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A *Hilbert space* is an inner product space which is <http://planetmath.org/node/603>complete under the $\|\cdot\|$ metric.

In particular, a Hilbert space is a Banach space in the norm $\|\cdot\|$ by the inner product, since the norm and the inner product both induce the same metric. Any finite-dimensional inner product space is a Hilbert space, but it is worth mentioning that some authors require the space to be infinite dimensional for it to be called a Hilbert space.