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The Gathering

## GRAND PRIX BARCELONA



# Travel Guide 2018



# Introduction

Welcome to Bantcelona!

Barcelona belongs to the Bant shard of Alara!

- It is White for the peaceful, welcoming city, filled with magnificent architecture and religious temples, such as the Sagrada Família or Barcelona's Cathedral.
- It is Blue for its beach, the seafront full of restaurants and its busy port and airport.
- It is Green for its numerous parks around the city, such as the Parc Güell, and the green grass of the Camp Nou.

Barcelona is Spain's second largest and most cosmopolitan city. It is the capital of Catalonia, a region of Spain with its own language (Catalan), own culture and character. Famous for groundbreaking art, architecture and avant-garde chefs, the city eclipses many other for its creativity and forward thinking.

Get ready to visit the Bant-coloured city that shares the legendary spirit of Dominaria, with all its historic buildings and parks, and have a saga of fun!



# Public Transportation

The ticketing system for Barcelona works by zones. If you want to stay in Barcelona and move within the city you will just need to buy a **one-way ticket** (not recommended) or a ticket valid for **10 trips** (T-10, integrated with bus, metro, tram and train: 10.20€).



There are also passes valid up to 5 days (starting at 15€). If you want to explore the surroundings of Barcelona, make sure to check out what zone are you travelling to as you will need to buy the appropriate ticket.

Info: <https://www.tmb.cat/en/barcelona/fares-metro-bus>



# Arriving from Barcelona El Prat Airport (BCN)

## By Bus

AEROBÚS is the official shuttle bus service that connects Barcelona Airport (T1 and T2) with the city center (Plaça Catalunya). It has stops at the most strategic points in BCN: Plaça Espanya (where the venue is), Gran Via-Urgell and Pl. Universidad. It runs every day of the year, with departures every 5 minutes and the journey takes about 30 minutes.

Price Single Ticket: 5.90€

More Info: <http://www.aerobusbcn.com/en/>

## By Taxi

There is a Taxi Stop in front of T1 and T2. Estimated price to Plaça Espanya: 23€

## By Train

A few minutes' walk from any terminal, the train goes from the Airport to Barcelona city every 30 minutes (from 6:00AM to 11:00PM). To get to the venue you should buy a 2 zones ticket (2,55€) and take the R2 line at the airport up to "Sants Estació" station. Once there you can buy a single Metro ticket (1 zone this time: 2,20€) and catch the Metro L3 (Green Line) up to "Espanya" station, where the venue is.

## By Metro

Please note that T-10 (10 trips pass) won't be valid in L9 if you are coming from or to the airport, so you will have to buy a special ticket (4,60€). Take the metro up to "Torrassa" station and then change to L1 (Red Line) to "Espanya" station where the venue.

# Arriving from Girona Airport (GRO)

## By Bus

The bus stops right outside the airport and will take you to Barcelona Nord (Barcelona's main bus terminal) in Barcelona city center. From there you can catch the metro underground system to take you to the venue, in Metro station "Arc De Triomf" (L1, Red Line) up to "Espanya" station where the venue is. **BEWARE!!!** There are 2 different buses, both operated by the same company. One goes "Girona Airport - Girona" and the other "Girona Airport - Barcelona". Make sure to catch the right bus! Tickets cannot be booked.

**One-way ticket: 16€, Two-way ticket: 25€.**

## By Taxi

This is an expensive option and will cost you around **130 - 140€ for a one-way trip.**





# Touristic Hotspots

Being in the heart of Barcelona, the venue's location makes it easily accessible and offers a wide range of accommodation options, either in the city or in nearby towns, thanks to the great public transportation network available in the city and surroundings. One of the singularities of Barcelona is its architecture. During the XXth Century, the city lived an architecture hype, most represented by the works of Antoni Gaudí.

## Sagrada Familia



Gaudí's unfinished masterpiece, this temple is one of the most iconic monuments in Barcelona. Its construction started in 1882 and we are still waiting to be finished! You can see the work of other architects, such as Josep Maria Subirachs, in some fronts of the building. This temple is full of various iconography and includes a museum dedicated to explaining Gaudí's vision and architectural plans. Visiting the basilica takes approximately 1 hour and the admission fees start at 15€. Buying tickets in advance is highly advisable, as long queues tend to form at the entrance.

## Parc Güell

This public park, designed by Gaudí, is an extraordinary mix between architecture and nature. Besides the famous dragon fountain, the park offers great views over the entire city.

You should save at least 3 hours for the visit, as it is a bit tricky to get there with public transportation, but the visit is totally worth it.

You can get there from the metro stations of Lesseps or Vallcarca L3, in the green line. The park has an entry fee of 9.6€.



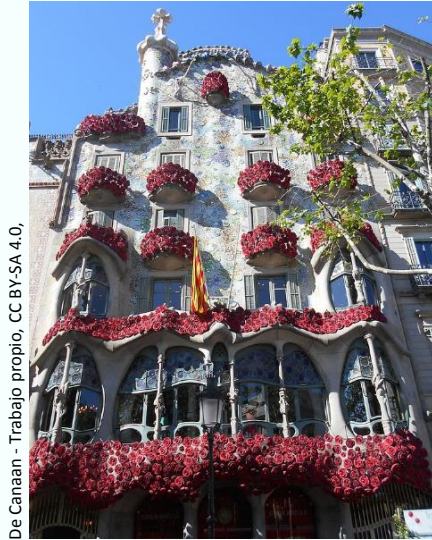
## Basílica Santa María del Mar

Built between 1329 and 1383, Santa María del Mar is a beautiful basilica considered the best and most complete example of Catalan Gothic architecture.



# Touristic Hotspots

## Passeig de Gràcia



The wide boulevards, on both sides of the street, are bordered with shops, boutiques and restaurants. But what makes the walk unique is the Art Nouveau (Modernism) houses.

The most famous are Gaudí's Casa Batlló and Casa Milà (La Pedrera). Both are open for visiting, but long queues tend to form at the entrance. Plan your visit in advance!

## Arc de Triomf & Parc de la ciutadella

You can take the metro to Arc de Triomf and walk down through the arch until you get to the Park.

It is a nice place to have a walk in the morning, as the park is full of fountains and places to relax. The zoo is right next to it, but it does not worth a visit. Make sure to visit the Freak-shops around the Arc de Triomf area if you are looking for Magic products, board games or comic



## Camp Nou

Easy to reach by subway, the stadium of the FC Barcelona is always a nice place to visit.

A guided tour to the stadium and entrance to the museum costs 25€. There is a gift shop where you can find all types of FC Barcelona merchandising



# Touristic Hotspots

## La Catedral

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This magnificent Gothic cathedral was constructed between the 13th and 15th centuries. It is located very close to the city center. You can visit it by walking from Plaça Catalunya or by taking the metro to Jaume I metro station L4.

The admission to the temple is free, but you can pay some extras (from 3 to 7€) to visit the roofs and the cathedral's museum inside.

As you visit the Cathedral and Barri Gòtic, you will also see some older ramparts from the Roman era of Barcelona, the Roman baths and the Barcelona City History Museum where you can visit the underground remains of the city.

## Las Ramblas & Barri Gòtic

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Another perfect place to have a nice walk.

You can start the walk at Plaça Catalunya and walk down the Ramblas (If you pay attention, you will see people dressing as statues).

While walking down, take a stop at the Mercat de la Boqueria (it will be on your right), a unique food market in the center of the city. When you get to the Liceu (there is a metro station), you should turn left and sneak into the old quarter, through street Portaferrissa or Ferran. Try to get to the Plaça del Pi (not so easy) and have a coffee there, then walk down to the Cathedral and then back to the Ramblas to get down to the Maremagnum and the harbor. Be very careful with your belongings, as the Ramblas is known to be an area full of pickpockets.





# Less known places

## Bosc de les Fades Café

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If you want to have a drink in the woods, here's a place you must visit. El Bosc de les Fades (The fairies' forest) is a mystery forest with the best products to satisfy your thirst! [Here's the link with all the info.](#)



## Parc del Laberint

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This labyrinthine park is the oldest garden of Barcelona. Created by a Catalan marquis and an Italian architect in late 18th century, this “Kaladesh” kind of park is a nice place to visit and enjoy your free time.

It is located in the district of Horta and you can go there from the metro station of Mundet L3. Although it is far away from the city center it is worth visiting if you have the time. The admission fees are around 2€ and it's free on Sundays. Ideal for romantic couples!



# Food and Drinks

Catalonia has been noted for its delicious and refined cuisine. It is famous for its concept of “mar i montanya”, combining the products of the sea and the mountains to create inventive dishes.

Traditional Spanish cooking draws on European impressions from the north, Moorish influences from the south and, thanks to early explorers, ingredients from the Americas and the Far East. Spanish food is exciting and diverse.

Right next to the venue there is the Arenas Barcelona mall which is full of shops of all kinds and in the top floors there are several restaurants. Also, just walking outside the venue you will be able to find plenty of places to eat without having to look around too much.

The following list is a compilation of highlighted bars and restaurants for eating across Barcelona at a reasonable price.

## Mercat de la Boqueria

A market with tons of different options and food around the world.

La Rambla, 91 08001 Barcelona.

Pl. Catalunya (L1 red, L3 green).

## Una Mica de Japó

Homemade Japanese traditional food. Nice dishes and very good

entrees and desert. Go early or book a table as the place is very small.

Urgell + 3 min. walking (L1, red)



## Michael Collins Pub

Classic Irish pub right in front the Sagrada Familia.

Live music on Mondays.

Plaza Sagrada Familia, 4, 08013 Barcelona.

## Rosa del Raval

Small Food and Drinks Bar-Restaurant. Mexican fusion cuisine. You are advised to book a table if going with a small group.

Carrer dels Àngels, 6, 08001 Barcelona.

Liceu + 5 min. walking (L3, green)

## Pim Pam Plats/Burguer

Burguer place with homemade fries. Fresh ingredients bought in the market every day.

Carrer del Rec, 18, 08003 Barcelona.

Jaume I and 5 min. walking (L4, yellow)



# Local Stores

## El Nucli

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Sagrada Família, L1 Glòries



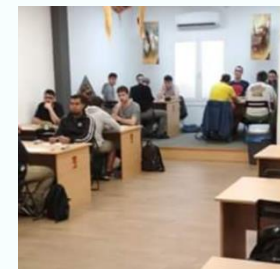
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# Safety Tips and Useful Information

## Safety Tips

Barcelona is a big city, and as in every big city there are tourists, and with tourists there are people who like to take advantage of visitors. Beware pickpockets, especially in crowded places like train and metro stations and squares, and remember to always keep your belongings near you and secure, even in the venue and while playing.

Also be careful with restaurants at touristic zones. They tend to increase prices to tourists for any reason.

**Emergency phone number: 112**

## Police

The cops in Barcelona and Catalonia are called *Mossos d'Esquadra*.

The nearest police station to the venue is located in Carrer d'Iradier, 9

**Mossos phone number: +34 933 06 23 10**



**Calling code:** +34 (0034).

**Time zone:** GMT+1, CET

**Currency:** Euro (€)

**Electricity:** 220VAC, 50Hz, European-type plug.

**Temperature in June:** around 16-28°C

## Some Language Tips

Yes = Sí

No = No

Please = Por favor

Thank you = Gracias

I need help = Necesito ayuda

I don't understand = No entiendo

Excuse me = Disculpe

I don't speak Spanish = No hablo español

I like it = Me gusta

How much is it? = ¿Cuánto cuesta?

Cheap = Barato

Expensive = Caro

Beer = Cerveza

Ham = Jamón



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