



**Interior and Light Design** 

**Simone Micheli** 

Client

**Gruppo Ethos I www.gruppoethos.it** 

Year of realization

2012

**Opening** 

January 2013

Location

Barcelò Milan I Via stephenson 55, Milan

**Surface** 

420 sq.m

Number o seats:

220

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Nowdays food and design are the two elements that most characterize Italy, being a source of pride for all Italian people. Tondo Restaurant comes out from the idea of combining these two excellences giving birth to a unique, new, original place located inside the Barcelò Hotel in Milan, whose interior design is entirely edited by the architect Simone Micheli. The Ethos Group - restaurant company in Milan since 1980 - decided to move its energies in this direction: starting the project.

Tondo is a garden of tables and chairs in which the dividing walls work as hedges and every detail has been designed to inspire wonder, astonishment and vitality, involving visitors in an international atmosphere.

Grandiose sculptures constitute the entire structural and functional apparatus of the ground floor. The columns, reception desk, bar counter, the cook-show top, were born from a glossy, fluid and dynamic material that keeps on escaping from canonical geometries. Their Acid green and bright red colours contrast with the Lucerna Stone floor that stretches uninterrupted on the whole surface. The aim of the restaurant is to offer to its guests the opportunity to dine in an exciting, eccentric and international environment, without sacrificing taste of Italian cuisine.

Tondo menu is characterized by a careful selection of raw materials (many ingredients come from organic farming) and by a deep research on the authenticity of products.

Tondo Concept is in fact based on the idea of offering an emotional and suggestive background both to important and fast meals.

The kitchen, which is coordinated by the expert hands of Chef Fabrizio Colzani, offers traditional dishes, seafood and also gluten free and a children's menu.

Tondo restaurant has also a central role in the organization of activities and events dealing with gastronomic culture, with the goal of discovering the great and healthy products of Italian cuisine: many meetings are held by nutritionists to diffuse tips about the correct way of eating.

Thank to its initiatives, partnerships, and due to the strong engagement in environmental and social policies, Tondo aims to become a reference point for Milan and province.



Tondo 1



Tondo 4



Tondo 6



Tondo 9



Tondo 2



Tondo 5



Tondo 8



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## **TECHNICAL SHEET**

Alpiq Energia Italia | www.alpiq.it

Liuni | www.liuni.com

Mapei | www.mapei.it

Permasteelisa | www.permasteelisagroup.com

Adrenalina | www.adrenalina.it

iGuzzini illuminazione | www.iguzzini.it

Axia Bath Collection | www.axiabath.it

ST Rubinetterie | www.strubinetterie.it

Simas | www.simas.it

Salvetti |

Pietrelli Porte | www.pietrelliporte.it

## Interior design project and Lighting **SM© SIMONE MICHELI**



Simone Micheli was born in Viareggio, Tuscany, in 1964.

In 1990 he founded his studio and in 2003 the Simone Micheli Architectural Hero Company, based in Florence, Milan and Dubai.

He is professor at Poli. Design and at the Scuola Politecnica di Design in Milan. He participated to Venice Biennale and he is the curator of many exhibitions in international fairs.

His professional activity moves towards different directions: from architecture to interior design, from visual design to communication; his eco-friendly and nature-oriented creations are characterized by strong identity and uniqueness. He is one of the major players in European designing dimension thanks to the many works - linked with the residential world - he has realized for public administrations and private commissions.

Here some of the most important awards he has recently received:

"Interior Designer of the Year" during "International Design Award 2008" in Los Angeles; "Best of the year 2010" in "Beauty, Spa and fitness" category, given by Interior Design Magazine - New.York, Usa and "International Media Prize 2010" in "Annual Club Space Award" category, given by Modern Decoration Magazine, in Shenzen, China, for the "Atomic Spa" project of Boscolo Hotels in Milan. "Tre number one award 2011" in interior design field – Venice, Italy, and "Contemporary Spa Award 2011" in "Best Future Spa" category- Bologna, Italy, for "Marina Verde Wellness Resort" project, in Caorle, Venice. "Best of the year honoree 2012" in hospitality category, given by Interior Design Magazine, New-York, Usa, with "B4 Hotel In Milan" project (now it is Barcelò Hotel).

His works have been shown in the most important international exhibitions; he held conferences and lessons in cultural institutes of many cities; his publications are on the most important national and international magazines. There are many interviews dedicated to his works and his last monograph "Simone Micheli From The Future to The Past" published in 2012 by L'Archivolto publishing house, is a selection of projects belonging to his last twenty years of activity.

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