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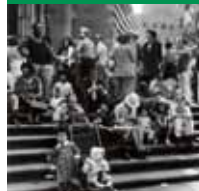
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Unforgettable activities

YOU WILL FIND A HOST OF ACTIVITIES NEAR BARCELONA
TO ENJOY NATURE, CULTURE, GASTRONOMY...
DISCOVER THEM ALL!

BY **MARÍA V. VELASCO**
PHOTOS **AGENCIES**

Barcelona has a lot more to offer. Whether amid nature or in urban surroundings, discovering the city's surrounding areas is well worth the time. Care to join us?

If you love mountains, you simply have to visit the Pyrenees in winter. Join the **Pyrenees Snow Experience** tour and travel from Barcelona by coach accompanied by a guide (in Spanish, Catalan or English) to the picturesque town of Ribes de Freser. From there, you will continue

the journey by a unique form of transport: a cog railway. After 12.5 kilometres and climbing to a 1,000-metre altitude you will reach your destination: the ski resort of **Vall de Núria**.

Surrounded by peaks of more than 3,000 metres, this idyllic valley is packed with legends and you will learn about them when you visit the sanctuary of Mare de Déu de Núria, a place of pilgrimage whose origins date back to the Middle



1. Ballooning.
2. Salt Mountain of Cardona.

Ages. You will also enjoy unbeatable views from its viewpoint and can join in a snowshoe excursion.

Another option is to spend the day skiing at the ski resorts of **La Molina** and **Masella**. They have all the services you may need and the **Skibus** will take you to them and back on the same day. You can also ski at **Baqueira Beret**, **Tavascan** and **Vall de Núria**.

There is surely nothing like seeing the earth from the heavens, so if that appeals to you choose between a trip in a balloon or helicopter. You can decide which area you want to see with **Globus Kon-Tiki** and you will receive photos of the experience, while **BG Helicopters** offers you various itineraries. These include flying over the Formula 1 and Moto GP Circuit de Catalunya, Montseny Natural Park or Sant Miquel del Fai, a peculiar architectural complex in a spectacular natural setting with waterfalls.

But there is still another way of discovering mountains: from the inside, which is possible in Cardona. What was once one of the most important potassium salt mines in the world is today the **Salt**

Discover nature with snowshoes

How about walking on virgin snow in snowshoes in the **Alt Pirineu Natural Park**, in forests where bears and capercaillies live, learning to recognise animals and plants? This is simply one of the activities offered by **Rocroi** to nature lovers. You can also opt for a hike and a traditional meal in the region of **Pallars Sobirà** or even an overnight hike (on Saturdays).



Mountain Cultural Park, where geology has shaped a magical universe. You will descend to a depth of more than 80 metres through the mine's former galleries to contemplate a universe of colours and forms. If you travel there with the family, we recommend the performance-guided tour. And a medieval gem rises imposingly on a hill opposite the mines: the **castle of Cardona**. The tour is indeed a must.

There are many Catalan enclaves that combine nature, heritage and culture and one of the most endearing is **Montserrat**, a sanctuary, monastery and mountain all at the same time. Besides being a natural park, this unique place is also the home to the sanctuary dedicated to the Virgin of Montserrat ('La Moreneta'), the patroness of Catalonia. The **Tot Montserrat** combination ticket will provide you with everything you need to enjoy a day of nature and art. A train will take you to the station of Monistrol de Montserrat from Barcelona's Plaça Espanya and once at the foot of the mountain you can choose from the historic cog railway or the Aeri cable car. The scenic views along the way in both cases are spectacular. Once there, you can enjoy a virtual tour in the audiovisual space to help you discover the interior of the Benedictine monas-



**VISIT MONASTERIES,
SKI, GO BALLOONING,
DISCOVER AN OLD MINE,
ENJOY TRADITIONAL
CUISINE... THERE ARE
MANY WAYS TO
DISCOVER THE AREA**

1. Monastery of Poblet.

2. Montserrat.



tery and you can also visit the **Museum of Montserrat**, with its major collection of works from antiquity to the avant-garde by artists such as El Greco, Monet, Picasso and Dalí, among others. To cap off your visit you can savour some Catalan dishes. And with **Easy Montserrat** you will enjoy an unforgettable morning, contemplating the unmistakable landscape of this enclave and listening to the sweet voices of the church choir. You may even think that you are indeed in heaven.

Another place that combines heritage, nature and gastronomy is **Poblet**, one of Europe's largest and best preserved monasteries. You can spend a night in its guest house, where you can taste dishes made with ecological products grown in the Monastery's garden or taste the wines from its vineyards and participate in a guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Two other medieval monasteries must also be mentioned. The first is **Món Sant Benet**, located in Sant Fruitós de Bages, with its unique design that combines art and nature. The second is the Monastery of **Sant Cugat del Vallés**, just 20 minutes from Barcelona by train. The visit includes the Monastery, its cloister (with its 144 different capitals), its Abbey House

Architecture and Modernisme

GAUDÍ OUTSIDE BARCELONA

Industrial warehouses, crypts, wineries, gardens... Antoni Gaudí's imagination seemed to have no limits and neither was it limited to Barcelona. One of his architectural gems outside the city is the **Colònia Güell** (pictured) in Santa Coloma de Cervelló. It was designed as an industrial colony with social services that would improve the quality of life of workers. While in Mataró you can visit what is considered to be his first building, the so-called '**Nave Gaudí**', a space that is today dedicated to art featuring the parabolic arches that he regularly used. The two buildings that make up the **Bodegas Güell** winery can be found in Sitges and the **Jardins Artigas** in the outskirts of Poble de Lillet are a bucolic spot where water and vegetation merge with stones to create bridges, sculptures and artificial caves. You will discover the unmistakable seal of this brilliant Catalan architect in all these places.





1. Mercantic in Sant Cugat del Vallés. 2. Wine and cheese pairing.

and the remnants of its defensive walls. If you do decide to visit, you should also visit **Mercantic**, a leading antique market.

There are also some gems of civil architecture, like the **industrial colonies** that lie along the banks of the Llobregat River as a testimony of an era. You can find them in **Terrassa**, which was a major and essential textile centre during Catalonia's industrial revolution. The city also possesses a valuable heritage of Modernist factories, such as Vapor Aymerich and Amat i Jover, which currently houses the city's Museum of Science and Technology. And you should also visit **Vic**, one of the oldest cities in Catalonia, with its rich cultural heritage. Its porticoed main square, the Mercadal,



was already home to a market in the 9th century and continues to operate today in the 21st century. You can find quality local products at this **bi-weekly market**, on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

And what better way to finish your trip through the outlying areas of Barcelona than with two dining experiences. About 45 minutes from the city, in the wine region of Penedès, the famous **Bodegas Torres** offer you a pairing of two star products of Mediterranean gastronomy: wine and cheese.

There are also wine tourism activities at the **Alta Alella winery**, located in the Maresme region, where you can taste some excellent ecological wines. ☞

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ART

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Art galleries

BARCELONA WILL NOT DISAPPOINT IF YOU LOVE ART. THE CITY HAS A RICH VARIETY OF ART IN ITS MANY GALLERIES AND OFFERS ROUTES AND ITINERARIES BY ZONES



There is no lack of creativity, dynamism and quality in Catalonia's best art galleries, which are grouped together under the **Gremi de Galeries d'Art de Catalunya** (GGAC) guild and provide added value to the city's already outstanding range of artistic activities.

The fact is artistic tradition in Barcelona dates back many years. For starters, the oldest gallery in Spain can be found in the city: **Sala Parés**, inaugura-

ted in 1877 in Carrer Petritxol in the central Gothic Quarter. It was a great artistic showcase for Barcelona's so-called 'febre d'or' (gold fever) period, triggered by the city's emerging bourgeoisie, and it also served as a platform for some of the most famous painters, such as Picasso, Santiago Rusiñol and Ramon Casas. Today, it stages a wide variety of exhibitions around realistic and figurative art.

In the same street can be found Art



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Petritxol, specialising in the great masters of Catalan painting from the 19th and 20th centuries. And the **Círculo del Arte** is also in the Gothic Quarter, with works by leading artists in its collections, such as Chillida, Tàpies, Javier Mariscal, Günter Grass...

The Eixample district is also rich in art. **Galeria Mayoral** is located there, with works by major artists such as Miró, Dalí and Picasso, and there is also **Artur Ramon Art**, a space dedicated to ancient, modern and contemporary art that will delight antique lovers. There are also several galleries to be found in Carrer Consell de Cent, such as the avant-garde **ÀMBIT** room and **Galeria Jordi Barnadas**, or **Sala Gothsland**, which is currently staging an exhibition with works by Ramon Casas.

1. Artur Ramon Art.
2. Sala Parés.

And in museums...

Some of the most interesting exhibitions in the city's museums this month include **Cubism and War. The Crystal in the Flame** at the **Picasso Museum**, until January 29; **Picasso and Romanesque Art** at **MNAC**, until February 26; **Endgame: Duchamp, Chess and the Avant-Garde** at **Fundació Joan Miró**, until January 22, and **A Thyssen Never Seen** at **CaixaForum**, until February 5. And you can still catch **Renoir Among Women** at **Fundación Mapfre** until January 8.

BARCELONA'S ART GALLERIES CONSTANTLY DEMONSTRATE THE CITY'S DYNAMISM AND CREATIVITY WHEN IT COMES TO INNOVATIVE PROPOSALS



'Picasso and Romanesque Art'.



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Nearby is **Galeria Cortinas**, specialising in modern, contemporary art. And if you head up to Gràcia you can visit **Espai[b]**, a gallery featuring the various artistic expressions of contemporary art. And in terms of innovation, there is **Cis-Art**, a pioneer nomadic gallery in Barcelona staging exhibitions in various spaces.

But Barcelona is not the only place for fine exhibitions. **Galeria d'Art Canals** in the town of Sant Cugat del Vallès features works by outstanding national and international artists. And **Out of Africa** in Sitges specialises in contemporary African tribal art.

If you want to take a tour of some of the main art galleries in Barcelo-



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1. Out of Africa in Sant Cugat.
2. Galeria Mayoral in Barcelona.

na and its metropolitan area, grab a copy of the map with 52 art galleries in Barcelona and Catalonia showing various itineraries to enjoy a different cultural activity. You can pick one up at **tourist information points** or download the interactive version at visitbarcelona.com ◇

— EL SUPLEMENTO — Gourmets

The art of good eating and drinking. A must-read for foodies.

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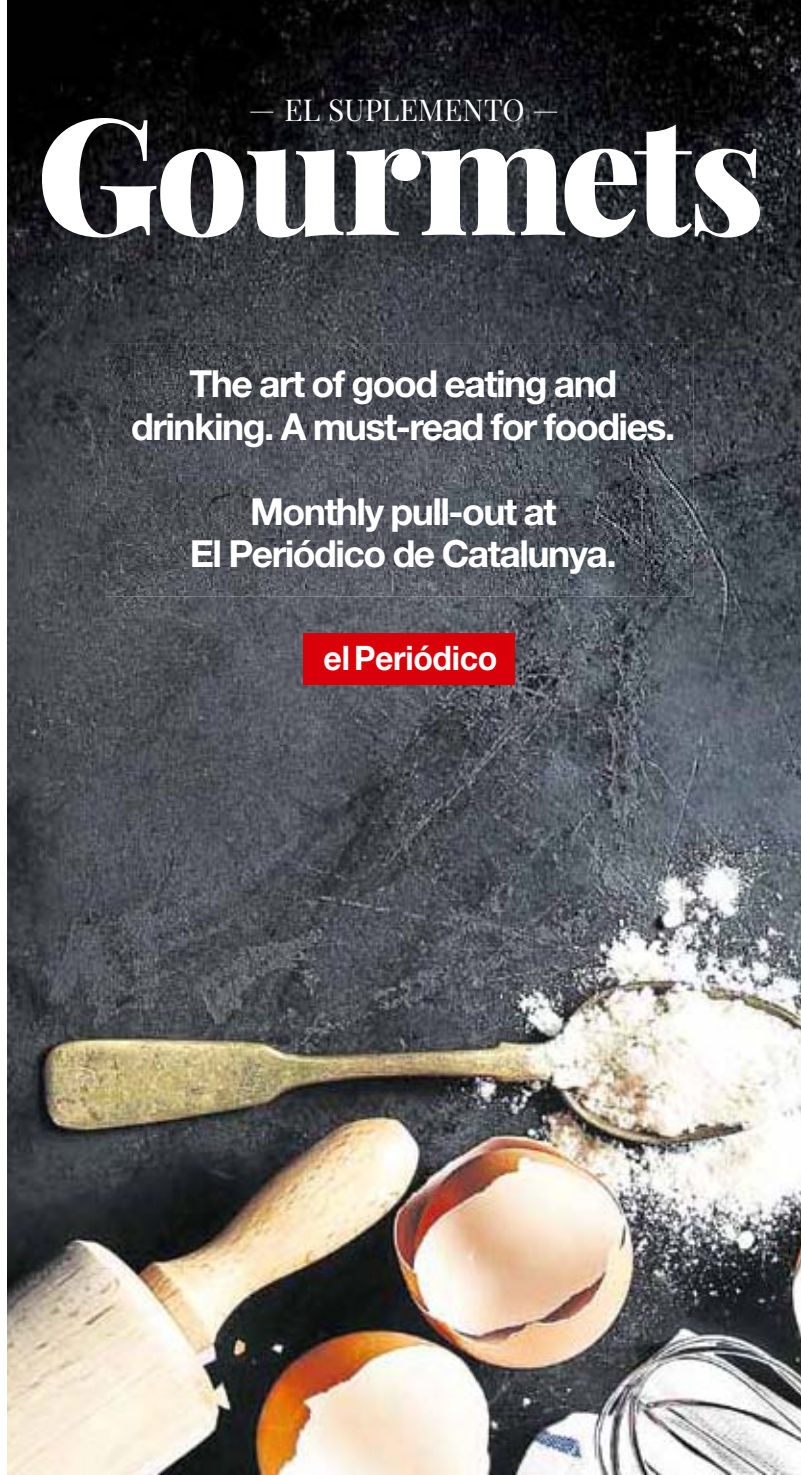
Cultural routes

DISCOVER ART ON TWO WHEELS

Art Bike Tour offers guided bike tours through the city's main art galleries and cultural and art centres, a different way to enjoy the city's artistic heritage. The tours on a sustainable, fast and fun means of transport will help you discover the city's most cultural and artistic side and engage in cultural events, gallery openings and art



exhibitions. You can choose between various 2.5-hour routes, including the areas of Montjuïc, El Raval or L'Eixample. artbiketour.com





FOOD AND
DRINK

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The best gastronomic activities

YOU CANNOT ONLY EAT VERY WELL IN BARCELONA, BUT ALSO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES TO ENJOY FOOD IN AN INTEGRAL MANNER. LET US DISCOVER SOME FOR YOU

BY ROSARIO SÁNCHEZ

Tastings, cooking courses, sensory experiences, gourmet routes, themed restaurants... Barcelona has spaces that not only house excellent restaurants, but also offer additional activities. Because you can not only eat very well in Barcelona, but also experience gastronomy with your five senses, and discover traditional Catalan cuisine products.

A good place to become acquainted with Catalonia's most gourmet side is **Òpera Samfaina**, fusing art, culture and gastronomy in an original setting housed in the building of the Gran Teatre del Liceu, at Rambla 51. It is in fact four spaces in one. The Vermouth Bar pays tribute to the olive tree and offers traditional tapas such

as 'patatas bravas', although they will have a different twist here. Odysseus screens an animated film featuring the avatar of well-known chef Jordi Roca, while Diva has dioramas, a thematic table, solidarity bar and wine and beer bars. While in Marketplace, including such suggestive spaces as Under the Sea, Hesperides and Sweet Catalonia, you will learn about the legend of Sant Jordi in terms of gastronomic and will have the chance to purchase traditional Catalan products and gifts.

Also on the Rambla, at no. 120, is the **NBA Café**, the first in Europe. Drop by if you are a basketball fan. Teams, stadiums, players, shirts signed by League stars, screens, interactive acti-

vities... its 1,400-square-metre space spread over three floors has everything you need to enjoy an authentic NBA experience in which there is no shortage of the best American cuisine. Meals, sport and technology... it all adds up to pure entertainment.

Another leading dining spot is **Restaurant 4 Capellans**, housed in the Gothic Quarter's Hotel Barcelona Cathedral (Carrer Capellans, 4). It not only serves excellent Mediterranean cuisine, but also stages cooking classes and wine tasting dinners. If you prefer seafood, rice and fish with a creative twist, visit **3 Nusos Restaurant & Lounge** (Carrer Escar, 16). There are excellent scenic views of Port Vell from its two terraces or from its interior. And you can also visit the fishermen's guild and then enjoy a seafood meal.

Another unique gastronomic space in a privileged setting is the **1902 Cafè Modernista** (Carrer Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167), located at the entrance to the former Hospital of Sant Pau, originally designed by Lluís Domènech i Montaner and one of the city's great architectural landmarks. The restaurant features simple yet traditional Catalan cuisine and organises tastings. Domènech i Montaner also designed the **Hotel España** building, which houses the **Fonda España** restaurant. The building can be visited as part of a guided tour and the restaurant has also recovered



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1. **Òpera Samfaina.**

2. **Fonda España**

Guided Tour

BARCELONA WALKING TOUR GOURMET

If you love your food, but also its history, join the Barcelona Walking Tour Gourmet guided tour. An expert guide will explain to you the essence of Catalan cuisine during a unique sensorial experience, as you taste traditional Catalan products in centennial establishments located in the neighbourhoods of La Ribera and the Gothic Quarter.

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the old concept of 'fondas' (taverns) and offers traditional cuisine with a modern touch.

But you cannot leave Barcelona without enjoying some wine tourism, so visit the emblematic **Espai de Vins** housed in the **Mirador de Colom** (Plaça Portal de la Pau) to purchase some wine or taste four of the best varieties of Catalan DO wines and cavas. They will leave the best taste in your mouth after your stay in a city that loves and promotes fine cuisine. <

For more information on dining options, download the free app at apps.barcelonaturisme.com and visit the website visitbarcelona.com



IN THE
CITY

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Excellent music, theatre and dance

BEETHOVEN, WAGNER, TCHAIKOVSKY, WALTZES BY STRAUSS... THE BEST CLASSICAL MUSIC COMBINED WITH FLAMENCO, DANCE, THEATRE AND A GUITAR FESTIVAL

◆◆◆
BY GLORIA MARTÍN

Barcelona is a world leader in music and hosts excellent concerts and performers. A good example of this is the programme of **Barcelona Obertura Classic & Lyric**, a joint initiative of the city's three main classical music centres: **Gran Teatre del Liceu**, **L'Auditori** and **Palau de la Música Catalana**. The main dates in January at L'Auditori are the **Jerusalem Quartet** (January 25), performing works by Haydn, Prokofiev and Beethoven, and the Mariinsky Theatre Symphony Orchestra conducted by Valery Gergiev playing an opera by Wagner: *Tristan and Isolde* (January 27). At the Palau de la

Música, Beethoven's Sonatas will be heard on January 26, as performed by one of the most important violinists on the scene today, **Leonidas Kavakos**, accompanied by the pianist **Enrico Pace**. While from January 15 to February 4, the Liceu will stage a classic: *Werther*. Based on Goethe's novel, Jules Massenet presented the character that best represents impossible love.

There is even more quality classical music at L'Auditori on January 28 and 29. Gergiev will conduct the **Mariinsky Theatre Orchestra** and Barcelona Symphony Orchestra (OBC) per-



1. Valery Gergiev.
2. Lamb Chop.

forming Shostakovich's Symphony No. 4, while at the Palau de la Música there are three more events. The Goldberg Variations will be performed by pianist **Zhu Xiao-Mei** on January 16. The **Grand New Year's Concert** will run from December 31 to January 4, inspired by the famous annual concert in Vienna, the Strauss Festival Orchestra will stop by Barcelona to perform it on its traditional European tour. Enjoy the music while watching waltzes and polkas by the Strauss Festival Ballet Ensemble. And on January 10, three classic works by **Tchaikovsky**: Piano Concerto No. 1, Swan Lake and 1812 Overture.

Besides classical music, there will also be other types of music to satisfy all tastes. The **Irish Celtic dancers** from **Gaerforce Dance** will be in action at L'Auditori on January 7, singer-songwriter **Niña Pastori** will perform at Teatre Victòria as part of the Mil.lenni Festival on January 16 and 17 and **Leroy Sánchez** will stop by Bikini on January 27 as part of his world tour.

And if you like the sounds of the guitar, don't miss **Lamb Chop** live at Sala BARTS on January 23. The Nashville band led by Kurt Wagner will open the new edition of **Guitar BCN Festival**, which brings together an outstanding lineup of artists linked to the world of six strings in various venues throughout the city.

Dance and theatre also feature during the first month of the year, with two

Festivals and traditions

THE THREE KINGS

On the most magical night of the year, January 5, Barcelona welcomes **The Three Kings** (Melchior, Gaspar and Balthazar), who after a spectacular parade through the city centre (pictured) fill people's houses with gifts. It is the most anticipated night, especially for children. But there is another parade in the city in January, the traditional **Tres Tombs** festival in the neighbourhood of Sant Antoni. It takes place on January 17 and pays tribute to Sant Antoni Abat, the patron saint of pets, which can be seen in the accompanying parade. A procession of horses, riders and floats in a tradition that dates back to the beginning of the 19th century.



highlight musicals: *Scaramouche* (in Catalan) staged by Dagoll Dagom at Teatre Victòria, set in France during the Revolution, and *Moustache* (in Spanish) directed by Coco Comin at Teatre Apolo. Lovers of ballet will also have the chance to see two classics at Teatre Nacional (TNC): *Swan Lake* (January 12 to 15) and *The Nutcracker* (January 22). < For more information on events: visitbarcelona.com/agend



El Raval: tradition and modernity

LEGENDARY RAVAL NEIGHBOURHOOD COMBINES
PAST AND PRESENT LIKE FEW OTHERS

◆◆◆
BY VÍCTOR LÓPEZ

The past has left an indelible mark on the Raval neighbourhood, which has recently undergone a major modernisation process. Today, historic buildings coexist with 21st century architectural icons. The former includes the small outstanding Romanesque church of **Sant Pau del Camp**. Its monastery cloister is well worth a visit, as it is an oasis of peace, likewise the courtyards of the former **Hospital de la Santa Creu**, currently housing the national library of Catalonia. And Antoni Gaudí's **Palau Güell** also possesses its own outstanding peculiar charm.

The Raval exudes history and much culture, as can be seen in the **Museu Ma-**

ritim, which reflects the millennial heritage of a seafaring city. The Barcelona Contemporary Culture Centre (**CCCB**) organises debates, exhibitions, courses... and **MACBA** is housed in an unmistakable building designed by Richard Meier. And if you feel peckish, head to the **Rambla del Raval**, which is dotted with restaurant terraces and is home to an unmistakable statue: Fernando Botero's giant cat. Or you can choose from any of the historic bars in the neighbourhood. Some of the most endearing are **Casa Almirall**, founded in 1860, and **Boadas** cocktail bar, which has maintained its essence since 1933. ◇

Gastronomy

TRADITIONAL FLAVOURS

There are many traditional eateries in the Raval serving Mediterranean cuisine made from local products. You will find such culinary delights at **Bar Cañete** (pictured) in the form of tapas or meals, at **Fonda España**, with its

delightful Modernista dining area, at the classic **Ca l'Isidre** and at **Dos Palillos**, fusing Asian cuisine with local products.



Catalan crafts in Ciutat Vella

THERE ARE MANY CATALAN CRAFT STORES IN THE HEART OF BARCELONA, ALL OFFERING HERITAGE RELATED ITEMS

BY JUANJO GARMENDIZ



Tradition has a great presence in Barcelona's central Ciutat Vella district, the city's oldest zone. So it is no surprise that it is dotted with stores offering a variety of quality Catalan craft products.

You will find 100% Catalan craft products at **Empremtes de Catalunya**, with its wide range of articles re-

lated to art, culture, tradition, history, architecture, landscape and popular customs. Scarves, jewellery, fans, clothes, kitchen utensils, toys... you can find them all at its store in Carrer Banys Nous, as well as at the official Barcelona Turisme stores, Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya (MNAC) and Museu de la Xocolata.



BCN Original also offers an equally varied range that is inspired by the city, including stationery, travel and gift items. You can purchase them at the **tourist information points** at Plaça Catalunya 17 and near Plaça Sant Jaume (Carrer Ciutat, 2). They are ideal places to buy an original made-in-Barcelona gift. The handmade accessories of **4Retinas** also display images of the city, including bags, magnets, post-cards, notepads, etc.

Ítaca sells a range of local, popular items that includes porcelain, glass and ceramic products and a wide range of objects inspired by Catalonia's best-known architect, Antoni Gaudí.

It was Gaudí, along with Josep Maria Jujol, who invented a mosaic technique entitled 'trencadís'. You can learn about it and purchase the materials to make some of your own at the **Mosaicos** workshop store.

Once there, you will notice the image of a 'panot' (paving stone) with a rose. It is the one used in the pavements of many streets in the city and was designed by Puig i Cadafalch.

And you will find books on Gaudí, Domènech i Montaner and other lea-



ding Catalan architects, as well as some internationally renowned figures such as Le Corbusier or Frank Lloyd Wright, at **Cooperativa d'Arquitectes Jordi Capell**, with its careful selection of personally designed exclusive gifts: furniture, lighting, watches... The store is located next to the cathedral, under a monumental Picasso frieze, and also houses the only architecture bookshop in the city.

Drop by the **Art Escudellers** workshop too. Inside you will be taught how to mould pieces of pottery and can purchase a host of handicraft items in its store. ◇ barcelonashoppingline.com

Catalan heritage

CATALAN HERITAGE HOUSE

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'SCARAMOUCHE'
BY DAGOLL DAGOM
AT TEATRE VICTORIA

INFORMATION AND SALES

➤ Tourist information points and tickets.visitbarcelona.com

Exhibitions

ARXIU FOTOGRAFIC DE BARCELONA

(Pl. Pons i Clerch, 2). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Jaume I (L4). Mon-Sat 10am-7pm. Closed Sun and public holidays. arxiufotografic.bcn.cat/en

FREE Footprints. Humberto Rivas Until Apr 8. Images taken between 1981 and 2005 featuring people and places related to the Spanish Civil War.

ARXIU HISTÒRIC DE LA CIUTAT DE BARCELONA

(Santa Lúcia, 1). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Mon-Fri 9am-8.30pm; Sat 10am-8pm (except public holidays). Closed Sun and public holidays. ajuntament.barcelona.cat/arxiu-municipal/arxiuhistoric/es

FREE Diario de Barcelona, a journalistic company (1792-2009) Until Mar 31. History of this former city newspaper.

CAIXAFORUM

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10am-8pm. Jan 5 10am-6pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. €4. Under-16s, free. <http://obrasocialcaixa.org>

➤ A never-before-seen Thyssen Until Feb 5. Exceptional works from Madrid's Museu Thyssen-Bornemisza.

➤ Balm and flight Until Jan 15. Artistic creation in prison.

➤ Land of dreams Until Jan 8. Images by Spanish photographer Cristina García Rodero of women in Anantapur, India. ➤ Art and cinema. 120 years of exchange Until Mar 26. Looking at the debt that film-making owes to other areas of the arts.

CASTELL DE MONTJUÏC

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10am-6pm. Last entry: 5.30pm. Closed Jan 1. €5. Reduced: €3. Under-16s and Sundays after 3pm, free. ajuntament.barcelona.cat/castelldemontjuic/en

Montjuïc, the construction of a castle Permanent exhibition.

Doble Creu Permanent exhibition of sculpture by Carles Berga.

Montjuïc trial Until Feb 28. Anarchism and repression in late 19th-century Barcelona.

Weapons Until Feb 28. Marc Javierre-Kohan.

CENTRE DE CULTURA CONTEMPORÀNIA DE BARCELONA

(Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sun, public holidays 11am-8pm. Jan 5, 6 11am-3pm. Last entry: half an hour before closing. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. One exhibition: €6. Reduced: €4. Two exhibitions: €8. Reduced: €6. Under-12s, free. Sunday 3pm-8pm, free. www.cccb.org

1,000sqm of desire Until Mar 19. A novel exploration of architecture and sexuality.

COSMOCAIXA

(Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Jan 5 10am-6pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1, 6. €4. Under-16s, free. <http://obrasocial-lacaixa.org>

➤ The Material Room Permanent exhibition. The history of the Universe.

➤ 3D Planetarium: Is anybody out there? Permanent exhibition.

➤ The flooded forest Permanent exhibition. Living exhibit with over 100 species from the Brazilian jungle.

➤ The birthplace of humanity Until Jan 29. Learn about how our ancestors lived.

➤ Two faces of the Antarctic No end date.

➤ Sapiens. Understanding for creating Until May 31. Exploring the complexities of creating an apparently simple dish guided by award-winning Catalan chef Ferran Adrià.

EL BORN CENTRE DE CULTURA I MEMÒRIA

(Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Site and exhibitions: Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. Permanent exhibition: €4.40. Reduced: €3.08. Franco, Victory, Republic: €2.20. Under-16s, free. Sunday 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month 10am-8pm, free. elbornculturairememoria.barcelona.cat

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria Under an emblematic 19th-century market, discover an archaeological site from 1700.

Barcelona 1700. From stones to people (Sala Villarroel) Permanent exhibition.

FREE It happened to me Until Jan 8 Looking at the use of torture before and during the Franco dictatorship.

Franco, Victory, Republic. Impunity and urban space Until Jan 8 Three statues from the Franco dictatorship are displayed to question the permissiveness of symbols related to that period.

ESPAI VOLART – FUNDACIÓ VILA CASAS

(Ausiàs Marc, 22). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Temp exhibitions: Tue-Fri 5pm-8.30pm; Sat 11am-2pm, 5pm-8.30pm; Sun 11am-2pm. Closed Mon, public holidays and Jan 1. €1. www.fundaciocivillacasas.com

Painted persons Jan 19-Mar 26. Works by Barcelona artist Gonzalo Goytisolo.

Maran ata Jan 19-Mar 26. Born in Equatorial Guinea, Sergi Bamils combines light, colour and emotion in his abstract paintings.

A chamber music Jan 19-Mar 26. Francesc Todó pays homage to the lyricism of music with avant-garde drawings and paintings.

FUNDACIÓ ANTONI TÀPIES

(Aragó, 255). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Tue-Sun 10am-7pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1, 6. €7. Students and over-65s: €5.60. www.fundaciotapies.org

Permanent exhibition Extensive collection of artworks by Tàpies.

1989. After the Algiers talks; the delayed peace Until Jan 15. In 1989, ETA and the Spanish government tried to negotiate a ceasefire.

Antoni Tàpies. Collection 1966-1976 (II) Until Jan 15. Pieces created by the late artist.

FUNDACIÓ CATALUNYA-LA PEDRERA

(Pg. de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Jan 1: 11am-8pm. Last entry: 7.30pm. €4. www.lapedrera.com

Jorge Oteiza Until Jan 1. Spanish artist Oteiza (1908-2003) was a leading sculptor in the second half of the 20th century.

FUNDACIÓ JOAN MIRÓ

(Parc de Montjuïc, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue, Wed, Fri 10am-6pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). €12. Reduced: €7. Temporary exhibition: €7. Reduced: €5. Espai 13: €2.50. Under-15s, free. www.fmirobcn.org

Joan Miró. Collection The most important public collection of work by the Catalan artist has been given an updated presentation.

Endgame: Duchamp, chess and the avant-gardes Until Jan 22. An examination of the history of modern and conceptual art.

Espai 13: One Foot Out. Expeditions and Diasporas Until Sep 11. Artistic works from outside the usual circuits of Barcelona contemporary art. Until Jan 8 see the work of Nicolás Lamas, while from Jan 20, the space is taken

over by artistic duo, Momu & No Es.

Foyer: Urban cut-outs Until Jan 15. Images by Miró's friend and amateur photographer, Lluís Maria Riera.

Nadala Until Jan 8. The Miró Foundation once again marks the Christmas period with a special work of art; this year it's an installation by Luis Bisbe regarding the illusions so evident during the festive season, entitled 'purehardillusion'.

FUNDACIÓ SUÑOL

(Pg. de Gràcia, 98). M: Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: Provença. Mon-Fri 11am-2pm, 4pm-8pm; Sat 4pm-8pm. Closed Sun and public holidays. €4. Reduced: €3. www.fundacionsunol.org

Camins encontres Until Mar 18. Two works by Catalan artist Joan Rabascall, created in very different eras.

Resplandor seco Until Mar 11. Exhibition focused on Spanish painter and photographer Dario Villalba.

FUNDACIÓN MAPFRE

Casa Garriga i Nogués (Diputació, 250). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Mon 2pm-8pm; Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 11am-7pm. Last entry: 30 mins before closing. Closed Jan 1, 6. €3. Mon 2pm-8pm, free. www.fundacionmapfre.org

Renoir among women. From modern to classic ideals Until Jan 8. Sixty pieces highlight Renoir's dedication to images of women.

Peter Hujar. Speed of life Jan 26-Apr 30. Retrospective of work by US photographer.

THE GAUDÍ EXHIBITION CENTER

Museu Diocesà (Pla de la Seu, 7). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). 10am-6pm. €15. Reduced: €7.50, €12. Under-8s, free. www.gaudiexhibitioncenter.com

HASH MARIHUANA & HEMP MUSEUM

(Ample, 35). M: Drassanes (L3), Barceloneta (L4). 10am-10pm. Public holidays 2pm-10pm. €9. Under-13s, free. www.hashmuseum.com

➤ **Permanent exhibition** Discover the past, present and future of the cannabis plant and its potential for industrial, nutritional, medicinal and leisure uses.

JARDÍ BOTÀNIC DE BARCELONA

(Doctor Font Quer, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Permanent exhibition: 10am-5pm. Closed Jan 1. €3.50. Reduced: €1.70. Garden + temp ex: €5. Reduced: €2.50. Combined ticket with Museu Blau: €7. Reduced: €3.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of the month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. museuenciacs.cat
Permanent exhibition Mediterranean plants from around the world.
Bonsai show Weekends and public holidays (except Jan 1) 10.30am-4.30pm.

MUSEU BLAU. MUSEU DE LES CIÈNCIES NATURALS DE BARCELONA

(Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Tue-Fri 10am-6pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. €6. Reduced: €2.70. Temporary exhibition: €6.50. Reduced: €4.50. Combined ticket with Jardí Botànic: €7. Reduced: €3.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. museuenciacs.cat
Planet Life Permanent exhibition.
Spinosaurus: Lost Giant of the Cretaceous Until Mar 26. Created by the National Geographic Museum in Washington, D.C., the main exhibit of this show is a 15-metre skeleton of a *Spinosaurus*.
FREE MontPhoto Until Jan 29. Show featuring incredible photos of nature submitted to MontPhoto contests over 20 years.
FREE Women's cricket with pride Until Jan 9. Photos of Spain's first female cricket team made up of 12 young Muslim women.

MUSEU CAN FRAMIS. FUNDACIÓ VILA CASAS

(Roc Boronat, 116-126). M: Glòries (L1), Poblenou & Llacuna (L4). Tue-Sat 11am-6pm; Sun 11am-2pm. Closed Mon, public holidays and Jan 1. €5. Reduced: €2. Temp exhibitions: €2. www.fundaciovilacasas.com
Deleted Jan 23-Jun 17. Catalan artist Jordi Alcaraz works in the space between visual poetry and conceptual projection.

MACBA. MUSEU D'ART CONTEMPORANI

(Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Sant Antoni (L2). Mon, Wed-Fri 11am-7.30pm; Sat 10am-9pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Last entry: 30 mins before closing. Closed Tue (except public holidays). €10 (valid for one month). Reduced: €8. Under-14s free. www.macba.cat

Hard gelatin. Hidden stories from the 80s Until Mar 19. Revisiting the traditional account of the 1977-1992 period of post-dictatorship creativity in Spain.

Antoni Miralda. Made in USA Until Apr 9. Catalan artist Miralda is renowned for his focus on food.

MACBA Collection 31 Until end Jun. Selection of 85 works by 5 artists from the more than 5,000 that make up the Museum's repository.

MUHBA EL CALL

(Placeta de Manuel Ribé, s/n). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Wed, Fri 11am-2pm; Sat-Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Jan 1. €2.20. Reduced: €1.54. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
The Jews in Medieval Barcelona Permanent exhibition.

MUHBA OLIVA ARTÉS

(Espronceda, 142-146, Parc Central del Poblenou). M: Poblenou (L4). Wed 10am-2pm; Sat-Sun 11am-3pm, 4pm-6pm. Closed Jan 1. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
FREE Interrogate Barcelona Permanent exhibition that traces change in the city from industrialisation to the 21st century.

Flanders' industrial heritage, 1975-2015 Until Apr 16. From the mid-70s, the Belgian region of Flanders took active steps to preserve its industrial heritage.

MUHBA PARK GÜELL

(Olot, s/n. Casa de la Guardia). M: Vallcarca (L3). 8.30am-6.15pm. Last entry: 5.30pm. The Casa de la Guardia is part of the visit to the Conjunt Monumental of Park Güell, and is subject to the conditions regarding access to Park Güell. €8. Reduced: €5.60. Under-7s, free. museuhistoria.bcn.cat; www.parkguell.cat
Güell, Gaudí and Barcelona, the expression of an urban ideal Permanent audiovisual exhibition about Park Güell and the city at the time of modernism.

MUHBA PLAÇA DEL REI

(Pl. del Rei). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. €7. Reduced: €5. Temp exhibition only: €2.20. Reduced: €1.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
Permanent exhibition Archaeological site that lets you get to know the Roman colony of Barcino.
Christianity, visigoths and the city Permanent exhibition about Barcelona in the late antiquity period.

The first farmers. Major innovation from 7,500 years ago Until Feb 12. Farmers led the first transformation of Barcelona's landscape.

Je vous offre les oiseaux/Us ofereixo els ocells From Jan 28. A visual and audio experience that reflects on how survivors of Nazi concentration camps say they never heard birds while imprisoned.

MUHBA REFUGI 307

(Nou de la Rambla, 169). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Guided tours: Sun 10.30am (English), 11.30am (Spanish) and 12.30pm (Catalan). Closed public holidays. €3.40. Prior reservation necessary: reservesmuhba@eicub.net. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
Permanent exhibition 400 metres of tunnels let you sense the anguish felt by residents during air raids on the city during the Spanish Civil War.

MUHBA SANTA CATERINA

(Pl. de Joan Capri, s/n.). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon-Sat 7.30am-3.30pm. Closed Sun and public holidays. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
FREE Permanent collection Archaeological remains among the foundations of the Santa Caterina market.

MUHBA TEMPLE D'AUGUST

(Paradís, 10). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Mon 10am-2pm; Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Jan 1. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
FREE Permanent exhibition Visit the remains of Augustine's temple, which dates from Roman Barcelona.

MUHBA TURÓ DE LA ROVIRA

(Marià Labèrnia, s/n) Bus: 119, V17. General access has no fixed timetable. Museum area: Wed 10am-2pm; Sat, Sun 10am-3pm. Closed Jan 1. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
FREE Barcelona to the limit This spot overlooking the city was used for anti-aircraft guns in the Civil War.

MUHBA VIA SEPULCRAL ROMANA

(Pl. de la Vila de Madrid). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue, Thu 11am-2pm; Sat, Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon, Wed, Fri and Jan 1. €2. Reduced: €1.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. museuhistoria.bcn.cat
Permanent exhibition This secondary Roman road was also the site for burials between the first and third centuries AD.

MUHBA VIL·LA JOANA

(Ctra. de l'Església, 104). FGC: Baixador de Vallvidrera. Thu 10am-2pm; Sat, Sun and public holidays 10am-7pm. Last entry: half an hour before closing. Closed Jan 1. museuhistoria.bcn.cat

FREE Permanent exhibition Beautiful historical farmhouse in Collserola park that has recently undergone renovation works.
Re-interpreting JV Foix Jan 30-Mar 5. Twelve sculpture-books by Quim Domene about works by Catalan poet JV Foix, and an audiovisual installation by Domene and illustrator Norbe Fernández.

MUSEU D'ARQUEOLOGIA DE CATALUNYA-BARCELONA

(Pg. de Santa Madrona, 39-41). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3). Tue-Sat 9.30am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. €4.50. Reduced: €3.50. Under-8s, free. Last Tue of every month (Oct-Jun), free. www.mac.cat

Greek wine Until Jan 29. The history of Greek wine in Catalonia from classical times to the present day.

Bones Until Jan 27. Take a trip to the medieval period via physical anthropology.

MUSEU DE BADALONA

(Pl. Assemblea de Catalunya, 1. Badalona). M: Badalona Pompeu Fabra (L2). Tue-Sat 10am-2pm, 5pm-8pm. Sun and public holidays 10am-2pm. Temp exhibition: Tue-Sat 5pm-8pm, Sun 10am-2pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. 6. €6. Reduced: €1, €3, €4.80. Under-7s, free. www.museudebadalona.cat
Baetulo, Roman city Permanent exhibition lets you see the remains of the steam baths and Decumanus Maximus street.
The Monastery of Sant Jeroni de la Murtra: 600 years of history Until Jan 15. The museum celebrates 600 years of this nearby monastery, which is renowned for its Catalan Gothic architecture, with an exploration of its extensive past.

MEB: MUSEU DE L'ERÒTICA DE BARCELONA

(La Rambla, 96, bis). M: Liceu (L3), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). 10am-midnight. Jan 1 noon-midnight. €9. Reduced: €8. Special prices for groups. www.erotica-museum.com
Permanent exhibition Take a trip through the history of eroticism and its representation in art.

MUSEU DE LA MÚSICA

L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Ma-

rina (L1), Monumental (L2). Tue, Wed, Fri 10am-6pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sat, Sun 10am-7pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. 6. €6. Reduced: €4.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. www.museumusica.bcn.cat

► **Permanent exhibition.** The different periods that make up the history of music.

► **Catalan rock's big night** Until Jan 8. At the end of the 1980s and start of the 1990s, Catalan rock enjoyed a boom time.

MUSEU DE LA XOCOLATA

Antic Convent de Sant Agustí (Carrerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Mon-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Jan 1. 6. €6. Reductions available. Under-7s, free. www.museumxocolata.cat

► **Permanent exhibition** The origins of chocolate, its arrival in Europe in the 16th century and relationship with Barcelona.

MUSEU DE LES CULTURES DEL MÓN

(Montcada, 12). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays, 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. Joint ticket for Museu Etnològic + Museu de les Cultures del Món: €5. Reduced: €3.50. Temp exhibition only: €2.20. Reduced: €1.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. museuculturesmon.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition The artistic heritage of different cultures.

Ikunde. Barcelona, colonial metropolis Until Jun 5. The connection between Barcelona and Spanish Guinea, a Spanish colony from 1778 until 1968.

Dialogues with Africa. The memory of objects End date tbc. This exhibition is the result of a collective project by the museum, researchers at the University of Barcelona and Catalans who were born in Africa.

MUSEU DE MONTSERRAT

(Abadia de Montserrat, 08199 Montserrat). FGC from Pl. Espanya (R5 line). Station: Montserrat + zip train. 10am-5.45pm. €7. Reduced: €6. Children 8-16: €4. www.museudemontserrat.cat

Permanent exhibition Paintings by El Greco, Caravaggio, Monet, Degas, Dalí, Picasso... **Imagined Greece** Until Feb 5. Sculptures by Catalan artist Josep Salvadó Jassans.

Absis Until Mar 19. A selection of works by contemporary Catalan artist Jaume Ribas.

MUSEU DEL DISSENY DE BARCELONA

Edifici Disseny Hub Barcelona (Pl. de les

Glòries Catalanes, 37-38). M: Glòries (L1). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. Permanent exhibitions: €6. Reduced: €4. Temp exhibition: €4.40. Reduced: €3. Under-16s, free. Sundays from 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month, all day, free. www.museudelisseny.cat

From the world to the museum. Product design, cultural heritage Permanent exhibition.

Extraordinary! Collections of decorative arts and signature works (3rd-20th centuries). Permanent exhibition.

The dressed body. Silhouettes and fashion (1550-2015) Permanent exhibition.

Graphic design: from trade to profession (1940-1980) Permanent exhibition tracing the professionalisation of graphic design.

D'obra Until Jan 29. Around 12,000 years of tradition and innovation in the use of ceramics in architecture.

MUSEU DEL FUTBOL CLUB BARCELONA

Estadi FCB (Aristides Maillol, s/n. Gates 7 and 9). M: Les Corts (L3). For opening times, check website. Closed Jan 1. €23. Reduced: €18. Under-6s and FCB members, free. Some areas closed and opening hours reduced on match days. www.fcbarcelona.com

► **Camp Nou Experience** Permanent exhibition that takes in the club's 118 years of history and includes a visit to the stadium facilities.

MUSEU DEL MODERNISME DE BARCELONA

(Balmes, 48). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Tue-Sat 10.30am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10.30am-2pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. 6. €10. Reduced: €7. Children 6-16: €5. Under-6s, free. www.mmbcn.cat

► **Permanent exhibition** Over 350 works by 42 artists from Catalan modernism, including Ramon Casas.

MUSEU EGIPCÍ DE BARCELONA

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Jan 2-5: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm. From Jan 7: Mon-Fri 10am-2pm, 4pm-8pm; Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm. Closed Jan 1. 6. €11. Reduced: €8. Children 6-14: €5. Under-5s, free. www.museuegipci.com

► **Permanent exhibition**

► **Tutankhamun, history of a discovery** No end date. How the tomb of the famous Egyptian king was uncovered.

► **Osiris, god of Egypt** No end date. This

exhibition delves into the story of this Egyptian monarch and deity.

MUSEU ETNOLÒGIC

(Passeig de Santa Madora, 16-22). M: Poble Sec (L3), Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. Joint ticket for Museu Etnològic + Museu de les Cultures del Món: €5. Reduced: €3.50. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 4pm-8pm, free. ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home

Feel our heritage Permanent exhibition.

MEAM: MUSEU EUROPEU D'ART MODERN

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. €9. Reduced: €7. Under-11s free. www.meam.es

► **Contemporary figurative art**

Permanent exhibition of nearly 300 paintings and 80 sculptures from the 20th and 21st centuries.

MUSEU FREDERIC MARÈS

(Plaça de Sant Iu, 5). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm. Sun and public holidays 11am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. €4.20. Reduced: €2.40. Under-16s, free. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. www.museumares.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition Wide-ranging display includes Frederic Marès's sculpture collection, his 'collector's cabinet', which houses thousands of items that he collected during his life, and his library-study.

FREE Barcelona Christmas cards Until Feb 2. The display area in the museum courtyard shows Christmas cards from different occupations and which feature various city scenes.

MUSEU MARÍTIM DE BARCELONA

(Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). T. 93 342 99 20. 10am-8pm. Last entry: 7.30pm. Closed Jan 1. 6. Temporary exhibitions: €7. Reduced: €3.50. Sundays from 3pm, free. www.mmb.cat

Toy boats 1870-1939 Until Jan 9. Private collection of toys from Menorca.

Children of the ocean Until Feb 12. Paying homage to artisanal fishermen and women who live off and for the sea.

MUSEU MOTO BARCELONA

(C/ de la Palla, 10). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Mon-Sat 10.30am-7.30pm. For Sun and public holi-

days, check with museum. €9 including a drink. Reduced: €6 including a drink. Up to 8 years old, free. www.museumoto.com

► **Motorbike. Society, industry, competition** Permanent exhibition.

► **Scooters: a century of the urban moped** Until Mar. The evolution of the moped.

MUSEU NACIONAL D'ART DE CATALUNYA

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except for public holidays) and Jan 1. €12. Lluïsa Vidal: €4. Marianne Breslauer: €6. Picasso: €8. Rooftop viewing point: €2. Under-16s and over-65s, free. Saturdays from 3pm, and first Sunday of every month, free. www.museunacional.cat

► **Permanent exhibition** Most important collection of painted Roman murals and Catalan modernism in the world.

► **Lluïsa Vidal** Until Jan 15. Vidal is one of the most well-known female artists from the Catalan modernist period.

► **Marianne Breslauer** Until Jan 29. The photographic career of this German artist was short (1927-1938) but formed a key part of the 'new photography' movement.

► **Picasso and Romanesque art** Until Feb 26. An attempt to find affinities between the work of Picasso and Romanesque art.

MUSEU OLÍMPIC I DEL L'ESPORT JOAN ANTONI SAMARANCH

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-6pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays) and Jan 1. €5.10. Reduced: €3.20. Under-7s and over-65s, free. www.museuolimpicbcn.cat

► **Permanent exhibition.**

► **Javier del Arco. Motor maestro** Until Apr 24. Remembering Del Arco, one of Catalonia's foremost experts in motor sport.

MUSEU PICASSO

(Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sun (except Thu) 9am-7pm; Thu 9am-9.30pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. Permanent exhibition + Mythologies exhibition: €11. Reduced: €7. Permanent exhibition + Cubism and war: €14. Reduced: €7.50. Mythologies only: €4.50. Cubism and war only: €6.50. Reduced: €4.50. www.museupicasso.bcn.cat

Permanent exhibition More than 3,800 works from different periods.

Cubism and war. The crystal in the flame

Until Jan 29. Looking at artists who settled in Paris during the First World War.

Mythologies, graphic work in the collection of the museum Until Mar 19. Picasso was drawn to the world of mythology.

PALAU ROBERT

(Pg. de Gràcia, 107). M: *Diagonal* (L3, L5). FGC: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. palaurobert.gencat.cat

FREE El Celler de Can Roca. From the Earth to the Moon Until Apr 23. Thirty years of Girona's famous restaurant.

FREE Outmuro BCN Portraits Until Feb 26. Photographs of different members of society and culture linked to Barcelona.

FREE J.B. Cendrós, an active businessman Until Apr 30. Joan Baptista Cendrós took a proactive role in Catalan culture.

REIAL MONESTIR DE SANTA MARIA DE PEDRALBES

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Tue-Fri 10am-2pm; Sat, Sun 10am-5pm. Closed Mon and Jan 1. €5. Reduced: €3.50. Under-16s, free. Sundays from 3pm, and first Sunday of month, all day, free. monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat

Pedralbes Monastery. The treasures of the Monastery Permanent exhibition.

Plants, remedies and apothecaries; the medieval garden Permanent exhibition.

Murals in the spotlight. Paintings in the Sant Miquel Chapel Permanent exhibition.

Petrus Albas. The Pedralbes Monastery and the Montcada family (1326-1673) Permanent exhibition exploring the lineage of the Montcada family and its close relationship with the Monastery.

Silenced women Until May 3. The legacy that Sister Eulària Anzizu left at the monastery.

Spirit and nature Until Jan 8. Photographs by Sister Saura Marcos of Pedralbes monastery inspired by a poem by St. Francis of Assisi.

Christmas Nativity Scene Until Feb 2. A traditional Christmas crib.

Theatre, musicals and cabaret

EL MOLINO

(Vilà i Vilà, 99). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Ticket office: Thu-Sat 5pm-9pm. T. 93 396 71 91. Tickets available from Atrapalo, Ticketea, Entradas.com and the ticket office. www.elmolino.bcn.com

El Molino On Until Mar 31. Thu 9.30pm; Fri-Sat 6.30pm, 9.30pm; Sun 7.30pm. From €24. Enjoy a fabulous cabaret performance.

TEATRE APOLO

(Av. del Paral·lel, 59). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Ticket office: Wed-Fri 5pm-8pm; Sat, Sun and public holidays from two hours before the show starts. www.teatreapolo.com

Moustache, The Rhythm Musical Until Jan 15 (no show Jan 5). Wed-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9.30pm; Sun 6pm. From €20. A musical comedy by Coco Comin, which promises an energetic, passionate and funny night out. In Spanish.

TEATRE GAUDÍ BARCELONA

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5) and Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Ticket office opens an hour before performance starts. www.teatregaudi-barcelona.com

Oliver Twist Until Jan 29 (no show Jan 1). Sat 5pm; Sun noon. €14. Musical theatre for the family based on classic Dickens novel. In Catalan.

El Despertar de la Primavera Until Jan 8 (no show Jan 1, 5). Wed-Sat 9pm; Sun 6pm. €28. Translated version of Steven Sater and Duncan Sheik's musical, Spring awakening. In Catalan.

TEATRE LLIURE (MONTJUÏC - SALA FABIÀ PUIGSERVER)

(Pg. Santa Madrona 40-46 / Pl Margarida Xirgu, 1). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3). www.teatrelliure.com

Les noces de Figaro Until Jan 22. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm; Sun 6pm; no show Jan 5. €29. Tue, Wed €22. The theatre marks its 40th anniversary with a revival of this 1989 show. In Catalan; subtitles in Spanish and English at Sat show.

Història Jan 11-22. Wed-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9pm; Sun 6pm. €23. Tue, Wed €18.50. Play exploring the complexities of human relationships through historical memory. In Catalan.

Moby Dick. A trip through the theatre Jan 14-Feb 12. Sat-Sun noon. €12 adults. €9 children. Updated version of this popular family show based on Herman Melville's white whale tale. In Catalan; recommended for children 6-12 years.

TEATRE LLIURE (GRÀCIA)

(Montseny, 47). M: Fontana (L3). www.teatrelliure.com

Rhûmia Until Jan 8. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9pm. Sun 6pm. €23. Tue, Wed,

Sat afternoon €18.50. Award-winning circus show. In Spanish and Catalan.

Davant la jubilació Jan 13-Feb 5. Tue-Fri 8.30pm; Sat 7pm. Sun 6pm. €29. Tue, Wed €22. Translated version of classic German play by Thomas Bernhard based on true events. In Catalan.

TEATRE NACIONAL DE CATALUNYA (TNC)

(Pl. de les Arts, 1). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). Ticket office opens Wed-Fri 3pm-7pm; Sat 3pm-8.30pm; Sun 3pm-5pm. www.tnc.cat

Molt soroll per no res Jan 1. 6pm. From 12 years. €28. Reductions available. Version of Much Ado About Nothing. In Catalan.

Cosas que no se olvidan fácilmente Jan 11-Feb 26. Wed-Sun 5pm, 8pm. From 18 years. €19.50-€23.

En la solitud dels camps de cotó Jan 19-Feb 19. Wed-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. From 16 years. €11.50-€23. Two men meet at night for a transaction that puts both their identities at risk. In Catalan.

TEATRE POLIORAMA

(La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Ticket office: Tue-Fri from 5pm. Sat-Sun from 4pm until the start of the performance. www.teatrepoliorama.com

El curiós incident del gos a mitjanit Until Jan 22. Thu 8.30pm; Fri 9.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9.30pm; Sun 5.30pm. No show Jan 5, but extra show on Wed 4, 9.30pm. From €10. Adaptation of the novel 'The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time'. In Catalan.

El Petit Dalí Jan 15, 22, 29. 12.30pm. From €10.50. From 3 years. Family theatre about a budding young artist, Salvador Dalí. In Catalan.

Paradise Jan 3, 10. 9.30pm. €15. From 13 years. This play about people searching for their particular lost paradise will make you laugh and cry. In Catalan and Spanish.

TEATRE VICTÒRIA

(Paral·lel, 67). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). www.teatrevictoria.com

Scaramouche Jan 1-4, 6-8, 11-15, 19-22, 26-29. Mon, Sun 6pm; Wed, Thu 8.30pm; Fri 6pm, 9.30pm; Sat 5.30pm, 9.30pm. €16-€49. Musical extravaganza about French twins separated at birth and a masked hero called Scaramouche. In Catalan.

Una bruixa a Barcelona Jan 3, 4, 8. Tue, Wed 4.30pm; Sun noon. From €14. Children's show. In Catalan.

VERSUS TEATRE

(Castillejos, 179). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). www.versusteatre.com. Tickets available from www.atrapalo.com or the venue website.

A cada reysu mercedo Jan 6-Feb 5. Thu-Sat 8pm; Sun 6pm. €20. Reflection on war, especially civil war. In Spanish.

Dance

L'AUDITORI

(Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). www.auditori.cat

Ireland Celtic Dance - Gaelforce Dance Jan 7. 6pm. €30-€50. Enjoy a virtuoso performance of Irish dance courtesy of the 30 members of this company who will stun you with their skill in this classic style of choreography.

MERCAT DE LES FLORS

(Lleida, 59). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC), Poble Sec (L3). Ticket office opens an hour before the performance starts. www.mercatflors.cat

Back Àbac Jan 7, 8, 14, 15. Sat 6pm; Sun noon. €12 adults. €8 children. Choreographer Àngels Margarit creates family-friendly work set to music of Bach, with dances that explore concepts of infinity and numbers.

Sweet Tyranny Jan 27-29, Feb 3-5. 8pm; Sun 6pm. €16. Group choreography based on the iconic moves featured in musical movies from the 1970s and 1980s.

L'après-midi d'un foehn Jan 28, 29. Sat 11am, 12.30pm, 5pm; Sun 11am, 12.30pm. €12 adults. €8 children. See how plastic bags can be transformed into dancers.

GRAN TEATRE DEL LICEU

(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). www.liceu-barcelona.cat

IT Dansa Jan 28, 29, Feb 4. 11am. €10-€30. Three very different choreographies from three young dance groups.

TEATRE NACIONAL DE CATALUNYA (TNC)

(Pl. de les Arts, 1). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). Ticket office opens Wed-Fri 3pm-7pm; Sat 3pm-8.30pm; Sun 3pm-5pm. www.tnc.cat

Swan Lake Jan 12-15. Thu, Fri 9pm; Sat, Sun 6pm. €50-€55. The Royal Russian Ballet company gives a memorable performance of Tchaikovsky's classic work, which is as romantic as it is tragic.

INFORMATION AND SALES

➤ Tourist information points and tickets.visitbarcelona.com

Sunday 1

CHRISTMAS

FREE Christmas in Plaça Catalunya (Pl. Catalunya). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Jan 4. 10am-9pm, except Jan 15pm-9pm. www.barcelona.cat/nadal
Festive activities for everybody including cultural events such as dance, sport and music and a market with products, services and activities that promote responsible consumption and locally sourced goods.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Festival de la Infància Fira de Barcelona Montjuïc (Av. Reina Maria Cristina). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Jan 4. 10am-8pm. From €12; €9 afternoon only. www.festivalinfancia.com
Lots of fun and games for kids, including crafts, technology and sports.

Design a shark mask L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Every Sat and Sun noon-2pm, 4pm-6pm. Until Jan 29. www.aquariumbcn.com

JAZZ

Live Jazz at Jamboree Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. €15 (box office). €12 (online in advance).

TOURS

Cathedral of the Sea (Meeting-point: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sun. 10am (Spanish/English). From €14. More info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconoserveis.com.
If you're a fan of Ildefonso Falcones's novel set in 14th-century Barcelona, don't miss this literary tour that takes in some of the places mentioned in the book.
FREE Visit to Poblenou cemetery (Av. Icària, s/n). M: Llacuna (L4). 1st Sun of month 10.30am (Catalan), 12.30pm (Spanish). 3rd Sun of month 10.30am (Spanish), 12.30pm (Catalan). www.cbsa.cat

AUDIOVISUAL SHOW

Mapping at Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Jan 1, 5, 6. www.sant-pau.barcelona

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). 9pm. From €20. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com.
Alen Garagic.

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 1, 6-8. 9pm, except Sat 7.30pm. €23. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com.
Barcelona Guitar Trio & Dance.

FLAMENCO

Grand Gala Flamenco Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 5pm. €20-€50. More info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and Flamenco Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Jan 1, 3, 5. Tue, Thu 7pm; Sun 9.30pm. €38-€50. Tickets at tourist offices and tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Johann Strauss New Year's Day Concert Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Jan 1-4, 6-8, 15, 22. Mon-Wed, Sat 6pm; Fri 9.30pm; Sun various times (check web for details). €29-€56. www.palau-musica.cat
The Strauss Festival Ballet Ensemble and Orchestra perform a sumptuous show to welcome in 2017, inspired by the famous January 1 concert in Vienna.

Monday 2

CHRISTMAS

FREE Nativity scene in Plaça de Sant Jaume (Pl. de Sant Jaume, 1). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Until Jan 8. 10am-midnight. www.barcelona.cat/nadal

Barcelona sets up a nativity scene (pessebre in Catalan) in its historic square.

Fira de Reis de Gran Via (Gran Via, between Muntaner and Rocafort). M: Uniservitat (L1, L2), Urgell (L1). Until Jan 6. 11am-10pm, except Jan 5 10am-3am. www.firareisgranviabcn.com
Barcelona children eagerly await the arrival of the Three Kings ('kings' is 'reis' in Catalan) on January 5, and the gifts they bring. This market has everything any kid could want.

Nadal al Poble Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Jan 5 (no activities on Jan 1). 11am-6pm. Included with entrance fee. www.poble-espanyol.com
Enjoy a full seasonal experience at Poble Espanyol with a market, workshops, games...

SPORT

Open Camp (Plaça de Nèmesi Ponsatí, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 2-5, 7-8. 10am-6pm. €10-€20. www.opencamp.com
A new interactive theme park on Montjuïc.

OPEN-AIR – FAMILY

Tibidabo theme park (Pl. Tibidabo, 3-4). FGC: Av. Tibidabo + Tramvia Blau or bus 196. Funicular del Tibidabo (Pl. Doctor Andreu). €28.50 (under-120cm, €10.50). Jan 2-5. 11am-6pm. www.tibidabo.cat
Barcelona Urban Forest (Pl. del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Daily until Jan 8 (closed Jan 1, 6) and weekends 10am-3pm. €11-€24 (depending on circuit & age). www.barcelonaboscubra.com
Zip wires, trampolines and bungees.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Gaudi's Pedrera. The Origins (Provença 261, entrance on Pg. de Gràcia). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Jan 1-3 9pm-11pm; Jan 4-8 and from Jan 16-Mar 2 7pm-9pm. Closed Jan 9-15 for maintenance work. €34. Reduced: €17. Under-7s, free.
Video mapping, screenings and cava.

FLAMENCO

Live Flamenco Sala Tarantos (Plaça Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Daily 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm. €15. www.masimas.com/tarantos
Flamenco show dedicated to Camarón de la Isla Casa Camarón (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdader (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Mon-Sat 6pm (dinner), 7pm (show);

8.30pm (dinner), 9.30pm (show). Various menus and drink-only option available. Closed Sun. www.casacamaron.com

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Mission Cosmos CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Until Jan 8. €4. cosmocaixa.com/agenda
Take a special trip through space and time.
Differing perspectives Museu Blau (Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Until Jan 8. museuencienas.cat
Family workshop.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Jan 2, 21-23, 28-29. 9pm, except Sat 21, 28 9.30pm. €23.
Pedro Javier González.
Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Noon. €39-€45.
Tribute to Paco de Lucía.

Tuesday 3

JAZZ

Live Jazz at Jamboree Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. €35 (box office). €30 (online in advance).

FLAMENCO

Tablao Cordobés (La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 4.30pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (show starts later). €44-€79.50. tablaocordobes.com
Palacio del Flamenco (Balmes, 139). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Daily 6.25pm, 8.15pm, 10.30pm (dinner starts earlier). Options: show only, show + drink, show + different menu options (including tapas). €45-€160. €10 discount at tourist offices. www.palaciodelflamenco.com

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 3, 7, 8. 9pm. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Jan 3-4. 9pm. €23.

DAY BY DAY

TOURS

Casa de les Punxes (Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Daily 9am-8pm. Last entry: 7pm. Guided tour: €20. Free for under-5s. Self-guided tour with audio guide (available in 10 languages): €12.50. 5-18-year olds and retirees: €11.25. Free for under-5s. www.casadelespunxes.com. A spectacular rooftop and vermouth bar.

Itinerary through Puig i Cadafalch

façades (Meeting-point: Casa Amatller, Passeig de Gràcia 41). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Jan 3, 28. 10.30am. €15. www.casessingulars.com. Discover Puig i Cadafalch façades, including Casa Amatller, Palau Baró de Quadras, Casa de les Punxes...

OPEN-AIR – FAMILY

PortAventura theme park (Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca, Tarragona). Renfe (train): PortAventura. Jan 1-8 10am-7pm. Tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com or www.portaventuraworld.com. Enjoy a special Christmas.

FAMILY THEATRE

El Petit Princep Barts (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Jan 1-8 (no show Jan 5). Various times, check website for details. From €15. www.barts.cat. A musical for kids. In Catalan.

Wednesday 4

CHRISTMAS

Christmas Nativity Scene *Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes* (Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Until Feb 2. monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat. Historic convent in Barcelona's uptown area displays a traditional Christmas scene. **Nadal al Poble** *Poble Espanyol* (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Jan 5 (no activities on Jan 1). 11am-6pm. Included with entrance fee. www.poble-espanyol.com. Enjoy a full seasonal experience with a market, workshops, games... for children.

MUSIC

FREE Christmas carols at Plaça del Rei *Plaça del Rei*. M: Jaume I (L4). www.orfeocatala.com.

Carol concert by the Orfeó Català, the Barcelona city choir, and organized by the Barcelona City Council.

FLAMENCO

Tablao Flamenco Nervión (Princesa, 2). M: Jaume I (L4). Wed-Sat 8pm-10pm. Show + drink €16.90; show + supper €27.90.

TOURS

Torre Bellesguard Gaudí (Bellesguard, 6-9). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Visit with audio guide: Tue-Sun 10am-3pm. €9. Reduced: €7.20. Guided tour: Sat noon, 1.15pm (Spanish), Sat, Sun 11am (English). €16. Reduced: €12.80. www.bellesguardgaudi.com. Discover Gaudí's fabulous modernist castle that he built on the slopes of Tibidabo. **Itinerary through Mansana de la discòrdia façades** (Meeting-point: Casa Amatller, Passeig de Gràcia 41). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Jan 4, 15. 11.30am. €15. www.casessingulars.com. Discover façades, including Casa Amatller.

OPEN-AIR – FAMILY

Barcelona Urban Forest (Pl. del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Daily until Jan 8 (closed Jan 1, 6) and weekends 10am-3pm. €11-€24 (depending on circuit & age). www.barcelonaboscubra.com. Zip wires, trampolines and bungees. **Tibidabo theme park** (Pl. Tibidabo, 3-4). FGC: Av. Tibidabo + Tramvia Blau or bus 196. Funicular del Tibidabo (Pl. Doctor Andreu). €28.50 (under-120cm, €10.50). Jan 2-5. 11am-6pm. www.tibidabo.cat.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Spinosaurus fieldwork *Museu Blau* (Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Until Jan 8. mu-seuciencies.cat. Guided tour for families.

Thursday 5

FAMILY – TRADITIONS

FREE Kings' Day Procession (Main streets of the city centre; start: Av. Marqués de l'Argentera). From 6pm. www.barcelona.cat/nadal. Join the excited crowds of children and their families as they come to see the arrival of the Three Kings from the Orient, here to bring presents. The parade is a festival of music, colour and fun!

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmaes (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Thu. 11pm. €20. www.palaudalmaes.com

TOURS

Stories and legends of the Gothic quarter (Start: Font de Canaletes, La Rambla). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Thu 3.30pm (English/Spanish); Sat 10am (French). From €15 (includes one snack and a drink). tickets: visitbarcelona.com and iconoserveis.com. Explore the heart of the Ciutat Vella. **Liceu opera house** (La Rambla 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Mon-Fri 9.30am, 10.30am (50 mins). Catalan, Spanish and English. €16. Reduced: €12. www.liceubarcelona.cat

OPEN-AIR – FAMILY

PortAventura theme park (Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca, Tarragona). Renfe (train): PortAventura. Jan 1-8 10am-7pm. Tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com or www.portaventuraworld.com. A special Christmas time.

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco *Teatre Poliorama* (La Rambla, 115). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Jan 1, 3, 5. Tue, Thu 7pm; Sun 9.30pm. €38-€50. Tickets at tourist offices and tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

Friday 6

FOOTBALL

La Liga: Espanyol vs. Deportivo *Estadi Cornellà-El Prat* (Av. del Baix Llobregat, 100. Cornellà de Llobregat). FGC: Cornellà Riera. 8.45pm. www.rcdespanyol.com

SHOPPING

Barcelona Shopping Tour – A Walk of Sensations (Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Jan 6, 13, 3.30pm. tickets: visitbarcelona.com. Three-hour tour led by a professional guide, covering the Barri Gòtic, Born, Sant Pere and Santa Caterina.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Friday. 6pm. €14. More info and tickets at touristofficesandtickets.visitbarcelona.com.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Dining in the dark *Dans Le Noir* (Pg. Picaso, 10). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Every Friday. 7.30pm. From €42.90. tickets: visitbarcelona.com. This evening meal is eaten in total darkness. **Ghosts of Barcelona** (Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Luís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Every Friday. 9.30pm (Spanish/English). From €12. More info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconoserveis.com. A two-hour tour.

Magic Fountains (Pl. Carles Buigas, 1). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Fri, Sat 7pm-8.30pm (shows start at 7pm, 7.30pm and 8pm). Light, music and water show.

Dine at the Palau Requesens (Bisbe Caçador, 3). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Fri, Sat. 7.30pm. From €71. Discounts available. www.palaurequesens.cat and tickets: visitbarcelona.com. A medieval food in this historic building.

Saturday 7

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sat. 6pm. €19. More info and tickets at touristofficesandtickets.visitbarcelona.com. **Johann Strauss New Year's Day Concert** *Palau de la Música Catalana* (Plaça de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 1.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine *Santa Anna Church* (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 3, 7, 8. 9pm. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets: visitbarcelona.com.

TRADITIONS

FREE Sardanes (Plaça de la Seu). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; Sun 11.15am. Catalonia's national dance is performed in front of the cathedral every weekend.

TOURS

The Shadow of the Wind (Start: La Rambla, 9). M: Drassanes (L3). Every Sat. 5pm (Spanish/English). From €14. For more info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconoserveis.com. For lovers of Ruiz Zafón's book, this literary guides tour can't miss. Discover a magical side to the city.

FREE Funeral carriage and hearse collection (Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. Every Saturday at noon. In Catalan. www.cbbsa.cat

World's largest collection of such carriages.
FREE Tour of Les Corts cemetery (Av. Joan XXI, 11, 3-15). M: Maria Cristina (L3). First Sat of the month at 11am. In Catalan. www.cbbsa.cat
Santa Maria del Mar rooftop (Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). Noon to 6pm. Tours various times and languages. €10. Reduced: €8. Booking: www.riostabarcelona.com and tickets.visitbarcelona.com
Tours to the top of this historic church.

GOSPEL

Alabama Gospel Choir (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 10.30pm. €26-€46. www.palaumusica.cat

SPORTS

International Hockey Tournament Real Club de Polo de Barcelona (Av. Dr. Marañón, 19-31). M: Zona Universitària. Time tbc. www.hockeyreyes.com

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Secret Basílica del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Fri (Catalan), Sat (Spanish) 9pm. Closed Jan 6. €19 (General). €16 (in advance). Info and tickets: www.adsentiabarcelona.com or tickets.visitbarcelona.com. Evening visits to the 14th-century church.

Sunday 8

SPA

Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths (Pg. de Picaso, 22). M: Barceloneta & Jaume I (L4). T. 93 295 57 43. Sun-Thu: first session 10am, final session from 10pm. Fri and Sat: first session 10am, final session from midnight. Closed morning of Jan 1. Check website for availability. airedebarcelona.com

TOURS

FREE Guided tour of Montjuïc Cemetery (Mare de Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. 2nd & 4th Sun 11am (Catalan) and 11.15am (Spanish). www.cbbsa.cat

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Tours in various languages; consult for schedule. Mon-Fri 10am-1.30pm. Sat, Sun, public holidays 10.30am-1.30pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. €16. Reduced: €11.20. www.sant-paubarcelona.org

A network of modernist pavilions designed by Lluís Domènech i Montaner.
Cathedral of the Sea (Start: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). See Sun 1.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Sun 1.

OPEN-AIR – FAMILY

Barcelona Urban Forest (Pl. del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). See Mon 2.

BASKETBALL

Liga Endesa: FC Barcelona vs. Rio Natura Monbus Palau Blaugrana (Avinguda Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). 12.30pm. www.fcbarcelona.com

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Think, design, create and enjoy Cosmo-Caixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Weekends and public holidays. Until Jan 8. €4. cosmocaixa.com/agenda
Workshop for kids seven and above.

FAMILY CONCERT

Landry el Rumbero El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Noon. €8 adults. €4 for under-12s. elbornculturairememoria.barcelona.cat. Catalan rumba.

Monday 9

TOURS

Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). 10am-6pm. €4. Reduced: €3. Guided tour including bell tower: check with venue for times. €8.50. Visit the 14th-century Basílica.

MUSIC

Grand Strauss Gala Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. €23-€59. www.palaumusica.cat
The Lemberg Philharmonic Orchestra offers a very special concert under the baton of Turiñ Holota, featuring the greatest works of the Strauss family.

FLAMENCO

Flamenco at Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.30pm. €25. Book at: www.palaudalmases.com.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 9, 24-27 9pm. €23. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

TECHNO

Techno session Moog (Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3). From midnight. www.masimas.com/moog

Tuesday 10

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, 31. 9pm. €20. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

TOURS

Santa Maria del Mar rooftop (Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). See Sat 7.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto n° 1 Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. €28-€55. www.palaumusica.cat

UNDERWATER SPORT

Shark cage diving L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Check with venue for times. For ages 8 and above. From €150. www.aquariumbcn.com
A scuba-diving adventure by going underwater in a cage, and see sharks.

Wednesday 11

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Berlin Trio Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8.30pm. €15. www.palaumusica.cat

SEVILLANAS

FREE Sevillanas dance night Casa Camarón (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguera (L4,L5), Sagrada Família (L2,L5). Every Wed. 10.30pm. www.casacamaron.com

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya

(L1, L3; FGC). Jan 11, 12, 14, 15. 9pm, except Sat 14 9.30pm. €23. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

Thursday 12

FLAMENCO

Flamenco show dedicated to Camarón de la Isla Casa Camarón (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). See Mon 2.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 12, 26. 7pm. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

TOURS

Stories and legends of the Gothic quarter (Start: Font de Canaletes, La Rambla). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 5.
Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Mon 9.

JAZZ

Thermal CCCB (Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). 8.30pm. €7. www.cccb.org and www.auditori.com

BASKETBALL

Euroleague: FC Barcelona vs. Olympiacos Piraeus Palau Blaugrana (Avinguda Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). 9pm. www.fcbarcelona.com

OPERA

Verdi's Traviata Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Jan 12, 31. 8pm. €18.20-€54. www.palaumusica.cat

Friday 13

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Friday. 6pm. €14. More info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Shopping Tour – A Walk of Sensations (Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 6.

DAY BY DAY

RUMBA

FREE Rumba night Casa Camarón (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguer (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Every Fri. 11.30pm. bodega-flamenca.com

TOURS

Casa de les Punxes (Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdaguer (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5). See Tue 3.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Ghosts of Barcelona (Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Every Fri. 9.30pm (Spanish/English). From €12. More info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconoserveis.com. A two-hour tour.

Magic Fountains (Pl. Carles Buigas, 1). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Fri, Sat 7pm-8.30pm (shows start at 7pm, 7.30pm and 8pm). Light, music and water show.

Dine at the Palau Requesens (Bisbe Caçador, 3). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). See Fri 6.

Saturday 14

FLAMENCO

Flamenco at Palau Dalmases (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Daily 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.30pm. €25. Book online at: www.palau-dalmases.com.

Tablao Flamenco Nervión (Princesa, 2). M: Jaume I (L4). Wed-Sat 8pm-10pm. Show + drink €16.90; show + supper €27.90.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Thomas Dausgaard conducts Nielsen, Sibelius and Arvo Pärt L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Jan 14, 15. Sat 7pm; Sun 11am. €10-€56. www.auditori.cat Dausgaard and violinist Boris Belkin.

Classical music at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sat. 6pm. €19. More info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets.visitbarcelona.com.

TOURS

Guided visits to Park Güell (Olot, 5). M: Vallcarca (L3). See Thu 5.

Stories and legends of the Gothic quarter (Start: Font de Canaletes, La Rambla). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 5.

The Shadow of the Wind (Meeting-point: La

Rambla, 9). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.
FREE Funeral carriage and hearse collection (Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). See Sat 7.

TRADITIONS

FREE Sardanes (Pla de la Seu). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; Sun 11.15am. Catalonia's national dance.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Tue 10.

FOOTBALL

La Liga: FC Barcelona vs. Las Palmas Camp Nou (Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). 4.15pm. www.fcbarcelona.cat

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Secret Basilica del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). See Sat 7.

Sunday 15

OPERA

Werther Gran Teatre de Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Jan 15, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 31; Feb 1, 3, 4 (6pm). 8pm, except Sun 15.5pm and Sun 29.6pm. €10-€279. www.liceubarcelona.cat

This opera by Jules Massenet hasn't been staged at the Liceu for 25 years.

FLAMENCO

Live Flamenco Sala Tarantos (Plaça Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Daily 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm. €15. www.masimas.com/tarantos

TOURS

Cathedral of the Sea (Meeting-point: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sun. 10am (Spanish/English). From €14. More info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconoserveis.com.

If you're a fan of Ildefonso Falcones's novel set in 14th-century Barcelona, don't miss this literary tour that takes in some of the places mentioned in the book.

Itinerary through Mansana de la discòrdia façades (Meeting-point: Casa Amatller, Passeig de Gràcia 41). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 11.30 am. €15. www.casessingulars.com. See Wed 4

FREE Visit to Poblenou cemetery (Av. Icària, s/n). M: Llacuna (L4). See Sun 1.

FAMILY CINEMA

El perro mongol El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Noon. €3. For children between 6 and 12 years old. elborncultura.imemoria.barcelona.cat German film from 2005 that tells the story of a nomad Mongolian family. In Spanish.

CINEMA

Concert for silent cinema Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 7pm. €10. www.santpau.barcelona Pianist Max Vilavecchia and singer Anna Francesch provide the sound for the film Berlin, Symphony for a City by Walter Ruttmann.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Johann Strauss New Year's Day Concert Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 1.

Monday 16

MUSIC FESTIVALS

18th Festival Mil·lenni: Niña Pastori Teatre Victoria (Av. Paral·lel, 67-69). M: Poble Sec, Drassanes (L3). Jan 16-17. 9pm. €29-€59. www.festival-millenni.com Popular Spanish flamenco singer.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Daniil Trifonov L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). 8.30pm. €38. www.auditori.cat A concert that includes work by Schumann, Stravinsky and Shostakovich.

Zhu Xiao-Mei Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8.30pm. €30. www.palaumusica.cat The Chinese pianist performs Bach's Goldberg Variations.

TOURS

Liceu opera house (La Rambla 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Thu 5.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Gaudi's Pedrera. The Origins (Provença 261, entrance on Pg. de Gràcia). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. See Mon 2.

JAZZ

WTF Jam Session Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €5 (box office). €4 (online in advance). More info at: www.masimas.com/jamboree.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 16-19, 30. 9pm. €23. Discount at tourist offices. More info: tickets.visitbarcelona.com

Tuesday 17

MUSIC FESTIVALS

18th Festival Mil·lenni: Niña Pastori Teatre Victoria (Av. Paral·lel, 67-69). M: Poble Sec, Drassanes (L3). Jan 16-17. 9pm. €29-€59. www.festival-millenni.com Popular Spanish flamenco singer.

FLAMENCO

Palacio del Flamenco (Balmes, 139). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. See Tue 3.

UNDERWATER SPORT

Shark cage diving L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Check with venue for times. For ages 8 and above. From €150. www.aquariumbcn.com A scuba-diving adventure by going underwater in a cage, and seeing sharks and fishes.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Works by Rachmaninoff and Dvorak Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. €28-€55. www.palaumusica.cat The Ukraine State Symphony Orchestra performs Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto n° 2 and Dvorak's New World Symphony.

Wednesday 18

OPERA

Werther Gran Teatre de Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Jan 15, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 31; Feb 1, 3, 4 (6pm). 8pm, except Sun 15.5pm and Sun 29.6pm. €10-€279. www.liceubarcelona.cat This opera by Jules Massenet hasn't been staged at the Liceu for 25 years.

MAGIC

Mr. Snow, the legend continues *Barts* (Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Jan 18-22. Wed, Thu 9pm; Fri, Sat 9.30pm; Sun 7.30pm. From €22. www.barts.cat

SEVILLANAS

FREE Sevillanas dance night *Casa Camarón* (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). See Wed 11.

TOURS

Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). See Mon 9.

Thursday 19

FLAMENCO

Flamenco show dedicated to Camarón de la Isla *Casa Camarón* (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). See Mon 2.

TOURS

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). See Sun 8.

Stories and legends of the Gothic quarter (Start: Font de Canaletes, La Rambla). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 5.

OPERA

Werther *Gran Teatre de Liceu* (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Sun 15.

Opera at Palau Dalmau (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Thu. 11pm. €20. www.palaudalmau.com

BASKETBALL

Euroleague: FC Barcelona vs. Anadolu Efes Istanbul *Palau Blaugrana* (Avinguda Aristides Maillol, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). 9pm. www.fcbarcelona.com

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Gaudi's Pedrera. The Origins (Provença 261, entrance on Pg. de Gràcia). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. See Mon 2.

Friday 20

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Friday. 6pm. €14. More info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets. visitbarcelona.com.

SPA

Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths (Pg. de Picasso, 22). M: Barceloneta & Jaume I (L4). See Sun 8.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Ghosts of Barcelona (Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Every Friday. 9.30pm (Spanish/English). From €12. More info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconserveis.com.

A two-hour tour.

Dine at the Palau Requesens (Bisbe Caçador, 3). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). See Fri 6.

Dining in the dark *Dans Le Noir* (Pg. Picaso, 10). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). See Fri 6.

RUMBA

FREE Rumba night *Casa Camarón* (Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Every Fri. 11.30pm. bodegaflamenca.com

Saturday 21

TRADITIONS

FREE Tres Tombs Various streets in the neighbourhood of Sant Antoni. From 10.30am. www.barcelona.cat
Every year, this procession pays tribute to the local patron saint of domestic animals, with numerous horses and carriages parading through the Barcelona neighbourhood of Sant Antoni.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Star Trek, The Planets and the Ed Wood Suite *Palau de la Música Catalana* (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 7pm. €18-€68. www.palaumusica.cat

Take a trip out of this world thanks to this feast of music inspired by space.

Classical music at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sat. 6pm. €19. More info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets. visitbarcelona.com.

ROCK

Supertramp tribute group *Palau de la Música Catalana* (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. €29-€56. www.palaumusica.cat
Logicaltramp pay homage to one of the most popular rock groups from the 1970s.

TOURS

The Shadow of the Wind (Start: La Rambla, 9). M: Drassanes (L3). Every Sat. 5pm (Spanish/English). From €14. For more info and tickets: tickets.visitbarcelona.com and iconserveis.com.

For lovers of Ruiz Zafón's book, this literary guided tour is a can't-miss. Discover a magical side to the city.

FOOTBALL

La Liga: Espanyol vs. Granada *Estadi Cornellà-El Prat* (Av. del Baix Llobregat, 100. Cornellà de Llobregat). FGC: Cornellà Riera. 1pm. www.rcdespanyol.com

Sunday 22

TOURS

Guided visits to Park Güell (Olot, 5). M: Vallcarca, Lesseps (L3). See Thu 5.

Cathedral of the Sea (Start: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sun. 10am (Spanish/English). From €14. More info and tickets: tickets. visitbarcelona.com and iconserveis.com
If you're a fan of Ildefonso Falcones' novel set in 14th-century Barcelona, don't miss this tour that takes in some of the places mentioned in the book.

FREE Guided tour of Montjuïc Cemetery (Mare de Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sun 8.

YOUNG MUSICIANS

Musical residencies at La Pedrera (Pg. de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. 6pm. €12 per session. More info: www.lapedrera.com
Regular concerts featuring up-and-coming musicians on a year-long residency.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Perfumes of France *Palau de la Música Catalana* (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Noon. €15. www.palaumusica.cat
Conductor Nicholas Fink leads the Palau's chamber choir in a recital.

OPEN-AIR - FAMILY

Barcelona Urban Forest (Pl. del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Daily until Jan 8 (closed Jan 1, 6) and weekends 10am-3pm. €11-€24 (depending on circuit & age).

www.barcelonaboscbarba.com
Zip wires, trampolines and bungees.

Monday 23

MUSIC FESTIVALS

Guitar BCN 2017: Lamb Chop *Barts* (Av. del Paral·lel, 62). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8.30pm. From €20. www.theproject.es
This year's extensive Barcelona Guitar Festival gets going with Lamb Chop.

OPERA

Werther *Gran Teatre de Liceu* (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Sun 15.

FLAMENCO

Tablao Cordobés (La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 4.30pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (show starts later). €44-€78.50. tablacordobes.com

TECHNO

Techno session Moog (Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3). From midnight.

Tuesday 24

UNDERWATER SPORT

Shark cage diving *L'Aquàrium* (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Tue 10.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar *Basílica Santa Maria del Pi* (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). See Mon 9.

OPERA

Werther *Gran Teatre de Liceu* (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Sun 15.

JAZZ

Live jazz at Jamboree *Jamboree* (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. €15 (box office). €12 (online in advance).

Wednesday 25

ROCK

Biffy Clyro *Sant Jordi Club* (Pg. Olímpic, 5-7). 8.30pm. €33.50. www.livenation.es
The Scottish rock band are on tour.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Jerusalem Quartet L'Auditori (Lepant, 150).
M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2).
8.30pm. €28. www.auditori.cat
Some of the violin quartet compositions.

SEVILLANAS

FREE Sevillanas dance night Casa Camarón
(Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguer (L4, L5),
Sagrada Família (L2, L5). See Wed 11.

OPERA

Werther Gran Teatre de Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Jan 15, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 31; Feb 1, 3, 4 (6pm). 8pm, except Sun 15pm and Sun 29 6pm. €10-€279. www.liceubarcelona.cat

Thursday 26

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Beethoven's Violin sonatas Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8.30pm. €40. www.palaumusica.cat
Violinist Leonidas Kavakos and pianist Enric Pace present a second concert featuring Beethoven's sonatas.

FLAMENCO

Palacio del Flamenco (Balmes, 139). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. See Tue 3.
Tablao Flamenco Nervión (Princesa, 2). M: Jaume I (L4). See Wed 4.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music and wine Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunyà (L1, L3; FGC). See Thu 12.

BASKETBALL

Euroleague: FC Barcelona vs. Laboral Kutxa
Palau Blaugrana (Avinguda Aristides Maillo, s/n). M: Les Corts (L3). 9pm. www.fcbarcelona.com

TOURS

Liceu opera house (La Rambla 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Thu 5.

Friday 27

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Friday. 6pm. €14. More

info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets.
visitbarcelona.com.

FLAMENCO

Live Flamenco Sala Tarantos (Plaça Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Daily 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm. €15. www.masimas.com/tarantos

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Tristany i Isolda L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). 9pm. €29-€134. www.auditori.cat
Conductor Valery Gergiev.

TOURS

Torre Bellesguard Gaudí (Bellesguard, 6-9). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. See Wed 4.
Santa Maria del Mar rooftop (Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). See Sat 7.

POP

Leroy Sánchez Sala Bikini (L'illa Diagonal, Av. Diagonal, 547). M: Maria Cristina (L3). Doors: 6.30pm; concert: 8pm. €14 + admin fee. www.doctormusic.com
Up-and-coming Spanish pop sensation.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Ghosts of Barcelona (Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). See Fri 6.
Dining in the dark Dans Le Noir (Pg. Picasso, 10). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). See Fri 6.

Saturday 28

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Gergiev conducts Shostakovich's 4th
L'Auditori (Lepant, 150). M: Glòries & Marina (L1), Monumental (L2). Jan 28, 29. Sat 7pm; Sun 11am. €10-€98. www.auditori.cat
Valery Gergiev leads two orchestras.

Classical music at the MEAM (Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sat. 6pm. €19. More info and tickets at tourist offices and tickets.
visitbarcelona.com.

TOURS

Casa de les Punxes (Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdaguer (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5). See Tue 3.
Itinerary through Puig i Cadafalch façades (Meeting-point: Casa Amatller). M: Passeig

de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Tue 3.
The Shadow of the Wind (Start: La Rambla, 9). M: Drassanes (L3). See Sat 7.

SPA

Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths (Pg. de Picasso, 22). M: Barceloneta & Jaume I (L4). See Sun 8.

CHRISTMAS

Christmas Nativity Scene Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes (Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. See Wed 4.

Sunday 29

FOOTBALL

La Liga: Espanyol vs. Sevilla Estadi Cornellà-El Prat (Av. del Baix Llobregat, 100. Cornellà de Llobregat). FGC: Cornellà Riera. 4.15pm. www.rcdespanyol.com
The Seville team travels from the south of Spain to take on Espanyol.

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TOURS

Cathedral of the Sea (Meeting-point: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). See Sun 1.

FLAMENCO

Flamenco at Palau Dalmaes (Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Daily 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.30pm. €25. Book online at: www.palau-dalmaes.com.

OPERA

Werther Gran Teatre de Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Sun 15.

INNOVATIVE MUSIC

Les Yeux Fermés Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). 7pm. €10. www.santpau.barcelona. Harpist Berta Puigdemasa takes a creative approach to producing music.

Monday 30

FASHION

o8o Barcelona Fashion Teatre Nacional de Catalunya (Pl. de les Arts, 1). M: Glòries

(L1), Monumental (L2). Jan 30-Feb 3. www.o8obarcelonaafashion.cat
Barcelona's first fashion week of the year kicks off for five days of catwalk shows, discussions, a market, showrooms and more.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Gaudí's Pedrera. The Origins (Provença 261, entrance on Pg. de Gràcia). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. See Mon 2.

FLAMENCO

Tablao Cordobés (La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 4.30pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (show starts later). €44-€78.50. tablacordobes.com

JAZZ

WTF Jam Session Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm. €5 (box office). €4 (online in advance). More info at: www.masimas.com/jamboree.

TOURS

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). See Sun 8.

Tuesday 31

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: music & wine
Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunyà (L1, L3; FGC). See Tue 10.

TOURS

Torre Bellesguard Gaudí (Bellesguard, 6-9). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. See Wed 4.

OPERA

Werther Gran Teatre de Liceu (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). See Sun 15.
Verdi's Traviata Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Jan 12, 31. 8pm. €18.20-€54. www.palaumusica.cat

FASHION

o8o Barcelona Fashion Teatre Nacional de Catalunya (Pl. de les Arts, 1). M: Glòries (L1), Monumental (L2). Jan 3.

INFORMATION AND SALES

➤ Tourist information points and tickets. visitbarcelona.com

Architecture

BASÍLICA DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA

(Mallorca, 401). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Daily 9am-6pm. Jan 1, 6 9am-2pm. Panoramic tour (audio guide + towers): €29. Guided tour: €24. Self-guided tour with audio guide: €22. Prior reservation necessary at www.sagradafamilia.org

BASÍLICA DE SANTA MARIA DEL MAR

➤ (Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon-Sat 9am-1pm, 5pm-8.30pm. Sundays, public holidays 10am-2pm, 5pm-8pm. Guided tour including rooftop: noon to 6pm. Various times and languages. €10. Reduced: €8. Booking: www.riostabarcelona.com and tickets. visitbarcelona.com. Wheelchair access.

BASÍLICA DE SANTA MARIA DEL PI

➤ (Plaça del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). 10am-6pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. €4. Reduced: €3. Guided tour (including visit up bell tower): check web for times. €8.50. Secret Basílica del Pi: Fri (Catalan), Sat (Spanish) 9pm. From €16.

CASA BATLLÓ

➤ (Pg. de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 9am-9pm. Last entry: 8pm. Cultural visit + video guide: €22.50. Reduced: €19.50. Free for under-7s.

CASA DE LES PUNXES (V)

➤ (Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdaguera (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: Provença. Daily 9am-8pm. Last entry: 7pm. Guided tour: €20. Free for under-5s. Self-guided tour with audio guide (available in 10 languages): €12.50. Reduced: €11.25. Free for under-5s. Fast track entry for self-guided tour: €15. Reduced: €13.75. Free for under-5s.

CRIPTA GAUDÍ COLÒNIA GÜELL

➤ (Claudi Güell, 6 - Santa Coloma de Cervelló). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC) + FGC:

Colònia Güell station (S4, S8 or S33). Mon-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat, Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. €7. Reduced: €5.50. Entrance plus audio guide: €9. Reduced: €7.50.

GRAN TEATRE DEL LICEU

➤ (La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). 50-minute tour: Mon-Fri 9.30am, 10.30am. Catalan, Spanish and English. €16. Reduced: €12. Free for under-7s. 45-minute tours: Mon-Fri 11.30am-6pm; Sat, Sun 9.30am-6pm (various times and languages). €9. Reduced: €7.50. Free for under-7s. 30-minute tours: Mon-Sun 1.30pm (various languages). €6. Reduced: €5. Free for under-7s.

LA PEDRERA

➤ (Provença, 261-265). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Pedrera by Day: Jan 1 11am-8.30pm. Last entry: 8pm. Jan 2-3 9am-8.30pm. Last entry: 8pm. From Jan 4: 9am-6.30pm. Last entry: 6pm. Closed Jan 9-15 for maintenance work. €20.50. Reduced: €16.50. Children 7-12: €10.25. Aged 6 and under: free. Gaudi's Pedrera. The Origins: Jan 1-3 9pm-11pm; from Jan 4 7pm-9pm. Closed Jan 9-15. €34. Children 7-12: €17. Aged 6 and under: free.

PALAU BARÓ DE QUADRAS

➤ (Av. Diagonal, 373). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Guided tours: Wed (except public holidays) 11am (English), noon (Catalan), 1pm (Spanish). €12. Reduced: €10.80. Children 7-12: €6. Aged 6 and under: free. Prior reservation at www.casessingulars.com.

PALAU GÜELL

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun 10am-5.30pm. Last entry: 4.30pm. Closed Mondays, except public holidays, and Jan 1, 6. €12. Reduced: €9. Free for under-10s.

PALAU DE LA MÚSICA CATALANA

➤ (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquiuana (L1, L4). 10am-3.30pm (every 30 mins). Catalan, Spanish, French, Italian and English. €18. Reduced: €11. Free for under-10s.

PALAU REQUESENS

➤ (Bisbe Cassador, 3). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Guided tours & suppers: Fri,

Sat 7.30pm. Catalan, Spanish, English, French, German, Chinese and Russian. Guided tours: €20. Children under-12: €10. Suppers and medieval show: from €71. Children under 12: €35.50.

PARK GÜELL

(Olot, 5). M: Vallcarca (L3). 8.30am-6.15pm. Last entry 5.30pm. €8. Children 7-12 years, over-65s: €5.60. Free for under-7s. General guided tour: €7 pp. Private guided tour (for 2-4 people): €32 pp. Private family tour (for 4-9 people): €96 per group. Guided tours free for under-7s. Various languages. Prior reservation necessary at www.parkguell.cat

SANT PAU, ART NOUVEAU SITE

➤ (Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Mon-Sat 10am-4.30pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. Self-guided visit: €10. Reduced: €7. Guided tour (various times and languages daily between 11am and 1.30pm): €16. Reduced: €11.20. First Sunday of the month (no guided tours) and under-16s, free.

TORRE BELLESGUARD

➤ (Bellesguard, 6-9). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Tue-Sun 10am-3pm. Last entry: 2.30pm. Closed Mondays and Jan 1, 6. Self-guided tour with audio guide: €9. Reduced: €7.20. Under-8s free. Full guided tour: Sat, Sun 11am (English); Sat noon, Sun 1.15pm (Spanish). €16. Reduced: €12.80. Under-8s free.

Leisure

AIRE DE BARCELONA, ARAB BATHS

➤ (Pg. de Picasso, 22). M: Barceloneta, Jaume I (L4). Sun-Thu: first session 9am, final session from 10pm. Fri and Sat: first session 9am, final session from midnight. Closed Jan 1 in the morning.

BARCELONA URBAN FOREST

➤ (Plaça del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Until Jan 8: open daily 10am-3pm. From Jan 9: open weekends 10am-3pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. €11-€24.

GAUDÍ EXPERIÈNCIA

➤ (Larrard, 41). M: Lesseps (L3).

10.30am-5pm. Last audiovisual show: 4.30pm. Jan 1: noon-6.30pm. Last audiovisual show: 6pm. Closed Jan 6. €9. Reduced: €7.50.

L'AQUÀRIUM

➤ (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Until Jan 8: daily 10am-8.30pm. From Jan 9: Mon-Fri 10am-7.30pm; weekends and public holidays 10am-8pm. €20. 5-10 years: €15. Children 3-4 years: €7. Family ticket.

OPEN CAMP

➤ Estadi Olímpic de Barcelona (Pg. Olímpic, 17-19). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 2-8 10am-5pm. Closed Jan 1, 6. Open Park (all experiences of whole park): €20. Reduced: €15. Children 0-4: free. Open Stadium (includes experiences inside stadium only): €15. Reduced: €10. Children 0-4: free.

POBLE ESPANYOL

➤ (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Jan 1 1pm-midnight. Jan 2-8: Mon 9am-8pm; Tue-Thu, Sun 9am-midnight; Fri 9am-3am; Sat 9am-4am. From Jan 9: Mon-Thu 9am-8pm; Fri 9am-3am; Sat 9am-4am. €13. Reduced: €7; other discounts online. Under-4s free.

PORTAVENTURA

➤ (Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona). Train (Renfe): Port Aventura. Jan 1-8 10am-midnight. Closed from Jan 9. Ticket info at tourist offices, tickets. visitbarcelona.com and www.portaventuraworld.com

TIBIDABO THEME PARK

➤ (Pl. del Tibidabo, 3-4). Bus Tibibus (T2A) from Pl. de Catalunya. FGC: Av. Tibidabo (L7) + Tramvia Blau or Bus 196 + Tibidabo Funicular. Jan 2-5 11am-6pm. Closed Jan 1. Theme park: €28.50. Under-120cm: €10.30. Skywalk: €12.70. Under-120cm: €7.80.

ZOO DE BARCELONA

➤ (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). 10am-5.30pm. Last entry: 5pm. €19.90. Children 3-12 years: €11.95. Over-65s: €10.05. Under-3s free.



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Pl. de Catalunya, 17-S. T: daily
from 8.30am to 8.30pm

PLAÇA DE SANT JAUME

Ciutat, 2 (City Hall). T: Monday
to Friday from 8.30am to
8.30pm. Saturdays from 9am
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holidays from 9am to 2pm

MONUMENT COLOM

Pl. del portal de la Pau, s/n,
Barcelona. T: daily from
8.30am to 8.30pm

ESTACIÓ DE SANTS

Pl. dels Països Catalans, s/n.
T: daily from 8am to 8pm

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Terminals 1 and 2. T: daily
from 8.30am to 8.30pm

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