

# VILLAGGIO OLIMPICO ROMA, ITALY

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In 1960, Rome hosted the 17th edition of the Olympic Games of the modern era. This event radically changed the urban setting of the city, starting from the Villaggio Olimpico (Olympic Village) that, once the games were over, became the neighbourhood of the new middle class, a functional and futuristic area, ruled by a delicate balance between nature and concrete. 50 years later, nature is taking over the landscape and there are only a few scattered signs of the human presence. But the Villaggio is a unique and bustling neighbourhood that wants nothing but being discovered slowly, step by step, in patient contemplation.



50 YEARS AFTER THE ROME'S  
OLYMPIC GAMES, A REPORTAGE ON A  
QUARTER BUILT FOR THIS  
SENSATIONAL HAPPENING

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*The coop [nove] was born in Rome in 2008 as a centre for photographic research and promotion through exhibitions, lectures, workshops and independent projects.*

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