



Villa
Miralfiore



The Italian-style gardens of Villa Mirafiore (16th-17th century)

The gardens are designed in the Italian style, known for its precise geometries and topiary art, where evergreen hedges and bushes are trimmed into intricate decorative shapes.



Pope Albani Garden

This is the main garden, where the elegance of a classic Italian-style garden blends with history and grandeur. Highlights include the early 1900s chapel of the Castelbarco Albani family, an old icehouse, monumental trees, and a glass artwork by Umberto Mariani, making this a unique place where art and nature come together.

Della Rovere Garden

One of the villa's most distinctive features is the loggia overlooking the Della Rovere Garden. This space, marked by sturdy granite columns, serves as an elegant transition between the villa's interiors and its sprawling Italian-style gardens.



Sforza Garden

This is where the Orangerie and greenhouses are located—not just simple structures but true winter havens where nature rests and prepares to bloom again. Here, delicate plants and citrus trees are sheltered from the frost, protected by large glass windows that capture every ray of sunlight. Visiting these spaces feels like stepping into the beating heart of a garden.

Malatesta Garden

In this garden, you'll find the Ginkgo Biloba, known as the Fan Tree: a living fossil with over 200 million years of history. Its fan-shaped leaves, green in spring and summer, turn a golden yellow in autumn, creating a truly unique spectacle.



Bonamini Garden

This garden celebrates the elegance of color combinations and the lightness of forms. It harmoniously blends the deep, vibrant hues of blue and white Agapanthus africanus with the delicate blooms of Gaura lindheimeri Whirling Butterflies, creating a stunning contrast of colors and textures. The final touch comes from Salvia nemorosa Amethyst, with its purple spikes adding verticality and dynamism.

Botanical jewelry: Rare and Monumental Plants of the Garden



Vitex Agnus Castus

(Chaste Tree)

In the **Papa Albani garden** of Villa Miralfiore stands a *Vitex agnus-castus* (Chaste Tree), a shrub native to the Mediterranean region, known for its lavender-blue flowers and medicinal properties. Planted in groups to create colorful contrasts, the Chaste Tree enhances the beauty and biodiversity of the garden.



Citrus Triptera

(Trifoliate Orange)

In the **Sforza garden** of Villa Miralfiore, a specimen of *Citrus triptera*, or Trifoliate Orange, features spiny branches and trifoliate leaves. This deciduous plant, native to East Asia, grows up to 4-5 meters tall, with fragrant white flowers and decorative but bitter fruits. Often used as a rootstock, it is prized for its resilience and ornamental beauty.

Cedrus Deodara

(Himalayan Cedar)

In the **Papa Albani garden** of Villa Miralfiore stands a unique and majestic specimen of *Cedrus deodara* (Himalayan Cedar), with a trunk diameter of 103 cm. This rare tree, a symbol of history and exotic beauty, enhances the garden with its elegant canopy and its contribution to biodiversity.



Platanus Acerifolia

(Common Plane tree)

In the **Malatesta garden** of Villa Miralfiore stands an imposing *Platanus acerifolia*, or Common Plane tree, with its distinctive bark that peels in gray and cream patches. This tree, which can grow up to 40 meters tall, is widely found in European parks for its resilience and generous shade. Originating in the 17th century, the Plane is a symbol of urban resilience and an important ecological asset enriching the urban landscape.



Cedrus Libani

(Cedar of Lebanon)

In the **Papa Albani garden** of Villa Miralfiore stands a magnificent specimen of *Cedrus libani*, or Cedar of Lebanon, planted in the 19th century. This tree, native to the Middle East, can grow up to 40 meters tall with a broad, horizontal canopy and short, dark needles. Introduced to Europe in the 17th century, the Cedar of Lebanon is valued for its ornamental and cultural significance. Visible in historical photographs from the early 20th century, it is now a fundamental element of the garden's structure.



Ginkgo Biloba

(Fan Tree or Venus hair Tree)

In the **Malatesta botanical garden** at Villa Miralfiore stands a fascinating *Ginkgo biloba*, known for its fan-shaped leaves that turn a brilliant golden yellow in autumn. Originally from China and introduced to Europe in the 18th century, the Ginkgo is valued for its beauty and extraordinary resilience. Known as a living fossil, this tree symbolizes strength and longevity.

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The History

Villa Miralfiore evolved from a rural Malatesta house (1260) to a residence of the Della Rovere family (1559), adorned by the Zuccari brothers in the 16th century. In 1776, it passed under emphyteusis to the Albani family (later Castelbarco-Albani) and has been owned by the Livi family since 1992.

The villa showcases classic Renaissance style, with symmetry and proportions that embody the ideals of harmony and order from the Italian Renaissance. Inside, it features a series of frescoes created by Federico Zuccari in the 16th century.



The Frescoes

Inside the villa, a series of frescoes by the Zuccari brothers from the 16th century adorn the five rooms on the first floor. These paintings depict the feats of Guidubaldo II Della Rovere, enriching the interiors with profound historical and artistic storytelling.

Showroom & Museum

In addition to preserving its historical grandeur, the villa now serves as a private residence and corporate representation center for Fiam Italia. It showcases collections by internationally renowned designers and architects, including Cini Boeri, Massimo Morozzi, Bruno Munari, Vico Magistretti, Enzo Mari, Rodolfo Dordoni, Philippe Starck, Danny Lane, Daniel Libeskind, Doriana and Massimiliano Fuksas, and Marcel Wanders. The villa is also home to the "Glass Museum," a space dedicated to contemporary glass artworks by artists such as Pomodoro, Isgrò, Munari, Colombo, Baj, Valentini, Veronesi, Carmi, and Mariani.



Events

Villa Miralfiore is a prestigious and truly unique venue, perfect for exclusive and elegant occasions. Events such as concerts, conferences, conventions, award ceremonies, fashion shows, and film sets are just some of the possibilities that can be enhanced by its unparalleled scenic beauty.

Where We Are



GPS COORDINATES

Latitudine: 43° 54' 20"N

Longitudine: 12° 54' 07"E



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