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Fanciful architecture and hip restaurants meet sunny Spanish climate and beaches. This has transformed Barcelona in just a few decades from a rough port city to one of Europe's—if not the world's—premier destinations. Stroll along La Rambla, admire the Casa Calvet's façade or the Casa Mila designed by Gaudi, visit the Market of la Boqueria or shop at El Corte Inglés, and sample some of the many bars, cafés and late night haunts while you're at it.

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## THE CITY



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Like many other cities on the Mediterranean, Barcelona was founded by the Romans. The original settlement, called Barcino, was a small port located on the same spot as today's cathedral. The town was overshadowed by Tarragona, the capital of the province. Both the Visigoths and the Moors invaded Barcelona; however, their influence was not as important to the future of the city as the arrival of the Franks in the late 9th century. It was at that point that Barcelona and Catalonia started shaping their own identity, different from the rest of Spain.

This is most apparent in the language - Spanish, or Castilian, has many Arabic words, while Catalan has many French words instead. So Catalan is not a Spanish dialect, but a language in its own right, related to other Romance languages.

Barcelona's history is seen everywhere in the city. The oldest areas are located by the sea, including the shopping enclave Barri Gotic. On the other side of the main boulevard, La Rambla, lies the legendary Raval district. Until the 1980's this was the slum area, home to the city's own Chinatown (Barrio Chino) and the red light district. Today, designer shops and cafés have moved in. Further north is fashionable Eixample, the area created as a result of the 19th century expansion of the city.





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Barcelona's impressive range of sights caters to all tastes - whether you're an architect, a designer, a football fan, an historian, or even a city planner - there's something for everyone in the most self-assured city on the Mediterranean. A visit to Sagrada Familia, Casa Mila and Casa Calvet is a must when visiting Barcelona.

## Casa Vicens



The more recent of Gaudí's many projects to be opened to the public is the Casa Vicens. Built between 1883 and 1885 and declared as a World

Heritage Site by UNESCO in 2005, Casa Vicens was the first house designed by Catalan architect Antoni Gaudí. Located in the bohemian district of Gràcia, this bold project, commissioned as a summer house, combines elements of nature into a chaotic and yet peaceful retreat.

Photo: OnedayPix/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de les Carolines 20-26, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday 10:00 - 15:00. Tuesday - Sunday 10:00 - 19:00. Phone: +34 935 475 980 Internet: www.casavicens.org Email: info@casavicens.org

## National Art Museum of Catalonia



The Museu nacional d'art de Catalunya, MNAC for short, hosts many temporary exhibits through the year, but it is also known for for its

Romanesque collection of mural paintings. Here you can also find pieces like Gaudi's furniture or illustration from Casas and other artists of the Catalan Modernism.

Photo: Suradech Singhanat/Shutterstock.com Address: Palau Nacional, Parc de Montjuïc, Barcelona Opening hours: October to April: Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 -18:00. Sunday & Public Holidays 10:00 - 15:00. May to September: Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 - 20:00. Sunday & Public Holidays 10:00 - 15:00. Phone: +34 936 220 376 Internet: www.museunacional.cat/en

#### Parc de L'Espanya Industrial



The park has evoked polarising opinions for its design and a whimsical combination of classical sculptures and modernist elements. A re-invention

of a former steam-powered mill, it is worth a gander if you happen to be in the area.

Photo: Toniflap/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Muntadas 1, Barcelona Phone: +34 934 02 70 00

#### Parc del Laberint



Designed in 1792, this parc surrounds Torre Soberana, a 14th-century country house redecorated in the Arabesque style. Wander

the garden's lavish maze and romantic gardens

to discover sculptures of mythological figures and a hidden waterfall.

Photo: Oh Barcelona/Flickr (image cropped) Address: Passeig dels Castanyers, 1, 08035 Barcelona, Spain Opening hours: 10:00 - 20:00 Phone: +34 931 53 70 10 Internet: www.barcelonaturisme.com/wv3/en/page/537/parcdel-laberint.html

### Beaches: Mar Bella & de Bogatell



Two of Barcelona's most popular beaches, Mar Bella & Bogatell are just a few minutes apart. Mar Bella is a naturist and gay friendly beach, while

Bogatell is known for volleyball and sunbathing. Both are located within walking distance of trendy bars and restaurants.

Photo: LibreShot Address: Playa be Bogatell, Barcelona

#### Serra de Collserola Natural Park



The largest metropolitan park in the world (85km2) is a tranquil parkland just 15km from central Barcelona. Nestled in a mountain range, this park

teems with biodiversity and is home to over 190 species. Explore crumbling Roman and Gothic ruins such as cottages, castles and even an Iberian village.

Photo: WallpaperFlare Address: Ctra. de l'Església, 92, 08017 Barcelona, Spain Opening hours: 09:30-15:00 Phone: +34 932 80 35 52 Internet: https://www.barcelonaturisme.com/wv3/en/page/52 7/parc-de-collserola.html

#### Street Art Tours



Explore the colourful and gritty streets of El Raval, Barcelona's hip alternative neighbourhood. Guides will point out street art to

give you an overview of the city's distinct culture. Points of note include a famous mural by New York artist Keith Haring, some 400 year old graffiti, and Barcelona's biggest Urban Art Gallery where you may bump in to artists at work.

Photo: TijsB/Flickr (image cropped) Address: El Raval, Barcelona, Spain Internet: https://www.airbnb.ie/experiences/82864?location= Barcelona

## Flamenco Dance Classes



Flamenco originates in Andalusia, a region with a strong presence in Barcelona. Some of the world's best-known Flamenco dancers hail

from here, and it's the perfect place to learn the basics of this much-loved cultural tradition. Numerous providers offer classes suitable for different groups and budgets.

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#### La Sagrada Família



Antoni Gaudi's ambitious project remains, as of today, unfinished, which by no means takes away from its popularity - at nearly 3 million yearly

visitors, La Sagrada Familia is Spain's 2nd most visited monument. The masterpiece was crafted meticulously to embody the Christian faith through composition, sculpture, and individualistic, offbeat design. Guided and audio tours available.

Photo: basiczto/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Mallorca 401, Barcelona Phone: +34 932 080 414 Internet: www.sagradafamilia.org Email: informacio@sagradafamilia.org

#### La Rambla



Barcelona's most well-known street is unofficially not just one uninterrupted stretch but five (hence it being known as "Las Ramblas"),

each containing attractions of their own. A pedestrian-only walkway runs through the street's central section, with street artists, souvenir vendors, bars and restaurants competing for visitor attention.

Photo: LALS STOCK/Shutterstock.com Address: La Rambla, Barcelona

#### Casa Mila



Another one of Gaudi's unconventional architectural creations, Casa Mila, also known as La Pedrera ("quarry", for its wacky appearance

distantly resembling an actual quarry), is one of Barcelona's primary attractions. Entry tickets include a free audio guide.

Photo: Arnau Miguel/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig de Gràcia 92, Barcelona Opening hours: November 4th 2020 - February 27th 2020: Monday - Sunday 9:00 - 18:30. Night tours 19:00 - 21:00. February 28th 2020 - November 4th 2020 Monday - Sunday 9:00 - 20:30. Night tours 21:00 - 23:00.

Phone: +34 932 142 576 Internet: www.lapedrera.com Email: info@lapedrera.com

## Park Güell



In this park with stunning views over the city you can admire several impeccable works of Gaudi. Actually, the entire park is designed by

the artist himself. Statues and buildings in different colours and shapes stand side by side and the park is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Photo: Vladitto/Shutterstock.com

Address: Carrer d'Olot, Barcelona

Opening hours: February 15th 2020 - March 28th 2020 Monday - Sunday 8:30 - 18:00. March 29th 2020 - April 26th 2020 Monday - Sunday 8:00 - 19:30. April 27th 2020 - August 23rd 2020 Monday - Sunday 7:30 - 20:30. August 24th 2020 -October 24th 2020 8:00 - 19:30. October 25th 2020 -December 31st 2020 8:30 - 17:30. Phone: +34 902 200 302 Internet: www.parkguell.barcelona/en?q=en

## Casa Batllo



Once Gaudi got his hands on this previously unremarkable building in Passeig de Gràcia, it was never to be simply passed by again. Fascinatingly

idiosyncratic and almost beast-like on the outside, it continues to amaze from within with twisted lines and elements that could only be thought up by the genius of Gaudi.

Photo: altafulla/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig de Gràcia 43, Barcelona Opening hours: Daily 9:00 - 20:00. Phone: +34 932 160 306 Internet: www.casabatllo.es

#### Email: info@casabatllo.cat

#### Picasso Museum



The Picasso Museum has one of the most extensive art collections by the 20th century Spanish artist Pablo Picasso. The permanent collections

contain more than 3,800 works, and this is one of the most popular and most visited museums in Barcelona.

Photo: gary718/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Montcada 15, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday - Sunday 9:00 - 19:00. Thursday 9:00 - 21:30. Phone: +34 932 563 000 Internet: www.museupicasso.bcn.es

## **Poble Espanyol Architectural Museum**



Located in one of the most emblematic areas of Barcelona, within walking distance from the Montjuïc Fountains, Poble Espanyol is one of

the most attractive sites of the city for it unique setting, featuring architecture from across Spain, contemporary art, crafts, shopping and gastronomy. All this in a peaceful environment, ideal for children and adults.

Photo: Catarina Belova/Shutterstock.com Address: Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia 13, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday 9:00 - 20:00. Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 - 0:00. Friday 9:00 - 3:00. Saturday 9:00 - 4:00. Phone: +34 935 086 300 Internet: www.poble-espanyol.com

#### Plaça Reial



Plaça Reial, a beautiful square and one of Barcelona's busiest, most vibrant spots (especially so at night), is known for its many outdoor venues,

restaurants and nightclubs. During summer time it becomes an even more popular meeting place when open air concerts take place. Stroll around or sit down with a tasty drink at one of the bars and just enjoy the moment.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça Reial, Barcelona

#### Sant Pau Art Nouveau Site



Sant Pau is Barcelona's new wonder. The world's largest Art Nouveau site has been restored and invites you to enjoy one of the most emblematic

works of architect Lluís Domènech i Montaner. Declared World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1997, Sant Pau is a city within a city, 12 buildings of great architectural value surrounded by gardens where history and architecture exist side by side.

Photo: Brian Kinney/Shutterstock.com

Address: Carrer de Sant Antoni Maria Claret 167, Barcelona Opening hours: November to March: Monday - Saturday 9:30 - 17:30. Sunday 9:30 - 15:30. April - October: Monday -Saturday 9:30 - 19:00. Sunday 9:30 - 15:00. Phone: +34 935 537 801 Internet: www.santpaubarcelona.org

#### Camp Nou



FC Barcelona is much more than just a football club. Sometimes it feels as if it carries the whole nation's pride on its shoulders. Even those not

interested in football will enjoy a visit to this grandiose stadium. One reason is the large number of well-dressed spectators, another the masterful architecture of the arena.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer d'Aristides Maillol 12, Barcelona Phone: +34 902 189 900 Internet: www.fcbarcelona.com/en/tickets/camp-nou-experien ce/timetable

### MACBA



Leave the busy streets behind you for a moment and visit Barcelona's museum of modern art. MACBA is short for Museu d'Art

Contemporani de Barcelona, and showcases Spanish and Catalonian art from the 20th century.

Photo: Teo Stuivenberg/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça dels Àngels 1, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Friday 11:00 - 19:30. Saturday 10:00 - 20:00. Sunday & Public Holiday 10:00 - 15:00. Closed on Tuesdays. Phone: +34 934 120 810 Internet: www.macba.es Email: comunicacio@macba.cat

## Palau de la Música Catalana Concert Hall



This sublime concert hall designed by Domènech i Montaner a hundred years ago is not quite as wacky as some of Gaudi's architecture. It is actually

more representative of Modernism. The Palace of Catalan Music not only pays tribute to the musical heritage of the Catalans but to all music—as well as beauty, colour and joy.

Photo: jiawangkun/Shutterstock.com Address: Palau de la Música 4-6, Barcelona Phone: +34 932 957 200 Internet: www.palaumusica.org Email: taquilles@palaumusica.cat

#### Santa Maria del Mar



Barcelona's most beautiful church is probably the best existing example of the Catalonian Gothic, with a cleaner style than normally

associated with Gothic architecture. The church has a wonderful feeling of spaciousness and weightlessness emphasized by slender pillars and very sparsely decorated chapels.

Photo: TTstudio/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça de Santa Maria 1, Barcelona Phone: +34 933 102 390 Internet: www.santamariadelmarbarcelona.org Email: parroquia@santamariadelmarbarcelona.org

## Aquarium de Barcelona



The sharks are the stars at this Mediterranean themed aquarium, but you will be able to see almost all different kinds of marine species here. The Aquarium is situated at the end of Las Ramblas and is very close to the city centre. When here, make sure not to miss the tunnel where you can spot stingrays, sharks and many other fish swimming around and above you.

Photo: Fotokon/Shutterstock.com Address: Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, Barcelona Opening hours: Opens at 10:00 Monday - Sunday. Phone: +34 932 217 474 Internet: www.aquariumbcn.com/en/ Email: info@aquariumbcn.com

#### Barcelona Zoo



In the beautiful Parc de la Ciutadella you will find this well-maintained zoo with over 7,000 animals representing 400 different species. Spend a

perfect day here with your family and discover animals like the lions, leopards, hippopotamus, red pandas and gorillas - just to mention a few.

Photo: Mario Sánchez Prada/Flickr (image cropped) Address: Parc de la Ciutadella, Barcelona Opening hours: Opens at 10:00 every day. Phone: +34 937 065 656 Internet: www.zoobarcelona.cat

#### CosmoCaixa



The CosmoCaixa, a science museum that attracts both kids and grown-ups, is one of the most thrilling and largest museums (more than

30,000 m<sup>2</sup>) in Barcelona and all of Spain. This hands-on museum offers physical, technical, geological, chemical and mathematical experiments and with its permanent exhibitions such as "Flooded Forest," "Geological Wall," "Room of Matter" and Planetarium, can keep

nearly anyone busy for hours. It is easy to spend some hours here but make sure not to miss "The Amazon Jungle" with 30m tall trees and animals from tropical regions.

Photo: Jerzy Kociatkiewicz/Flickr (image cropped) Address: Carrer d'Isaac Newton 26, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 10:00 - 20:00. Phone: +34 932 126 050 Internet: www.cosmocaixa.com Email: icosmocaixa@magmacultura.net

## Parc de la Ciutadella



Parc de la Ciutadella, Barcelona's "green lung", is not only the most central park in the city but also a park that includes a zoo, a lake, a

large fountain and several museums. In the centre of the park you will even find the building where the Catalan Parliament is seated. So take a walk and enjoy this very lusciously green and well-maintained park.

Photo: lornet/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig de Picasso 21, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 10:00 - 22:30 Phone: +34 638 237 115

#### Gaudí Experiència



Nothing like the audiovisual projections we normally see. It's like being inside Gaudí's head, understanding what inspired him in a way that

is easy to understand and magical. With the audiovisual 4D you can travel inside the creative mind of Gaudi. Interactive walls with 9 languages put the life and works of the genius architect at your fingertips. Photo: FastMotion/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Larrard 41, Barcelona Opening hours: April to September: Monday - Sunday 10:30 -19:00. October to March: Monday - Sunday 11:30 - 16:00. Phone: +34 932 854 440 Internet: www.gaudiexperiencia.com Email: info@gaudiexperiencia.com

### **El Born Cultural Centre**



11 September 1714 marks a crucial chapter in the history of Catalonia: the fierce siege of the Bourbonic troops of King Philip V, which

ended in the capitulation of Barcelona and the loss of Catalan liberties. El Born Cultural Centre shows the vivacious, dynamic Barcelona of 1700 and the events of 1714 in the context of the War of the Spanish Succession. The archaeological site contains the remains of the neighbourhood demolished by King Philip V of Spain.

Photo: Marc Canela Fotografia/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça Comercial 12, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 - 19:00. Sunday 10:00 - 20:00. Phone: +34 932 566 851 Internet: www.elbornculturaimemoria.barcelona.cat/en/the-center/ Email: infoelbornccm@bcn.cat

#### **Barcelona Segway Tour**



Are you ready for an adventure to remember for a lifetime? Go on a private Segway tour of Barcelona and explore the beautiful city in style.

Never tried a Segway? Don't worry, it is as safe and easy as walking!

Photo: mariait/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig de Lluís Companys, Barcelona Opening hours: Starts at 10:00, 12:30, 17:00. Internet: www.bcn.travel/tours/barcelona-segway-tour

#### **Cardona Castle**



Cardona is a medieval village just one hour away from Barcelona. Come and see Cardona, go inside its Salt Mountain, a unique place in the world,

and visit the castle that was the residence of the wealthiest lineage of Catalonia, the Cardonas. Also visit the Medieval Centre and enjoy the natural beauty surrounding the town.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com Address: Lloc Parador Nacional Turisme 506, Cardona Phone: +34 938 692 798 Internet: www.cardonaturisme.cat Email: oficinaturisme@cardona.cat

#### Sitges



This town, only 35 km south of Barcelona, is a popular day trip destination for visitors to the city. Come here to have a lazy day on the

beach or stroll through the cosy town. You will find trendy shops, beautiful sights and delightful restaurants. If you choose to stay overnight do not miss the well-reputed nightlife.

Photo: M.V. Photography/Shutterstock.com Address: Sitges Public Transport: Trains leave every fifteen minutes from Barcelona train station. Internet: www.visitsitges.com/en/

## DINING



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The easiest thing is to divide Barcelona's overwhelming range of restaurants into two categories: the new and the old. Some of the world's most modern restaurants, managed by the world's most innovative chefs (the most famous is Ferrán Adrià) can be found here, but there is also traditional Catalonian cuisine, which, despite being heavy on occasion, includes very good vegetable dishes (samfaina, a kind of ratatouille, escalivada, grilled, peeled peppers, aubergines and onions espinacs a la catalan, spinach fried with garlic, pine nuts and raisins). Best known is the simple rustic pa amb tomàquet: a slice of bread with olive oil, salt and freshly crushed tomatoes.

"The new ones" in particular may be expensive, but many of the best known chefs' apprentices have now opened their own lower-priced restaurants. Generally speaking, "the old ones" provide better value for money, although even the traditional restaurants know how to charge. You should always reserve a table in Barcelona. Dinner is not served until 9pm.

#### Cal Pep



Cal Pep is a very popular tapas bar and restaurant. It is best to jostle your way to the bar and let Pep himself recommend the best hors d'oeuvres.

Otherwise, there are also tables and a quieter dining room further in. Offered is a mixture of traditional and innovative cooking.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça de les Olles 8, Barcelona Opening hours: Lunch: Tuesday - Friday 13:00 - 15:45. Saturday 13:15 - 15:45. Dinner: Monday - Saturday 19:30 -23:30. Phone: +34 933 107 961 Internet: www.calpep.com Email: calpep@calpep.com

#### **Banna Restaurant**



Located in the heart of Gràcia, Banna is a restaurant whose Thai chef team from Xishuangbanna cooks to perfection with the

freshest ingredients from Barcelona's markets. Choose from the a la carte, daily set menu or sampling menu. Authentic Thai food with great value for money can be enjoyed here.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com

Address: Plaça Revolució de Setembre 1868 15, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday 13:15 - 0:00. Sunday 13:15 - 20:00. Phone: +34 932 133 044 Internet: www.bannagracia.es Email: Info@bannagracia.es

#### **El Filete Ruso**



Quality food served by the friendly staff can be enjoyed at El Filete Ruso, where organic meats, hamburger, steak tartar, entrecote and tapas can

be found on the menu. Enjoy your meal on the lovely terrace and watch the world go by.

Photo: farbled/Shutterstock.com

Address: Carrer d'Enric Granados 95, Barcelona Opening hours: Lunch: Monday - Sunday 13:00 - 16:00. Dinner: Monday - Wednesday 20:00 - 23:00. Thursday -Friday 20:00 - 23:30. Saturday 8:30 - 0:00. Sunday 20:00 -23:00.

Phone: +34 932 171 310 Internet: www.elfileteruso.com Email: elfileteruso@elfileteruso.com

#### La Cantina Mexicana



Only a steps away from the Sagrada Familia, come and discover La Cantina Mexicana restaurant. In this true Mexican taquería with a

young and family-friendly atmosphere, you can enjoy a present-day Mexican cuisine, prepared with the best fresh products straight imported from Mexico.

Photo: George Dolgikh/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de València 427, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 13:00 - 0:00. Phone: +34 936 676 668 Email: lacantinabarcelona@gmail.com

## Poble Espanyol: the richness of traditional Spanish cuisine



The wide range of bars and restaurants in Poble Espanyol allow you to discover the variety and richness of Spanish cuisine, known

worldwide. Enjoying an excellent paella or delicious tapas in a peaceful environment is quite an experience. And if the weather permits, why not relax on one of the pleasant terraces too?

Photo: tradville/Shutterstock.com

Address: Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia 18, Barcelona Phone: +34 935 086 335 Internet: www.poble-espanyol.com/ca/gastronomia/restauran ts-barcelona

#### Uma



Uma, a highly

appreciated restaurant among locals and tourist alike, will be an experience you will not forget. This small place is

run by the chef and his wife, who do personal cooking in a charming and exclusive environment. The dynamic tasting menu with 14 dishes is prepared with high quality products, with the starters served in the kitchen.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Mallorca 275, Barcelona Opening hours: Lunch: Monday & Thursday - Saturday 13:30 - 16:00. Dinner: Monday & Thursday - Saturday 21:00 -23:30. Sunday 20:30 - 23:30. Phone: +34 656 990 930 Internet: www.espaciouma.com Email: info@espaciouma.com

#### Blavis



Tucked away on a small side street, Blavis offers truly a great culinary experience in a uniquely intimate atmosphere. The owners, Paco and Marc,

are an attentive and warm team and offer simple yet mouthwatering tapas dishes. The place is small and seats only 18 people so booking in advance is recommended.

Photo: Andrey Bayda/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Saragossa 85, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday 19:00 - 22:30 Phone: +34 640 503 611 (Whatsapp only) Internet: www.restaurantblavis.com Email: blavis@restaurantblavis.com

#### Accés



Acces is a lavish restaurant that serves exquisite modern Mediterranean cuisine in a stylish ambience. Beautiful dishes are

prepared by the professional chefs in the open kitchen for everyone to observe. Pan-seared scallops with crispy bacon, baked hake with artichoke confit and fillet of beef are some of the lovely, mouth-watering dishes on the menu.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Aribau 55, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 20:00 - 2:30. Phone: +34 930 077 839 Internet: www.acces-bcn.com Email: info@acces-bcn.com

#### Carlota Akaneya



Inspired by a famous restaurant in Kyoto, Carlota Akaneya is the first sumiyaki in Barcelona. What makes it special is the grill placed

in the centre of the table where you cook the impeccable quality meats, fish and vegetables. So if traditional and authentic Japanese cuisine is what you are looking for, then this is the place to head for.

Photo: Quang Mau Thanh/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer del Pintor Fortuny 32, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 19:00 - 23:00. Phone: +34 933 027 768 Internet: www.carlotaakaneya.com Email: carlota.akaneya@gmail.com

## Piazze D'Italia



This simple and cosy small Italian restaurant is a hidden gem compared to the many tourist traps a few streets away. Homemade pasta and

pizza dishes are served every day by the attentive staff.

Photo: marinatakano/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Casanova 94, Barcelona Opening hours: Lunch: Monday - Friday 13:00 - 15:45. Saturday & Sunday 13:15 - 16:00. Dinner: Monday - Sunday 20:00 - 23:45. Phone: +34 933 235 977 Internet: www.piazzeditalia.com Email: info@piazzeditalia.com

#### Viana Barcelona



When dining at Viana Barcelona, one can relish the beautifully presented modern take on tapas. Although the restaurant is tiny and noisy, the

delicious food and the excellent service make it all worth it. The food is also reasonably priced.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer del Vidre 7, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 18:00 - 0:00. Friday -Sunday 13:00 - 16:00 & 18:00 - 0:00 Phone: +34 934 638 295 Internet: www.vianabcn.com Email: info@vianabcn.com

#### **Restaurant MIAN**



If Chinese dumplings commonly is something you you're in the mood for, then this is the place to go to. The authentic Chinese cuisine often

presented in a bamboo steamer is perfectly balanced with sweet, salty and sour flavours. Besides serving dim sum, they also have noodle soups, fried rice and wok dishes, and it is all reasonably priced.

Photo: leungchopan/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Girona 49, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday - Sunday 12:00 - 16:00 & 19:30 -23:00 Phone: +34 936 817 829 Internet: www.restaurantemian.com Email: bcn@restaurantemian.com

## Bodega Biarritz 1881



Vegan- and vegetarian friendly, Bodega Biarritz 1881 is a cosy little tapas bar located near the famous la Rambla. Make sure to pick a wide

variety of different tapas from the menu to get a comprehensive overview of the Spanish speciality. To round up your menu, enjoy one of the available Spanish, Basque or Catalan wines with your dish.

Photo: marcin jucha/Shutterstock.com Address: Calle Vidre 8, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday 17:30 - 23:00. Wednesday - Sunday 17:30 - 23:00. Phone: +34 618 677 927

#### La Despensa de Mitre



This elegant and inviting restaurant serves starters and main courses with different meats, fish and vegetables. You could start with carpaccio,

crispy prawns or some Catalan trinxat. As a main course you have the choice of cannelloni, lamb, shrimps or beef tenderloin and eventually, several desserts like lemon-cream pie or homemade cheesecake to perfect the feast.

Photo: Maksim Toome/Shutterstock.com Address: Ronda del General Mitre 114, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 13:00 - 16:00. Monday -Thursday 20:00 - 1:00. Friday - Saturday 20:00 - 1:30. Phone: +34 933 483 535 Internet: www.ladespensademitre.com/index.html Email: info@ladespensademitre.com

#### Cera 23



Cera 23 is the result of three friends sharing the same passion for food with a focus on the anatomy of a dish -- which really shows. Try

different types of seafood, meat and vegetable dishes and round them of with a delicious dessert of the menu. A special pride of the restaurant is the rice volcano, assembled of its ingredients to imitate an erupting volcano on your plate.

Photo: Evgeny Karandaev/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de la Cera 23, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 19:00 - 23:30. Friday -Sunday 13:00 - 15:30 & 19:00 - 23:30. Phone: +34 934 420 808 Internet: www.cera23.com/ Email: reservas@cera23.com

#### CAFES



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Barcelona's café culture is half Italian, and comes with its own set of simple rules: café con leche (café amb llet in Catalan) is for breakfast, preferably with a croissant; mid-day, especially after a meal, the locals have an espresso, café solo (un café) or a cortado (un tallat), which is an espresso with milk (café Americano is what some would call watered down versions of the two first coffees); in the afternoon, or after dinner, order a café solo corto, a strong espresso, or a carajillo—a café solo with Spanish brandy.

### Café de l'Òpera



If you are searching for a classic, Café de l'Òpera is once place that holds such a status. Come here and you will definitely feel yourself transported

back in time, served by the friendly staff. Apart from that, their coffees, churros and cakes are simply superb; don't miss out on their marvellous hot chocolate.

Photo: Ana del Castillo/Shutterstock.com Address: La Rambla 74, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 8:30 - 2:30. Phone: +34 933 177 585 Internet: www.cafeoperabcn.com Email: info@cafeoperabcn.com

## Satan's Coffee Corner



The coolest coffee house in Barcelona may be small but it does not lack in personality and customer loyalty. Coming from a family of coffee

makers, Marcos Bartolomé set up Satan's Coffee Corner and started creating his own original and creatively named blends, which are possibly the best coffee available in the city.

Photo: Siegi/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de l'Arc de Sant Ramon del Call 11, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 9:00 - 18:00. Sunday 10:00 - 18:00. Phone: +34 666 222 599 Internet: www.satanscoffee.com Email: complaints@satanscoffee.com

#### Café Salambó



Famed for its exquisite and varied cocktails and wooden decor that gives the place a homey feeling, Café Salambó attracts a young and

vibrant crowd, many of whom stop by for a snack and a bite to eat before or after a visit to the nearby Verdi Park cinema.

Photo: Pheniti Prasomphethiran/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Torrijos 51, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 12:00 - 1:00. Friday & Saturday 12:00 - 3:00. Sunday 12:00 - 0:00. Phone: +34 932 186 966 Internet: www.cafesalambo.com Email: info@cafesalambo.com

#### Cafés El Magnífico



"Magnifico" in both name and quality, this high-end coffee house allows its patrons to try different types of coffee and speciality blends in the

shop's sampling area before deciding what to order. Many customers choose to take some beans home with them, which attests to their high quality and exquisite flavour.

Photo: bajinda/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de l'Argenteria 64, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 10:00 - 20:00. Phone: +34 933 196 081 Internet: www.cafeselmagnifico.com Email: elmagnifico@cafeselmagnifico.com

### Granja M. Viader



Barcelona's traditional cafes are known as "granjas", and M. Viader may be one of the most famous. It remains after all these years a great

place to try the traditional cacaolat (a Catalan chocolate drink), always best paired with churros. The whole place oozes charm and personality, and staff and clientele alike ensure that it is always lively.

Photo: AS Food studio/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer d'en Xuclà 6, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday : 9:00 - 13:15 & 17:00 -21:15. Phone: +34 933 183 486 Internet: www.granjaviader.cat Email: granjaviader@gmail.com

### Caelum



Offering a wealth of sweets, treats and pastries, Caelum aims to satisfy even the most discerning visitors' sweet tooth. The products on

offer are made by monks and nuns in various monasteries and convents located around the region, and they can be enjoyed along with a steaming coffee in the small cafe area of the shop.

Photo: karnavalfoto/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de la Palla 8, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 10:00 - 20:30. Phone: +34 933 026 993 Email: caelumbcn@gmail.com

#### Café Godot



Café Godot is a fine choice for either groups of friends, that can seat at one of the wooden or marble tables available, or families, since it comes

with an area designed for kids, with a blackboard and toys. Their menu features light meals like sandwiches, salads and quiches, as well as more elaborate dishes like aubergine and onion ravioli as well as duck confit.

Photo: MariaKovaleva/Shutterstock.com Address: Sant Domènec 19, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 - 1:00. Saturday -Sunday 11:00 - 2:00. Phone: +34 933 682 036 Internet: www.cafegodot.com/en Email: info@cafegodot.com

#### Churrería Laietana



Sitting in the small ambience in Barcelona's central city or taking away your snack of desire. The Churrería Laietana freshly prepares

traditional Spanish churros and serves them alongside a dip of creamy chocolate. Hand in hand with a cup of coffee or tea, it is a great place for breakfast or a time-out in while exploring the city of Barcelona.

Photo: nelea33/Shutterstock.com Address: Via Laietana 46, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 - 13:00 & 16:30 - 20:30. Sunday 8:00 - 13:30. Phone: +34 932 681 263

#### Itacate



Good vibes and healthy food are the focal point of the Itacate cafeteria. Offering a variety of juices, smoothies, bowls, soups, salads, bagels and

sandwiches with colourful ingredients, this cafeteria also provides many choices for those living a vegan lifestyle.

Photo: Anna Kucher/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer del Comte Borrell 107, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:00 - 20:00. Saturday -Sunday 10:00 - 14:00 & 16:00 - 20:00. Phone: +34 931 858 564 Internet: www.itacate-barcelona.com/

## **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Barcelona stays awake while the rest of Europe sleeps. Nightlife starts late, preferably at a bar. Spaniards believe it's smart to eat while drinking, so most bars also serve tapas. Barcelona's trendy nightlife is in a constant state of change, so the best advice is to ask around for the latest and greatest places.

#### Icebarcelona



The only ice bar in the world located directly on the beach, Icebarcelona offers a welcome respite from the oppressive heat of the Barcelona summer.

Maintained at a chilled -5°C, and the cool lighting and interesting ice sculptures complete the bar's unique ambience.

Photo: Marcin Sylwia Ciesielski/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig Marítim de la Barceloneta 38 A, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 12:00 - 3:00. Phone: +34 932 241 625 Internet: www.icebarcelona.com Email: info@icebarcelona.com

## Marula Café



Marula Café is known and loved for the old-school flavour of the jams that blaze from the speakers on a nightly basis. Funk, soul and disco beats keep

the crowd dancing, and the regular live bands and DJ sessions keep them coming to this Gothic area nightclub.

Photo: wedninth/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer dels Escudellers 49, Barcelona Opening hours: Wednesday, Thursday & Sunday 23:00 - 5:00. Friday & Saturday 23:30 - 6:00. Phone: +34 933 187 690 Internet: www.marulacafe.com/bcn Email: eventos@marulacafe.com

## Sidecar Factory Club



Indie and underground rock acts have called this place home for over 25 years now. Nightly concerts and/or DJ sessions make this gritty

bar one of the coolest places to party in Barcelona.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça Reial 7, Barcelona Opening hours: Thursday - Saturday 19:00 - 5:00/6:00. Phone: +34 933 021 586 Internet: www.sidecar.es Email: info@sidecar.es

### Jamboree



Jamboree is an insanely popular jazz club that crams huge crowds into its small, cave-like space to listen to raucous jazz and blues acts and jam

sessions on a nightly basis. It is an integral part of the Placa Reial night scene, transforming into a dance club later at night.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com Address: Plaça Reial 17, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 19:30 - 0:00. Phone: +34 933 191 789 Internet: www.jamboreejazz.com/en/ Email: info-jamboree@masimas.com

## Sala Apolo



Sala Apolo offers something of an alternative to Barcelona's typical nightlife scene, and it is worth the experience. Sala Apolo

welcomes the young rebels and rockers of the

city, and offers events like "anti-karaoke" on Mondays, followed by metal parties.

Photo: Sinelev/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Nou de la Rambla 113, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 20:00 - 5:00. Friday -Saturday 18:00 - 6:00. Sunday 19:00 - 0:00. Phone: +34 934 414 001 Internet: www.sala-apolo.com/en Email: info@sala-apolo.com

## La Whiskeria



With a great selection of wine, cocktails, beers and, of course, whiskey, this bar is welcoming and comfortable location for sitting together for a

drink and a little chit-chat. For newbies to the whiskey game, the staff is ready to introduce and help you find the most appealing drop for your taste.

Photo: Jag\_cz/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de les Sitges 3, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday & Sunday 18:00 - 2:30. Tuesday -Thursday 15:00 - 2:30. Friday & Saturday 15:00 - 3:00. Internet: www.lawhiskeria.es/ Email: info@lawhiskeria.es

## Harlem Jazz Club



Barcelona's premier destination for live jazz music, Harlem Jazz Club brings the feel of the Harlem music scene to the Catalan coast. There

are performances every night, attracting the best of the local talent as well as visitors from all around the globe.

Photo: Geoff Goldswain/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Comtessa de Sobradiel 8, Barcelona Opening hours: Tuesday 20:00 - 2:00. Wednesday - Saturday

20:00 - 4:30. Phone: +34 933 100 755 Internet: www.harlemjazzclub.es Email: zingariaproduccions@yahoo.es

#### Kælderkold Craft Beer Bar



The selection of beer in most bars in Barcelona is not very impressive, which makes Kælderkold all the more special. They offer many different

varieties of craft beers from all across Europe in a small but cosy setting.

Photo: Brent Hofacker/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer del Cardenal Casañas 7, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Thursday & Sunday 0:00 - 2:30. Friday & Saturday 0:00 - 3:00. Phone: +34 932 779 671 Internet: www.kaelderkold.com/ Email: info@kaelderkold.com

#### **Carpe Diem**



The location is by far the greatest draw for Carpe Diem, as its fantastic spot right on the beach makes for an enjoyable evening meal and drink, but the

excellent food and cocktails are also well worth it. Many come to start the evening off, and some even stay longer and enjoy the restaurant's transformation into a nightclub later at night.

Photo: oneinchpunch/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig Marítim de la Barceloneta 32, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Sunday 0:00 - 5:00. Phone: +34 647 779 999 Internet: www.cdlcbarcelona.com Email: info@cdlcbarcelona.com

#### La Terrrazza



La Terrrazza is one of Barcelona's most stunning party spots, located at the site of a former mountaintop castle that has now been

converted into an open air nightclub that thousands know and love.

Photo: Thoom/Shutterstock.com Address: Av. Francesc Ferrer I Guardia 13, Barcelona Opening hours: Friday - Saturday 0:00 - 5:00/6:00. Phone: +34 932 724 498 Internet: www.laterrrazza.com Email: contact@laterrrazza.com

#### **Mojito Club**



Latin beats are the stars at Mojito Club, which, as the name suggests, specialises in salsa and Cuban music. Beginners can take salsa dancing

lessons at 10pm, and seasoned veterans can show up later to tear up the dance floor. Other Latin American rhythms always make an appearance so all dancers feel welcome.

Photo: Billion Photos/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer del Rosselló 217, Barcelona Opening hours: Thursday 23:00 - 4:30. Friday - Saturday: 23:30 - 5:30. Sunday 20:00 - 3:00. Phone: +34 654 201 006 Internet: www.mojitobcn.com Email: infomojito@gmail.com

#### **Casino Barcelona**



Discover a world of entertainment where gastronomy, live music and gambling are brought to life. Come and taste their Mediterranean,

international and fusion cuisines, paired with the best wines and champagnes; enjoy live concerts and a variety of musical performances and entertainment which take place in their most innovative gaming rooms.

Photo: Hadrian/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer Marina 19-21, Barcelona Opening hours: 24/7 Phone: +34 932 257 878 Internet: www.casinobarcelona.com/en Email: info@casinobarcelona.com

## SHOPPING



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Shopping in Barcelona offers lots of interesting browsing. Unusual shops can be found in most parts of the city, but those who want to be efficient should focus on Placa Catalunya and the Gothic Quarter. The gigantic department store El Corte Ingles is located by Placa Catalunya. Come here for the wares, but also for the people-watching. Across the street is El Triangle, a grotesquely large shopping palace with a good perfumery and a Camper shoe store.

## Mercado La Boquería



Visiting the La Boquería, half way down La Rambla, is something of a must. This covered market provides everything when it comes

to food, and the place is also popular for a lunch or a refreshing glass of cava. This historic, vibrant market is one of the city's principal attractions.

Photo: Iolanta Kli/Shutterstock.com Address: La Rambla 91, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 8:00 - 20:30. Phone: +34 934 132 303 Internet: www.boqueria.barcelona/home Email: pinfo@boqueria.info

#### El Born



The El Born district is also a good place to shop for food. Casa Gispert offers coffee, dried nuts and fruits and Tot Formatge is one of

Barcelona's best-stocked cheese shops.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com Address: El Born, Barcelona

## Passeig de Gràcia



For serious fashion shopping, make your way to Passeig de Gràcia, the parallel street, Rambla de Catalunya, and the surrounding district. You

will find all the big international fashion names here, including Spanish greats such as Adolfo Domínguez, Armand Basi, Groc and the leather specialist Loewe. More economic alternatives such as Zara, Mango and Massimo Dutti are also represented. You can also find a good selection of trend-conscious designer fashions at Noténom.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com Address: Passeig de Gràcia, Barcelona Phone: +34 933 027 616 Internet: www.barcelonapaseodegracia.com/en Email: info@barcelonapaseodegracia.com

#### Mercat de Santa Caterina



The unique mosaic-like roof structure of the Mercat de Santa Caterina illustrates the colours of the vast number of fruit and vegetable stalls that

were represented in market halls of the past. Today, stalls selling seafood, meat, fruit, vegetables and other products form the market all provide an interesting location to explore and buy fresh local food products and more.

Photo: HQuality/Shutterstock.com Address: Avinguda de Francesc Cambó 16, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday, Wednesday & Saturday 7:30 -15:30. Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:30 - 20:30. Phone: +34 933 195 740 Internet: www.mercatsantacaterina.com/ Email: info@mercatsantacaterina.cat

#### vom FASS



With a concern for the environment, vom FASS sells various oils, vinegars, condiments and liqueurs to fill up your own glass container, or –

in lieu of one – buy one of the stylishly designed glass bottles from the shop itself. This way, waste is minimised and no disposable plastic used unnecessarily. Address: Carrer del Cigne 14-16, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday 11:00 - 14:30 & 17:00 - 20:30. Tuesday - Saturday 10:30 - 14:00 & 17:00 - 20:30. Phone: +34 934 160 673 Internet: www.vomfass-barcelona.com/ Email: info@vomfass-barcelona.es

### Mercat del Ninot



Clothing, jewellery, seafood, meat, vegetables, fruits and even household goods. This market place is the go to place for locals and

provides hours worth of stands and shops to explore. Several times per month, cooking classes take place at the market where chef Anna de Pablo prepares three dishes for the audience to observe and of course, to taste.

Photo: Avatar\_023/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer de Mallorca 133-157, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 8:00 - 21:15. Phone: +34 933 234 909 Internet: www.mercatdelninot.com/ Email: info@mercatdelninot.com

## Carrer d'Avinyó



Carrer d'Avinyó, in Barrí Gotic (the Gothic Quarter), is possibly Barcelona's most interesting shopping street. Here you can find

fun stores, including street fashion store Soda, Ángel Gimeno specialising in trendy shirts for men, and Loft Avignon, which caters to the more sophisticated lot. Herborista del Rei in the Gothic Quarter is the best choice for herbs and spices.

Photo: Lobro/Shutterstock.com Address: Carrer d'Avinyó, Barcelona

### **Poble Espanyol Crafts and Shopping Center**



Open to the public 365 days a year, Poble Espanyol is a singular shopping centre in Barcelona. More than 30 artisans work every day

crafting unique or custom-made pieces of glass, leather, ceramics, jewellery and Spanish guitars, among others. There is also a wide range of gourmet shops offering premium food products.

Photo: Catarina Belova/Shutterstock.com Address: Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia 13, Barcelona Opening hours: Summer: 10:00 - 20:00 / Winter: 10:00 -18:00 / Autumn and Spring: 10:00 - 19:00. Phone: +34 935 086 300 Internet: www.poble-espanyol.com/en/artisanat-barcelone

#### La Maquinista



La Maquinista is the only open-air commercial centre in Barcelona, boasting more than 235 establishments, fashion brands, entertainment

and technology stores, restaurants and a 13 screen cinema. There are 5,000 spaces of free parking and 30,000 square metres of open space with avenues and squares. It is perfect retail therapy during your stay in Barcelona.

Photo: www.BillionPhotos.com/Shutterstock.com Address: Paseo Potosí 2, Barcelona Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 9:00 - 21:00. Phone: +34 933 608 971 Internet: www.lamaquinista.com Email: atencionalcliente@lamaquinista.com

## **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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#### **Best Time to Visit**



Barcelona, second largest city in Spain, is the first tourist destination of the country, ahead of its rival Madrid. The city is particularly appreciated

for its climate because it enjoys beautiful and sunny days eight months per year. It is popular with tourists from around the world during the two summer months because of its high temperatures, up to 37 °C. The many nearby beaches are perfect for a swim after a long day of sightseeing, but expect a busy crowd.

Spring and autumn are therefore the ideal seasons to enjoy the city in good conditions so that you can enjoy the sun and the beautiful and shining days away from the holidaymakers of July and August. Besides, the prices are more affordable and so it is easier to find a place to eat and to sleep.

It is also possible to explore the Catalan capital during the winter because the climate is cool but the temperatures are still mild. You will not find negative temperatures or frosts at this time of the year.

Several days are necessary to discover Barcelona as it is full of must-see tourist sites and typical places to see. However, avoid driving in the city and prefer public transport, bus, metro or tram that serve all tourist areas.

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#### Passport / Visa



Spain can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and

most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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#### **Barcelona El Prat Airport**



Barcelona El Prat Airport (BCN), Barcelona's main airport, is located 13 km southwest of the city centre. Aerobus serves both terminals every 5

minutes before leaving for the city centre with stops at Plaza Espanya, Plaza Universidad and Plaza de Catalunya Square. A one-way Aerobus ticket costs  $5.90 \in (10.20 \in$  for a round trip) and the trip takes about 25 minutes to reach the city center.

Local trains leave for Barcelona every 30 minutes (from the train station next to terminal 2). From terminal 1 to terminal 2 there is a free connecting shuttle bus that takes around 10 minutes. The train takes about 30 minutes to Barcelona's Sants station and the ticket costs 4 €.

Taxis are available just outside the terminals. Price depends on traffic, luggage, day of the week and time. The average price is around  $35 \in$ .

Consult the airport website to learn more about other public transport routes servicing the airport.

Photo: Juan Garces Address: Barcelona El Prat Airport Internet: www.aeropuertobarcelona-elprat.com

#### Girona-Costa Brava Airport



Girona airport lies about 100 km from the centre of Barcelona, and there are three ways of getting between the two places. Buses will take you to

Estacio d'Autobusos Barcelona Nord. They depart on a schedule based on the flights arrival times. Prices for a one-way ticket start from  $16 \in$ .

A taxi to Barcelona city centre may cost around 125 €, so a better option might be to stay overnight at Girona and travel by bus the next day.

There are also trains to and from Barcelona from central Girona but you will have to find a solution to get from Girona train station to the airport.

Photo: Juan Garces Address: Girona-Costa Brava Airport Phone: +34 913 21 10 00 Internet: www.girona-airport.net

#### **Public Transport**



Tickets for the underground and trams can be bought from travel information booths and from stations. They are valid for one trip. Bus

tickets are bought from the driver. There are also a selection of different travel cards to purchase if you know that you will be travelling a lot.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair Internet: www.tmb.cat/en/home

#### Taxi



Barcelona's black and yellow taxis can be hailed on the street, at stations or called by telephone. Standard fares apply between 6am and 10pm

from Monday to Friday. At all other times, including public holidays, fares are higher. Remember that drivers often have minimal small change and do not take credit cards. Most known taxi compagnies:

Barnataxi: +34 933 22 22 22 www.barnataxi.com

Fonotaxi: +34 933 00 11 00 www.fonotaxi.net

Ràdio Taxi: +34 933 03 30 33 www.radiotaxi033.com Photo: BCN Travel Phone: +34 933 22 22 22

#### Post



The post offices in Spain are called "Correos" (Correu in Catalan). Stamps can be purchased from post offices and kiosks - "Estancos". The

main post office at Plaça Antoni López is open Monday-Friday 8:30 to 21:30 and Saturday 8:30 to 14:30.

Photo: Andy Fuchs Address: Plaça del Antonio López 1, Barcelona Phone: +34 934 86 80 50

#### Pharmacy



Pharmacies in Barcelona take turns at operating the after-hours service. The nearest pharmacy that is open at night will be posted on the door of

an adjacent pharmacies. Pharmacies with 24-hour service are:

Farmàcia Clapés La Rambla 98 +34 933 01 28 43

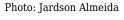
Farmàcia Torres Carrer d'Aribau 62 +34 934 53 92 20

Photo: Gemma Garner Address: La Rambla 98, Barcelona Opening hours: 24/7 Phone: +34 933 01 28 43 Internet: www.farmacias.com/barcelona

#### Telephone



Country code: +34 Area code: 93



## Electricity



220 volts (125 volts in some older buildings), 50 Hz

Photo: Stirling Tschan

**Population** 1.81 million

**Currency** Euro, €1=100 cents

#### **Opening hours**

Usually Monday to Friday from 9:30am to 1:30pm and 4:30pm to 8pm with some variations. Many establishments have the same opening hours on Saturdays and some are open until lunchtime on Sundays. Shopping centres and many large stores do not close for lunch/siesta.

#### Newspapers

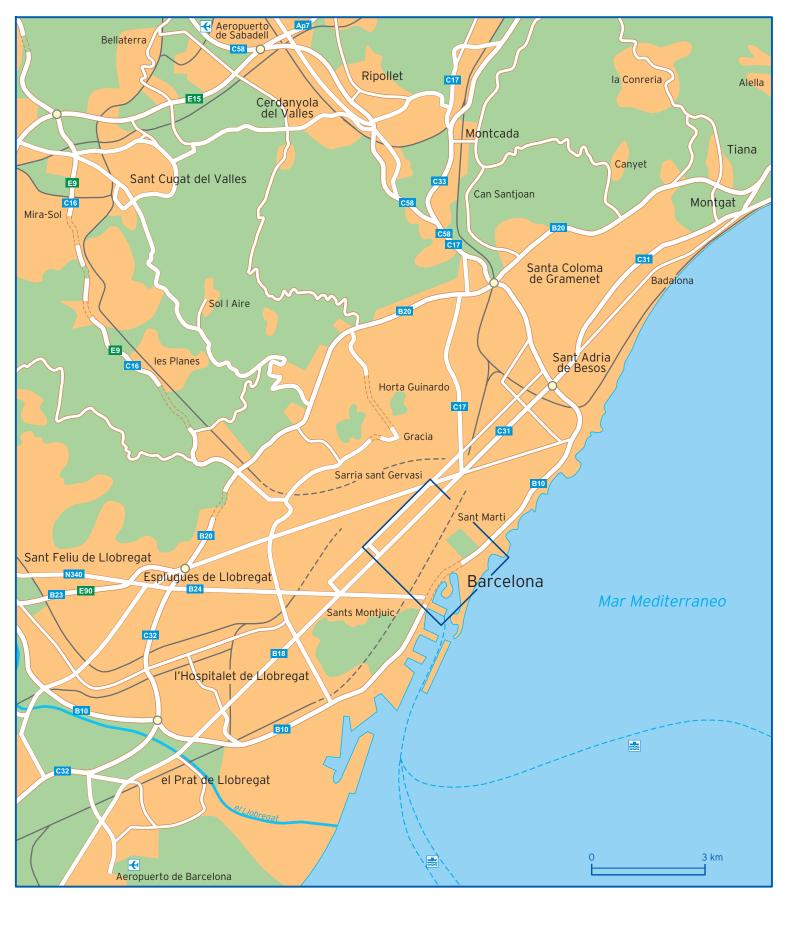
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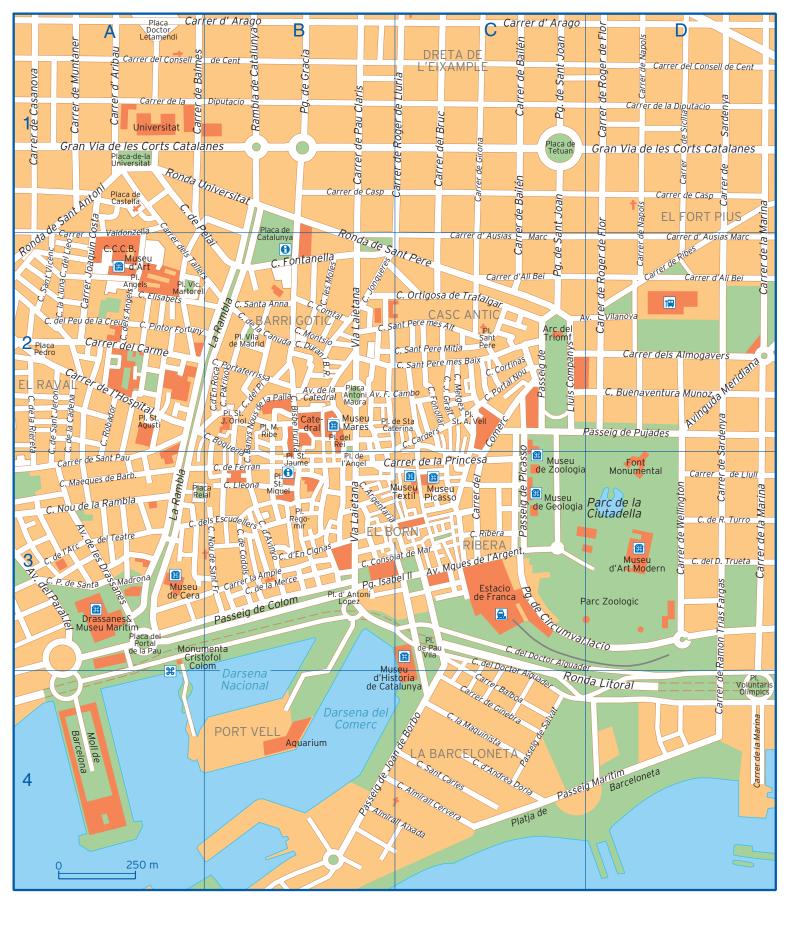
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Av. del Paral.lel	A3	C. Nou de Sant Francesc	B3	Carrer Joaquin Costa	A1 A2
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C. d'Avinyo	B3	Carrer de Roger de Lluria	C1	Placa de Castella	A1
C. d'En Cignas	B3	Carrer de Sant Pau	A3	Placa de Tetuan	C1
C. Elisabets	A2	Carrer de Sardenya	D1 D2 D3	Placa Doctor Letamendi	A1
C. Fonollar	C2	Carrer de Sicilia	D1 D2 D3	Placa Pedro	A2
C. Fontanella	B2	Carrer de Wellington	D3	Placa Reial	A3 B3
C. J. Giralt	C2	Carrer del Bruc	C1	Placa-de-la Universitat	A1
C. Jonqueres	B2	Carrer del Carme	A2	Plaça de Catalunya	B1
C. la Lluna	A2	Carrer del Comerc	AZ C3	Plaça del Portal de la Pau	A3
C. la Maquinista	AZ C4	Carrer del Consell de Cent	A1 D1	Rambla de Catalunya	AS B1
C. les Moles	C4 B2		AI DI D2	Ronda de Sant Antoni	A1 A2
C. Lleona	B2 B3	Carrer dels Almogavers Carrer dels Tallers	D2 A1 A2	Ronda de Sant Antoni Ronda de Sant Pere	AI AZ B2 C2
C. Lieona C. Maeques de Barbera	A3	Carrer d' Arago	A1 A2 A1 B1 C1	Ronda Litoral	62 C2 C4 D4
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