

Table Of Content

Geographical location	3
Neighbouring cities/countries	4
Significance	5
History	6
Cultural identity	7
Natural resources	8
Key site seeing places (paid and free)	9
- Paid	9
-- Monasterio de Sant Pere de Rodes	9
-- Casa-Museu Salvador Dalí	9
-- Santa Clotilde Gardens	10
-- Jardí Botànic Marimurtra	10
-- Marineland Catalunya	11
-- Parc Aquàtic Water World	11
- Free	13
-- Cap de Creus	13
-- Recinte emmurallat de la Vila Vella	13
-- Castillo De Tossa	13
-- Església Parroquial de Sant Vicenç	14
-- Platja de Fenals	14
-- Església de Santa Maria	15
-- Sant Joan	15
-- Rambla de la Llibertat	16
Key sites sports & adventure	17
Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums	20
Spas and relaxation	21
Events calendar	23
Key local guides and tours	25
Transportation hubs	26
Transportation cost	27
Baggage allowance	28

Must try food and local savouries	29
Restaurant & Nightlife	30
Average meal cost	34
Shopping	35
Tourist benefits	36
Essential local apps	37
Driving	38
Travel essentials	39
Essential clothes	40
Local currency	41
Change vendor's commission, ATM charges	42
Staying connected	43
Time Zone	44
Languages	45
Political Scenario	46
Economic Scenario	47
Religious belief	48
Visa requirements	49
Essential vaccination	50
Theft and Safety	51
Embassy/Consulate	52
Accessibility	53
Emergencies	54
Do's and Don'ts	55
Tipping basics	56
Pet info	57
Conclusion	58
Disclaimer	59

Index

1. Geographical location

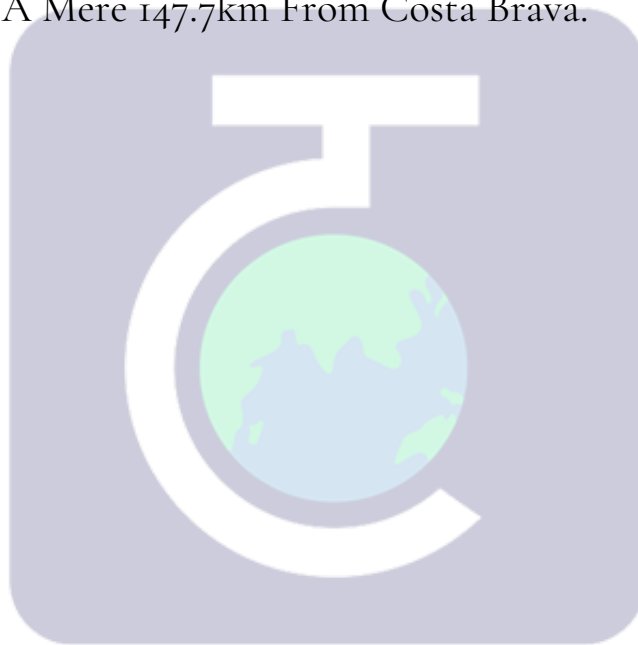
Costa Brava is a breathtaking coastal region in north eastern Spain, overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. It is located in the province of Girona, which is home to some of the most beautiful views in the entire world. This idyllic tourist attraction is situated in between the beckoning town Blanes near Barcelona, and the French border.



Index

2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Located In North Eastern Spain, The Eastern Border Is The Coastal Strip. Costa Brava Is Separated From The Province Of Barcelona On The Western Border. The Fact That It Is At The France-Spain Border Only Adds To Its Rich Culture. It Is Also Bordered By The Famous River Tordera. Portbou Is The Closet Town To Costa Brava, And The Town Blanes Is Located At The Southernmost Tip. Barcelona Is Located A Mere 147.7km From Costa Brava.



Index

3. Significance

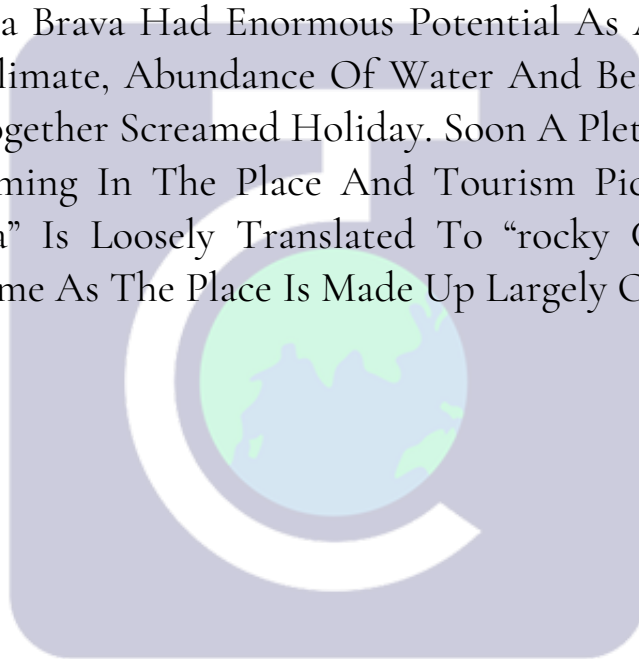
Apart From Soaking In The Beautiful Coastline, One Can Feast On Costa Brava's Range Of Tourist Attractions, That Will Keep Travellers Plenty Busy And Always Asking For More. The Cap De Creus National Park, Situated In The North Of Costa Brava Is One Among These Attractions. You Will Witness Steep Cliffs And Coves. Another Sight To Definitely Put On Your Itinerary Is Greco Ruins At Empuries, Ruins Of An Ancient Greek Empire. A Tour Around The Archaeological Ruins Will Definitely Give You A Sense Of The Rich History Of The Place And How People Lived Back Then.



Index

4. History

Costa Brava Was Isolated And Largely Unknown For A Long Time. After The First World War, Catalonia Started Drawing A Considerable Amount Of Attention From Locals And Also People From Neighbouring Places Due To Its Sandy Beaches And Coast. After The Spanish Civil War, The Path For Tourism Was Paved. Tourism Took Over As The Primary Industry As It Was Identified In The 1950s That Costa Brava Had Enormous Potential As A Tourist Attraction Due To Its Warm Climate, Abundance Of Water And Beautiful Coastline. All These Factors Put Together Screamed Holiday. Soon A Plethora Of Hostels And Hotels Started Blooming In The Place And Tourism Picked Off Like Never Before. “Costa Brava” Is Loosely Translated To “rocky Coast” Which Is An Evident And Apt Name As The Place Is Made Up Largely Of Cliffs And Coves.



Index

5. Cultural identity

A myriad of cultures dating back to the Palaeolithic and Neolithic period culminate to form the diverse culture that is Costa Brava. As you navigate through the place, you will be introduced to different cultures like the Iberians, Greeks and the Romans. You will also find a bit of Jewish culture. Talk about diverse! All this ancient historic culture fuses well with the modern culture. The outstanding medieval heritage coupled with roman art and the Jewish legacy fuses well with their traditions like music festivals and performing arts which are a frequency. Costa Brava is also home to some very talented painters, so if you're there, you must make it a point to visit some art studios and make sure you leave behind any aspect of their culture untouched.



Index**6. Natural resources**

As expected, Costa Brava houses abundant natural resources in the form of water and sunlight. It is the poster city for these resources.



Index

7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

7.1. Paid

7.1.1. Monasterio de Sant Pere de Rodes

Located in the northeast of Catalonia in the Province of Girona, Monastery Sant Pere De Rodes is a beautiful Benedictine monastery giving an instant feeling of relaxation and calm upon entering. The church was consecrated in the year 1022, engulfing this place with history. It also stands as one of the best examples of Romanesque architecture. Along the western facade stands a 12th-century bell tower impacted by the Lombard style.

Address : Camí del Monestir, s/n, 17489 El Port de la Selva, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17489

Location : 42.3233925, 3.16637079999999815

Contact : +34 972 38 75 59

Nearest Public Transport : Ampuradan Bus station

Entry Fee : Above 21 years and below 65: €4.49 Under 21 years of age, groups of 25 persons or more: €3 Over 65 years, under 7 years of age: Free admission

Open & Close Timing : 1st October to 31st May: Tuesday to Sunday 10:00hrs-17:30hrs 1st June to 30th September: Tuesday to Sunday 10:00hrs-20:00hrs Closed Mondays (unless a public holiday), 25 December and 1 January

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.2. Casa-Museu Salvador Dalí

Whether you're an artist, art connoisseur, or a dilettante just exploring art with an immense appreciation for it, you must visit the Dali Museum. It displays the works of the late surrealist painter, Salvador Dali. The iconic museum is a must-see when in Costa Brava as it captures the artist's essence.

Address : Plaça Gala i Salvador Dalí, 5, 17600 Figueres, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17600

Location : 42.29322, 3.28597500000000076

Contact : +34 972 67 75 00

Website : http://www.salvador-dali.org/en_index/

Nearest Public Transport : Line Barcelona - Cadaqués (SARFA)

Entry Fee : €11

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Sunday: 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.3. Santa Clotilde Gardens

You don't need any crystal-ball gazing to know that you will love your time spent in a novel setting of botanical gardens. These beautiful botanical gardens atop a hill giving you surreal views and are characterized by its comparative absence of flowers and presence of sculptures. Make sure you stop by this breathtaking attraction with in Costa Brava.

Address : Passeig Jardins, s/n, 17310 Lloret de Mar, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17310

Location : 41.6915985, 2.82549599999993

Contact : +34 972 37 04 71

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret bus station

Entry Fee : €5.5

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Sunday: 10:00hrs-20:00hrs

Time Required : 3

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.4. Jardí Botànic Marimurtra

Natural beauty is synonymous with Costa Brava and that draws major tourists to the city from all over the world. One such natural gem is the Jardí Botànic Marimurtra, a public garden with more than 4,000 species committed to Mediterranean and sub-tropical flora as well as cacti and other exotic plants from arid regions. The walk up to the gardens on the hill is invigorating, especially because of its spectacular view.

Address : Passeig de Carles Faust, 9, 17300 Blanes, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17300

Location : 41.6767268, 2.801851499999998

Contact : +34 972 33 08 26

Website : <http://www.marimurtra.cat/>

Nearest Public Transport : Blanes train station

Entry Fee : €6.50

Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.5. Marineland Catalunya

The beautiful and beckoning city of Barcelona is very close to Costa Brava. So while in Costa Brava, it wouldn't be sinful to visit some of the famous attractions there. Advance towards Marineland, a water park for visitors of all ages. You can embark on a journey into the animal world and witness dolphins, sea lions and bird species from most exotic places on the earth in the amazing shows here or experience the water slides with curves, spins, and drops.

Address : Ctra. Malgrat, 08389 Palafolls, Barcelona, Spain

Zipcode : 08389

Location : 41.660782, 2.753611

Contact : +34 937 65 48 02

Website : <http://www.marineland.es/cataluna/>

Nearest Public Transport : Palafolls A Margret, bus station

Entry Fee : Adults: €23 Senior Citizen: €15 Child: €13

Open & Close Timing : Daily 10:30hrs-17:30hrs

Time Required : 6

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.6. Parc Aquàtic Water World

Situated an hour away from Costa Brava, Parc Aquàtic Water World is an enthralling water park frequented by locals as well as tourists. Enter the world of amazing experiences with numerous rides like wave pools, kamikaze, and rapid rivers, along with different activities for adults and kids. Its in-house restaurants, picnic areas, and pine forests make the visit to this park very enjoyable.

Address : Ctra. de Vidreres, Km 1,2, 17310 Lloret de Mar, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17310

Location : 41.7075788, 2.8289437999999936

Contact : +34 972 36 86 13

Website : <http://waterworld.es/>

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret de Mar Bus Station

Entry Fee : People taller than 1.20m: €33 People between 0.80m and 1.20m: €19

Senior Citizens: €19

Open & Close Timing : Daily 10:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 7

Buy Ticket : No



Index

7.2. Free

7.2.1. Cap de Creus

Situated at the most easterly point of Spain, Cap de Creus Natural Park is a wild terrain of 450 million-year-old rocks abraded by the Tramuntana wind. Covering an area of 13,886 hectares, this park was formed in 1998. Interestingly, everything about this place feels like an adventure, including the road that leads you there. If you are a nature-lover, you will enjoy this place thoroughly as it has some beautiful cliffs and coves.

Address : 17488 Cadaqués, Gerona, Spain

Zipcode : 17488

Location : 42.32024509999999, 3.314970799999969

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret bus station

Time Required : 4

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.2. Recinte emmurallat de la Vila Vella

An old town crammed with tremendous artistic and historic value, Recinte emmurallat de la Vila Vella was built in the 12th century for protection purposes. It was fully restored and rebuilt in the 21st century to make it the breathtaking site as it is today. It is a small walk up but you will find charming restaurants on your way along accompanied with scenic views.

Address : Vila Vella, 17320, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17320

Location : 41.7164575, 2.933631200000036

Contact : +34 972 34 01 08

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret bus station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.3. Castillo De Tossa

Laced with breathtaking views, lovely restaurants at the bottom, fascinating houses and a remarkable trail of history, Castillo De Tossa is an enchanting castle

in Tossa. You can climb up the stairs to the castle or take a train whilst you gape at the beautiful landscape. This well-maintained site magnetizes a lot of tourists all year long.

Address : 17320 Tossa de Mar, Spain

Zipcode : 17320

Location : 41.7171542, 2.9344608999999764

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret de mar

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.4. Església Parroquial de Sant Vicenç

Església Parroquial de Sant Vicenç is a beautiful dark church known for its architectural brilliance. The church has a tombstone dedicated to Arnau Mir de Tost along with a 3rd-century Roman marble sarcophagus carved with mythological scenes. An excellent example of the transition from Romanesque to Gothic, you won't be able to stop marveling at this spiritual abode.

Address : Carrer del Pou de la Vila, 6, 17320 Tossa de Mar, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17320

Location : 41.71798200000001, 2.931084499999997

Contact : +34 972 34 23 25

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Daily 07:00hrs-20:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.5. Platja de Fenals

Located in Lloret de Mar, this sprawling beach has a variety of activities you can choose from to enliven your time along the shore. Parasailing, waterskiing, kayaking and skating are among the different adrenaline-fuelled activities you can try out. Although this is the second largest beach in Lloret de Mar after the Lloret Beach, it is less frequented by locals, making it more serene and peaceful.

Address : 17310 Lloret de Mar, Province of Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17310

Location : 41.6937376, 2.8320443000000007

Contact : +34 972 36 18 21

Website : <http://lloretdemar.org/es/que-hacer/playas/361-playa-de-fenals2>

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret de mar bus station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.6. Església de Santa Maria

The highest point of the downtown, Church of Santa Maria gives you a terrific eyeshot of the city that is ornamented with brilliant architecture. To access this peaceful, thought-provoking church, you will have to climb the maze-like vertical streets of Cadaqués. Tagged as one of the most emblematic religious buildings, it has a single nave with chapels and a bell tower with a pearly white exterior.

Address : Carrer Portal de Mont, 1, 17488 Cadaqués, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17488

Location : 42.288145, 3.2757788000000012

Contact : +34 933 10 23 90

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret bus station

Open & Close Timing : Monday to Sunday: 09:00hrs-13:00hrs, 17:00hrs – 20:30hrs

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.7. Sant Joan

Dating back to the 11th century, Sant Joan Castle is situated atop the hill that separates the beaches of Lloret de Mar and Fenals. It is a long walk up to set foot in the castle but once you accomplish this task of climbing, you are sure to be baffled by the riveting views of the surrounding that it offers. Also known as Forcadell Castle, it is one of the most sought-after attractions of the city.

Address : Carrer Cardenal Vidal i Barraquer, s/n, 17300 Blanes, Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17300

Location : 41.6790632, 2.79830570000000144

Contact : +34 972 33 03 48

Website : <http://visitblanes.net/es/visitar/115.html>

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret bus station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.8. Rambla de la Llibertat

Head to this dreamlike promenade, which was developed in the 13th century for a market, but now aligns major brands and food joints along its path. The street is characterized by low-ceiling arcades and unequal arches. It is known as the main commercial and entertainment center of Girona.

Address : Rambla de la Llibertat, 17004 Girona, Spain

Zipcode : 17004

Location : 41.9837022, 2.8239713000000393

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No



Index

8. Key sites sports & adventure

There are plenty of adventure sports you can try in and around Costa Brava. The waters of the city are best to try out adventure sports like deep sea diving! There are a lot of tour operators which can help you in making the most of your trip by indulging in some adrenaline pumping sports.

- **L'Escola Nautic & Diving L'Estartit -**

Address : Carrer D'Eivissa 17, 17258 L'Estartit, Province of Girona, Spain

Location : 42.053265,3.1981949999999994

Contact No : +34 972 75 16 95

Website : <http://lescolanauticdiving.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Lloret de Mar Bus station

Entry Fees : 250 Euro onwards

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday: 09:30hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 6

- **Skydive Empuriabrava –The Land Of The Sky -**

Address : Sector Aeroclub, s/n, 17487 Empuriabrava, Girona, Spain

Location : 42.258607,3.109182

Contact No : +34 972 45 01 11

Website : <http://www.skydiveempuriabrava.com/en/>

Nearest Public Transport : Bus from Girona: Girona-Castelló d'Empúries-Empuriabrava.

Entry Fees : 250 - 350 Euros

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday – 9:00hrs to 19:00hrs

Time Required : 6.00

- **Piscis Diving Centre -**

Address : Escullera de Port, s/n, 17220 Sant Feliu de Guíxols, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.778884,3.038077

Contact No : +34 617 88 54 54

Website : <http://www.piscisdiving.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Taxi to Escullera de Port

Entry Fees : 449 Euros

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday – 9:00hrs – 13:00hrs, 15:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 2.00

- **Segway Costa Brava -**

Address : Empuriabrava, 17487 Province of Girona, Spain

Location : 42.240919,3.126356

Contact No : +34 689 64 09 01

Website : <http://www.segway-costabrava.com/es/>

Nearest Public Transport : Empuriabrava bus station

Entry Fees : 55 Euros

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday – 10:00hrs – 22:00hrs

Time Required : 2.00

- **Parc Adventura -**

Address : Cami del Bernegar,, s/n, 17256 Masos de Pals, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.98969,3.17762

Contact No : +34 972 11 34 43

Website : <http://www.costabravaparcaventura.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Taxi to Cami del Bernegar

Entry Fees : 5 Euros entry ticket; Rest depends on each activity done

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday – 10:00hrs – 23:00hrs

Time Required : 6.00



Index

9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

Costa Brava's Main Attraction Is The Coastline, And This Is What Pulls Tourists Towards It Like A Beckoning Force Every Year. So, It Goes Without Saying That The Main Sports One Can Participate In, In Costa Brava Is Adventure Sports. And Since It Is A Coastal City With A Myriad Of Beaches, The Best Sports To Take Part In To Have The Best Time, Are Water Sports. There Are A Variety Of Water Sports Offered Here In Different Resorts And Places And On All Beaches. Scuba Diving, Snorkelling To Name A Few Are The Water Sports. Apart From Water Sports, There Are Many Other Adventure Sports Like Skydiving, Zip Lining, Hiking, Trekking Et Al. The Nou Estadi Municipal De Palamós Which Was Opened In 1989 Is The Biggest And Most Used Multipurpose Stadium In Catalonia, Northeast Spain. All The Major Football Matches Take Place Here. Basically All The Major Sports Matches Take Place In This Famous Stadium.

- **Nou Estadi Municipal de Palamós:**

Address : Passatge de Ladislao Kubala, s/n, 17230 Palamós, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.8534739,3.1213913999999993

Contact No : +34 972 60 00 26

Website : <http://www.palamos.cat/>

10. Spas and relaxation

After an exhausting day of hiking, sightseeing and adventures, you can unwind at the many spas that Costa Brava has to offer. Below a few have been listed:

- **Salles Hotel & Spa Cala Del Pi:**

Address : Av. del Cavall Bernat, 160, 17250 Platja d'Aro, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.824469,3.077437

Contact No : +34 972 82 84 29

Website : <http://www.hotelcaladelpi.com/>

- **Sant Pere Del Bosc Hotel & Spa:**

Address : St Pere del Bosc Hotel, Paratge de Sant Pere del Bosc, s/n, 17310 Lloret de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.711475,2.790431

Contact No : +34 972 36 16 36

Website : <http://www.santperedelboschotel.com/>

- **S'agaró Hotel Spa & Wellness:**

Address : Platja de Sant Pol, s/n, 17248 S'Agaró, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.791761,3.053699

Contact No : +34 972 32 52 00

Website : <http://www.hotelsagaro.com/en/>

- **Hotel GHT Oasis Tossa & Spa:**

Address : Carrer Lope Mateo, 3, 17320 Tossa de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.724901,2.931128

Contact No : +34 972 32 52 00

Website : <http://www.ghthotels.com/>



11. Events calendar

Month

Events

THE PILGRIMS VOW

Tossa de Mar (Selva), January 20th and 21st. The denizens give thanks for driving the epidemic every year.

HONEY FAIR

Crespià (Pla de l'Estany), second fortnight of February. A quaint little tradition by the people of Costa Brava, where they pay homage to honey! Carnival in Verges (Baix Empordà) y Vidreres (Selva). A famous food festival.

40-KILOMETRE WALK Banyoles

,First fortnight of March. RALLY CATALUNYA-COSTA BRAVA. Girona-Costa Brava. A nail biting, adrenaline filled automobile race rally which will get your pulse running! Girona Good Friday.

The procession of Girona THE LAKE FESTIVAL

Puigcerdà, third Sunday in

**August. FAST PAINTING
CONTEST. Tossa de Mar (Selva),
last Sunday in August.
VINTAGE CAR CARAVAN**

**Many antique automobiles put up
a for show.**

THE PEDAL FESTIVAL

**Girona, second fortnight of
September. A fun cycling
festival.**

TRIA DE MULATS

**Espinavell-Molló (Ripollès),
second fortnight of October. You
will get to witness mares and
young horses descend from the
mountains.**

SHRINE FESTIVALS

**Torroella de Montgrí, second
fortnight of November. A mix of
religion and fun.**

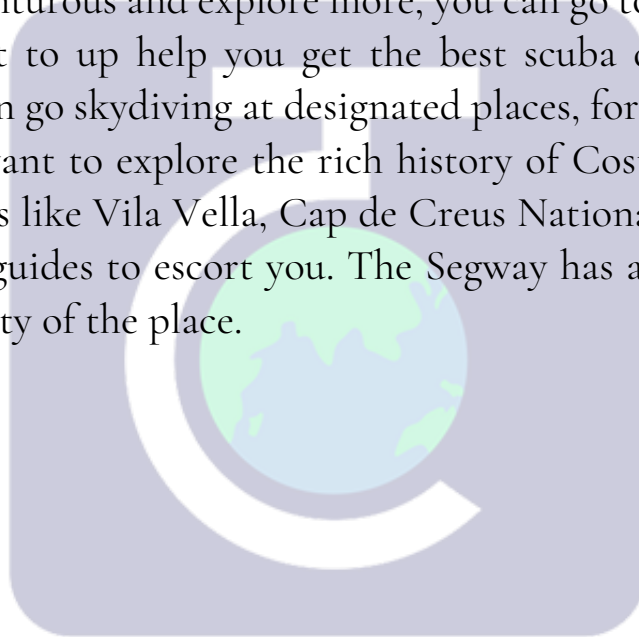
CHRISTMAS TREE FAIR

**Espinelves (Osona), first
fortnight of December. You can
see and buy one of a kind
Christmas trees.**

Index

12. Key local guides and tours

Costa Brava is basically miles of beautiful coastline. So it's no surprise that its main attraction is the many plethoras of beaches that attract tourists every season. It is for this reason that guides and planned tours aren't abundant here. You can employ the laissez faire attitude and make up your own itinerary. If you want to hang out at the beach all day, there are many beaches to choose from. If you want to get adventurous and explore more, you can go to any of the abundant diving companies set to up help you get the best scuba diving or snorkelling experience, or you can go skydiving at designated places, for which Costa Brava is also known. If you want to explore the rich history of Cost Brava, you can visit the many monuments like Vila Vella, Cap de Creus National Park et al. At these places you will find guides to escort you. The Segway has a lot of tours planned that explore the beauty of the place.



Index

13. Transportation hubs

Although Costa Brava Is Not A Huge Place, Since It Is A Famous Tourist Attraction, It Is Quite Well Connected. The Airport Is The Girona-Costa Brava Airport (41.897925, 2.765785). This Airport Is Located Roughly 13km Southwest From Girona And Is Very Well Connected To Costa Brava. The Two Biggest Ports Are The Palamos Port (41.842856, 3.128482) And The Roses Port (42.255993, 3.17849). From Here Many Wonderful Cruises Will Be Available To You. Palamos Port Is Strategically And Ideally Located For Cruise Shills. There Is A Convenient Shuttle Bus That Takes You To And Fro The Town Centre. Port Roses Is Another Splendid Option If You Want To Head Out On A Long Rewarding Cruise. The Train Service In Costa Brava Is Mainly The TGV And AVE Trains. There Are Several Train Stations To Help You Stay Connected. The Blanes Train Station (41.673439, 2.769244) Is Very Well Connected. Caldes De Malavella Train Station (41.841086, 2.800776) Is Another Option. Figueres Train Station (42.264751, 2.94353) Is Another Excellent Option. Costa Brava Bus At Estacio Nord Bus Station (41.393573, 2.180480) Is The Premier Bus Station, Especially Good If You're Travelling From Barcelona To Spain.

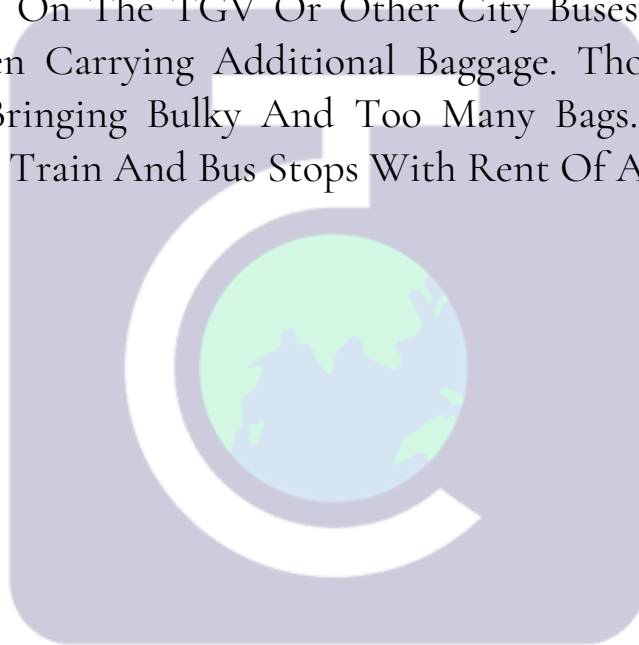
Index

14. Transportation cost

You Can Either Use The Public Transport In The Form Of Buses And Trains Which Are Fairly Well Connected If Not Impeccably Connected. The Main Bus Station That Has The Maximum Connections From It Is The Lloret De Mar Terminal De Auto Buses. This Station Is The Place You Should Check Out If You Want To Move Around In The City. There Is A Transport Bus Company Called Sarfa Which Is Another Option You Could Explore. However, If You're On The Clock, Engaging A Taxi Might Be Your Best Option. It Saves A Lot Of Time And It Is Available At Your Convenience. The Girona Bus Station And The Linebus Are Other Well Connected Bus Stations But They Are Mainly Useful If You're Hopping Between The Cities And Not Majorly Helpful For Intracity Transport. The Bus From Barcelona To Blanes Costs Around Eight Euros For A Two Hour Ride. Blanes Train Station Is Very Well Connected. Beyond This, Between Places You Could Travel By Boat As We Are Talking About A Coastal City. My Favourite Option However, Since It Is Not An Extremely Huge City, Is The Cycle Around The Place. You Can Rent A Couple Of Cycles And Cycle To The Different Beautiful Options This City Has To Offer.

Index**15. Baggage allowance**

There Are Usually No Additional Fees Charged For Visitors Bringing Extra Bags When Traveling Around Costa Brava. For Convenience And Comfort While Travelling, Take A Taxi If You Have A Lot Of Luggage With You. The Taxi Driver Would Not Charge Any Additional Fees For The Bags That You're Carrying Nor Would The Train And Bus Charge You Anything That Is Not Too Bulky. When Riding On The TGV Or Other City Buses, There's Usually No Additional Fee When Carrying Additional Baggage. Though, Passengers Are Discouraged From Bringing Bulky And Too Many Bags. There Are Luggage Lockers Available At Train And Bus Stops With Rent Of Around 3 Euros For 24 Hours.



Index**16. Must try food and local savouries**

The local food in Costa Brava will grab one and alls taste buds, some of the restaurants serving the well known local food are isted as follows:



Index

17. Restaurant & Nightlife

Restaurants and bars in Costa Brava are unique in their designs and food. The food is a wide variety of cuisines from all over the globe. There are quite a few nightclubs where you can just let loose and have a great time.

Food -

Restaurants and bars in Costa Brava are unique in their designs and food. The food is a wide variety of cuisines from all over the globe. There are quite a few nightclubs where you can just let loose and have a great time.

- **Restaurant La Gruta:**

Address : Carrer Port d'en Perris, 5, 17130 L'Escala, Girona, Spain

Location : 42.126250,3.135607

Contact No : +34 972 77 62 11

Website : <http://restaurantlagruta.com/>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Saturday 12:30hrs to 15:30hrs; 20:00hrs to 22:30hrs

- **Pa I Raïm Restaurant:**

Address : Carrer de Torres i Jonama, 56, 17200 Palafrugell, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.918241,3.160562

Contact No : +34 972 30 45 72

Website : <http://www.pairaim.com/>

Open / Close Time : Tuesday to Sunday: 13:30hrs to 15:30hrs, 20:00hrs to 22:00hrs

- **Restaurant Can Roura:**

Address : Carrer Major, 12, 17130 L'Escala, Girona, Spain

Location : 42.139576,3.117881

Contact No : +34 972 77 33 80

Website : <http://www.canrourea.com/en/man/>

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday - 12:00hrs to 14:30hrs; 18:00hrs to 22:30hrs

- **Restaurant La Placet:**

Address : Plaça de les Armes, 1, 17320 Tossa de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.716905,2.932492

Contact No : +34 972 34 08 72

Website : <http://www.canrourea.com/en/man/>

Open / Close Time : Friday to Sunday 12:00hrs-16:00hrs, 19:00hrs-22:30hrs

- **El Pedro:**

Address : Carrer de les Placetes, 29, 17256 Pals, Province of Girona, Spain

Location : 41.971281,3.143698

Contact No : +34 972 63 69 83

Website : <http://www.elpedropals.com/>

Open / Close Time : Friday to Sunday 13:00hrs-15:30hrs, 19:30hrs-22:30hrs

- **El Pub Lloret:**

Address : C/ Rio de la Plata, 26, 17310 Lloret de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.697274,2.833512

Contact No : +34 645 92 00 91

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday - 14:00hrs to 01:00hrs

- **Boia Nit Nightclub:**

Address : Paseo de cadaques,17, 17488 Cadaqués, Girona, Spain

Location : 42.288596,3.278005

Contact No : +34 972 25 86 51

Website : <http://www.boianit.com/>

Open / Close Time : Monday • 8:30hrs–3:00hrs Tuesday • 8:30hrs–3:00hrs

Wednesday • 8:30hrs–3:00hrs Thursday • 8:30hrs–3:00hrs Friday

8:30hrs–3:00hrs Saturday 8:30hrs–3:00hrs Sunday • 8:30hrs–3:00hrs

- **Disco Colossos:**

Address : Avinguda de Just Marlès, 38, 17310 Lloret de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.699136,2.844180

Contact No : +34 972 36 51 76

Website : <http://www.discocolossos.com/>

Open / Close Time : Everyday 22:00 hrs to 2:00 hrs

- **Bar Kars:**

Address : Carrer de Sant Telm, 17, 17320 Tossa de Mar, Girona, Spain
Carrer de Sant Telm, 17, 17320 Tossa de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.699136,2.844180

Contact No : +34 650 54 01 81

Open / Close Time : Monday to Friday- 21:00hrs to 3:00hrs

- **Bar Room:**

Address : Carrer Costa de Carbonell, 18, 17310 Lloret de Mar, Girona, Spain

Location : 41.699255,2.837977

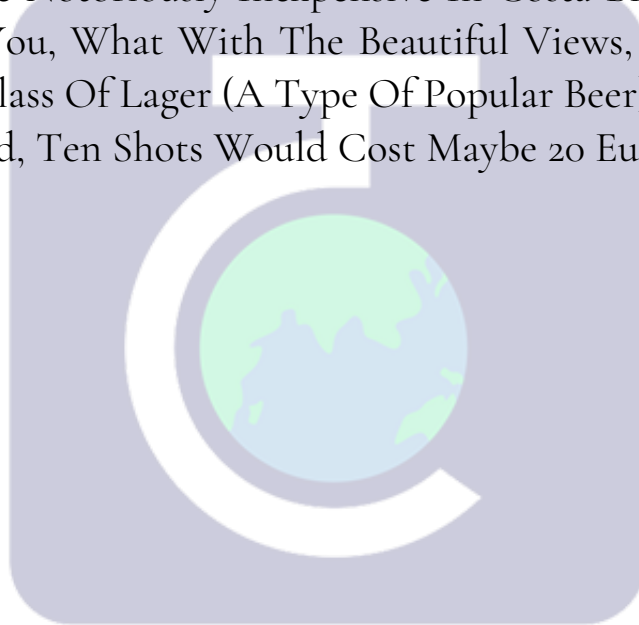
Contact No : +34 615 11 05 99

Open / Close Time : Monday to Sunday 17:00 hrs to 3:00 hrs



Index**18. Average meal cost**

On An Average, You Will Have To Spend Around 30 Euros For A Good Sumptuous Meal That Will Have You Satisfied. Having Said This, There Are Restaurants Where You Can Finish A Decent Sized Dinner In 12 Euros And There Are Restaurants Where You Could Pay 150 Euros. If You're Travelling On A Strict Budget, Another Suggestion Is To Make Do With Supermarket Food. Alcoholic Drinks Are Notoriously Inexpensive In Costa Brava, It's Almost Like They're Pampering You, What With The Beautiful Views, Water And Alcohol. On An Average, A Glass Of Lager (A Type Of Popular Beer) Is Around 2.5 Euros. If You're Feeling Wild, Ten Shots Would Cost Maybe 20 Euros.



19. Shopping

Costa Brava Has Some Very Interesting Shopping Places Where You Can Satisfy The Shopaholic In You. There Is A Huge Variety Ranging From Designer Shops To Local Spanish Markets. There Are Some Streets That House Some Top Designer Brands Where You Feast On Gorgeous Haute Couture That Was Just Introduced In The Market. If You're Not In A Position To Splurge, You Can Always Visit The Local Markets, Where You Can Peruse The Local Spanish Brands, Which Are Just As Good And You Save A Ton Of Money. You Must Try The Local Cuisine In All Forms Once You're There, After All. Rambla De La Libertad Is An Affluent Street In Girona That Houses All The Top Brands. It Is Also Home To Some Very Highly Reputed Restaurants And Conveniently, A Starbucks. So If You Have The Time, You Can Spend A Whole Day Here, Shopping And Eating. If You Want To Refrain From Spending An Exorbitant Amount On Shopping, You Can Explore Old Girona Where The Small Shops Are Located. You Can Also Visit Rambla De La Libertad Girona And Essentially Streets On Old Girona. Art Gallery Blanco Grane Is An Amazing Place To Shop If You're A Dilettante Or You're An Avid Art Enthusiast.

20. Tourist benefits

From November 2012, Catalonia Has Levied A Tourist Tax On All Tourists Visiting Costa Brava And Staying There Overnight At A Hotel. You'll Pay Between € 0,45 To € 2,25 Per Person, Per Night — And Only For The First Seven Nights. Beyond Seven Nights, You Don't Have To Pay Anything. The Tax Is Paid Per Person Per Night. Tax Is Not Levied On Children Below The Age Of Sixteen. The Tourist Tax Is Subject To A 10% VAT (Value Added Tax). So, Keep This In Mind While Visiting Costa Brava. Having Said This, Make Sure You Carry Your Passport Everywhere You Go As Shops Tend To Put Up Discount Sales For Tourists.



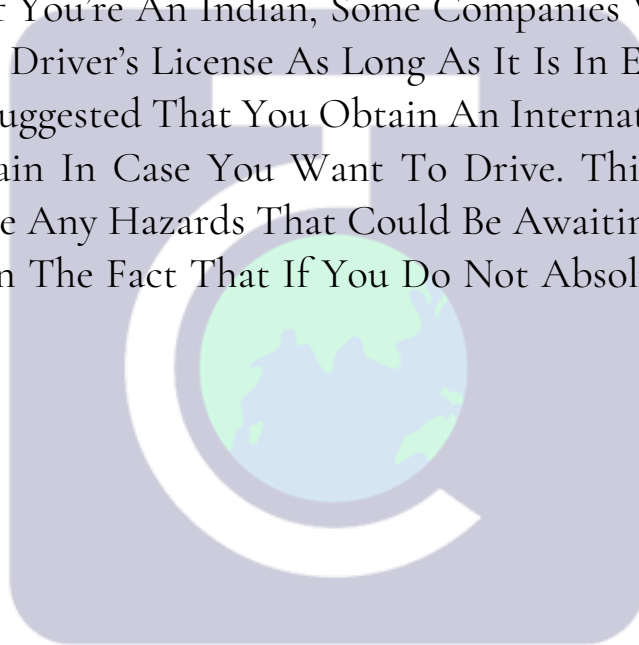
Index

21. Essential local apps

Since Costa Brava Is Home To Some Of The Most Amazing Monuments And Is Probably One Of The Best Places To Vacation In, Naturally There Are Apps That Will Guide You In This Place. The Costa Brava Quick Guide App On IOS Is A One Stop Shop For All You Will Need In Costa Brava. It Provides You With A List Of Monuments Classified By The Type Of Monument, Restaurants, Avid And Engaging Pictures, Adventure Sports, Bars, And Maps To Guide You To All These Locations. If You Don't Own An iPhone But Need Guidance, You Can Download The Costa Brave Official App From The Android Play Store. This App Provides You With All The Information You Will Need To Have A Comfortable And Hassle Free Vacation In One Of The Most Beautiful Cities Of The World. It Provides A List Of Hotels, Apartments, Restaurants Etc All Depending On Your Budget. If You Plan To Visit Nearby Barcelona Which You Should Because Barcelona Is A Gorgeous City, You Must Download This App Called The Barcelona Pocket Guide App Available On Both Android And IOS. It Provides All The Information You Will Need To Get Around In Barcelona.

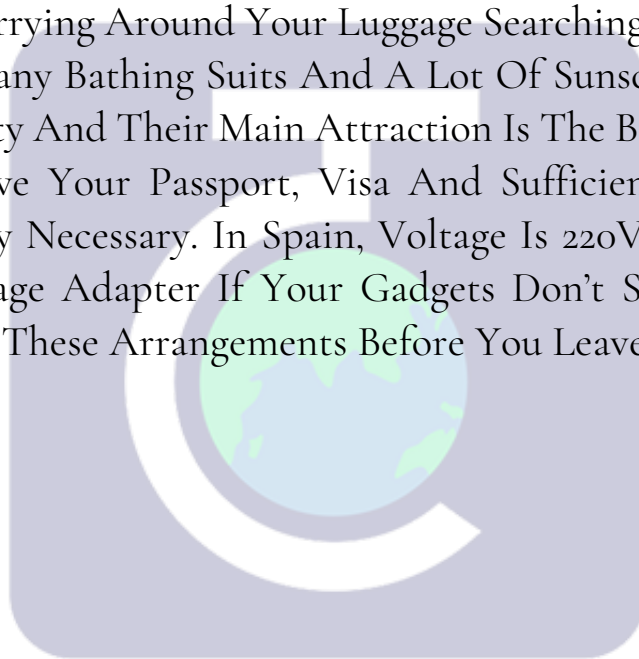
22. Driving

While It Is Not Very Necessary To Rent A Car And Drive Around In Spain Since The Public Transport Is Fairly Good And You Can Use Taxis, Sometimes You Want To Get Behind The Wheel And Explore For Yourself. In This Case, You Can Always Rent A Car. If You're An American Citizen With A Valid Driver's License, Your Passport And Valid License Is All You Need To Rent A Car. It's Really Convenient. If You're An Indian, Some Companies Will Rent You A Car With A Valid Indian Driver's License As Long As It Is In English, But It Is Very Adamantly Strictly Suggested That You Obtain An International Driver's Permit Before You Visit Spain In Case You Want To Drive. This Is A Precautionary Measure To Eliminate Any Hazards That Could Be Awaiting You Legally. Again Stressing Though, On The Fact That If You Do Not Absolutely Have To Drive, You Need Not.



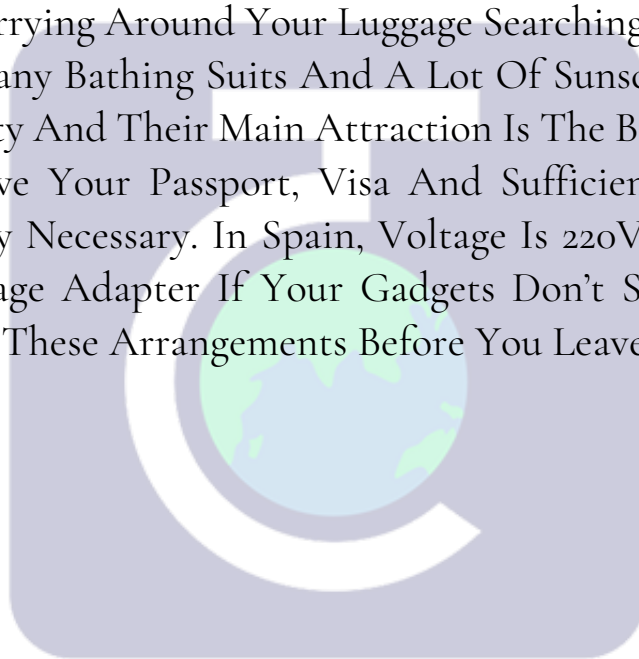
23. Travel essentials

It Is Always Advisable Wherever You Go To Start Packing Well In Advance So As To Not Leave Important Things Behind, The Absence Of Which Would Potentially Ruin Your Trip. This Is Especially True If You're Visiting Spain From Another Country Or Another Continent! Make Sure To Pre Book Your Hotel Rooms Prior To Your Arrival So That On Landing You Can Go Straight To Your Room Instead Of Carrying Around Your Luggage Searching For A Place To Live. You Should Bring Many Bathing Suits And A Lot Of Sunscreen To Costa Brava As It Is A Coastal City And Their Main Attraction Is The Beach. You Must Make Sure To Always Have Your Passport, Visa And Sufficient Money With You. Identification Is Very Necessary. In Spain, Voltage Is 220V, 50 Hz (cycles). You Might Need A Voltage Adapter If Your Gadgets Don't Support This Voltage Parameter. Make All These Arrangements Before You Leave On Your Trip.



24. Essential clothes

It Is Always Advisable Wherever You Go To Start Packing Well In Advance So As To Not Leave Important Things Behind, The Absence Of Which Would Potentially Ruin Your Trip. This Is Especially True If You're Visiting Spain From Another Country Or Another Continent! Make Sure To Pre Book Your Hotel Rooms Prior To Your Arrival So That On Landing You Can Go Straight To Your Room Instead Of Carrying Around Your Luggage Searching For A Place To Live. You Should Bring Many Bathing Suits And A Lot Of Sunscreen To Costa Brava As It Is A Coastal City And Their Main Attraction Is The Beach. You Must Make Sure To Always Have Your Passport, Visa And Sufficient Money With You. Identification Is Very Necessary. In Spain, Voltage Is 220V, 50 Hz (cycles). You Might Need A Voltage Adapter If Your Gadgets Don't Support This Voltage Parameter. Make All These Arrangements Before You Leave On Your Trip.



Index**25. Local currency**

The Local Currency Of The City Of Costa Brava Is In Euros. 1 US Dollar = 0.90 Euro.



26. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

It would be efficient for tourists and visitors to withdraw the necessary amount of money before travelling as the rates in different banks (especially foreign ones) aren't the same. Traveller's checks can be very useful, so try to get one from HSBC or American Express. The rates for ATM withdrawals would be about 1.50FBP/2€/\$. Major card brands such as Visa, MasterCard and American Express are widely accepted in Costa Brava, as well as debit cards, prepaid travel money cards and credit cards.



27. Staying connected

International Roaming Is Another Burden Added To Travelers Going Abroad; Therefore, Using Prepaid SIM Card Offered In Costa Brava Is Beneficial. It Will Allow You To Send And Receive Texts, Make Calls And Use Mobile Data To Connect To The Internet With Their Card Plans. Or More Practically, You Can Just Rent A Portable Wi-Fi Or Pocket Wi-Fi. This Way You Do Not Have To Buy A New SIM And You Can Make Calls On The Internet Easily With No Hassle.



28. Time Zone

Spain uses Central European Time Zone with UTC + 01:00.



Index**29. Languages**

Spanish Is The Main Language Spoken In Spain By About 99 Percent Of The Population.



Index**30. Political Scenario**

Spain Follows A Parliamentary Monarchy. It Is A Social And Democratic Country. The Prime Minister Is The President Of The Government And Has Indubitable Power Vested In His Hands. Spain's Political System Is A Multi-party System, But Since The 1990s, Two Parties Have Been Predominant In Politics, The Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) And The People's Party (PP).



Index**31. Economic Scenario**

Spain Has The Fourteenth Largest Economy By GDP. It Is A Member Of The European Union And The World Trade Organization. It Has The Fifth Largest Economy In The European Union. It Is Classified As A High Income Economy. Tourism, Energy, External Trade Makes Up The Main Income.



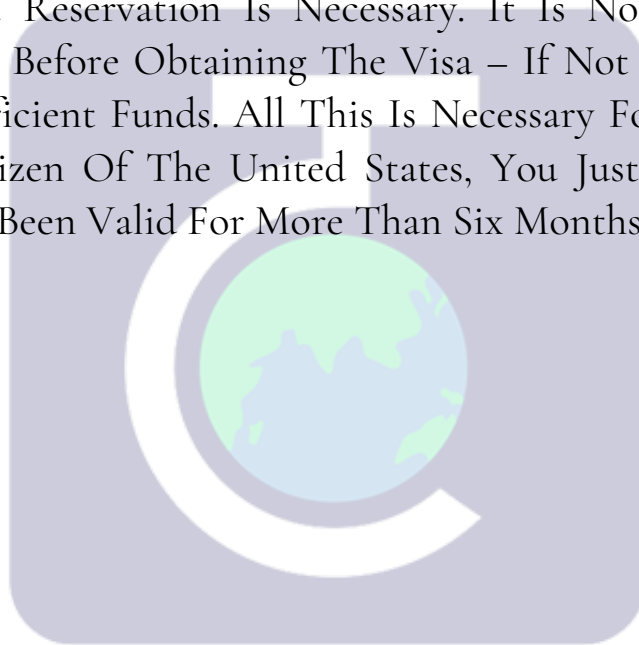
Index**32. Religious belief**

Freedom Of Religion Is Assured And Guaranteed By The Government. The Majority Of The People Are Catholic But There Are People Following Other Religions That Reside Here. People Following Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Protestantism Reside Here.



33. Visa requirements

Your Passport Must Have At Least Two Blank Pages And Must Be Valid For A Minimum Period Of Three Months After The Stay At Spain Is Completed. The Completed Schengen Visa Application Form, And A Sworn In Declaration Is Necessary. A Letter Specifying The Reason For The Visit To Spain. Also, The Travel Ticket Photocopies And A Detailed Itinerary Of The Stay. A Copy Of Your Return Ticket Reservation Is Necessary. It Is Not Recommended To Purchase The Ticket Before Obtaining The Visa – If Not Otherwise Required. You Must Show Sufficient Funds. All This Is Necessary For An Indian Citizen But If You're A Citizen Of The United States, You Just Need To Possess A Passport Which Has Been Valid For More Than Six Months.



Index**34. Essential vaccination**

You Must Be Up To Date With Vaccines Like Mumps-measles-rubella. Tetanus-Diphtheria-pertussis Vaccine, Polio Vaccine, Varicella Vaccine, And The Yearly Flu Shot.



Index**35. Theft and Safety**

Spain Is A Relatively Safe Country, With Not Many Thefts Occurring. However, Crime Most Committed In Spain In Theft. Officials Warn That Thieves Are More Likely To Steal Your Belongings From Your Car That Your Person So Keep This In Mind. Always Carry Pepper Spray And Try And Ensure That You Travel In A Group.



Index**36. Embassy/Consulate**

Most Of The Main Embassies Are Located In Nearby Barcelona Which Is The Closest Biggest City. These Embassies Have Jurisdiction Over Costa Brava. You Can Always Check Your Embassy At Www.embassy.goabroad.com



Index**37. Accessibility**

Costa Brava has adequate facilities for people with disabilities. While the big cities in Spain like Madrid and Barcelona have excelled facilities and are equipped to deal with people with disabilities, Costa Brava too makes a modest try. A lot of the monument tours are designed for people with physical disabilities.



38. Emergencies

Being A Developed Country, Spain Is Renowned For Medical Tourism. Many Tourists Flock There To Get Treated Because Of Their Highly Qualified Doctors. The World Health Organization Ranked The Spanish Healthcare System Seventh In The World. You Can Visit The Hospital Clinic Costa Brava (41.852829, 3.131224) Which Is Well Equipped To Deal With All Illnesses And Accepts International Insurances. Foreign Insurance Policies Aren't Usually Accepted And It Is Better To Be Insured By An International Policy That Is Accepted By The Country.



Index

39. Do's and Don'ts

• It Is Important To Carry Euros While In Costa Brava And Avoid Relying On Credit Cards. • Do Not Wear Sleeveless Or Revealing Clothes If You're Visiting Churches And Cathedrals. • Be Respectful Of The Locals. • While Addressing People, Using Titles Such As Mr. Miss And Mrs. Is Most Appropriate. Don'ts: • You Must Not Make Their Beaches Dirty. It Is Their Most Highly Valued Asset. • Littering Is Highly Prohibited In Costa Brava. • Smoking In Some Places Is Not Allowed. • Discussing Politics And Religion And Making Jokes About Such Topics Is Not Acceptable And Should Be Avoided. • Behaving Unseemly Is Ill Advised.



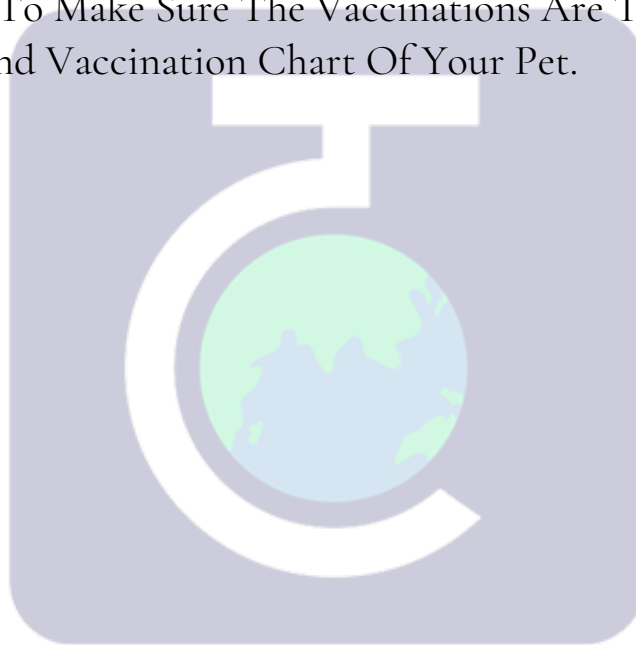
Index**40.Tipping basics**

It Is Advisable To Pay Around 2-5 Per Cent For Taxis And Restaurants, €1 For Porters. It's Polite To Leave €0.30-€0.50 In Bars, Although They Don't Usually Expect It. It Is Not A Necessity But If You Were Exceptionally Satisfied With The Service, You Should Tip.



Index**41.Pet info**

Europe In General Is Very Pet Friendly. Costa Brava Follows This Trend. You Will See Pets Everywhere, Even On Public Transport. There Are Abundant Hotels That Allow Pets To Stay. Some Of The Most Popular Hotels That You Can Choose To Stay At With Your Pet Are Vistabella (42.244753, 3.198249) And Hotel Calina (42.294492, 3.285325). If You Wish To Get Your Pet Along With You, You First Need To Make Sure The Vaccinations Are Timely And Provide A Health Certificate And Vaccination Chart Of Your Pet.



Index

Conclusion – Why to select this destination

Costa Brava Has A Myriad Of Attractions To Visit And Adventures To Embark Upon. There Are Abundant Beaches And Diving Companies That Will Fulfil Your Dream Of Scuba Diving. On Entering You Will Witness Many Different Cultures Fused Into One To Give You A Truly Unique And One Of A Kind Experience. The Weather Is Usually Perfect For Walking Around The City And Exploring Attractions. The Best Part Is You Can Enjoy It All Even If You're On A Budget. With All The Lovely Beaches That Will Give You Adrenaline Through The Adventurous Sports To The Relaxing Walks By The Waves, Costa Brava Is A Spot For All Age Groups And All Types Of Travelers.



Index

Disclaimer

All rights reserved. This Travel Guide (inclusive of all content – text, graphics, images, illustrations, designs, etc.) is an Intellectual Property of Taxidio Travel India Pvt. Ltd. Copying, republishing, uploading, reproducing, downloading, distributing, posting, transmitting, or duplicating any of the material is prohibited. All the information contained in this Travel Guide is purely a work of research. The information may have undergone changes from the time it has been compiled. Taxidio Travel India Pvt. Ltd. Cannot be held liable for any alteration, inaccuracies or omissions.

