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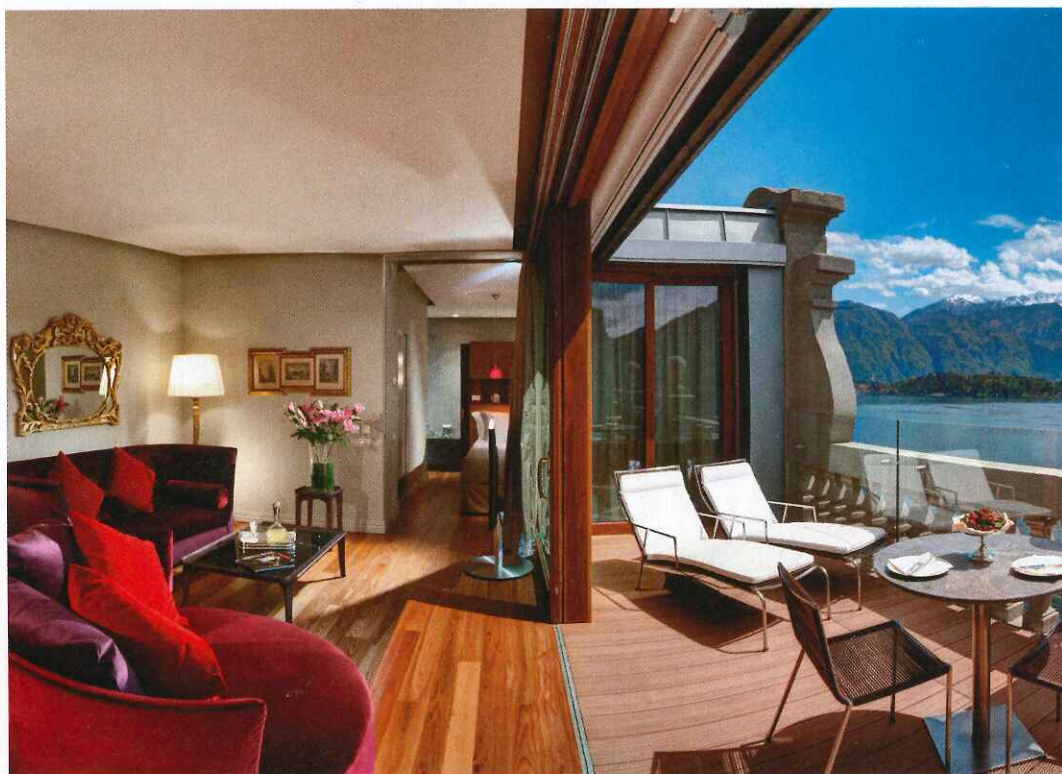
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# Grand Hotel Tremezzo

Lake Como, Italy



**THE ROOFTOP PENTHOUSE** at the Grand Hotel Tremezzo offers stunning views of Lake Como and the Grigna mountain range.

This luxe, historic Italian guesthouse, a member of **Preferred Hotels & Resorts**, sports a Rooftop Penthouse with a duo of terraces overlooking Lake Como and a majestic Grigna mountain backdrop.

It's hard to believe that Milan, one of the world's most cosmopolitan cities, is only an hour away from the tranquil retreat. Nice Touch: We hear owner Valentina De Santis ([valentina.desantis@metacomo.com](mailto:valentina.desantis@metacomo.com)) personally addresses all VIP bookings, including those made for its biggest suite. Along with the extensive outdoor spaces (which are outfitted with double heated Jacuzzi pools, to boot), the spacious outpost consists of two master bedrooms and two full bathrooms. The Rooftop Suite can be connected to up to six other top-tier rooms, including the Rooftop Junior Suites, Corner Suites and Front Suites, allowing for the breathtaking views to be shared when the entire hotel rooftop is privatized. While the vistas are priceless, room costs cover daily breakfast, room service, a minibar, ESPA amenities and free Wi-Fi.

The Rooftop Penthouse hovers just above one of Italy's most revered culinary establishments, La Terrazza at Grand Hotel Tremezzo.

Guests can continue to enjoy the signature al fresco experience from the restaurant terrace, where dishes like saffron risotto with golden leaf are prepared from Michelin-star Chef Gualtiero Marchesi's repertoire.

Further inspiration for dining and activities can be drawn from the concierge team, a handpicked group of individuals who have grown up on Lake Como and are eager to share plenty of local insider knowledge.

For those who opt to stay on premises, the new T Spa, located in the 18th-century Villa Emilia, will open in the spring, where serene views can be complemented with soothing spa services for travelers seeking an escape from the frenzy of a large city environment.

The opportunity to reconnect with nature can also be found at the Floating Pool at Lake Como: WaterontheWater, where the benefits of lakeside and poolside swimming and lounging can be enjoyed simultaneously. The secluded Piscini dei Fiori (Flowers Pool) is a more intimate option, while alternative vantage points can be found at the indoor T Spa infinity pool, where the lake and hotel nearly merge into one.

—Rachel Caron Delas