# Gault&Millau Announces the Debut of its First Italian Guide




After more than fifty years of setting the international standard for restaurant criticism, the renowned Gault&Millau Guide is set to debut its Italian edition in January 2027. Founded in France in the 1970s, the guide is now present in more than twenty countries and is celebrated for its rigorous, anonymous inspections and its ability to spotlight both established excellence and emerging culinary talent.

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The Italian rollout will take place over four years, with nearly 100 inspectors covering regions progressively until nationwide coverage is complete by 2031. The first edition will focus on northern regions including Valle d'Aosta, Piedmont, Liguria, Lombardy, and Trentino-Alto Adige, with headquarters based in Piedmont. Restaurants will be evaluated using Gault&Millau's signature 20-point scale and awarded up to five coveted "Toques," alongside special recognitions for chefs and industry professionals.

Beyond ratings, the guide aims to elevate Italy's food culture internationally through events, storytelling, and a bilingual print and digital presence.

*"As in every country where we operate, our goal is to make a real difference in the international narrative of the food scene and to recognize great new culinary talents"*

- Miroslav Lekeš, CEO of Gault&Millau Italy



From left to right: Miroslav Lekes, CEO of Gault&Millau Italy, Alberto Cirio, President of the Piemonte Region, Daniele Scaglia, Chief Inspector of Gault&Millau Italy

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