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Azerbaijan Pavilion at EXPO inaugurates *Azerbaijan Café*

From July 1st you can enjoy traditional recipes of the country inside one of the most popular pavilions of EXPO 2015. On July 10th the opening of the restaurant on the terrace.

Milan, July 1st 2015 – On Wednesday July 1st the Azerbaijan Café opens its doors in EXPO Milan, at the ground floor of the Azerbaijan Pavilion, where visitors can now taste traditional recipes of the country. Every day, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., will be possible to have lunch with traditional dishes, including Durmez chicken in lavash roll, a typical Azerbaijani bread, as well as salads with lamb kebabs, chicken and beef, seasoned with flavourful spices. The pomegranate, symbol of the country and often used in the traditional cooking, is the main ingredient of the vegetarian salad and of the cheesecake. Every night, starting at 6.30 p.m., you can enjoy a cocktail with local finger food.

On July 10th, the day after National Day celebrations of Azerbaijan, the restaurant on the roof terrace will open, offering a refined menu of Azerbaijani dishes including Plov, the most famous rice recipe of the culinary tradition of the country.

The terrace can also host private events: an outstanding location with a lovely panoramic view of Expo Milan 2015.

The Azerbaijan pavilion celebrates the biodiversity and culture of the nation, a place where different elements live side by side in perfect harmony. The project is based on the idea of a biosphere as a metaphor for the country: a system open to external flows that also values and protects the diversity within it.

Designed to be dismantled at the end of Expo 2015 and then rebuilt in Baku, the pavilion was **conceptualized, designed and built** by the Simmetrico network in collaboration with the architecture firm Arassociati, structural planners from iDeas, and the landscape architects of AG&P.

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