress and stood along the walls of the city. Today it is one of the most visited places in Milan. Its museums contain masterpieces by famous artists.

#### THE LAST SUPPER PAINTING

Leonardo da Vinci's mural painting is one of the most famous attractions in the world. The painting is enormous (8.8 meters wide and 4.6 meters high) and it is on a wall of the convent of "Santa Maria delle Grazie" church. The work began in 1495 and lasted for three years.

## THE NAVIGLI

The canals were built in the 15th century by the duke of Milan. Now the canal area is a very popular place for Milanese citizens; one of the best moments to go there is at sunset that is when you can find a very romantic atmosphere with the sun reflecting in the water of the canal.

It's a no traffic zone, so it's nice to walk. In particular, the "Vicolo Lavandai" is a beautiful corner where washerwomen used to wash clothes. At night it becomes an area with a great *movida*, thanks to all its bars and restaurants where young people, and not only, usually gather.