



**Friday Jazz by Blue Note:
Blue Note Off at Villa d'Este Jazz Club**

*Every Friday night from 22 November to 27 December,
six unforgettable evenings with internationally renowned musicians*

Cernobbio, 24 October 2024. Villa d'Este is ready to set the stage for an exclusive experience in an events series that promises to delight music lovers: **Friday Jazz**. The iconic five-star hotel in Cernobbio adds an extra note to the autumn season by opening the doors of its resident club, which will become a Jazz Club for the occasion with a lineup of **six unforgettable evenings**, in partnership with **Blue Note**, the world-famous jazz club in Milan renowned for the excellence of its performances and unique ambience.

Every Friday night, beginning on 22 November and ending on 27 December, from 8pm onwards, guests at Villa d'Este can enjoy the speakeasy atmosphere of the *Jazz Club* with performances from Blue Note artists and cocktails concocted by the barmen of Villa d'Este. A selection of bites made to accompany these new musical events will accentuate the night. The concerts will be held between 9 and 9.45pm, followed by an interval, before resuming between 10.15 and 11pm.

- **Friday 22 November** the young talent **Francesco Cavestri** will inaugurate the festival with a journey through the musical history of Italian cinema and the new artistic expressions of the Bolognese pianist.
- **Friday 29 November** **Stefano Signoroni** takes to the stage, a talented singer and entertainer who embodies musical elegance and a passion for music.
- **Friday 6 December** trumpet player **Pepe Ragonese** will blend groove and soul elements with jazz for a fresh, refined and contemporary sound.
- **Friday 13 December** will be the turn of **Francesca Tandoi**, Italian jazz pianist and singer-songwriter, appreciated for her virtuous technique and swing energy.
- **Friday 20 December** will feature **Dado Moroni**, the renowned Italian pianist and composer, famous for his refined touch and many collaborations with international artists;
- **Friday 27 December** **Gospel TimeS**: Gospel TimeS will recreate the true gospel "sound". A full repertoire of spiritual and traditional gospel interpreted by exceptional American and British voices.

A selection of **signature cocktail** curated by Villa d'Este mixologists and purposely designed for the occasion will be memorably served at the jazz nights:



- the **New Orleans**, a drink that pays tribute to the birthplace of jazz with its refreshing and piquant notes
- the **Jazz Club**, a Mezcal-based drink with smoky vibes
- the **Note Dolci**, a delicate gin drink featuring amaretti and dessert wine
- a **Martini** selection, from the legendary **Vesper** to the fresher **Lemon Drop**, classic **Gin and Vodka Martinis**;
- iconic **amphora cocktails** like **Negroni**, **Martinez**, **Old Fashioned** and **Boulevardier**.

This synergy between Villa d'Este and Blue Note Milano not only celebrates jazz in all its nuances as well as a unique opportunity to experience musical culture in an exclusive setting.

Every evening will be an occasion to experience jazz like never before, **also open to external clients**, with a limited number of places. Reservations required on the hotel's website or by calling the hotel directly.

Press information

Villa d'Este, the iconic five-star luxury hotel in Cernobbio, on Lake Como, sets the standard in international luxury hospitality. A member of The Leading Hotels of the World, it is part of the Villa d'Este Hotels group, which also includes the five-star Villa La Massa, by the River Arno just outside Florence, Tuscany, the renowned Harry's Bar and Hotel Miralago in Cernobbio. The group also manages the four-star hotels Palace Hotel and Barchetta Excelsior as well as Ceccato Garden Bar, all in Como city centre. Regarded as one of the finest expressions of mid-sixteenth-century architecture, converted into a luxury hotel in 1873 and set in ten hectares of parkland lined with age-old trees, statues and flowers, Villa d'Este has been a symbol of timeless elegance for more than 150 years. The property consists of 152 rooms and suites across the Cardinal Building and Queen's Pavilion, in addition to four private villas on the grounds. Villa Belinzaghi was acquired recently, which will undergo full restoration. Led by Executive Chef Michele Zambanini, Villa d'Este has three restaurants: the elegant Veranda with lake views, serving classic Italian-inspired cuisine with contemporary and international touches; the Grill for casual dining, where quintessential meat and fish dishes take centre stage; and the Platano, which reawakens memories of authentic Mediterranean and Japanese flavours blended with influences from around the world. Bar Canova is a preferred place on Lake Como for sipping world-class cocktails matched with delicious snacks in a refined ambience. In the summer, the Sundeck, situated next to the floating pool, is the perfect spot for a light lunch while savouring a cocktail from the recently revised list. The hotel's amenities include the Beauty Center and Sporting Club with a heated indoor pool, a gym, sauna, steam room, squash



court, a putting green, outdoor fitness equipment and 8 tennis courts. The famous floating pool on the lake is heated and there is a children's pool nearby. Davide Bertilaccio is CEO of Villa d'Este Hotels.

BLUE NOTE MILANO is a jazz club that was established in 2003. It extends across 3 floors and 1,000 square metres. The atmosphere is that of an elegant jazz club where clients can listen to performances by internationally renowned artists with the very best acoustics from every position in the stalls and balconies. The layout and size of the club allow everyone to fully enjoy concerts. Following in the footsteps of the legendary club in Greenwich Village, a night at Blue Note is also an opportunity to fully experience the combination of music and food. Simple and refined food is served in the concert hall alongside a generous selection of Italian and French wines, more than 200 cocktails and liqueurs from the bar and the unique ambience that can only be found in a jazz club. Radio Monte Carlo is the official radio of Blue Note Milano and once a week Nick the Nightfly, the renowned radio presenter and musician, hosts his Monte Carlo Nights show at a designated spot in the Milanese jazz club from 10pm onwards.

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