

# KICK-OFF FOR FOOTBALL'S WORLD CUP IN ITALY



**WORLD FOOTBALL  
CUP IN ITALIA  
FROM 8th JUNE  
TO 8th JULY 1990**

*Held aloft in the hand  
of Maradona, the coveted  
World Cup.*

Italy is now firmly in the grip of "Mondiale" fever, with the start of the month-long 14th World Cup set for 8th June, when the defending champions, the Argentinians, kick off against the Cameroon team in Milan. The twenty-four teams that have qualified for the event:

Group A : ITA, AUT, TCH, USA;  
Group B : ARG, CMR, URS, ROM; Group  
C : BRA, SWE, CRC, Scotland ; Group D :  
FRG, YUG, UAE, COL; Group E : BEL,  
KOR, URU, ESP; Group F : England, IRL,  
HOL, EGY (worth noting, the first appearance in these finals of a team from the United Arab Emirates, whose football association was founded only nineteen years ago). These teams will play a total of fifty-two games, the first two teams in each of the six groups going through to the quarter

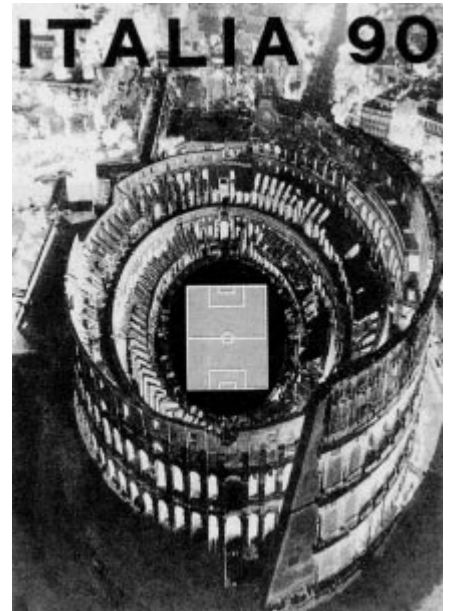
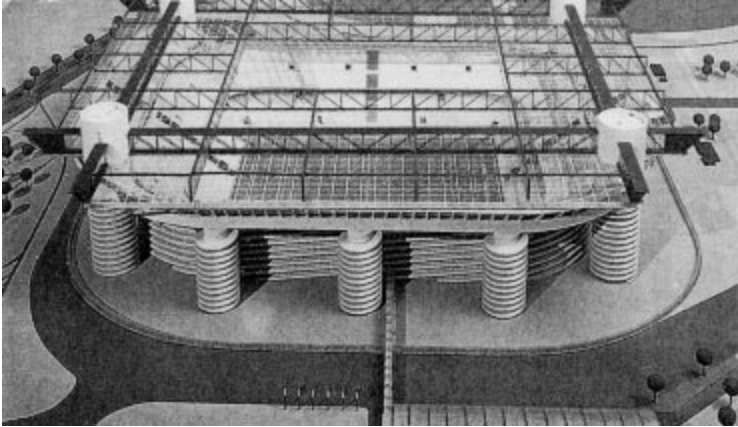
finals as well as four of the teams placed third in each group.

The twelve host cities throughout the peninsula are putting the final touches to preparations to the venues : Bari and Turin have had to construct brand new stadiums, the Olympic Stadium in Rome and the Ferraris Stadium in Genoa have been completely rebuilt and only the stadiums in Udine and Cagliari, built in the seventies, have escaped extensive renovation.

Today, the emphasis is on spectator comfort and, especially, safety, with numbered seats which are often under cover. Here, before the entry of the fans, we take a peek at the architectural aspect of the World Cup, the design of the forms that are the temples of sport.



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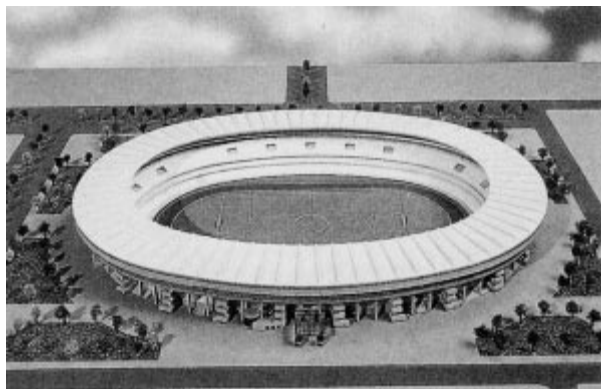
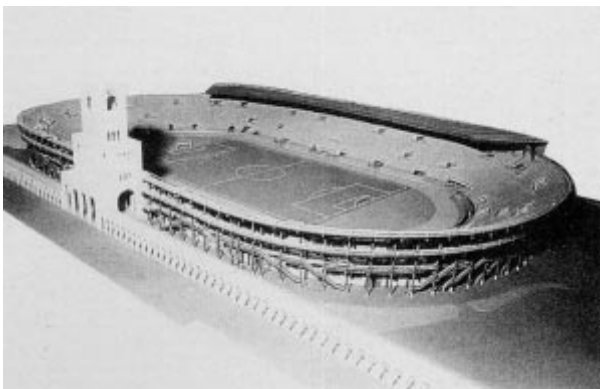
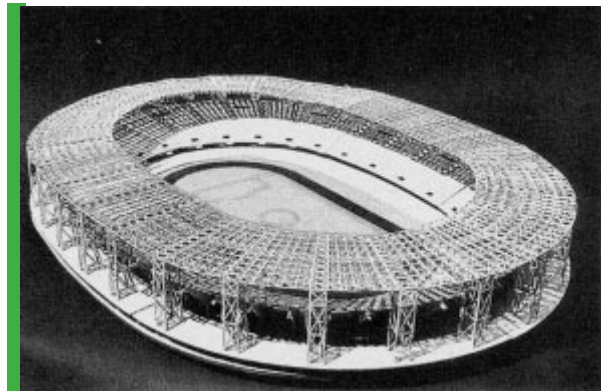
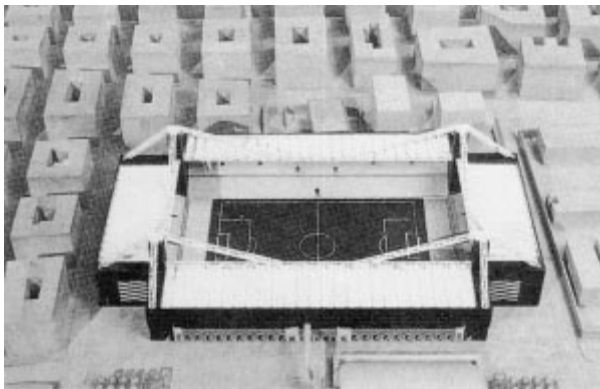
## CALENDAR OF THE FIRST PHASE

*Milan's stadium (left) is to stage the first match on 8th June.*

Team	Groups	Town	8 friday	9 saturday	10 sunday	11 monday	12 tuesday	13 wednesday	14 thursday	15 friday	16 saturday	17 sunday	18 monday	19 tuesday	20 wednesday	21 thursday
Italy Austria U.S.A. Czechoslovakia	<b>A</b>	Rome		ITA AUT 9.00pm					ITA USA 9.00pm					ITA TCH 9.00pm		
		Florence			USA TCH 5.00pm						AUT TCH 5.00pm				AUT USA 9.00pm	
Argentina Cameroon Ussr Romania	<b>B</b>	Naples						ARG URS 9.00pm					ARG ROM 9.00pm			
		Bari			URS ROM 5.00pm					CMR ROM 5.00pm				CMR URS 9.00pm		
Brazil Sweden Costa Rica Scotland	<b>C</b>	Turin			BRA SWE 9.00pm						BRA CRC 5.00pm					BRA SCO 9.00pm
		Genoa					CRC SCO 5.00pm					SWE SCO 9.00pm				
F.R. of Germany Yugoslavia U.Arab Emirates Colombia	<b>D</b>	Milan	ARG CMR 6.00pm		FRG YUG 9.00pm					FRG UAE 9.00pm				FRG COL 5.00pm		
		Bologna			UAE COL 5.00pm					YUG COL 5.00pm					YUG UAE 5.00pm	
Belgium Rep. of Korea Uruguay Spain	<b>E</b>	Verona					BEL KOR 5.00pm					BEL URU 9.00pm				BEL ESP 5.00pm
		Udine							URU ESP 5.00pm				KOR ESP 9.00pm			
England Rep. of Ireland Netherlands Egypt	<b>F</b>	Cagliari				ENG IRL 9.00pm					ENG HOL 9.00pm					ENG EGY 9.00pm
		Palermo						HOL EGY 9.00pm						IRL EGY 5.00pm		

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*From left to right, going down the page, Bari and Turin have brand new stadiums, those in Genoa, Naples, Bologna and Verona will present a new face to spectators after extensive renovation.*





Memories of the Cup in Italy back in 1982.



Difficult to recognize the famous Olympic Stadium in Rome after its renovation.