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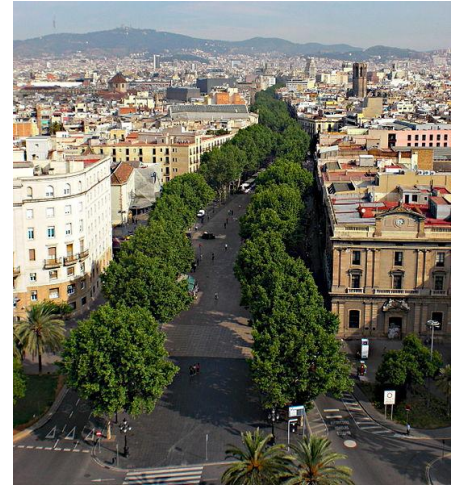
5 Days Barcelona Tour

Day 1: Arrival

Upon arrival in Barcelona, meet with local guide and transfer to hotel for check-in. Free at your leisure afterwards. Take a rest for tomorrow's tour.

Day 2: Barcelona

Spend the morning on the lively **Rambla** where you can visit the city's **opera house**, the **Gran Teatre del Liceu**, the **Boqueria Market** and the **Palau de la Virreina**, the former palace of the vicereine. Before you get to the **Columbus Monument**, turn right on to **Carrer Nou de la Rambla** and visit Gaudi's **Palau Duell**.



In the old harbour, or **Port Vell**, take a leisurely stroll along the **Moll de la Fusta** until lunchtime. We suggest you head for the Barceloneta district where you can enjoy a meal at one of the restaurants specialising in traditional Mediterranean cuisine. The best thing to do after lunch is to go for a walk through the **Ciudadella Park**, one of the city's biggest parks with interesting buildings, fountains and an artificial lake. The zoo is located inside the park grounds and is highly recommended if you are an animal lover.

As night falls, take a walk through the streets around the church of **Santa Maria del Mar**, which are full of bars and pavement cafes. A suggestion for dinner could be the Born, one of the city's most fashionable districts. In recent years, a number of specialised and exclusive, modern, small restaurants have been set up here, where you can enjoy the finest in local, Spanish and international cuisine.

Day 3: Barcelona

After breakfast, we recommend you go on the **Modernista Trail**, an itinerary which takes in some of the city's most important modernista buildings. On the Passeig de Gracia you will be able to see the **Casa Amatller**, the **Casa Batllo** and the **Casa Mila**, the latter two designed by Gaudi.

Use the travel pass issued with the Barcelona Card, or a standard transport ticket, and take a bus through the streets of the Eixample to the **Sagrada Familia**, Antoni Gaudi's famous unfinished church. The **Modernista Trail** ends at the **Park Guell**, an imaginative project, originally intended to be a residential estate and now used as a public park. From here you can pay an optional visit to **Mount Tibidabo**, and enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the city below as you dine at one of its



restaurants.

In the afternoon, the city's oldest district, the **Gothic Quarter**, is the star attraction. Medieval Barcelona has two major architectural ensembles in this area: the former royal palace, the 14th-century **Palau Reial**, which is part of the **Museu d'Historia de la Ciutat**, and the **cathedral**, a vast Gothic building with a beautiful cloister and extraordinary works of art. Throughout the Gothic Quarter you will find a whole host of restaurant offering fine dining.



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Day 4: Barcelona

On day four, you can take the opportunity to discover some of the interesting places outside the city center.

An example is **Pedralbes Monastery**, a building dating from the 14th century with its museum and the largest Gothic cloister in Europe. Afterwards, a visit to the



nearby **Barcelona Football Club** stadium will delight football fans all ages.



You can also take the time to do some

shopping. The Barcelona Shopping Line, a 5-kilometre retail thoroughfare, features all kinds of shops which offer a unique shopping experience. Some of the city's most important shopping centres and restaurants are located on the Passeig de Gracia and the Avinguda Diagonal.

Afterwards, you can head back downtown to the area around the Placa de Catalunya, the Carrer Pelai and the Portal de l'Angel to complete your

shopping. From here you can climb up to the **Montjuic Castle**, at the top, which boasts magnificent views of the city. On Montjuic, you can visit the sporting facilities of the Olympic Ring, the Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, the Fundacio Joan Miro and CaixaForum.

If you want to have dinner, there could be nowhere better than one of the many restaurants at the Poble Espanyol, which features full-scale replicas of some of Spain's most famous landmarks.



Day 5: Departure

Tour in Barcelona ends today, you can continue your stay in Spain by transferring to other cities or depart back home.