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5 SQUARE, WHEN BLINDS COMBINE ELEGANCE AND FUNCTIONALITY



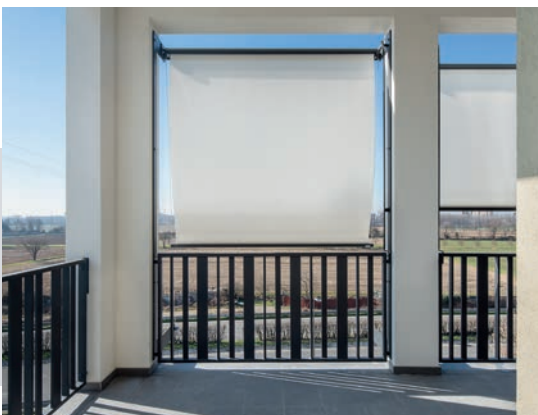
5 SQUARE, on the southern outskirts of Milan, is a social housing programme carried out by **Studio Barreca & La Varra Architects** and aiming to regenerate 5 disused buildings.

The large legacy balconies have been converted into loggias, so **solar protection was needed to control the light and heat insulation of the terraces, while offering attractive façades.**

The architect called upon the blinds manufacturer **Resstende Srl** to search together for the best solution combining comfort and design.

The **360 external blinds** have been designed to beautify façades by making them look “alive: moving between a blind tilted outwards to another tilted inwards to create a small butterfly effect” explains the architect Gianandrea Barreca.

“The best solution combining comfort and design”





So Resstende offered blinds equipped with Mermet's **Satiné 5500** fabric for its outstanding solar protection properties:



- 96 % of solar energy reflected for optimum heat protection
- 93 % of light rays filtered, providing very good glare control thanks to its satin diagonal weave
- Maximum incoming natural light
- View-through maintained thanks to the fabric's unparalleled transparency

The shade chosen (0207 white pearl) **ideally matches the façade thanks to its perfect blending into the building.**

Available in **52 shades and 4 widths** ranging up to 320 cm, Mermet's Satiné 5500 fabric is also distinguished by :

- **Outstanding dimensional stability** for large-sized vertical blinds and perfect matching with ZIP applications, giving it ideal stretch for a perfect finish
- **Outstanding durability** with the 10,000-cycle mechanical endurance test (NF EN 13561 class 3) and **good mechanical strength for stretching**
- **M1 fire rating** which satisfies the requirements for public-access buildings

Mermet fabrics have now established themselves as THE ideal solution by guaranteeing an outstanding level of thermal performance combined with optimal visual comfort, while giving building façades a modern look.

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