

# NoRopeRetreat Alternative: Milan Bondage and Sightseeing Week

As you already heard, in 2022 there will be no RopeRetreat. We worked really hard to come up with a different location, but the bottom line is, we were too late. Actually, locations are like suspension points: The goods ones are occupied really fast!

For 2023, there are options, and we're confident we'll be able to organize a totally new edition of the RopeRetreat in 2023. We hope to meet you there!

However, in the meantime, we've got an alternative for you. You might want to read on!

## The concept

You are given the opportunity to attend a 'workshop week' in Milan, with Kirigami & Tenshiko. During that week, different events will be organized, allowing you to explore the city and the surroundings, and the wonderful area and summer that Milan has to offer. You are responsible for your own staying facilities, but these are easily available in Milan, ranging from hotels to BnB to camping, to 'people you may know in the area'.

You take part in the common events as you like, or skip them if you feel like doing so.

However, it is mandatory that you subscribe to the events, so we know how many will attend with regard to preparation / reservation / ...

## The dates

This week is organized 2 times

Episode 1: Monday 04/07/2022 - Sunday 10/07/2022

Episode 2: Monday 18/07/2022 - Sunday 24/07/2022

### **IMPORTANT:**

- You can book the week/episode you prefer, but please be aware that each week will only be organized with 6 couples at least.
- If this is not met until May 15th, one of the two weeks will be canceled, and the attendees will be proposed to join the other week or refunded.

## The schedule

Monday	14h30	Meeting at Yugen Studio	1
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2
	20h00 - 23h00	Dinner	3
Tuesday	10h00 - 12h30	Milan City Center walk	4
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch	5
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2
Wednesday	10h00 - 12h30	Largo Antonio Greppi and surroundings	6
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch at Corso Como	7
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2
Thursday	10h00 - 12h30	Milan: Ancient City Center	8
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch at Porta Ticinese	9
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2
	20h00 - 21h30	Food delivery at Yugen Studio	10
	22h00 - 0h00	Performance Night / RopeJam for attendees only	11
Friday	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2
	19h30 - 20h30	Food delivery at Yugen Studio	10
	21h30 - 03h00	Public RopeJam	12
Saturday	13h00 - ???	Visit Monza	13
Sunday	10h00 - ???	Visit Lake Como	14

## How this works

For some events, there is a price. You pay for this week:

- The sum of the prices of the events you're attending. If you subscribe, we assume you'll be there. We cannot offer refunds on the spot, due to reservations already made.
- €15 per person as a membership fee to the Yugen Studio. This is mandatory for taking workshops (legal stuff).

## General remarks

- All locations and events are easily reachable by public transport (metro usually). Interesting week tickets are available.
- If you signed up for an event / meeting, make sure to be there, and be on time. Let us know if you cannot make it last minute, so the rest of the group doesn't have to wait for you :-)

## The Events

### **1: Meeting at Yugen Studio**

**Price:** free

**Meeting point:** Yugen Studio

**Description:** We meet at the Yugen studio, get familiar with the place and the other participants.

### **2: Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio**

**Price:** €550 / couple

**Meeting point:** Yugen Studio

**Description:** In total, 15h of workshops are given to the participants.

The workshop will be focused on traditional kinbaku shapes, both challenging floorwork and variations on classical suspensions will be extensively addressed.

The takatekote will be demonstrated and overhauled during the first class.

The level of the workshop is 'intermediate'.

## Prerequisites

Solid TK – any style

Smooth and safe suspension lines management

Confidence in suspension sessions

### **IMPORTANT:**

- **Tap water is freely available at the Yugen Studio. Other drinks you should bring yourself.**
- **Beer and Wine will be available during the meals delivered to the studio**

### **3: Dinner**

**Price:** €60 / couple

**Meeting point:** Yugen Studio

**Description:** Dinner in a restaurant near the Yugen studio, walking distance. (Pizza or similar). Food and drinks included.

### **4: Milan City Centre**

**walk Price:** free

**Meeting point:** Piazza S. Babila (Metro Line 1 - San Babila)

**Description:** walk in the city centre (option to leave the group and visit Duomo or see an exhibition at royal palace, ...) Options aplenty!

**5: Lunch**

**Price:** €40 / couple

**Meeting point:** Brera

**Description:** Light lunch and drinks included.

**6: Largo Antonio Greppi and surroundings**

**Price:** free

**Meeting point:** Largo Antonio Greppi (Metro line 2 – Lanza)

**Description:** walk in the Brera neighborhood and the new skyscrapers area (option to leave the group and visit Brera's Picture gallery, ...) Options aplenty!

**7: Lunch at Eataly**

**Price:** €50 / couple

**Meeting point:** Corso Como

**Description:** Light lunch and drinks included.

**8: Milan: Ancient City Centre**

**Price:** free

**Meeting point:** Piazza della Conciliazione (Metro line 1 – Conciliazione)

**Description:** walk in the ancient part of the city (option to leave the group and visit Leonardo's last supper, ...) Options aplenty!

**9: Lunch**

**Price:** €40 / couple

**Meeting point:** Porta Ticinese

**Description:** Light lunch and drinks included.

**10: Food delivery at Yugen Studio**

**Price:** €40 / couple

**Meeting point:** Yugen Studio

**Description:** Food delivery - Drinks included.

**11: Performance Night / RopeJam for attendees only**

**Price:** free / included in the workshop price.

**Meeting point:** Yugen Studio

**Description:** A RopeJam, accessible only for workshop participants. You will also be given the opportunity to perform, in order to practice your performance skills in a safe space with a limited (and familiar) audience. You'll get feedback on your performance from the group so you can even further improve your skills. Please note that it is totally up to you if you want to do this or not. Please discuss beforehand if you are interested in doing such a performance.

**12: Open RopeJam evening**

**Price:** free / included in the workshop price.

**Meeting point:** Yugen Studio

**Description:** A RopeJam as you most probably know it, accessible for workshop participants and other (local) bondage enthusiasts who will pay a separate ticket.

**13: Visit Monza Price:** €240 - 290 / couple

price might vary depending on actual attendees number

**Meeting point:** To be determined

**Description:** A guided visit to Monza, including transportation, tickets for attractions, lunch, dinner, ... A fully organized day

**14: Visit Lake Como Price:** €300 - 350 / couple price might vary depending on actual attendees number

**Meeting point:** To be determined

**Description:** A guided visit to Lake Como, including transportation, tickets for attractions, lunch, dinner, ... A fully organized day

## Example cost calculation

Example 1: The full deal.

You want to participate in all the organized activities, from Monday until Sunday as a duo.  
(green = We attend, red = we don't attend)

Monday	14h30	Meeting at Yugen Studio	1	€0
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€550
	20h00 - 23h00	Dinner	3	€60
Tuesday	10h00 - 12h30	Milan City Centre walk	4	€0
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch	5	€40
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€0
Wednesday	10h00 - 12h30	Largo Antonio Greppi and surroundings	6	€0
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch at Corso Como	7	€50
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€0
Thursday	10h00 - 12h30	Milan: Ancient City Centre	8	€0
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch at Porta Ticinese	9	€40
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€0
	20h00 - 21h30	Food delivery at Yugen Studio	10	€40
	22h00 - 0h00	Performance Night / RopeJam for attendees only	11	€0

Friday	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€0
	19h30 - 20h30	Food delivery at Yugen Studio	10	€40
	21h30 - 03h00	Public RopeJam	12	€0
Saturday	13h00 - ???	Visit Monza	13	€240
Sunday	10h00 - ???	Visit Lake Como	14	€300

**Total: €1.360 per couple.**

Your staying facilities and meals that are not mentioned, are not included.

Example 2: A la carte

You want to participate in some of the organised activities, from Monday until Sunday as a duo, but you focus mostly on the workshop.

(green = We attend, red = we don't attend)

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Tuesday	10h00 - 12h30	Milan City Centre walk	4	€0
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch	5	€40
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€0
Wednesday	10h00 - 12h30	Largo Antonio Greppi and surroundings	6	€0
	12h30 - 14h00	Lunch at Corso Como	7	€50
	15h00 - 18h00	Class / Workshop at Yugen Studio	2	€0
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	19h30 - 20h30	Food delivery at Yugen Studio	10	€40
	21h30 - 03h00	Public RopeJam	12	€0
Saturday	13h00 - ???	Visit Monza	13	€240

Sunday	10h00 - ???	Visit Lake Como	14	€300
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**Total: €590 per couple.**

Your staying facilities and meals that are not mentioned, are not included.

## Subscription and payment

1. If you like to attend, let us know by email. You can do so at [ligatio@ligatio.be](mailto:ligatio@ligatio.be)
2. You'll get a link to a subscription form, where you can indicate which events you want to attend.
3. You'll get an invoice for 75% of your subscription price, due in 14 days.
4. Your subscription is complete
5. The rest of your subscription fee is due upon arrival at the Yugen Studio in Milan, and can only be done in cash.

## Refund policy

If you subscribe, and life gets in the way, this refund policy applies:

- up to 42 days before your date of arrival, a full refund will be given. Any attempts to find somebody to take your place is highly appreciated.
- between 41 and 21 days: a 50% refund will be given. If you come up with somebody willing to take your place, you can work out the financial details with him/her of course.
- 20 days or less: a refund is not possible. If you come up with somebody willing to take your place, you can work out the financial details with him/her of course.

## General remarks

- If you want to attend, make sure to make arrangements for your stay in Milan as quickly as possible. Yugen studio is located here: <https://g.page/yugenstudio?share>
- depending on your choice of staying facilities, you can search for something nearby.
- Please note that all prices are aimed at duos. Single attendance to the workshop is not possible. If you want to come in another configuration, please let us know, and we'll see what we can work out for you.
- This is in no way an organised holiday, so attending is done at your own risk, and you are fully responsible for your own actions.
- All 'unused timeslots' are fully at your disposal. Maybe some initiative will emerge from the group, maybe not. That's totally up to you!
- In the days leading up to the event, you'll be given:
  - A detailed description of the meeting points for the different events where it is needed.
  - A mobile phone number for you to reach in case you lose the group