

Ultimate 5-Day Barcelona Experience

Premium Travel Guide - €2000 Budget

Budget Breakdown Overview

- **Accommodation:** €600 (4 nights)
 - **Food & Dining:** €500
 - **Transportation:** €100
 - **Attractions & Activities:** €600
 - **Shopping & Souvenirs:** €200
 - **Total:** €2000
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DAY 1: Gothic Quarter & Historic Barcelona

Morning (9:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Arrival & Check-in

- Check into your boutique hotel in Eixample or Gothic Quarter
- **Recommended Hotels:** Hotel Casa Sagnier (€150/night) or Monument Hotel (€140/night)
- Grab coffee and pastries at Café Central (€8)

Gothic Quarter Walking Tour

- Start at Plaça de Catalunya
- Walk through Carrer del Bisbe (Bishop's Bridge)
- Visit Barcelona Cathedral (Free entry, €3 for roof access)
- Explore Plaça del Rei and the Royal Palace

Afternoon (12:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

Lunch at Cal Pep (€35-45 per person)

- Authentic tapas experience in Born district
- Try their famous tortilla and jamón ibérico

Born District Exploration

- Visit Picasso Museum (€12 with advance booking)
- Stroll through Santa Maria del Mar basilica (Free)

- Browse boutique shops on Carrer del Rec

Evening (6:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

Sunset at Park Güell (€10 entry)

- Take Metro L3 to Lesseps station
- Watch sunset over the city
- Explore Gaudí's mosaic masterpieces

Dinner in Gràcia

- La Pepita for modern tapas (€40-50)
- Experience local nightlife on Carrer de Verdi

Day 1 Budget: €168

DAY 2: Gaudí's Architectural Wonders

Morning (9:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Sagrada Familia Experience

- Skip-the-line tickets with tower access (€35)
- Audio guide included
- Spend 2-3 hours exploring this masterpiece
- Book 9:30 AM slot to avoid crowds

Brunch at Copasetic

- Healthy brunch spot near Sagrada Familia (€15)

Afternoon (1:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

Casa Batlló & Casa Milà (La Pedrera)

- Casa Batlló with VR experience (€35)
- Walk along Passeig de Gràcia for luxury shopping
- Casa Milà rooftop and exhibition (€25)
- Coffee break at Café de la Pedrera (€8)

Evening (6:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

Eixample District Exploration

- Aperitifs at Dry Martini Bar (€15 per cocktail)

- Dinner at Disfrutar (Michelin-starred, €120 tasting menu)
- Alternative: Tapas 24 for gourmet tapas (€45)

Day 2 Budget: €238 (with Disfrutar) or €163 (with Tapas 24)

DAY 3: Beach, Markets & Culinary Delights

Morning (9:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Boqueria Market Food Tour

- Start at La Boqueria on Las Ramblas
- Try various tapas and fresh juices (€25)
- Buy local specialties and jamón

Las Ramblas to Port Vell

- Walk down the famous boulevard
- Visit Columbus Monument (€6 elevator ride)
- Explore Port Vell marina

Afternoon (1:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

Barceloneta Beach Experience

- Paella lunch at Can Maño (€18-25)
- Beach time and Mediterranean Sea
- Beach volleyball or paddleboarding (€20 equipment rental)
- Sangria at a chiringuito beach bar (€12)

Evening (6:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

Cable Car to Montjuïc (€16 round trip)

- Spectacular views of the city and sea
- Visit Magic Fountain show (Free, shows at 9 PM)
- Dinner at Terraza Martinez with panoramic views (€45)

Day 3 Budget: €142

DAY 4: Art, Culture & Local Life

Morning (9:00 AM - 1:00 PM)

Museum Triangle

- National Art Museum of Catalonia (MNAC) (€12)
- Explore Romanesque and Gothic art collections
- Walk through Ciutadella Park (Free)
- Visit Arc de Triomf

Afternoon (1:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

Local Neighborhood Experience - Gràcia

- Lunch at La Singular for creative cuisine (€35)
- Explore Plaça del Sol and local boutiques
- Visit Park Güell area you might have missed
- Coffee at Café Adonis (€4)

Evening (6:00 PM - Late)

Flamenco & Nightlife

- Early dinner at Cal Pep (€40)
- Flamenco show at Tablao de Carmen (€65 with drink)
- Cocktails in El Born at Paradiso (€18 per cocktail)
- Late night tapas at Bar del Pla (€25)

Day 4 Budget: €199

DAY 5: Final Discoveries & Departure

Morning (9:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Last-minute Shopping & Souvenirs

- El Corte Inglés for Spanish brands
- Custo Dalmau for Barcelona fashion
- Vinçon for design items
- Budget: €100-150

Final Cultural Stop

- Joan Miró Foundation (€13) OR
- Contemporary Art Museum (MACBA) (€10)

Afternoon (12:00 PM - 4:00 PM)

Farewell Feast

- Lunch at Restaurant 7 Portes (traditional since 1836) (€50)
- Try their famous paella and black rice
- Final stroll through favorite neighborhoods

Day 5 Budget: €173

Transportation Guide

Getting Around Barcelona

- **Metro T-10 Card:** €11.35 (10 trips, shareable)
- **Barcelona Card:** €35 (2 days) - includes public transport + museum discounts
- **Taxi/Uber:** Average €8-15 per ride within city
- **Walking:** Most attractions are within walking distance

Airport Transfer

- **Aerobús:** €5.90 one way (35 minutes to city center)
 - **Metro:** €4.60 (45 minutes)
 - **Taxi:** €35-40 (25 minutes)
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Dining Recommendations by Category

Fine Dining (€80-150 per person)

- Disfrutar (Michelin 2*)
- ABaC (Michelin 3*)
- Moments (Michelin 2*)

Traditional Catalan (€30-50 per person)

- Can Culleretes (oldest restaurant in Barcelona)
- Restaurant 7 Portes
- Cal Pep

Modern Tapas (€25-40 per person)

- Tapas 24
- Bar Mut
- Quimet & Quimet

Casual Dining (€15-25 per person)

- Cervecería Catalana
 - El Xampanyet
 - Can Paixano (for cava and sandwiches)
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Accommodation Recommendations

Luxury (€200-300/night)

- Hotel Casa Fuster
- Mandarin Oriental Barcelona
- The Serras Hotel

Boutique (€120-180/night)

- Hotel Casa Sagnier
- Monument Hotel
- Hotel Barcelona Center

Mid-Range (€80-120/night)

- Room Mate Anna
 - Hotel Barcelona Universal
 - Praktik Bakery
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Essential Barcelona Tips

Best Times to Visit Attractions

- Sagrada Familia: 9:00 AM or 6:00 PM
- Park Güell: Early morning or sunset
- Museums: Tuesday-Thursday mornings

Cultural Etiquette

- Lunch: 2:00-4:00 PM
- Dinner: 9:00-11:00 PM
- Siesta: Many shops close 2:00-5:00 PM
- Tipping: 5-10% at restaurants

Language

- Spanish and Catalan are official languages
- English widely spoken in tourist areas
- Learn basic phrases: "Hola" (Hello), "Gràcies" (Thank you in Catalan)

Safety & Practical Info

- Watch for pickpockets on Las Ramblas and metro
 - Keep copies of important documents
 - Emergency number: 112
 - Most attractions accept card payments
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Weather & Packing Suggestions

- **Spring/Fall:** Light layers, comfortable walking shoes
 - **Summer:** Sunscreen, hat, light clothing, swimwear
 - **Winter:** Warm jacket, umbrella
 - **Year-round:** Comfortable walking shoes, portable charger
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Alternative Activities (Budget Permitting)

- **Day trip to Montserrat** (€25 train + €10 cable car)
 - **Costa Brava excursion** (€45 bus tour)
 - **Cooking class** (€65-85 per person)
 - **Bike tour** (€25-35 per person)
 - **Football match at Camp Nou** (€40-150 depending on match)
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Emergency Contacts & Useful Information

- **Tourist Police:** 932 562 430
 - **Medical Emergency:** 112
 - **Tourist Information:** Plaça de Catalunya, 17
 - **Lost & Found:** Each metro station has information
 - **Pharmacy:** Look for green cross signs
 - **Currency:** Euro (€)
 - **Time Zone:** CET (GMT+1)
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This itinerary balances must-see attractions with authentic local experiences, ensuring you get the most out of your €2000 budget while experiencing the best of Barcelona's culture, cuisine, and architectural

wonders.

¡Bon Viatge! 🇪🇸