



Capodichino Metro Station

Naples, Italy



Place
Naples, Italy

Date
2006 -

Client
Metropolitana di Napoli

Cost
€60 million

Site Area
7,500 m²

Local architect
Smith Barracco Studio

Structural Engineer
Studio Cavuoto

Civil Engineer
Metropolitana Milanese

Traffic Engineer
Metropolitana Milanese

Cost Consultant
Metropolitana di Napoli

Contractor
Astaldi - Moccia



A roof that is simultaneously complex but satisfyingly simple — and so contextual it seems like an integral part of the city before it's even built — it's a design that can communicate in any language

Will Hunter, Building Design



Capodichino Aeroporto Station in Naples, Italy is a new underground station that will connect the city's existing airport terminal with Napoli Centrale railway station in Piazza Garibaldi and the ferry terminal at Piazza Municipio.

The project – designed by RSHP and developed in conjunction with WP - includes a dramatic daylight, open, circular 'well' that descends to the underground trains, animated by the vertical movement of passengers in eight panoramic lifts.

The station, as a daylight subterranean piazza, will become a dramatic first welcome to Naples for many visitors.

The distinctive spiralling staircases, which serve as means of escape, accentuate the drama and verticality of the well.

The roof is a light structure that floats over the well, allowing natural light to penetrate deep down so that, even at its maximum depth of 43 metres, it is daylight.