

**Conference Location:**



**Novotel Barcelona Sant Joan Despi \*\*\*\***

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Barcelona Spain**

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**URL: <http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-3289-novotel-barcelona-sant-joan-despi/index.shtml>**

## How to get to Barcelona

### **By Air:**

One of the advantages of Barcelona's airport is that it is really close by the center of city, at just 14 km. It is located at El Prat del Llobregat, the town that gives the name 'Aeroport del Prat' to the airport, the second largest of the country after Madrid 'Aeropuerto de Barajas'.

### **Visa:**

Before you start planning your travel to Barcelona in Spain you should visit the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' web page to see if you need to get a visa.

Information to Foreign Citizens:

<http://www.maec.es/en/MenuPpal/Consulares/ServiciosConsulares/InformacionaExtranjeros/Paginas/REQUIREMENTSFORENTRY.aspx>

Visas info:

<http://www.maec.es/en/MenuPpal/Consulares/ServiciosConsulares/InformacionaExtranjeros/Visados/Paginas/visas2010EN.aspx>

**Barcelona International Airport  
(BCN) Tel.: +34 93 902 404 704  
URL: <http://www.barcelona-airport.com/>  
Email: [bcninfofi@aena.es](mailto:bcninfofi@aena.es)**

## How to get from the Airport to the Hotel

### **By Car:**

From Barcelona, take the A2 (E90) highway in the direction of Sant Joan Despi then take exit No.3 for St. Joan Despi. From Tarragona, take the A7 (E15) or A2 (E90) highway in the direction of Barcelona and Av Diagonal then take exit No.2 for St. Just and St. Joan Despi.

### **Car Hire:**

You will find the rental companies for car hire at Barcelona airport in both Terminal 1 and 2. The Car hire company in Terminal 2 is only in building T2B. Each of these companies is right next door to each other so you can be sure of cheap car rental prices. You can try arranging your car rental directly with the companies but often internet based reservation services can give you a better price as they have negotiated discounts for bulk reservations.

**More information about the rates and contact details:**

<http://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/en/airport/transport/car-rental-barcelona-airport.html>

## By Public Transportation:

### a. By bus

Take route No.78 which departs from Sants station in Barcelona, alight at TV3 station

#### **Tickets' types and prices:**

Single Ticket: 2 €

Student Ticket: 0,90 €

Two day travel card: 18,8 €

Four day travel: 23,5 €

Other types of cards and tickets: <http://www.tmb.cat/en/bitllets-i-tarifes>

You can buy your ticket on line by visiting: [https://kiosk.iristickets.co.uk/k?v=tmb&ka=English&lang=en\\_gb](https://kiosk.iristickets.co.uk/k?v=tmb&ka=English&lang=en_gb)

### b. By taxi

Taxi Stops in front of terminals A, B & C. Taxis are an affordable alternative to public transport. A 15 minutes journey will only cost about €10.00. Licensed Taxis have to charge you the amount displayed on the meter. However if you are carrying extra luggage there may be a small surcharge. Rates will be displayed inside the cab.

You book your taxi at: +34 93 225 0000, +34 93 357 7755, +34 93 300 2314

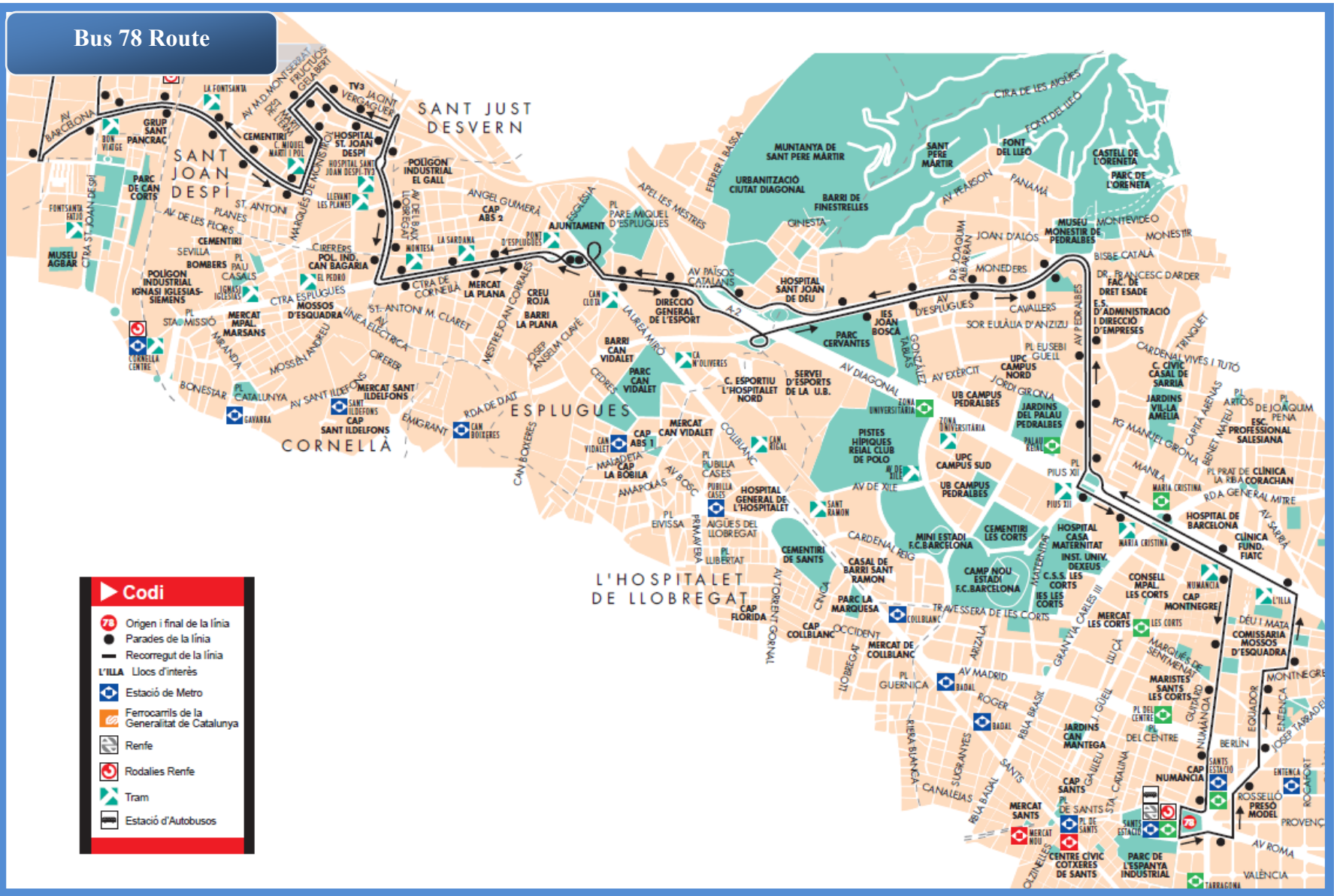
For more information you can visit: <http://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/en/transport/barcelona-spain-transport.html#taxi>

### c. Metro









Barcelona has a clean, punctual, air-conditioned metro system that will take you to most of the major sites. All main entrances have a wall map to help you plan your journey. To estimate your journey time on the metro. As a general rule of thumb allow 2 minutes per stop. Some stops are quicker and some slightly longer but over all this rule of thumb works well to give you an estimate of travel times with a little time built in for possible small delays etc. If you need to change metro lines then add an extra 10 minutes for the change. You will only need to wait 5 minutes between trains at the very most. On Sundays the metro runs a little less frequently in which case add an additional 10 minutes waiting time to your overall calculation.

For more information you can visit: <http://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/en/transport/barcelona-metro.html#navigatingBarcelonaMetroSystem>

# Bus 78 Route



**Codi**

-  Origen i final de la línia
-  Parades de la línia
-  Recorregut de la línia
- L'ILLA** Llocs d'interès
-  Estació de Metro
-  Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya
-  Renfe
-  Rodalies Renfe
-  Tram
-  Estació d'Autobusos



# City Map



## Barcelona

**Location:** 41.40° North, 2.17°E East

**Population:** 1,615,448

**Area:** 101.4 km<sup>2</sup>

### History:

Founded as a Roman city, Barcelona became the capital of the County of Barcelona. After merging with the Kingdom of Aragon, Barcelona became one of the most important cities of the Crown of Aragon. Besieged several times during its history, Barcelona has a rich cultural heritage and is today an important cultural centre and a major tourist destination. Particularly renowned are the architectural works of Antoni Gaudí and Lluís Domènech i Montaner, which have been designated UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The headquarters of the Union for the Mediterranean is located in Barcelona. The city is known for hosting the 1992 Summer Olympics as well as world-class conferences and expositions, including the 1888

Exposición Universal de Barcelona, the 1929 Barcelona International Exposition (Expo 1929), the 2004 Universal Forum of Cultures, and the 2004 World Urban Forum.

Barcelona is today one of the world's leading tourist, economic, trade fair/exhibitions and cultural-sports centres, and its influence in commerce, education, entertainment, media, fashion, science, and the arts all contribute to its status as one of the world's major global cities. Indeed, it is a major cultural and economic centre in southwestern Europe 26th in the world and a growing financial centre (Diagonal Mar and Gran Via). As of 2009 it was ranked Europe's fourth best city for business. One of Europe's principal Mediterranean ports can be found here as well as Barcelona international airport, which handles above 34 million passengers per year. It also boasts an extensive motorway network and is a hub of high-speed rail, particularly that which is intended to link Spain with France and the rest of Europe.

Barcelona is the 16th-most-visited city in the world and the fourth most visited in Europe after Paris, London, and Rome, with several million tourists every year. Barcelona is the 14th most "livable city" in the world according to lifestyle magazine Monocle. Similarly, according to Innovation Analysts 2thinknow, Barcelona occupies 13th place in the world on Innovation Cities™ Global Index. It is the fourth richest city by GDP in the European Union and 35th in the world with an output amounting to €177 billion, a figure nonetheless smaller than alternative estimates. As of 2009 the city was ranked Europe's third and one of the world's most successful as a city brand. Barcelona is the seventh most important fashion capital in the world. At the same time, the city was ranked Europe's fourth best business city and fastest improving European city, with growth improved by 17% per year. Among world centers of commerce, Barcelona takes second place in economic stability. As the capital of the autonomous community of Catalonia, Barcelona is the seat of the Catalan government, known as the Generalitat de Catalunya; of particular note are the executive branch, the parliament, and the Supreme Court of Catalonia. The city is also the capital of the Province of Barcelona and the Barcelonès comarca.



**Tourist Information Centre**

**@** Plaça Catalunya Square

Daily: 08:30 - 20:30

**Address:** Plaça Catalunya 17

**Tel.:** +34 93 285 3834

**Web:** <http://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/en/services/barcelona-tourist-office.html#mainBarcelonaTouristOfficeRatherUnderPlacaCatalunyaSquare>

**Barcelona Airport**

**@** Airport Terminals T1 and T2B

Daily: 09:00 - 21:00

**Address:** El Prat de Llobregat Barcelona, España

**Tel. 1:** +34 93 378 8175

**Tel. 2:** +34 93 378 8149

**Email:** [ot.aeroportbcnta@gencat.cat](mailto:ot.aeroportbcnta@gencat.cat)

**Web:** <http://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/en/services/barcelona-tourist-office.html>

Official Web Page of Prague: <http://www.barcelona-tourist-guide.com/>

Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barcelona>



The Conference Banquet will be held on October 18<sup>th</sup> 2012 @ Novotel Barcelona Sant Joan Despi

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**Hall:** Claravia

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**Time:** 20.00-24.00



## Information



### Weather

The weather in Barcelona is pleasant for most of the year. The average daily temperature in September and in October usually is 24°C to 26 °C. From November to February the temperatures are cooler, averaging around 12°C



### Time

Barcelona is one hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+1).



### Banks

Banks are regularly open on Monday to Friday 08:00 and 08:30 to 13:30 or 14:00. They may open once a week during the afternoon during the winter period (October to April).



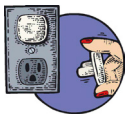
### Post Office

Post Offices are regularly open Monday to Friday 08:30am-21:30pm and on Saturday 08:30am-14:30pm



### Shopping

Most shops and shopping centers are open Monday to Saturday from 10:00 to 20.30 or 21:30 hours. Traditional gift shops are open from 10:00 14.00 hours and from 16.30 to 20.30 hours



### Electricity

Electricity supply is 220 volts throughout Spain with 2 pin wall sockets. For any European countries that utilise 240 volts e.g. UK and Ireland most electrical equipment will function adequately. If you intend to use the UK electrical plugs then you will need an electricity plug adapter that will convert the standard 3 pin socket into a two pin socket. In the US where the electricity supply is 110 volts a transformer would be required to step down the voltage to 110 volts. Damage to the electrical appliance can occur if you attempt to use a 110 volt rated electrical appliance with a 220 volt supply.



### Special Needs

Delegates and accompanying persons with disabilities are invited to advise the Congress Secretariat of any special requirements.



### Pharmacy

Pharmacies are found throughout the city of Barcelona. There are some pharmacies which offer non-stop service 24 hours a day.

<http://barcelona.angloinfo.com/af/271/barcelona-pharmacies-medical-services-and-supplies.html>



### Currency

Spain is a member of the EU, it is not so far a member of the Eurozone and for this reason, the euro is the official currency.

To convert currency <http://www.xe.com>



### **Barcelona Cathedral**

The earliest origins of Barcelona Cathedral date back to a basilica with three naves, destroyed by Al-Mansur in 925. The remains of this basilica can be seen at the City History Museum. Around 1046, Bishop Guislabert pushed for the construction of a new cathedral. There are hardly any references to this cathedral. It is believed to have occupied part of the Gothic building but all that has been preserved is Romanesque.

**Address:** Pla Seu, 3, 08002 Barcelona

**Opening hours:** Mondays to Saturdays: from 13h to 17h, Sundays and public holidays: from 14h to 17h

**Fees:** General admission: 5 €

For more details about the fees you can visit the official site (in Spanish language):

**URL:** [http://www.bcn.es/cgi-bin/eveure\\_eq.pl?id=92086000934](http://www.bcn.es/cgi-bin/eveure_eq.pl?id=92086000934)

## **Sagrada Familia by Antonio Gaudí**

The expiatory church of La Sagrada Família is a work on a grand scale which was begun on 19 March 1882 from a project by the diocesan architects Francisco de Paula del Villar (1828-1901). At the end of 1883 Gaudí was commissioned to carry on the works, a task which he did not abandon until his death in 1926. Since then different architects have continued the work after his original idea. The building is in the centre of Barcelona, and over the years it has become one of the most universal signs of identity of the city and the country. It is visited by millions of people every year and many more study its architectural and religious content. It has always been an expiatory church, which means that since the outset, 130 years ago now, it has been built from donations. Gaudí himself said: "The expiatory church of La Sagrada Família is made by the people and is mirrored in them. It is a work that is in the hands of God and the will of the people." The building is still going on and could be finished some time in the first third of the 21st century.

**Address:** Calle Mallorca, 401, 08013 Barcelona

**Opening hours:** October - March: 09:00 - 18:00

**Fees:** full admission €13.00

For more details about the fees you can visit the official site:

**URL:** <http://www.sagradafamilia.cat/>



## **L'Aquarium de Barcelona**

An ideal place to see the sea bed, and particularly the Mediterranean, and a fantastic option for enjoying your free time. In L'Aquarium de Barcelona, as well as the tanks and the displays, you can enjoy the different services we offer you for your visit to be as pleasant as possible (cafeteria self-service, L'Aquarium shop, souvenir photo, the auditorium, etc.).

**Address:** Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell 08039 Barcelona

**Opening hours: Open all year round**

Opening: 9.30h, Closing: Monday through Friday: 21.00h Weekend and public holidays: 21.30h

**Entrance Fee:** Adults: 18.00 €, Children from 3 to 12: 13.00 €, Adults over 60: 15.00 €

**URL:** [http://www.aquariumbcn.com/AQUARIUM/info\\_horario.php](http://www.aquariumbcn.com/AQUARIUM/info_horario.php)

### **Poble Espanyol de Montjuïc**

The Spanish people is one of the many attractions offered by Barcelona. This is a small village made up of different neighborhoods replicas to maintain the style of the houses and architecture from different parts of Spain. There you can find, besides the renowned flamenco show tablao Carmen, various craft shops and workshops where they produce some traditional items of Spain.

**Address:** Avda. Marques de Comillas, 13 08038 Barcelona

**Opening hours:** Monday: from 9 PM to 8 PM

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sundays from 9 AM until midnight

Friday: from 9 AM to 3 AM, Saturdays: from 9 AM to 4 AM

**Entrance Fee:** full admission €9,50, seniors: €6,60, children €5,60

**URL:** <http://www.poble-espanyol.com/pemsa/en.html>





### **Picasso Museum**

The museum has arranged Picasso's paintings in chronological order from his early days to his final works. Arranging the paintings in this way gives you a fascinating insight into the development of Picasso thinking over time and shows how he developed the distinctive designs that he is famous for today.

**Address:** Montcada, 15-23 08003 Barcelona

**Opening hours:** Tuesday - Sunday: 10:00 - 20:00. Closed on working Mondays

**Entrance Fee:** full admission € 11

**URL:** <http://www.museupicasso.bcn.es/>

### **La Pedrera - Casa Mila by Antonio Gaudí**

The Royal Canonry of Premonstratensians at Strahov is one of the oldest monasteries of the Premonstratensian Order in the world. It has been a working monastery practically ever since it was founded in 1143. Fire, the Hussite Wars, religious wars, and the Communists all failed to shut down this institution. Even when the members of the monastery were unable to live within its walls, they gathered wherever they could and nurtured the spirit of their House until they were able to return to the monastery complex.

**Address:** Calle Provenca, 261 – 265, 08008 Barcelona

**Opening hours:** Daily, March - October: 09:00 - 20:00

**Entrance Fee:** Adult: €16.50, Children (six and under): free, Children (7-12 years old): €8,25

**URL:** <http://www.lapedrera.com/en/location-and-opening-hours>



## Tours

### All Barcelona Highlights Tour

The perfect tour for people on a short visit: the best way to see everything, covering the distances and avoiding the lines. Visit Barcelona's major landmarks: Passeig de Gracia, Parque Guell, Sagrada Familia, Olympic Village and more!

#### Tour Route

Passeig de Gracia, Park Guell, Sagrada Familia, Port, Columbus Monument, Miramar Lookout, Joan Miro Foundation, Olympic Ring Stadiums, Poble Espanyol including free time for lunch.

#### **Open Bus Tours**

**Fees:** Price adults: 66 euros, children (3-12): 35 euros, infants (0-3): free

**Departs:** Daily at 9:00

#### **Contact information**

**Phone number:** +34 9317 86083

**On line contact form:** <http://www.barcelonacitytours.com/contact.html>

**URL:** <http://www.barcelonacitytours.com/tours/details/8906/All-Barcelona-Highlights-Tour/>





## Barcelona Walks Gourmet

Enjoy a flavour-filled journey in a guided tour through the old town and discover Barcelona's cuisine. During this walk you will find out about the history of Barcelona's cuisine as well as some of its flagship restaurants and food outlets, to enjoy sampling some of their produce. Bon appetit!

### Tour Route

Farm Viader, Market of La Boqueria, Confectionery Escriba, Cafe de le Opera, Petrixol street, Chocolateria Fargas, La Pineda, Les turroneiras del carrer Cucurulla, Barcelona 600 years of gastronomy culture, Cafes el Magnifico, Tostaderos Casa Gispert, Botifarrerria de Santa Maria, The wineries of La Ribera.

**Fees:** Price adults: 20 euros, children ((4-12): 7 euros, infants (0-4): free

**Pick up departure:** Turisme de Barcelona information office. Pl. de Catalunya, 17.

**Departs:** Fridays and Saturdays in English at 10:00 am

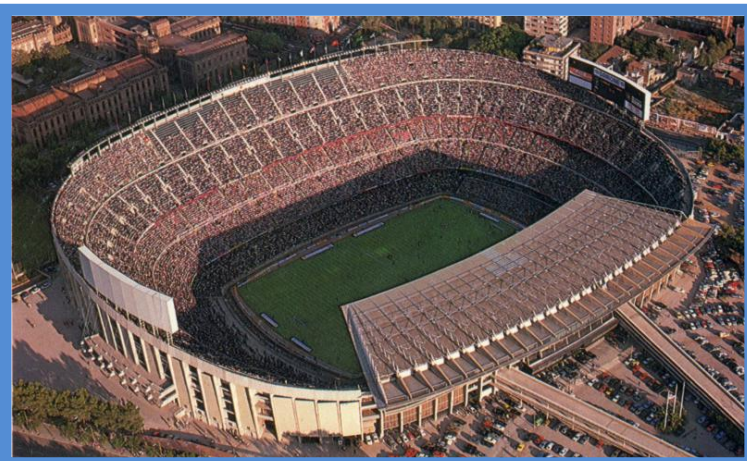
### **Contact information**

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**URL:** <http://www.barcelonacitytours.com/tours/details/9055/Barcelona-Walks-Gourmet/>





### **Barcelona FC Stadium Tour/Museum**

The Barcelona football stadium is the 3rd largest football stadium in the World after the stadiums in Sao Paulo, Brazil and Mexico City. Barcelona Camp Nou has a capacity of 110,000 people. This tour is the most popular tour in Barcelona. If you really want to go on this tour you book your Barcelona FC tour tickets before you arrive.

**Fees:** Price adults: 23 euros, children (6-13): 17 euros, infants (0-5): free

**Contact information**

**Phone number:** (+34) 93 496 36 00

**Email:** [museu@fcbarcelona.cat](mailto:museu@fcbarcelona.cat)

**URL:** <http://www.fcbarcelona.com/camp-nou/camp-nou-experience/detail/card/opening-times>

More Tours in Barcelona:

<http://www.barcelonacitytours.com/>

[http://www.barcelona.com/barcelona\\_city\\_tours/barcelona\\_city\\_tours](http://www.barcelona.com/barcelona_city_tours/barcelona_city_tours)

## Dinning in Barcelona

The contemporary traditional Catalan cuisine scene in Barcelona makes the city one of the best food destinations in the world. The plates elaborated in these Barcelona's kitchens are creative, but utilize locally sourced ingredients based on dishes of the past, reinterpreted with great attention to detail, creativity, presentation, and contemporary cooking techniques.



### **Fonda Gaig (Typical Catalan Cuisin)**

Carles Gaig was born in the Barcelona neighbourhood of Horta. His family had a long history in the restaurant business, having owned the 'Taberna d'en Gaig' since 1869.

**Address:** Carrer Còrsega, 200

**Tel:** +34 934 53 20 20

**E-Mail:** [info@fondagaig.com](mailto:info@fondagaig.com)

**URL:** <http://www.fondagaig.com/index.php/en>

## Ferrum Restaurant

In a warm and refine place not far from city center, **Ferrum** could be defined as a modern Catalan gastronomic restaurant. We appreciate very much the way the chef transforms fresh market products and traditional recipes into something new, sophisticated and amusing.

**Opening hours:** Monday to Friday from 13-15:30 and from 21-23:30, Saturday from 21-23:30. Closed on Sunday and Saturday at lunch time.

**Address:** C/ Còrsega, 400

**Tel:** +34 934 577 610

**E-Mail:** ferrum@ferrum.es

**URL:** <http://www.ferrum.es/>



## Cal Pep (Tapas restaurant)

Cal Pep is one of the most known tapas restaurant in Barcelona. Its reputation goes largely behind the city wall and it's justified. Everything is fresh and fun, the tapas, the people, the service, the wine!

**Opening hours:** Monday from 7.30pm to 11.30pm, Tuesday - Friday from 1pm to 3.45pm and from 7.30pm to 11.30pm, Saturday from 1pm to 3.45pm, Closed Sunays and holidays

**Address:** Pl. de les Olles, 8

**Tel:** +34 933 107 961, +34 933 196 281

**URL:** <http://www.calpep.com/>



### **Arola Restaurant**

**Arola** restaurant in Barcelona is located on the second floor of the luxury Hotel Arts. One comes there for its brand new pop design, its beautiful terrace in front of Frank Gehry's giant whale and great live music set with local DJs.

**Opening hours:** 13:30-15:30pm and 20:00-11:30 every day

**Address:** Marina 19-21

**Tel:** +420 221 421 160

**Email:** [artsrestaurants@ritzcarlton.com](mailto:artsrestaurants@ritzcarlton.com)

**URL:** <http://www.hotelartsbarcelona.com/sub/20/31/es/restaurantes-arola>

More options to dine in Barcelona:

[http://www.barcelona.com/barcelona\\_city\\_guide/where\\_to\\_eat\\_barcelona/](http://www.barcelona.com/barcelona_city_guide/where_to_eat_barcelona/)

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<http://www.barcelona.com/>  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barcelona>  
<http://www.mydestination.com/barcelona>