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TEAM ROSTERS



Ettore MESSINA
confirmed
2022 (2024)

AX ARMANI EXCHANGE Milano

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BILIGHA	Paul	confirmed	-	1990	FC	ITA	2022	
BROOKS	Jeff	confirmed	-	1989	FC	ITA	2021	
CINCIARINI	Andrea	confirmed	-	1986	G	ITA	2022	
DATOME	Luigi	Fenerbahce	TUR	1987	F	ITA	2023	
DELANEY	Malcom	Barcelona	SPA	1989	G	USA	2022	
HINES	Kyle	CSKA	VTB	1986	FC	USA	2022	
LEDAY	Zach	Zalgiris	LIT	1994	FC	USA	2022	
MICOV	Vladimir	confirmed	-	1985	F	SRB	2021	
MORASCHINI	Riccardo	confirmed	-	1991	GF	ITA	2022	
MORETTI	Davide	Texas Tech	NCAA	1998	G	ITA	2023	2025
PUNTER	Kevin	Crvena Zvezda	ABA	1993	G	USA	2021	
RODRIGUEZ	Sergio	confirmed	-	1986	G	SPA	2022	
ROLL	Michael	confirmed	-	1987	GF	TUN	2021	
SHIELDS	Shavon	Baskonia	SPA	1994	GF	DEN	2022	
TARCZEWSKI	Kaleb	confirmed	-	1993	C	USA	2023	

HONOURS



28 Scudetti (*last: 2018*)



6 Italian Cup (*last: 2017*)



4 Italian SuperCup (*last: 2020*)



3 Euroleague (*last: 1988*); 3 Saporta Cup (*last: 1976*); 2 Korac Cup (*last: 1993*); 1 Intercontinental Cup (1987)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 80



Mediolanum Forum (12,331 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

15 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

7 (out of 7)



1st Euroleague Game
02.10 - @ Bayern Munich

1st Home Game
09.10 - vs ASVEL

AX ARMANI EXCHANGE Milano



Milano celebrating with the Supercoppa trophy | Photo Credits: M.Longo / Ciamillo-Castoria

The Ultimate Front-Runner

Olimpia Milano enters Year II of the Messina Era with only one word in mind, when it comes down to Italian 'ball: Win. For a team built with an interesting mix of emerging players and veteran stars, the missteps of the shortened 2019-20 season won't likely be tolerated again for an Olimpia side that has not won a national championship in an odd year since the 80s. LBA rules will impose a turnover of foreign players, with 3 of the 9 that will be sidelined in each game. This will guarantee Messina the chance to shake-up the team every weekend and be less predictable, but it could affect continuity and hierarchies in the rotations.

Supercoppa takeaways

With 8 wins in 8 games (with 4 additional friendly matches won) Milano has surely seemed unstoppable in this inaugural part of the season. What really impressed the most from Olimpia's performance has been the ability to raise the level of its game when necessary, both offensively or defensively. Kevin Punter has appeared as a streaky-shooter scoring machine, while Kyle Hines leadership has contributed to change the tone defensively, in what has been a weakness for Milano in the recent year. Supercoppa MVP, however, has been Malcom Delaney: former Barcelona guard has showed a glimpse of what he could bring to the table, but his addition has to be regarded as one of the best signings of the whole European basketball summer.



VANOLI Cremona

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
COURNOOH	David	Virtus Bologna	A1	1990	G	ITA	2021	
DONDA	Andrea	Capo d'Orlando	A2	1999	C	ITA	2021	2022
HOMMES	Daulton	Austin Spurs	GLG	1996	F	USA	2021	
LEE	Marcus	Sioux Falls	GLG	1994	C	USA	2021	
MIAN	Fabio	Trento	A1	1992	GF	ITA	2021	2022
PALMI	Topias	confirmed	-	1994	GF	FIN	2022	
POETA	Giuseppe	Reggio Emilia	A1	1985	G	ITA	2021	2022
TRUNIC	Lazar	Sansebasket	C Gold	2000	G	ITA	2021	
WILLIAMS	Jarvis	Leiden	NED	1993	F	USA	2021	
WILLIAMS	TJ	Hapoel Beer Sheva	ISR	1994	G	USA	2021	



Paolo GALBIATI
Biella (A2)
2021 (2022)

HONOURS



1 Italian Cup (2019)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 11

Best season: 2nd place, Semifinal (2019)



PalaRadi (3,511 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

10 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

5+5

NON-EU PLAYERS

4 (out of 6)



VANOLI Cremona



Jarvis Williams rebounding | Photo Credits: M.Ceretti / Ciamillo-Castoria

I'm still standing

It has definitely been a tough summer for Vanoli Cremona. Team owner Aldo Vanoli, hospitalised in the spring for COVID-19, struggled to fundraise capitals to ensure a new Serie A season for the team, which was very close to end its journey in professional basketball. The worst seems over, though, and new GM Flavio Portaluppi was able to assemble an intriguing team, despite a late start in building the roster. With only the Finnish Topias Palmi returning from the 2019-20 season, new coach Paolo Galbiati will need to have some patience in developing chemistry and a new team identity to chase the main goal: avoid relegation.

Supercoppa takeaways

With a lone win in 6 games, Cremona's Supercoppa experience may appear as disappointing. While Vanoli had surely some tough times in Group B, indeed there are more silver linings than low points to note down. With only Topias Palmi being the lone foreigner available for all six games, Paolo Galbiati's team has shown character and a desire to fight that will absolutely be needed in Cremona's race to survival (aka maintaining Serie A) in 2020-21.



UMANA REYER Venezia



Walter DE
RAFFAELE
confirmed
2021 (2022)

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BRAMOS	Michael	confirmed	-	1987	GF	GRE	2023	
CASARIN	Davide	confirmed	-	2003	G	ITA	2023	
CERELLA	Bruno	confirmed	-	1986	F	ITA	2021	
CHAPPELL	Jeremy	confirmed	-	1987	GF	USA	2021	
D'ERCOLE	Lorenzo	Pistoia	A1	1988	G	ITA	2021	2022
DAYE	Austin	confirmed	-	1988	F	USA	2022	2023
DE NICOLAO	Andrea	confirmed	-	1991	G	ITA	2022	2023
FOTU	Isaac	Treviso	A1	1993	FC	GBR	2021	2022
MAZZOLA	Valerio	confirmed	-	1988	FC	ITA	2022	2023
POSSAMAI	Luca	confirmed	-	2001	C	ITA	multiyear	
STONE	Julyan	confirmed	-	1988	G	USA	2021	2022
TONUT	Stefano	confirmed	-	1993	G	ITA	2023	
VIDMAR	Gaspar	confirmed	-	1987	C	SLO	2021	
WATT	Mitchell	confirmed	-	1989	C	USA	multiyear	

HONOURS



4 Scudetti (*last: 2019*)



1 Italian Cup (2020)



1 FIBA Europe Cup (2018)



1 Campionato Dilettanti (2008)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 50



Taliercio (3,506 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

13 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

4 (out of 7)



1st Eurocup Game

30.09 - vs UNICS

Eurocup Group

Partizan, Bourg, Badalona,
Bahcesehir, UNICS

UMANA REYER Venezia



Austin Daye | Photo Credits: S.Fassi / Ciamillo-Castoria

Make it five

Continuity is crucial for the actual defending champion, as Venezia was able to confirm its core opting for only two new signings, of whom only one is expected to play a relevant part in the team (Fotu). One of the theme of the season will be the more relevant role reserved to 2003-born Davide Casarin, one of the most prominent Italian prospects. Having won a trophy in each of the last four seasons, the goal is to make it five and be extremely competitive in both LBA & Eurocup, as the team's dream is to make it to the Euroleague. The potential is for a contender, and anything less than a semifinal would be a tough blow.

Supercoppa takeaways

Group C had more struggles than perhaps expected -but maybe for Trieste and Treviso exceeding expectations rather than Venezia disappointing- and the Supercoppa experience ended in an honourable semifinal loss against Milano, in which Reyer has put Olimpia on the ropes for the first time this season coming back from a 21-point deficit in the second half. With Venezia being the most-known of the contenders, the main point to watch in the preseason was the inclusion of Isaac Fotu in the team. Former Treviso big-man has struggled at times, but Venezia's newcomers have a history of blooming into the season so there are no reasons to worry, as of now.



Gianmarco
POZZECCO
confirmed
2022

BANCO DI SARDEGNA Sassari

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BENDZIUS	Eimantas	Rytas Vilnius	LAT	1990	F	LIT	2021	
BILAN	Miro	confirmed	-	1989	C	CRO	2021	
BURNELL	Jason	Cantù	A1	1997	F	USA	2021	
DEVECCHI	Giacomo	confirmed	-	1985	F	ITA	2023	
GANDINI	Luca	Varese	A1	1985	C	ITA	2021	
GENTILE	Stefano	confirmed	-	1989	G	ITA	2023	
KRUSLIN	Filip	Cedevita Olimpija	ABA	1989	G	CRO	2021	
PUSICA	Vasilije	Pesaro	A1	1995	G	SRB	2021	
RE	Marco Antonio	confirmed	-	2000	G	ITA	2021	
SPISSU	Marco	confirmed	-	1995	G	ITA	2022	
TILLMAN	Justin	Hapoel Gilboa	ISR	1996	FC	USA	2021	
TREIER	Kaspar	Ravenna	A2	1999	F	ITA	2023	

HONOURS



1 Scudetto (2015)



2 Italian Cup (*last: 2015*)



2 Italian SuperCup (*last: 2019*)



1 FIBA Europe Cup (2019)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 10



PalaSerradimigni (5,000 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

12 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

3 (out of 7)



BCL Group

Galatasaray Istanbul

Iberostar Tenerife

Bakken Bears

BANCO DI SARDEGNA Sassari



Miro Bilan driving to the basket | Photo Credits: L.Canu / Ciamillo-Castoria

Looking to crash the party, again

Quickly dismissed a small drama related to the future of coach Gianmarco Pozzecco, Sassari will start next season with a roster full of new faces and a different identity. A more “European” one, as confirmed by Pozzecco and team GM Pasquini, with just 3 USA-born player (only Varese has less) and lots of young and rising talents. Rotation will feature several lineup alternatives, both to go small or big according to the circumstances. The goal is to raise the bar again, in a LBA that appears more and more competitive (same goes for BCL), the dream is to “crash” the idea of a three-team *Scudetto* contenders in Venezia, Virtus Bologna and Milano.

Supercoppa takeaways

Coming away with the group win in the “Olbia bubble”, Sassari has ended its run with a semifinal loss against Virtus Bologna, despite another strong effort from Miro Bilan. Croatian center has undoubtedly been the MVP of Sassari’s preseason, and the duo formed with point-guard Marco Spissu is Dinamo’s pillar entering into the season. The rest is still a work in progress starting from Justin Tillman, whose preseason has been more difficult than expected because of some personal issues. Being a renovated team, Sassari will need time to bloom. Will they allow themselves to have it?



Frank VITUCCI
confirmed
2022

HAPPY CASA Brindisi

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BELL	James	Promitheas	GRE	1992	F	USA	2022	2021
CATTAPAN	Riccardo	confirmed	-	1997	FC	ITA	2021	
GASPARDO	Raphael	confirmed	-	1993	FC	ITA	2022	
GUIDO	Alessandro	confirmed	-	2002	G	ITA	youth	
HARRISON	D'Angelo	Maccabi Rishon	ISR	1993	G	USA	2021	
KRUBALLY	Ousman	Le Portel	FRA	1988	C	GAM	2021	
PERKINS	Nick	Niigata Albirex	JPN	1996	C	USA	2021	
THOMPSON	Darius	confirmed	-	1995	G	USA	2021	
UDOM	Mattia	Verona	A2	1993	F	ITA	2022	
VISCONTI	Riccardo	Mantova	A2	1998	G	ITA	2022	
WILLIS	Derek	Ulm	GER	1995	F	USA	2021	
ZANELLI	Alessandro	confirmed	-	1992	G	ITA	2022	

HONOURS



1 Legadue Cup (2012)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 8

Best season: 5th, Quarterfinal (2014, 2019)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

12 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

6 (out of 7)



PalaPentassuglia (3,534 seats)



BCL Group

Darussafaka Istanbul

Filou Oostende

San Pablo Burgos

HAPPY CASA Brindisi



D'Angelo Harrison | Photo Credits: L.Canu / Ciamillo-Castoria

Revolution to repeat

After a two-year exciting run composed of two Italian Cup Finals and the best season in team's history, Brindisi has opted for a clean reboot of its team, with only three returning players of their standard rotation in 2019-2020 in Thompson, Gaspardo and Zanelli. The dominating duo formed by team captain Adrian Banks and athletic big John Brown III has left for new opportunities, but Brindisi may have found the perfect replacements in D'Angelo Harrison & Nick Perkins. If former Serie A2 protagonists Udom & Visconti will prove they belong to the top tier, Brindisi may be even deeper and with more potential to repeat its recent successes.

Supercoppa takeaways

Olbia's group started with a shocking loss against Pesaro, but Vitucci's team surely improved throughout the games and came close to qualify for the Final Four. Besides the expected effort from the six foreign players, a pleasing note for Brindisi has been the performances of Riccardo Visconti, who has seemed ready for its maiden LBA season. If D'Angelo Harrison has seemed ready to grab a leadership role left vacant after the departure of Adrian Banks, the comparison between Nick Perkins and John Brown III is still lacking some evidence to be evaluated.



Nicola BRIENZA
confirmed
2021 (2022)

DOLOMITI ENERGIA Trentino

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BROWNE	Gary	Darussafaka	TUR	1993	G	PUR	2021	
CONTI	Luca	Montegranaro	A2	2000	G	ITA	2023	TBA
FORRAY	Andres "Toto"	confirmed	-	1986	G	ITA	2023	
LADURNER	Maximilian	confirmed	-	2001	FC	ITA	2024	TBA
LECHTHALER	Luca	confirmed	-	1986	C	ITA	2022	
MARTIN	Kelvin	Brindisi	A1	1989	F	USA	2021	
MAYE	Luke	Wisconsin Herd	GLG	1997	FC	USA	2021	
MEZZANOTTE	Andrea	confirmed	-	1998	F	ITA	2022	
MORGAN	Jeremy	Crailsheim	GER	1995	G	USA	2021	2022
PASCOLO	Davide	confirmed	-	1990	F	ITA	2023	
SANDERS	Victor	Anversa	BEL	1995	GF	USA	2021	2022
WILLIAMS	JaCorey	PAOK	GRE	1994	FC	USA	2021	

HONOURS



2 Campionato Dilettanti (*last: 2014*)



1 Legadue Cup (*last: 2013*)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 6

Best season: 4th, Final (2017)



BLM Group Arena (4,000 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

12 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

6 (out of 7)

1st Eurocup Game

29.09 - @ Bursaspor

Eurocup Group

Promitheas, Nanterre,
Cedevita Olimpija, Gran
Canaria, Bursaspor

DOLOMITI ENERGIA Trentino



Davide Pascolo looking for a open pass | Photo Credits: M.Brunello / Ciamillo-Castoria

Something Crazy, they say

A relevant part of Trento's summer has pivoted around their new partnership with Nike, built around the "Something Crazy" claim. In rebuilding after the departure of all US players from a 2019-20 season which was on its way to see Trento out of the LBA playoffs for the first time in team history, Dolomiti Energia has opted to build a roster that seems to suit more the basketball ideas of returning coach Nicola Brienza, who is expected to repeat the promising results seen in Cantù. 5 of the 6 foreign players signed don't have previous Italian experience, and this is a remarkable first for a team used to build its roster around continuity.

Supercoppa takeaways

In six Supercoppa games we've only seen a grasp of what Trento could achieve this season, and whether the "avoid relegation and reach Eurocup Top 16" goal will seem an understatement or an appropriate target. With Luke Maye appearing in just one game with a limited impact, Trento's front court has relied heavily on JaCorey Williams who has neither disappointed or particularly impressed. Youngster Max Ladurner has had lots of good minutes (13' per game) and it will be interesting to see if this will be a trend into the season.



Eugenio
DALMASSON
confirmed
2021 (2022)

ALLIANZ Trieste

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
ALVITI	Davide	Treviso	A1	1996	F	ITA	2022	
CAVALIERO	Daniele	confirmed	-	1984	G	ITA	2021	
CORONICA	Andrea	confirmed	-	1993	GF	ITA	2021	
DA ROS	Matteo	confirmed	-	1989	F	ITA	2021	2022
DOYLE	Milton	Windy City	GLG	1993	G	USA	2021	
FERNANDEZ	Juan	confirmed	-	1990	G	ITA	2022	
GRAZIULIS	Andrejs	Tortona	A2	1993	FC	LAT	2021	2022
HENRY	Myke	Ironi Nahariya	ISR	1992	F	USA	2021	
LAQUINTANA	Tommaso	Brescia	A1	1995	G	ITA	2022	
UDANOH	Ike	Venezia	A1	1989	FC	USA	2021	2022
UPSON	DeVonte	Strasburgo	FRA	1993	FC	USA	2021	2022

HONOURS



1 Campionato Dilettanti (2018)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 2*

Best season: 7th, Quarterfinal (2019)

**Team restarted in 2004 after going bankrupt*

REGISTERED PLAYERS

11 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

5+5

NON-EU PLAYERS

4 (out of 6)



Allianz Dome - PalaRubini (6,943 seats)



ALLIANZ Trieste



Myke Henry's acrobatic lay-up | Photo Credits: M.Rossetti / Ciamillo-Castoria

Looking for its place

After a couple of roller-coasting seasons in Serie A, Allianz Trieste may as well look for a drama-less 2020-21, by confirming Italy's top division for one of the country's most passionate crowds, and explore into the future by building around some promising Italian players. A complete reboot of the team's foreign players has seen the remarkable addition of LBA veteran Ike Udah, but as well the intriguing signings of players like Milton Doyle, DeVonte Upson and Myke Henry. Fan-favorite Juan Fernandez will have the keys of the team, with Tommaso Laquintana aiming to confirm himself as one of the best back-up guards in the league.

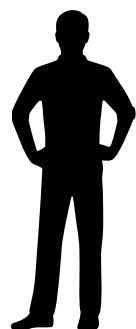
Supercoppa takeaways

A couple of blowout losses against Trento and Treviso have deprived Trieste of the chance of making a stunning upset in reaching the Final Four. Myke Henry's has made the best impact throughout the group games, and there are some pundits choosing him as a surprising MVP candidate, while the point-guards duo formed by Fernandez and Laquintana have responded well, as well. The same can't be said for front-court duo Ike Udah - DeVonte Upson, but Trieste has a good level already which will allow additional time for the pair to insert themselves into Dalmasson's playbook.



OPENJOBMETIS Varese

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
ANDERSSON	Denzel	Lulea	SWE	1996	FC	SWE	2021	2022
DE NICOLAO	Giovanni	Agrigento	A2	1996	G	ITA	2022	2023
DE VICO	Niccolò	Cremona	A1	1994	F	ITA	2022	
DOUGLAS	Toney	confirmed	-	1986	G	USA	2021	
FERRERO	Giancarlo	confirmed	-	1988	F	ITA	2021	2022
JAKOVICS	Ingus	confirmed	-	1993	G	LET	2021	2022
MORSE	Anthony	Imola	A2	1994	C	USA	2021	
RUZZIER	Michele	Cremona	A1	1993	G	ITA	2021	2022
SCOLA	Luis	Milano	A1	1980	FC	ARG	2021	2022
STRAUTINS	Arturs	Udine	A2	1998	F	ITA	2022	2023



Massimo
BULLERI
Ravenna (A2)
2022

HONOURS



10 Scudetti (*last: 1999*)



4 Italian Cup (*last: 1973*)



1 Italian SuperCup (1999)



5 Euroleague (*last: 1976*); 2 Saporta Cup (*last: 1980*); 3 Intercontinental Cup (1973)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 71



Enerxenia Arena (5,100 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

10 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

5+5

NON-EU PLAYERS

2 (out of 6)



Luis Scola | Photo Credits: M.Ozbot / Ciamillo-Castoria

An intriguing generational mix

The likely career ending of a future Hall of Famer, a former NBA guard running the show as the undisputed go-to-guy, several LBA rookies coached by a veteran and reliable Italian basketball figure. If you're looking for a team to root for in the upcoming Serie A, Varese is definitely your pick. A roster completed several weeks before the scheduled start of the season, by a team that has not played an official game since January: Varese aims to a safe season, dreaming of a playoff run and hoping to excite its passionate crowd by building into the future with its young core.

Supercoppa takeaways

Luis Scola's possible farewell season has started with being Supercoppa's top scorer with 21.3 points per game (48% FGM), but Varese's preseason has been rocked first and foremost by the abrupt firing of coach Attilio Caja, a decision that the team has motivated with a worsening of former coach relationships with both squad and team's management, disproving media rumor of a fallout between Caja and Scola for the reason of the firing. New coach is a rookie (but with some experience as an assistant, also in Varese) in Massimo Bulleri, who faced Scola as a player in the 2004 Olympics final and is seen as one of the most promising young coaches in Italian basket.



Cesare
PANCOTTO
confirmed
2021

ACQUA SAN BERNARDO Cantù

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BAPARAPÉ	Biram	confirmed	-	1997	G	ITA	2021	
BAYEHE	Jordan	Roseto	A2	1999	FC	ITA	2022	
JOHNSON	Jazz	Nevada	NCAA	1996	G	USA	2021	
KENNEDY	Sha'Markus	McNeese State	NCAA	1998	C	USA	2021	
LA TORRE	Andrea	confirmed	-	1997	GF	ITA	2021	
LEUNEN	Maarten	Fortitudo Bologna	A1	1985	FC	USA	2022	
PECCHIA	Andrea	confirmed	-	1998	GF	ITA	2021	
PROCIDA	Gabriele	confirmed	-	2002	G	ITA	2022	2024
SMITH	Jaime	Sassari	A1	1989	G	USA	2022	2021
THOMAS	Donte	Groningen	NED	1996	F	USA	2021	
WOODARD	James	Bayreuth	GER	1994	G	USA	2021	

HONOURS



3 Scudetti (*last: 1981*)



2 Italian SuperCup (*last: 2012*)



2 Euroleague (*last: 1983*); 4 Saporta Cup (*last: 1981*); 4 Korac Cup (*last: 1991*); 2 Intercontinental Cup (1982)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 63

REGISTERED PLAYERS

12 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

6 (out of 7)



PalaBancoDesio (6,700 seats)



ACQUA SAN BERNARDO Cantù



Jaime Smith shooting from the arc | Photo Credits: M.Ozbot / Ciamillo-Castoria

Comebacks and Rookies

When the season was halted and canceled due to the pandemic, we were probably seeing the best of Cantù, a best which could have translated into an improbable playoff run. As usual one of the most historic teams of the country has changed a lot during the summer, but not all the new faces are strictly new. The returns of fan-favourites Jaime Smith and Maarty Leunen will surely energise the crowd, with both players serving also as mentors for fellow teammates, with two first-year professionals and a team that generally seems to lack in experience. The mix is definitely intriguing and many possible outcomes are on the table.

Supercoppa takeaways

Cantù's Supercoppa went exactly as you can expect from a young and mostly inexperienced team: more lows than highs, but lots of room for improvement and a not despicable character in reacting to two blowout losses to Milano earlier in the group. Of the newcomers, the most promising impact has surely come from Sha'Markus Kennedy, who hopes to follow the step of his predecessor -Kevarrus Hayes- who's gone from a rookie season in Cantù straight into Euroleague basketball.



Sasha
DJORDJEVIC
confirmed
2021

SEGAFREDO VIRTUS Bologna

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
ABASS	Awudu	Brescia	A1	1993	F	ITA	2023	
ADAMS	Josh	Malaga	SPA	1993	G	USA	2022	
ALIBEGOVIC	Amar	Roma	A1	1995	F	ITA	2022	2023
DERI	Lorenzo	confirmed	-	2001	G	ITA	youth	
GAMBLE	Julian	confirmed	-	1989	C	USA	2021	
HUNTER	Vince	confirmed	-	1994	FC	USA	2021	
MARKOVIC	Stefan	confirmed	-	1988	G	SER	2021	
NIKOLIC	Stefan	confirmed	-	1997	F	ITA	2021	
PAJOLA	Alessandro	confirmed	-	1999	G	ITA	2022	
RICCI	Giampaolo	confirmed	-	1991	FC	ITA	2021	
TEODOSIC	Milos	confirmed	-	1987	G	SER	2022	
TESSITORI	Amedeo	Treviso	A1	1994	C	ITA	2022	2023
WEEMS	Kyle	confirmed	-	1989	F	USA	2021	

HONOURS

-  15 Scudetti (*last: 2001*)
-  8 Italian Cup (*last: 2002*)
-  1 Italian SuperCup (*last: 1995*)
-  2 Euroleague (*last: 2001*); 1 Saporta Cup (1990); 1 EuroChallenge (2009); 1 Basketball Champions League (2019)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 78



Segafredo Arena (9,500 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

12 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

6 (out of 7)



1st Eurocup Game

30.09 - @ Lietkabelis

Eurocup Group

Lokomotiv Kuban,
Andorra, Monaco,
Antwerp, Lietkabelis

SEGAFREDO VIRTUS Bologna



Milos Teodosic going past Sergio Rodriguez | Photo Credits: L.Canu / Ciamillo-Castoria

Confirm to win

No team in Italian basketball wanted more to finish out the season than Virtus Bologna. They were the team to beat in LBA with a 18-2 season record at the stop, and enthusiasm was sky high for a team destined soon to return to Euroleague. The hunger for a National trophy (missing since 2002) has led the *Vu Nere* to confirm most of their roster, as their reinforcement campaign focused more on Italian-status figures, adding NT players in Abass and Tessitori, plus an exciting prospect in Alibegovic. The lone new foreigner is a reliable one like Josh Adams. Will 2021, 20 years after the historic *treble* led by Manu Ginobili, be Virtus year?

Supercoppa takeaways

The minimum goal for Virtus' Supercoppa was surely playing at least the Final game in its home crowd (the beautiful and temporary -but for the entire season- Segafredo Arena), and reaching it was not an easy walk with Reggio Emilia and city rival Fortitudo Bologna setting up tough fights in Group B. Djordjevic's side has had limited impact from the lone new foreigner in Josh Adams, but has seen lots of positives from Amar Alibegovic, Awudu Abass and also Amedeo Tessitori, however in less occasions than the first two. Despite a final game below expectations, Teodosic has also performed well while Markovic will need more time to improve his condition.



GERMANI Brescia



Vincenzo
ESPOSITO
confirmed
2022

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
ANCELOTTI	Andrea	Latina	A2	1988	FC	ITA	2021	
BORTOLANI	Giordano	Biella	A2	2000	G	ITA	2021	<i>loan</i>
BURNS	Christian	Milano	A1	1985	FC	ITA	2021	2022
CHERY	Kenny	Nanterre	FRA	1992	G	CAN	2021	
CLINE	TJ	Hapoel Holon	ISR	1994	FC	ISR	2021	
CRAWFORD	Andrew	Milano	A1	1990	GF	USA	2021	2022
KALINOSKI	Tyler	Teksut Bandirma	TUR	1992	G	USA	2021	2022
MOSS	David	confirmed	-	1983	F	USA	2022	
PARRILLO	Salvatore	Orzinuovi	A2	1992	G	ITA	2021	
RISTIC	Dusan	Astana	VTB	1995	C	USA	2021	<i>loan</i>
SACCHETTI	Brian	confirmed	-	1986	F	ITA	2021	
VITALI	Luca	confirmed	-	1986	G	ITA	2022	

HONOURS



2 Campionato Dilettanti (*last: 2016*)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 4

Best season: 3rd, Semifinal (2018)



PalaLeonessa (5,200 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

12 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

6 (out of 7)



1st Eurocup Game

29.09 - @ Buducnost

Eurocup Group

Ulm, Mornar, Malaga,
Metropolitans, Buducnost

GERMANI Brescia



Drew Crawford shooting from the corner | Photo Credits: G.Checchi / Ciamillo-Castoria

The best of the rest

New name (*Leonessa* no more), new ownership, (lots of) new players, same goal. Brescia has aimed high this offseason, building a roster capable to be an ideal outsider in both LBA and Eurocup, and what stands out is the depth of a squad that may well suit the team's ambitions. 12 players with proven Serie A experience, 10 of which have also a relevant European pedigree, lots of experience but also freshness in legs and potential minutes played. Brescia wants to be the best of the rest, aiming for a domestic trophy (after losing the Coppa Italia final in 2018) and for a return to the -at least- top 4. And then, who knows?

Supercoppa takeaways

Despite playing without the titular backcourt in TJ Cline and Dusan Ristic for the entire group because of bureaucratic issues, Brescia has shown an interesting potential and a not despicable ability to hold onto its nerves by winning its first two games in the clutch by a minimum margin. A promising start from 2000-born Giordano Bortolani, who will play his first real LBA season after a breakout season in Biella's Serie A2, has increased the expectations on a team with ambitions and room for improvements.



UNAHOTELS Reggio Emilia

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BALDI ROSSI	Filippo	Virtus Bologna	A1	1991	FC	ITA	2022	
BONACINI	Federico	Trapani	A2	1999	G	ITA	2021	
BLUMS	Janis	Riga	VTB	1982	GF	LAT	2021	
BOSTIC	Josh	Arka Gdynia	POL	1987	GF	USA	2021	
CANDI	Leonardo	confirmed	-	1997	G	ITA	2022	
CHAM	Ibrahima	confirmed	-	2003	FC	GAM	youth	
DIOUF	Mouhamet	confirmed	-	2001	F	ITA	2023	
ELEGAR	Frank	Malaga	SPA	1986	C	USA	2021	
JOHNSON	Justin	Pistoia	A1	1996	F	USA	2021	
KYZLINK	Tomas	Roma	A1	1993	G	CZE	2022	2021
PORFILIO	Carlo	confirmed	-	2001	G	ITA	2024	
TAYLOR	Brandon	Le Mans	FRA	1994	G	USA	2021	



Antimo
MARTINO

Fortitudo Bologna
2022 (2023)

HONOURS



2 Legadue (*last: 2012*)



1 Italian SuperCup (*2015*)



1 EuroChallenge (*2014*)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 22

Best season: 2nd, Final (*2016*)



Unipol Arena (*8,400 seats*)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

13 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

5 (out of 7)



UNA HOTELS Reggio Emilia



Europe Cup Group

Egis Kormend

Iraklis Thessaloniki

Belfius Mons-Hainaut



Tomas Kyzlink's buzzer beater against Fortitudo | Photo Credits: M.Ceretti / Ciamillo-Castoria

A new beginning

Closed after only one season the Maurizio Buscaglia Era, Reggio Emilia approaches the 2020-21 season with many new features. A new ownership, a returning CEO, a new coach, a different arena as PalaBigi is undergoing a renovation. A new roster as well, as only guard Leonardo Candi and youngsters Porfilio and Diouf will return from 2019-2020. While the only notable Italian addition is former Virtus Bologna captain Baldi Rossi, the foreigners side has seen Reggio signing all players with previous Italian experience, both fresh (Kyzlink, Johnson, Taylor) or past (Blums, Bostic, Elegar).

Supercoppa takeaways

Reggio Emilia has probably been the most exciting team of the entire group stage, coming short to upsetting Virtus Bologna and reaching Final Four after a win in what could be labeled as the “game of the tournament” against Fortitudo. Martino’s side achieved that after playing without the main part of its front-court (Justin Johnson and Frank Elegar) for almost the entire tournament: Reggio relied on youngsters Diouf and Cham, less than 40 years old in total between the two and a couple that has proven deserving of a chance into the season. The impressive Cham (4.2 ppg + 6.2 rbg on average) hasn’t yet an Italian “basketball formation” and would need to play as one of the six foreigners, but the team has already confirmed the intention to go on with the idea.



Jasmin REPESA
Buducnost (2019)
2023

CARPEGNA PROSCIUTTO Pesaro

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BASSO	Beniamino	confirmed	-	2001	C	ITA	2023	
CAIN	Tyler	Brescia	A1	1988	C	USA	2021	2022
CALBINI	Lorenzo	confirmed	-	2002	G	ITA	2022	
DELFINO	Carlos	Fortitudo (2019)	A2	1982	GF	ITA	2021	
DRELL	Henri	confirmed	-	2000	F	EST	2022	
FILIPOVITY	Marko	Falco Szombat.	HUN	1996	F	HUN	2021	2022
FILLOY	Ariel	Venezia	A1	1986	G	ITA	2021	
MASSENAT	Frantz	Andorra	SPA	1992	G	HAI	2021	
ROBINSON	Jerome	Chalon	FRA	1995	G	USA	2021	
SERPILLI	Michele	Montegranaro	A2	1999	F	ITA	2022	
TAMBONE	Matteo	Varese	A1	1994	G	ITA	2021	2022
ZANOTTI	Simone	confirmed	-	1992	FC	ITA	2022	

HONOURS

-  2 Scudetti (*last: 1990*)
-  2 Italian Cup (*last: 1992*)
-  1 Saporta Cup (1983)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 61



Vitrifrigo Arena (6,119 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

11 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

5+5

NON-EU PLAYERS

3 (out of 6)



CARPEGNA PROSCIUTTO Pesaro



Carlos Delfino facing Raphael Gaspardo in Pesaro-Brindisi | Photo Credits: C.Atzori / Ciamillo-Castoria

No more worries?

After a relegation avoided due to the league being canceled and a self-demotion threat in June, Pesaro has definitely rebooted by bringing back to Italy two-time LBA champion Jasmin Repesa. Croatian coach will lead an almost-entirely-new team with plenty of interesting new faces and few reliable options. Rotation seem short and that may be an issue in what is expected to be an intense battle to avoid relegation to Serie A2. Having been at the bottom of the table for the last six seasons, Pesaro knows how to fight, but would surely like to go through a quieter season.

Supercoppa takeaways

After just one win in the canceled 2020 season, Pesaro has risen up in Olbia finishing with a satisfying 4-2 record having beaten both playoff contenders Sassari and Brindisi at least once. Jasmin Repesa's ideas are already showing up, and Carlos Delfino's impressive debut is a story as it is the impact of the duo formed by Jerome Robinson and Tyler Cain. The upcoming weeks will tell if Supercoppa has been an outlier or the start of a resurgence for Carpegna Prosciutto, but the signs are indeed promising.



Romeo
SACCHETTI
Cremona
2022

LAVOROPIU FORTITUDO Bologna

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
ARADORI	Pietro	confirmed	-	1988	GF	ITA	2023	
BANKS	Adrian	Brindisi	A1	1986	G	USA	2022	2021
DELLOSTO	Nicolò	confirmed	-	2000	F	ITA	2021	
FANTINELLI	Matteo	confirmed	-	1994	G	ITA	2021	
FLETCHER	Tre'Shaun	Ura Basket	FIN	1994	GF	USA	2021	
HAPP	Ethan	Cremona	A1	1996	C	USA	2021	2022
MANCINELLI	Stefano	confirmed	-	1983	F	ITA	2021	
PALUMBO	Mattia	Treviglio	A2	2000	G	ITA	2024	
SABATINI	Gherardo	Urania Milano	A2	1994	G	ITA	2021	
TOTE'	Leonardo	Pesaro	A1	1997	FC	ITA	2023	
WITHERS	Todd	Grand Rapids	GLG	1996	F	USA	2021	

HONOURS



2 Scudetti (*last: 2005*)



1 Italian Cup (*1998*)



2 Italian SuperCup (*last: 2005*)



1 Campionato Dilettanti (*2019*)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 36

REGISTERED PLAYERS

11 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

5+5

NON-EU PLAYERS

4 (out of 6)



Unipol Arena (8,400 seats) - PalaDozza (5,570 seats)



BCL Group

Brose Bamberg

Pinar Karsiyaka

RetaBET Bilbao

LAVOROPIU FORTITUDO Bologna



Adrian Banks talking with Meo Sacchetti | Photo Credits: A.Giberti / Ciamillo-Castoria

Back to where we belong

The last time Fortitudo Bologna has played in a continental competition, Instagram wasn't in our lives, Gordon Brown was the UK PM, the world was awaiting the release of Avatar. A return for which Fortitudo has prepared in style, signing the coach of the Italian NT and combining the three top scorer of the shortened LBA 2019-20 season. Talent is abundant, but experience may lack as the leadership of Aradori, Banks and Mancinelli will have to lead a team mostly inexperienced at continental level. This may translate in an exciting LBA season, with the dream of a playoff matchup against city arch-nemesis Virtus Bologna.

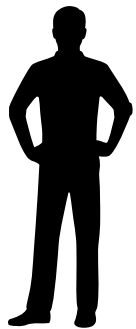
Supercoppa takeaways

It has been a rollercoaster of a preseason for Fortitudo, with a comeback win in the heartfelt derby with Virtus perhaps blurred by two burning defeats against Reggio Emilia and former coach Antimo Martino, who has savoured a small revenge over the "Effe". The exceptional talent of a team which can rely, on the attack, on players like Adrian Banks, Pietro Aradori and Ethan Happ has showed up at times, just as the defensive liabilities which may undermine Fortitudo's expectations and ambitions. Meo Sacchetti teams are known to bloom late into the season, and the other side of Bologna surely is worth a watch in the upcoming weeks.



VIRTUS Roma

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
BALDASSO	Tommaso	confirmed	-	1998	G	ITA	2022	
BEANE JR	Anthony	Charleroi	BEL	1994	G	USA	2021	
BORDI	Ygor	Soresina	B	1996	FC	ITA	2021	
CAMPOGRANDE	Luca	Brindisi	A1	1996	GF	ITA	2021	
CERVI	Riccardo	Trieste	A1	1991	C	ITA	2021	
EVANS	Chris	Orleans	FRA	1991	F	USA	2021	
FARLEY	Liam	confirmed	-	1994	G	USA	2021	
HADZIC	Damir	Flagler	NCAA	1997	F	ITA	2021	
HUNT	Dario	Mornar Bar	ABA	1989	C	USA	2021	
ROBINSON	Gerald	Bursaspor	TUR	1989	G	USA	2021	
TELESCA	Samuele	confirmed	-	2003	F	ITA	youth	
WILSON	Jamil	UNICS	VTB	1990	FC	USA	2021	



Piero BUCCHI
confirmed
2021

HONOURS



1 Scudetto (1983)



1 Italian SuperCup (2000)



1 Euroleague (1984); 2 Korac Cup (*last: 1992*); 1 Intercontinental Cup (1984)

Seasons played in Serie A1: 36



PalaEUR (11,200 seats)

REGISTERED PLAYERS

11 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

6+6

NON-EU PLAYERS

6 (out of 7)



VIRTUS Roma



Tommaso Baldasso | Photo Credits: L.Canu / Ciamillo-Castoria

Unknown, uncertain

Averted the risk of a team closure at the end of July and still in talks to change ownership, Roma has started for last to assemble its team for what will be a season of uncertainties. After having recaptured Italy's top tier last season, Virtus will restart from two certainties: coach Piero Bucchi and young Italian back-up guard, and new captain, Tommaso Baldasso. For being a team built late compared to its rivals, it's not lacking in interesting players, with the Italian return of Jamil Wilson and the re-pairing of Gerald Robinson and Chris Evans, former teammates with Monaco in a BCL runner-up season.

Supercoppa takeaways

Roma has been the only LBA team to never win a game in Supercoppa, but this can't come as a surprise when the *giallorossi* have lost their six games with an average deficit of 33.3 points per game. The only positive note that can be taken off the experience in the Olbia bubble is that we haven't yet seen the "real" Roma: Gerald Robinson, Anthony Beane and Chris Evans have played respectively 3, 2 and 3 games in the group with limited impact, while Jamil Wilson and Dario Hunt have not even reached the team in Sardinia. Road is tough for Roma and the work will be tougher for coach Bucchi, as Virtus is -by far- the less-ready team of the league.



DE' LONGHI Treviso

SURNAME	NAME	PREVIOUS TEAM	FROM	YOB	POS	PASS	END	OPT
AKELE	Nicola	Cremona	A1	1995	F	ITA	2021	
BARTOLI	Vittorio	confirmed	-	2002	F	ITA	youth	
CARROLL	Jeffrey	Bergamo	A2	1994	F	USA	2021	
CHEESE	Tyler	Akron	NCAA	1996	GF	USA	2021	
CHILLO	Matteo	confirmed	-	1993	FC	ITA	2021	
IMBRO'	Matteo	confirmed	-	1994	G	ITA	2021	
LOGAN	David	confirmed	-	1983	GF	POL	2021	
MEKOWULU	Christian	Orzinuovi	A2	1995	C	NIG	2021	
RUSSELL	DeWayne	Crailsheim	GER	1994	G	USA	2021	
VILDERA	Giovanni	Rieti	A2	1995	C	ITA	2021	



Max MENETTI
confirmed
2023

HONOURS



1 LNP Cup (2019)

Season played in Serie A1: 1*

Best season: 13th, season canceled (2020)

**this team is different from 5-times champion Benetton*

REGISTERED PLAYERS

10 out of 18

CHOSEN FORMULA

5+5

NON-EU PLAYERS

4 (out of 6)



PalaVerde (5,344 seats)



DE' LONGHI Treviso



DeWayne Russell attempts a rainbow lay-up | Photo Credits: M.Rossetti / Ciamillo-Castoria

Clear ideas

First to officially announce a new signing (Jeffrey Carroll), one of the firsts to complete the roster, you may argue that Treviso has acted convincingly and steadily in prepare for next season. The pinnacle of the project is coach Max Menetti, who would reach five seasons with the team if he will complete his re-signed contract. Menetti and LBA veteran David Logan, who will play the final season of his career, will lead an extremely young team, with several Serie A debutants and few returning players from the short-ended season. The hope is that being quick to prepare will lead to live an exciting and drama-less season.

Supercoppa takeaways

Started with three loss in a row, Treviso ended its Supercoppa on a high note with three convincing wins in a row, showing some improvements which were on the wall in the first games. All players have brought their “brick to the building”, with team captain Matteo Imbrò and LBA rookie Giovanni Vildera showing off in a way which, if confirmed, may deep Treviso’s rotation and further enhance the team’s potential. Liabilities are the ones you could have found earlier in the summer for this team, but they have well impressed and will deserve your attention in the opening match-days.

DEPTH CHART

DEPTH CHART



1	2	3	4	5
DELANEY	PUNTER	SHIELDS	DATOME	Tarczewski
Rodriguez	Roll	Micov	LEDAY	HINES
Cinciarini	MORETTI	Moraschini	Brooks	Biligha



1	2	3	4	5
T WILLIAMS	COURNOOH	Palmi	J WILLIAMS	LEE
POETA	TRUNIC	MIAN	HOMMES	DONDA



1	2	3	4	5
Stone	Tonut	Bramos	Daye	Watt
A De Nicolao	Casarin	Chappell	FOTU	Vidmar
D'ERCOLE		Cerella	Mazzola	Possamai



1	2	3	4	5
Spissu	KRUSLIN	BURNELL	TILLMAN	Bilan
PUSICA	Gentile	TREIER	BENDZIUS	GANDINI
	Re	Devecchi		

DEPTH CHART



1	2	3	4	5
Thompson	HARRISON	BELL	WILLIS	PERKINS
Zanelli	VISCONTI	UDOM	Gaspardo	KRUBALLY
	Guido			Cattapan



1	2	3	4	5
BROWNE	MORGAN	MARTIN	WILLIAMS	MAYE
Forray	CONTI	SANDERS	Pascolo	Ladurner
			Mezzanotte	Lechthaler



1	2	3	4	5
Fernandez	DOYLE	HENRY	UDANOH	UPSON
LAQUINTANA	Cavaliero	ALVITI	Da Ros	GRAZULIS
		Coronica		



1	2	3	4	5
RUZZIER	Douglas	STRAUTINS	ANDERSSON	SCOLA
G DE NICOLAO	Jakovics	DE VICO	Ferrero	MORSE

DEPTH CHART



1	2	3	4	5
SMITH	WOODARD	Pecchia	THOMAS	KENNEDY
JOHNSON	Procida	La Torre	BAYEHE	LEUNEN
	Baparapè			



1	2	3	4	5
Teodosic	ADAMS	ABASS	Ricci	Gamble
Pajola	Markovic	Weems	ALIBEGOVIC	Hunter
	Deri	Nikolic		TESSITORI



1	2	3	4	5
CHERY	KALINOSKI	CRAWFORD	CLINE	RISTIC
Vitali	BORTOLANI	Moss	Sacchetti	BURNS
	PARRILLO			ANCELOTTI



1	2	3	4	5
TAYLOR	KYZLINK	BOSTIC	JOHNSON	ELEGAR
Bonacini	Candi	BLUMS	Diouf	BALDI ROSSI
Porfilio	Bonacini		Cham	

DEPTH CHART



1	2	3	4	5
ROBINSON	MASSENAT	Drell	FILIPOVITY	CAIN
FILLOY	TAMBONE	DELFINO	Zanotti	Basso
	Calbini	SERPILLI		



1	2	3	4	5
Fantinelli	BANKS	Aradori	WITHERS	HAPP
SABATINI	PALUMBO	FLETCHER	Mancinelli	TOTÈ
		Dellosto		

































































































































































































































































1	2	3	4	5
ROBINSON	BEANE JR	EVANS	WILSON	HUNT
Baldasso	Farley	CAMPOGRANDE	HADZIC	CERVI
		Telesca	BORDI	

























1	2	3	4	5
RUSSELL	CHEESE	CARROLL	AKELE	MEKOWULU
Imbrò	Logan	Bartoli	Chillo	VILDERA

SEASON-BY-SEASON

FROM 2000 TO 2020

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20		
 A/X																						Scudetto	If in year, won by a deceased team
 B																						Treble	If in year, won by a deceased team
 C																						Scudetto and Cup	If in year, won by a deceased team
 D																						Cup	
 E																						Supercup	
 F																						Cup and Supercup	
 G																						Scudetto and Supercup	If in year, won by a deceased team
 H																							National Leagues
 I																							Regional Leagues
 J																							Team not existing
 K																							Team closed at end of season
 L																							









FROM 2000 TO 2020 - SEED

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20			
	QF	15th	17th	PO	10th	F	QF	SF	SF	F	F	SF	F	QF	W	SF	W	SF	W	SF	ND	Scudetto	If in year, won by a deceased team	
	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	13th	12th	10th	11th	14th	12th	QF	S	QF	SF	ND	Treble	If in year, won by a deceased team	
	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	QF	QF	11th	SF	SF	W	SF	W	ND	Scudetto and Cup	If in year, won by a deceased team	
	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	QF	SF	QF	SF	W	QF	QF	10th	F	ND	Cup		
	X	X	X	X	X	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	R	LNP	12th	QF	QF	10th	9th	14th	QF	ND	Supercup		
	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	QF	QF	F	F	QF	ND	Cup and Supercup		ND = not classified
	X	X	X	X	X	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	QF	ND	Scudetto and Supercup	If in year, won by a deceased team
	PO	11th	PO	QF	QF	14th	10th	QF	R	LNP	12th	QF	QF	SF	10th	11th	9th	12th	QF	9th	ND		National Leagues	
	15th	16th	SF	QF	QF	QF	14th	QF	QF	9th	SF	F	QF	SF	QF	QF	11th	14th	QF	10th	ND		Regional Leagues	
	SF	W	SF		LNP	LNP	9th	F	16th	QF	QF	QF	QF	14th	13th	QF	R	LNP	9th	11th	ND		Team not existing	
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	10th	SF	12th	ND		Team closed at end of season	
	R	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	13th	11th	R	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	QF	QF	F	F	QF	12th	13th	ND	F	FINALIST	
	PO	SF	QF	13th	4th		LNP	LNP	9th	QF	10th	10th	SF	15th	15th	15th	12th	15th	15th	14th	ND	SF	SEMIFINALIST	
	W	F	F	F	F	W	F	13th	QF	R		X	X	X	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	ND	QF	QUARTERFINALIST PO: previous round	
	PO	QF	QF	SF	QF	SF	SF	SF	F	QF	QF	9th	13th	F	SF	SR	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	ND	R	RELEGATED; SR - SELF RELEGATED	
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	LNP	ND	S	REPRIEVED	

LBA IN EUROPE

2000 to 2020

EUROLEAGUE

	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	# YEAR	TOT RECORD			BEST SEASON			
																							W	L	%	YEAR	W	L	RESULT
							GS		GS	T16	GS	GS	T16	GS	QF	T16	GS	16th	15th	12th	12th*	14	104	166	38,5%	2013-14	16	12	QF
																GS	GS					2	1	19	5,0%	2014-15	1	9	GS
	GS														QR							2	7	13	35,0%	1999-00	5	11	GS
													T16	GS								2	14	15	48,3%	2011-12	8	8	T16
		W	F	T16					GS													4	42	34	55,3%	2000-01	17	3	W
		QF	T16			QF		GS														4	31	34	47,7%	2004-05	10	12	QF
	QF	SF	T16	T16	F	T16	T16															7	93	62	60,0%	2003-04	16	4	F
					GS			T16	T16	T16	GS	T16										6	37	59	38,5%	2007-08	8	12	T16
SIENA		RR		3rd	4th	T16	GS		3rd	QF	T16	3rd	QF	T16	GS							12	115	95	54,8%	2010-11	16	6	3rd
TREVISIO	OF	QF	SF	F	T16	QF	T16	T16			QR											9	92	52	63,9%	2002-03	18	4	F
VERONA		T16																				1	6	6	50,0%	2000-01	6	6	T16
NAPOLI								GS														1	6	8	42,9%	2006-07	6	8	GS
AVELLINO										GS												1	3	7	30,0%	2008-09	3	7	GS
CASERTA												QR										1	0	2	0,0%	2010-11	0	2	QR

Pesaro and Siena played in the FIBA Suproleague in 2000-01













W = Winner; **F** = Finalist; **3rd** = 3rd Place; **QF** = Quarterfinalist; **T16** = Top 16; **GS** = Group Stage; **QR** = Qualifying Round.

Pesaro and Siena results in 2000-01 are in FIBA Suproleague. * Team was still 'alive' in the competition at the cancelation of the season

Siena, **Treviso**, **Verona**, **Napoli** and **Caserta** do not exist anymore in their previous form. Of those teams, only Verona has effectively reconstituted itself and now plays in Italian Serie A2.

Avellino is now playing in Italian Serie B.

EUROCUP / ULEB CUP

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	# YEAR	TOT RECORD			BEST SEASON			
																				W	L	%	YEAR	W	L	RESULT
		R16												QF					2	15	7	68,2%	2015-16	6	4	QF
														L32				QF*	2	18	14	56,3%	2019-20	12	4	QF*
											GS	R16	L32	L32					4	17	19	47,2%	2013-14	10	8	R16
														GS					1	1	9	10,0%	2015-16	1	9	GS
														SF		T16	GS	T16	4	31	33	48,4%	2015-16	15	7	SF
	QF	QF	GS									GS							4	24	26	48,0%	2003-04	8	6	QF
			GS						GS			L32	R16						4	26	24	52,0%	2014-15	7	11	R16
		GS																QF*	2	15	11	57,7%	2019-20	12	4	QF*
																	GS	T16	2	11	15	42,3%	2019-20	8	8	T16
				QF									GS	L32		SF			4	29	34	46,0%	2017-18	11	10	SF
						GS	GS												2	6	10	37,5%	2007-08	4	6	GS
				QF								GS	R16						3	23	19	54,8%	2005-06	8	6	QF

SF = Semifinalist; **QF** = Quarterfinalist; **OF/R16** = Round of 16; **T16** = Top 16; **L32** = Last 32; **T32** = Top 32; **GS** = Group Stage

* Team was still 'alive' in the competition at the cancelation of the season

EUROCUP / ULEB CUP







	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	# YEAR	TOT RECORD			BEST SEASON			
																				W	L	%	YEAR	W	L	RESULT
TREVISO						T32	F8	GS	4th	T16									5	39	24	61,9%	2010-11	14	4	4th
UDINE	R16				T16														2	12	12	50,0%	02-03 06-07	6	6	T16
SIENA					QF							L32							2	12	6	66,7%	2006-07	10	4	QF
TORINO																T16	GS		2	7	19	26,9%	2017-18	7	9	T16
ROSETO	R16																		1	6	6	50,0%	2002-03	6	6	R16
TRIESTE	R16																		1	5	7	41,7%	2002-03	5	7	R16
NAPOLI			GS																1	5	5	50,0%	2004-05	5	5	GS
TERAMO								T16											1	6	6	50,0%	2009-10	6	6	T16
BIELLA								GS											1	4	2	66,7%	2009-10	4	2	GS
CASERTA									QF										1	8	6	57,1%	2010-11	8	6	QF

4th = 4th Place; **SF** = Semifinalist; **QF** = Quarterfinalist; **OF/R16** = Round of 16; **T16** = Top 16; **L32** = Last 32; **T32** = Top 32; **GS** = Group Stage. A Treviso game in 2010-11 ended in a draw, counted as a L.

Treviso, Udine, Siena, Torino, Roseto, Trieste, Napoli, Teramo and **Caserta** do not exist anymore in their previous form. Of those teams, Udine and Trieste have effectively reconstituted themselves and now play, respectively, in Italian Serie A2 and Serie A.

Biella is now playing in Italian Serie A2.

BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS LEAGUE





	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	# YEAR	TOT RECORD			BEST SEASON			
						W	L	%	YEAR	W	L	RESULT
	4th	GS	R16		3	32	20	61,5%	2016-17	13	9	4th
	QF	GS		R16	3	28	22	56,0%	2016-17	10	10	QF
				GS	1	5	9	35,7%	2019-20	5	9	GS
	GS				1	5	11	31,3%	2016-17	5	11	GS
			QR		1	2	2	50,0%	2018-19	2	2	QR
			W		1	14	6	70,0%	2018-19	14	6	W
AVELLINO	R16	GS	GS		3	23	21	52,3%	2016-17	10	6	R16
ORLANDINA		GS			1	3	13	18,8%	2017-18	3	13	GS

SF = Semifinalist; **QF** = Quarterfinalist; **OF/R16** = Round of 16; **T16** = Top 16; **L32** = Last 32; **T32** = Top 32; **GS** = Group Stage

Avellino is now playing in Italian Serie B.

Orlandina/Capo d'Orlando is now playing in Italian Serie A2.

FIBA EUROPE CUP

	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	# YEAR	TOT RECORD			BEST SEASON			
						W	L	%	YEAR	W	L	RESULT
		W			1	5	3	62,5%	2017-18	5	3	W
		OF	W		2	20	4	83,3%	2018-19	19	3	W
	F		SF		2	26	12	68,4%	2016-17	13	7	F
	R32				1	6	6	50,0%	2016-17	6	6	R32
AVELLINO		F			1	4	4	50,0%	2017-18	4	4	F

W = Winner; **F** = Finalist; **SF** = Semifinalist; **OF** = Round of 16; **R32** = Round of 32. 2 of **Avellino** losses and 1 of **Sassari** losses are actually draws.

Avellino is now playing in Italian Serie B.

LEAGUE NORMS

NORMS - SEASON STRUCTURE

The 2020-2021 LBA season will feature 16 teams, as only OriOra Pistoia has opted to self-relegate to Serie A2 in June: all teams were given this opportunity, as no relegations were decided for the season canceled because of COVID-19 and no team from Serie A2 has been promoted to Serie A.

Season will start, as of the moment in which this guide has been written, on September 27th and a total of 30 rounds will be played up until May 2nd. Only one round, on April 14th, will be played out of a weekend. Only three breaks are scheduled: on February 14th for the Italian Cup Final Eight (host TBD); on November 29th and February 21st for FIBA NT qualifiers.

After a special edition of the Supercoppa Italiana that will feature all 16 teams and will be played between August 27th and September 20th, season is scheduled to start. The first 8 teams after Round 15 (scheduled for January 10th) will qualify for the Italian Cup Final Eight.

The first 8 teams after Round 30 qualify for the LBA Playoffs, which will be played as since 2017-18: Quarterfinals and Semifinals with best-of-5 series, Final with a best-of-7, as the League must finish for June 14th due to the Olympic Qualifying Tournaments.

The last 2 teams in the standings after Round 30 will be relegated to Serie A2.

All teams must play in an Arena with at least 3,500 seats. As of the moment in which this guide has been written, season is due to start with no audience or limited audience, according to what will be the current Health and Safety provisions.

NORMS - TEAMS REGISTRATION

LBA teams are allowed to register, for a single season, up to **18** contracts.

Out of those 18 contracts, there is a maximum of not-EU players (*all those players in need of a VISA to play in Italy*) that a single team is authorised to sign for the season. This limit depends on the formula chosen by the particular team, and is directly linked to the number of players that can be registered up for a single game:

5+5 = this formula allows a team to have a maximum of 5 foreign players and at least 5 Italian (born or with basketball status or with citizenship) players per game. No more than 12 players are eligible to play in a single game. A team who opts for this formula is allowed to register no more than **6** not-EU players for the entire season.

6+6 = this formula allows a team to have a maximum of 6 foreign players and 6 Italian (born or with basketball status or with citizenship) players per game. No more than 12 players are eligible to play in a single game. A team who opts for this formula is allowed to register no more than **7** not-EU players for the entire season. To choose this formula, a team is required to pay the league a *luxury tax* of **€40,000**.

As of last season, teams opting for the 5+5 formula are eligible to receive a financial reward based on the amount of minutes played, throughout the season, by Italian players. A prize money of €500,000 is split into two categories: **€350,000** to be divided between the first five teams that have featured the highest number of **Under 28** players (players with 28 or less years, or with more than 28 years that have played at least 1 game with Italy NT in the last three seasons), **€150,000** between the first five teams that have featured the highest number of **Under 26** players. For 2019-2020, the Under 28 table was won by **Germani Brescia**, while the Under 26 leader has been **Banco di Sardegna Sassari**.

SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE - LBA

ROUND 1		
September 27th, 2020		
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	

ROUND 30		
May 2nd, 2021		
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	
	VS	

NOTABLE GAMES		
BOLOGNA DERBY Nov 22 / Mar 28		
	VS	
"ITALIAN" DERBY Dec 27 / Apr 18		
	VS	
2019 REMATCH Oct 25 / Feb 28		
	VS	
2018 REMATCH Nov 1 / Mar 3		
	VS	
EUROCUP GIANTS Nov 1 / Mar 3		
	VS	

Other notable games

MILANO - VENEZIA [November 22; March 28]

VIRTUS - SASSARI [December 6; April 4]

MILANO - SASSARI [December 20; April 14]

TREVISO - VENEZIA [January 3; April 25]

CANTU - VARESE [October 11; February 1]

BRESCIA - MILANO [November 8; March 14]

BRINDISI - SASSARI [November 15; March 21]

CANTU - MILANO [November 15; March 21]

VARESE - MILANO [December 6; April 4]

FORTITUDO - PESARO [*Jasmin Repesa return to face Fortitudo* - April 11]

VENEZIA - BRINDISI [*Last Italian Cup Final* - September 27; January 17]

BRINDISI - FORTITUDO [*Adrian Banks returns to Brindisi* - November 1]

CREMONA - FORTITUDO [*Meo Sacchetti returns to Cremona* - April 14]

The whole calendar can be found at this [link](#)

RECORDS

LBA RECORDS - PLAYERS

MOST POINTS IN A GAME

A high | Carlton MYERS (Rimini), 87 - 1995

A1 high | Sandro RIMINUCCI (Olimpia Milano), 77 - 1964

2019-20 | 6 players, 32

MOST REBOUNDS IN A GAME

A high | Mark LANDSBERGER (Montecatini), 34 - 1990

A1 high | Charles SHACKLEFORD (Caserta), 29 - 1991

2019-20 | Henry SIMS (Fortitudo BO), 19

MOST ASSISTS IN A GAME

A high | Luca VITALI (Brescia), 18 - 2016; Luca VITALI (Brescia), 18 - 2017

2019-20 | Gal MEKEL (Reggio E), Stefan MARKOVIC (Virtus BO),
Andrea DE NICOLAO (Venezia) - 14

MOST BLOCKS IN A GAME

A high | 4 players, 9

A1 high | Warren KIDD (Roma), 9 - 1999; Stefano RUSCONI
(Varese), 9 - 1989

2019-20 | Henry SIMS (Fortitudo BO), 7

MOST STEALS IN A GAME

A high | Gianluca LULLI (Pozzuoli), 13 - 1998

A1 high | Alessandro TONOLLI (Roma), 12 - 2000

2019-20 | Vince HUNTER (Virtus BO), Kelvin MARTIN (Brindisi) - 6

MOST 3-POINTERS IN A GAME

A high | Mike MCGEE (Desio), 13 - 1989

2019-20 | Darius JOHNSON-ODOM (Reggio E), James BLACKMON
(Trento), Sergio RODRIGUEZ (Milano) - 7

MOST PIR IN A GAME

A high | Carlton MYERS (Rimini), 94 - 1995

A1 high | Roosevelt BOUIE (Reggio E), 69 - 1988

2019-20 | Dyshawn PIERRE (Sassari), 44

MOST POINTS

A high | Antonello RIVA, 14,397 - 785 games

2019-20 | Adrian BANKS (Brindisi), 423 - 20 games

MOST REBOUNDS

A high | Dan GAY, 4,558 - 582 games

2019-20 | Jeremy SIMMONS (Varese), 176 - 19 games

MOST ASSISTS

A high | Gianmarco POZZECCO, 1,772 - 417 games

2019-20 | Luca VITALI (Brescia), 131 - 20 games

MOST BLOCKS

A high | Dean GARRETT, 622 - 210 games

2019-20 | Kevarrus HAYES (Cantù), 51 - 20 games

MOST STEALS

A high | Riccardo PITTIS, 1,796 - 646 games

2019-20 | John BROWN III (Brindisi), 43 - 21 games

MOST 3-POINTERS MADE

A high | Carlton MYERS, 1,294 - 581 games

2019-20 | Adrian BANKS (Brindisi), 63 - 20 games

MOST PIR

A high | Carlton MYERS, 10,570 - 581 games

2019-20 | Adrian BANKS (Brindisi), 445 - 20 games

**ALL RECORDS ARE FROM THE
1948-49 SERIE A SEASON, ONWARDS
ONLY REGULAR SEASON GAMES**

LBA RECORDS - TEAMS

MOST POINTS IN A GAME

A high | SASSARI, 158 - 1995

A1 high | OLIMPIA MILANO, 136 - 1990

2019-20 | BRINDISI, SASSARI - 108

MOST REBOUNDS IN A GAME

A high | SASSARI, 70 - 1998; FERRARA, 70 - 1992

A1 high | NAPOLI, 64 - 1989

2019-20 | TRENTO, VIRTUS BOLOGNA - 55

MOST ASSISTS IN A GAME

A high | AVELLINO, 36 - 2019

2019-20 | VIRTUS BOLOGNA, CREMONA - 30

MOST BLOCKS IN A GAME

A high | VARESE, 13 - 1989; REGGIO CALABRIA, 13 - 1991

A1 high | VARESE, 13 - 1989

2019-20 | CREMONA, 9

MOST STEALS IN A GAME

A high | FORTITUDO BOLOGNA, 36 - 2001

2019-20 | PISTOIA - 16

MOST 3-POINTERS IN A GAME

A high | BIELLA, 27 - 2001

A1 high | SASSARI, 23 - 2014

2019-20 | TRENTO, REGGIO EMILIA, VENEZIA - 17

MOST PIR IN A GAME

A high | SASSARI, 216 - 1995

A1 high | FORTITUDO BOLOGNA, 180 - 2004

2019-20 | SASSARI, 143

LARGEST WIN STREAK

A high | OLIMPIA MILANO, 47 - 1962 to 1964

2019-20 | VIRTUS BOLOGNA, 10

LARGEST LOSING STREAK

A high | DESIO, 30 - 1989-90

2019-20 | PESARO, 16

BIGGEST WIN MARGIN

A high | ROMA, 66 - 2001

2019-20 | SASSARI, 36

LOWEST POINTS SCORED IN A GAME

A high | AVELLINO, 42 - 2005

2019-20 | CANTU, 46

**BOXSCORE RECORDS ARE FROM THE
1974-75 SERIE A SEASON, ONWARDS
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