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The Salone Library is a special project by which the Salone del Mobile.Milano is enriching its role as a cultural catalyst, a center of innovation and planning, as well as an interdisciplinary laboratory where creativity and business life meet. At the 2025 edition, the collection welcomes literary suggestions for the second year and is enriched with 100 new titles. All the titles have been recommended by designers, curators, architects, scholars – the protagonists of the **Cultural Programme of the Salone 2025** – who, by sharing their readings, reveal which works have been their inspiration in their personal and professional journey.

The books collected this year fall into four thematic categories: **Light, Architecture and Perception of Space, Culture, Ecology and Anthropology of the Contemporary, Art and Narrations of Human Experience and Science and Philosophy and Innovation of Thought**. A subdivision that worked rather like a game, putting artificial intelligence to the test in recognising affinities and common trajectories between the books.

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In this group, stories and thoughts are intertwined that speak of our time, of its fragility and of its possibilities. The books offer alternative visions for rethinking the relationship between human beings, the environment and the social systems. Ecology, anthropology and philosophy engender pressing questions and prospects for the future. Texts that compel the reader to open their eyes, to unlearn certainties and imagine new ways of inhabiting the world.



Title	Author	Published in	Publisher	Suggested by
A Thousand Years of Nonlinear History	Manuel De Landa	2000	The MIT Press - Swerve Editions	Bjarke Ingels
Antropologia come educazione	Tim Ingold	2023	La Linea	Tim Ingold
Antropologia. Ripensare il mondo	Tim Ingold	2020	Meltemi	Tim Ingold
Are We Human? Notes on an Archaeology of Design	Beatriz Colomina, Mark Wigley	2016	Lars Müller Publishers	Es Devlin
Chaos: Making a New Science	James Gleick	1998	Vintage	Es Devlin
Corrispondenze	Tim Ingold	2021	Raffaello Cortina	Tim Ingold
DRIFT: Choreographing the Future	Contributors: Bjarke Ingels, Beatrice Leanza, William Myers	2022	Phaidon	Lonneke Gordijn
Ecologia della cultura	Tim Ingold	2016	Meltemi	Tim Ingold
Fighting Light Pollution: Smart Lighting Solutions for Individuals and Communities	The International Dark-Sky Association	2012	Stackpole Books	Piero Benvenuti
Global Tools 1973-1975	VV.AA Curated by Valerio Borghonovo e Silvia Franceschini	2024	NERO Editions	Annalisa Rosso
Green Think: How profit can save the planet	Rick Fedrizzi	2015	Disruption Books	Shelley James
Il futuro alle spalle. Ripensare le generazioni	Tim Ingold	2024	Meltemi	Tim Ingold
Less is More: How Degrowth Will Save the World	Jason Hickel	2022	Penguin Books	Es Devlin
Making. Antropologia, archeologia, arte e architettura	Tim Ingold	2019	Raffaello Cortina	Tim Ingold
Scenografe	Anna Maria Monteverdi	2025	Audino	Margherita Palli
Shuraku no Oshie 100	Hiroshi Hara	1998	VV.AA	Kaoru Mende
Siamo linee	Tim Ingold	2020	Treccani	Tim Ingold
Solar Futures: How to Design a Post-Fossil World with the Sun	Marjan van Aubel	2022	Jap Sam Books	Marjan van Aubel
The Good Ancestor: A Radical Prescription for Long-Term Thinking	Roman Krznaric	2021	WH Allen	Marjan van Aubel



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Transform! Designing the Future of Energy	Mateo Kries, Jochen Eisenbrand	2024	Vitra Design Stiftung	Marjan van Aubel
World as Lover, World as Self	Joanna Macy	2023	Parallax Press	Es Devlin

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