

Barcelona Restaurant Guide

Traditional Tapas Bars

Bar del Pla

Located in the Gothic Quarter, this authentic tapas bar offers traditional small plates perfect for sharing. The atmosphere is cozy and intimate, ideal for groups. Popular dishes include patatas bravas, jamón ibérico, and manchego cheese. Open daily from 6 PM to midnight.

Cal Pep

A legendary tapas counter where you can watch the chefs prepare fresh seafood dishes. Known for their excellent anchovies and grilled prawns. Reservations recommended for groups. Located near the Picasso Museum.

Paella Restaurants

Restaurant 7 Portes

Established in 1836, this historic restaurant specializes in traditional Valencian paella. They can accommodate large groups with advance reservations. The seafood paella and mixed paella are highly recommended. Located on Passeig d'Isabel II.

La Pepica

A beachfront restaurant with over 100 years of history. Famous for serving paella to Ernest Hemingway and other celebrities. The restaurant offers outdoor seating with sea views. Perfect for group celebrations.

Budget-Friendly Options

Mercat de la Boqueria

This famous food market offers fresh produce, prepared foods, and local specialties at affordable prices. Great for groups to sample different foods. Try the fresh fruit juices and jamón sandwiches.

Street Food Areas

La Rambla and surrounding streets offer various street food options including churros, bocadillos, and local snacks. Perfect for quick meals between sightseeing activities.

Group Dining Tips

- Make reservations in advance for parties of 10
- Many restaurants offer group menus at discounted prices
- Consider sharing multiple dishes to try more variety
- Ask about student discounts at participating establishments
- Lunch is typically served 1-4 PM, dinner 8-11 PM