

Monthly Agenda August



Parcs i Jardins de Barcelona / Jardí Botànic



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Highlights

PortAventura World

If you're looking for a day bursting with fun, head to PortAventura World with its three amazing theme parks. [PortAventura Park](#) has rides, adventures and excitement for all ages spread over its six different worlds: Mediterranean, Mexico, Far West, China, Polynesia and Sesame Adventure. Over 40 attractions and 100 daily shows include roller-coasters, boat and train rides, parades, fireworks and 4D experiences. Fans of fast cars can't miss **Ferrari Land**, the first and only of its kind in Europe that celebrates the renowned Italian machines with a range of high-speed, adrenaline-pumping rides and activities. This year, a new Kids' Area has been opened so that younger devotees can get their own taste of the fast lane. And with the high August temperatures, what better place to cool down than **PortAventura Caribe Aquatic Park**? Numerous slides, pools and two special beaches mean guaranteed thrills and spills in the water as well as the chance for chilling out. At Barcelona's tourist offices and on Barcelona Turisme's website you can buy three different tickets for PortAventura: [transport to and from Barcelona in an air-conditioned coach and entrance to PortAventura Park; the same transportation plus entry to both PortAventura Park and Ferrari Land](#); or, if you prefer, just your [ticket to your choice of parks](#).



Port Aventura Park

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival 2018

Keeping Barcelona's music scene going during the whole of the traditionally quiet month of August, the **Mas i Mas Festival** has been running for 16 years and provides an extensive programme of concerts at different venues around the city. At the **Teatre Coliseum**, local and international musicians specialising in acid jazz, groove, swing, soul and funk take to the stage, while at **Jamboree**, every day in August sees a double session of jazz acts both from around the world and the national scene. Throughout the month and until the end of September, **Tarantos** hosts two young brothers who are already renowned flamenco stars despite being just 19 and 18, while if techno is more your thing, check out the daily programme at iconic club **Moog**. Taking place for the first time this year during the festival's opening week is the **Global Music Foundation Barcelona '18**, a week of concerts, workshops and seminars for music students and after-hours sessions. Star names will appear at Jamboree, and there will be free outdoor performances in Plaça Reial.



Incognito at Teatre Coliseum

Neighbourhood festivals in Gràcia and Sants

Every year across Catalonia, towns and cities celebrate their 'festa majors', annual festivals that see residents and visitors alike enjoy a range of cultural activities both traditional and contemporary. In Barcelona, first up is **Gràcia** (Aug 15-21), which used to be a town in its own right and still maintains a proudly independent spirit. Its streets, squares and balconies are filled with colour, music and festivities thanks to its famous competition that sees residents aim to win the coveted 'Best Decorated Street' prize. As well as the amazing decorations, Gràcia's festival includes concerts, activities for families, and Catalan culture such as human towers ('castellers') and 'sardana' dances. Starting just a few days after the Gràcia event, the **Festa Major de Sants** (Aug 18-26) offers another taste of traditional Catalan celebrations. This close-knit, working-class community hosts a festival with a full programme of kids' games, sporting events, food, street decorations, and emblematic local customs like the 'correfoc', literally a 'fire run' that sees people dressed as devils dance around carrying sticks with fireworks on the end of them.

Circuit & Girlie Festival

With the beaches full and holiday season in full swing, Barcelona welcomes back two of its most popular summer events, **Circuit Festival** (Aug 9 to 19) and **Girlie Circuit** (Aug 14-19). Billed respectively as the biggest international gay festival and the biggest lesbian festival in Europe, and both produced by Barcelona's Matinée Group. 11 days of full-on fun with a programme that features pool parties, including the biggest and most popular event of the festival, the Water Park Day at the nearby Illa Fantasia water park; DJ sessions and performances by some of the biggest names on the gay scene; cultural and sporting activities; and shopping. Girlie Circuit follows the same pattern and shares some events with Circuit (such as the Water Park Day), but starts a few days later.

Green Barcelona

One of Barcelona's many attributes is its concern with nature and commitment to sustainability. One of the key ways it achieves this is through its [parks](#), of which there are 86 along with 12 natural parks in the surrounding area. The expansive **Parc Ciutadella** is home not only to grass for lounging and play areas for kids but also a boating lake, the city zoo and various landmark buildings and artworks. This month, it also plays host to concerts that are part of the **Music in the Parks** programme, free open-air performances that run in Barcelona throughout the summer months. If you're a fan of both beaches and parks, the **Parc del Centre de Poble Nou** (55,000m² and designed by Jean Nouvel) and **Parc de Diagonal Mar** (it has water running along a raised structure as a symbol of the environmental criteria used to create the park) are each located just a short walk from the sea. The 'mountain' of Montjuïc is home to cultural entities, various parks (including the **Botanic Gardens** and the **Jardines Mossèn Costa i Llobera** cactus and succulent garden), well-located viewing points (Mirador del Alcalde and Mirador del Migdia), two cable cars (one that goes across the sea to Barceloneta, and the other up to the castle) and a funicular to the area of Avinguda Paral·lel. For a natural experience away from the centre, the gardens of **Tamarita** and of the **Palau Reial de Pedralbes** are great choices; once private lands, they are both landscaped and provide tranquil havens from the crowds and shade from the heat. For anybody who likes a bit of a challenge when at the park, the **Parc Laberint** in Horta has a historical maze that's loved by local families and school outings alike. And overlooking the city is the 8,000-hectare [Parc de Collserola](#), which provides ample opportunities for walking, cycling, birdwatching and running. If you'd like to get the most out of a visit there, why not sign up for the Collserola Scenic Tour? Or for animal lovers, a horse riding tour through Collserola is a different way to explore the park. For visitors looking to escape the city, areas such as **Montserrat** and **Garraf** have a lot to offer including spectacular views, unique natural features and the chance to follow different hiking trails, while [Montseny](#) has three peaks each of around 1,700m to climb.

Barcelona and sports

As the home to two La Liga sides, FC Barcelona and RCD Espanyol, Barcelona's close relationship to football is renowned across the world, and for many visitors to the city, a trip to the **Camp Nou** is high on their to-do list. Every August, as a pre-season taster, FC Barcelona invites an international side to play for the **Trofeu Joan Gamper** (Aug 15, Boca Juniors), named for the club's founder. Also taking place ahead of the league start is a leg of the Spanish Supercup, which sees FC Barcelona take on Sevilla (date and location tbc). With all this footballing action taking place, don't miss your chance to see one of the world's finest sides by getting your match tickets at the Tourist Office in Plaça Catalunya. And if you want to get to know the team even more, on the Barcelona Turisme website you can buy tickets to the **Camp Nou Experience** and the **Camp Nou Experience with brunch**.



Camp Nou

Close to Barcelona

If you're looking for an authentic Catalan experience, at the end of August take the train to the town of Vilafranca for its **festa major**. Not only will you get the chance to visit a pretty town at the heart of the Penedès wine region and enjoy the festivities that include traditional dances, processions and concerts but it's also an excellent opportunity to witness the incredible feats of different 'casteller', or human tower, groups. On August 30, the feast day of local patron Sant Fèlix, the main square fills with crowds of people both watching and building the castles – they're 'constructed' by participants climbing on top of each others' shoulders to get as high as they can; the castle is completed when the smallest child of the group gets to the top and raises their hand. Cue major applause from the spectators!



Castells in Vilafranca

Museums-exhibitions

Arxiu Fotogràfic de Barcelona

FREE

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

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/arxiunicipal/arxiufotografic/en/>

Carme Garcia. From the rooftop

Until Oct 27. Discover the life and 40-year career of Barcelona photographer Carme Garcia (1915-2015), who sought out new ways to capture images by using her rooftop as a studio and viewpoint.

Arxiu Històric de la Ciutat de Barcelona

FREE

(Santa Llúcia, 1). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Mon-Fri 9am-7.30pm; Sat 10am-8pm. Closed Sun and public holidays.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/arxiunicipal/arxuihistoric/es>

Aureli Capmany and the education of infants

Until Mar 30, 2019. As part of the events marking the 150th anniversary of the birth of key Catalan educator Aureli Capmany, the City Historical Archive looks at some of the tools he developed for teachers.

CaixaForum

BUY

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily (except Wed) 10am-8pm; Wed in Aug 10am-11pm.

caixaforum.es/es_ES/barcelona/home

Pharaoh – king of Egypt

Until Sep 16. Featuring a series of objects from the British Museum, this exhibition explores the ideals, symbolism and ideology of the Egyptian pharaohs, as well as the reality of life in the Nile Valley.

Nobel tours

FREE

Until Sep 2. Photographer Kim Manresa and journalist Xavi Ayén present portraits of 23 winners of the Nobel Prize for Literature.

A Certain Darkness

Until Jan 5, 2019. As part

of CaixaForum's Comisart programme, this show takes a new look at the collection of "La Caixa" and considers the cult value of images and the value of exhibitions.

Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-8pm. First Sunday of month and other Sundays after 3pm, free.

www.ajuntament.barcelona.cat/castelldemontjuic/en

Montjuïc, the construction of a castle

Permanent exhibition about Montjuïc and its castle. Doble Creu Permanent exhibition of sculpture by Carles Berga.

Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia and the educational revolution

Until Sep 2. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia (1859-1909) was a pioneer in educational methods, helping to modernise Catalan teaching practices, which are now used across the world.

Lost memory

Until Sep 11. Photographic exhibition featuring images by Barcelona photographer Miquel Gonzalez of mass graves from the Spanish Civil War, as well as of areas that have never been excavated but where atrocities took place.

Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona

(Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sun, public holidays 11am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sunday 3pm-8pm, free.

www.cccb.org/en/

Black light. Secret traditions in art since the 1950s

Until Oct 21. This exhibition examines the influence of different secret traditions employed in art during the past 70 years or so.

CosmoCaixa

BUY

(Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Daily 10am-8pm. www.cosmocaixa.com



El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria



Chaos + Repair = Universe. Kader Attia. Fundació Joan Miró

Robots. Humans and machines

Until Jan 31, 2019. This show looks at the unique relationship between people and robots.

The Material Room

Permanent exhibition. Voyage through the history of the Universe.

Top science

Permanent exhibition focused on contemporary research.

The flooded forest

Permanent exhibition. Living exhibit with over 100 species from the Brazilian jungle.

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria

(Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Site and exhibitions: Tue-Sun, public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). Sunday 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month all day, free. <http://elbornculturaaimemoria.barcelona.cat/en/>

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 about life in the city 300 years ago.

Fundació Antoni Tàpies

(Aragó, 255). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Tue-Thu, Sat 10am-7pm; Fri 10am-9pm; Sun 10am-3pm. Closed Mon. <http://fundaciotapies.org/en/>

Permanent exhibition

Extensive collection of artworks by Tàpies.

Antoni Tàpies. Political biography

Until Feb 24, 2019. This show is the latest in a series that explores the most paradoxical aspects of Tàpies's work.

Antoni Tàpies. T for Teresa

Until Oct 28. Exhibition of work by the late Catalan artist, whose wife Teresa Barba was an inspiration to the artist during his life and is now vice-president of his foundation.

Fundació Joan Miró

BUY

(Parc de Montjuïc, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 10am-8pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). www.fmirobcn.org/en/

Joan Miró. Collection

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

Espai 13: I am vertical

Until Sep 11. Swedish visual artists Lisa Gideonsson and Gustaf Londré have worked together since 2009; here they present a project that explores the idea of verticality and the effects we can experience at very high altitudes.

Photography in the Foyer: La Ricarda – two views

Until Sep 30. Exploration of house that's an emblem of 1960s architecture in Barcelona.

Kader Attia. Scars remind us that our past is real

Until Sep 30. Exhibition focused on French-Algerian artist Kader Attia, winner of the latest edition of the Joan Miró Prize. The pieces on show were selected by Attia himself, and look at the notion of repair.

Fundació Suñol

BUY

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

Patricio Vélaz. The shapes of time

Until Sep 8. Large body of work by Ecuadorian artist Patricio Vélaz that includes engravings, drawings, paintings and photos.

Acte 39: Antoni Abad. mesura X mesura

Until Sep 8. Project in the Nivell Zero space featuring art created by Abad since 1990.

Daniel G. Andújar. The disasters of war

Until Sep 15. Visual protest against violence and a fresh take on how conflict is reflected.

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. Mon 2pm-8pm, free. www.fundacionmapfre.org/fundacion/en/

Shomei Tomatsu

Until Sep 16. The works of Japanese photographer Shomei Tomatsu (1930-2012) create a record of life in his native country that covers six decades.

The Gaudí Exhibition Center

BUY

Museu Diocesà (Pla de la Seu, 7). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. www.gaudiexhibitioncenter.com

Walking with Gaudí

Permanent exhibition featuring virtual reality and other technologies that give you the chance to delve into the life and work of the genius architect.

Hash Marihuana & Hemp Museum

BUY

(Ample, 35). M: Drassanes (L3), Barceloneta (L4). Daily 10am-10pm; public holidays 2pm-10pm. www.hashmuseum.com

Hemp. Back to the future

FREE

Until Sep 30. As we confront a global environmental disaster created by single-use plastic, the museum looks at an alternative material: hemp plastic, which is light, durable and biodegradable.

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 i Quer, s/n). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-8pm. First Sunday of the month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://museuciencies.cat/en/>

Permanent exhibition

Mediterranean plants from

around the world.

Bonsai show

Daily 10.30am-7.30pm. Permanent exhibition featuring a collection donated by the family of Pere Duran i Farell, a leading Catalan industrialist and bonsai aficionado.

La Virreina Centre de la Imatge

FREE

(La Rambla, 99). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun, public holidays noon-8pm. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/lavirreina/en>

Dame Pank y Dime Tonto

Until Sep 30. This is the first retrospective on the career of Kikol Grau, an audiovisual producer from Barcelona, and also offers a study of televisual, political and music history in Spain from the 1980s to today.

In vain

Until Sep 30. Spanish artist Mar Arza questions certainties used to frame interpretations of art, knowledge and images.

'Creative' photography in Catalonia (1973-1982)

Until Sep 30. This exhibition looks at the rise of a generation of photographers who demanded that 'creative' or fine photography be accepted as an art in its own right in the 1970s and early 1980s.

MACBA. Museu d'Art Contemporani

BUY

(Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Sant Antoni (L2). Mon, Wed-Fri 11am-8pm. Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Tue (except public holidays). Sat 4pm-8pm, free. www.macba.cat/en/index

MACBA Collection. Beneath the surface

Until Nov 1. Featuring works from the MACBA archive, this exhibition explores problems of representation and its limits, as well as the relevance and incidence of the artist and art in contemporary society.

Francesc Torres. The hermetic bell

Until Sep 11. Catalan artist Francesc Torres plans to leave his archive of work to the MACBA, and this is an initial taste of what it comprises with

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MUHBA Temple d'August



Nasevo. Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona

a new piece featuring objects that are key to his creative process.

Oscar Masotta. Theory as action

Until Sep 11. The aim of this exhibition is to reconstruct the intellectual career of Argentinian thinker Oscar Masotta (1930-1979), and is the culmination of four years of research.

Domènec. Not here, not anywhere

Until Sep 11. The work of Catalan artist Domènec from the late '90s to the present day is featured in this solo show.

Melanie Smith. Farce and artifice

Until Oct 7. This is the largest institutional show of the artist's work held in Europe to date. Born in the UK, Melanie Smith came to prominence as part of the Mexican art scene in the 1990s.

MUHBA El Call

(Placeta de Manuel Ribé, s/n). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Wed 11am-2pm; Sat-Sun 11am-7pm. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

The Jews in Medieval Barcelona

Permanent exhibition about the city's historical Jewish community.

MUHBA at Fabra i Coats

(Sant Adrià, 20). M: Sant Andreu (L1). Sun 11am-2pm. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

Fabra i Coats factory

Site of exceptional historical interest that's based on English industrial facilities.

MUHBA Park Güell

(Olot, s/n. Casa de la Guarda). M: Vallcarca (L3). Until Aug 26: daily 8am-9.30pm; from Aug 27 daily 8am-8.30pm. The Casa de la Guarda is part of the visit to the Conjunt Monumental of Park Güell, and is subject to the conditions regarding access to Park Güell.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>
www.parkguell.cat/en/

Güell, Gaudí and Barcelona, the expression of an urban ideal

Permanent audiovisual exhibition about Park Güell and the city at the time of modernisme.

MUHBA Plaça del Rei

(Pl. del Rei). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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.

El port franc i la fàbrica de Barcelona

Until Nov 30. Exhibition about the city's industry, focusing on the history of its port and Zona Franca area and its impact on the political, economic, urbanistic and environmental development of Barcelona.

MUHBA Refugi 307

(Nou de la Rambla, 169). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Guided tours: Sun 10.30am (Eng), 11.30am (Spa) and 12.30pm (Cat). Closed public holidays. Prior reservation necessary: reservesmuhba@eicub.net. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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 8.30am-3.30pm. Closed Sun and public holidays. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

Permanent exhibition
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. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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, Fri, Sat 4.30pm-8.30pm; Sun 10.30am-2.30pm, 4.30pm-8.30pm. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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 11am-2pm; Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri and Sat. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

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. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

Permanent exhibition

Historical farmhouse in Collserola park, which was converted into a residential home in the 19th century.

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. Closed Mon and Aug 15. www.museudebadalona.cat/en

Baetulo, Roman city

Permanent exhibition includes the remains of the steam baths and Decumanus Maximus street.

In memory of Pompeu Fabra

Until Oct 7. The city council of Badalona is hosting different events to mark the 150th anniversary of the birth of Pompeu Fabra, a renowned Catalan grammatician, linguist and engineer.

Museu de Montserrat

(Abadia de Montserrat. 08199 Montserrat). FGC from Pl. Espanya (R5 line). Station: Monistrol de Montserrat + zip train. Daily 10am-6.45pm. www.museudemontserrat.com/en/index.html

Permanent exhibition

Paintings by El Greco, Caravaggio, Tiepolo, Monet, Sisley, Degas, Pissarro, Miró, Dalí, Picasso...

Mirrors of stone

Until Oct 7. Work by Valencian sculptor Enrique Asensi, in particular his geometric abstractions.

The silence of pomegranates

Until Nov 11. Young Barcelona photographer Andrea Torres Balaguer presents an exhibition of her surreal images that create a calculated reality.

MEB: Museu de l'Eròtica de Barcelona

(La Rambla, 96, bis). M: Liceu (L3), Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 10am-midnight. www.erotica-museum.com/en/

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 & Marina (L1),

Monumental (L2). Tue, Wed, Fri 10am-6pm; Thu 10am-9pm; Sat, Sun 10am-7pm. Closed Mon. First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free.

ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museumusica/en

Permanent exhibition.

Enjoy a journey through the different periods that make up the history of music. Gu-Inno-Vart Until Oct 7. Barcelona artist Josep Guinovart (1927-2007) was inspired in his work by different musical styles.

Museu de la Xocolata

Antic Convent de Sant Agustí (Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays (incl Aug 15) 10am-3pm. <http://www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en>

Permanent exhibition

The origins of chocolate, its arrival in Europe in the 16th century and the relationship it has with Barcelona.

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). Sundays from 3pm-8pm and first Sunday of month, all day, free.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuldisseny/en/>

Do you work or design?

New visual communication 1980-2003. Recently opened permanent exhibition tracing the contemporary history of graphic design in Catalonia and Spain.

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

Permanent exhibition showing daily objects from a museum perspective.

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

Permanent exhibition featuring art from the past 1700 years. The dressed body. Silhouettes

and fashion (1550-2015) Permanent exhibition about how women have long altered their shapes using their clothes.

Museu del Futbol Club Barcelona

Estadi FCB (Aristides Maillol, s/n. Gates 7 and 9). M: Les Corts (L3). Daily 9.30am-7.30pm. Some areas closed and opening hours reduced on match days. www.fcbarcelona.com

Camp Nou Experience

Permanent exhibition that takes in the club's long history and includes a visit to the stadium facilities.

Museu de Ciències Naturals de Barcelona

(Pl. de Leonardo da Vinci, 4-5, Parc del Fòrum). M: El Maresme/Fòrum (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://museuciencies.cat/en/>

Planet Life

Permanent exhibition about the history of life and evolution of the planet, and includes sections such as 'The biography of the Earth' and 'Islands of Science'.

Oceans, the last wild territory

Until Sep 30. Take an audiovisual trip through the deep sea with images taken from the Oceans documentary, made using 480 hours of footage. A highlight is a large screen that gives you a sense of immersion in the water.

Nasevo. Science and fragrances

Until Sep 2. This exhibition shows the scientific and creative process of a multisensory artist who brings together colour and smell through the NAS object.

Museu Egipci de Barcelona

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3,

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L4). Mon-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun 10am-2pm.

www.museuegipci.com/en

Permanent exhibition

Almost a thousand items that date from the ancient civilisation of the Pharaohs. Passion for Pharaonic Egypt End date tbc. This new show looks back over two centuries of collecting objects that date from when the Pharaohs ruled Ancient Egypt. Tutankhamun, history of a discovery No end date. How the tomb of the famous Egyptian king was uncovered.

Museu Etnològic i de Cultures del Món - Montcada

(Montcada, 12). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home>

Selfie. The mask of society

Until Oct 14. A look at the ubiquitous self-portrait of the 21st century.

Ifni. Catalan military service in Africa

Until Jan 23, 2019. For much of the 20th century, young Spanish men had to do military service. Among the different postings was Ifni, a small Spanish enclave on the Moroccan coast.

Permanent exhibition

Explore the artistic heritage of different cultures from Africa, Asia, America and Oceania.

Museu Etnològic i de Cultures del Món – Parc de Montjuïc

(Passeig de Santa Madrona, 16-22). M: Poble Sec (L3), Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-7pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-8pm. Closed Mon. First Sunday of month and other Sundays from 4pm, free. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuetnologic/en/home>

The faces of Barcelona

This key exhibition invites visitors to take a fresh look at

the city through a selection of carefully chosen objects.

Feel our heritage

Permanent exhibition that aims to explain our society through the comparison of different places and times.

MEAM: Museu Europeu d'Art Modern

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Tue-Sun 11am-7pm. Closed Mon. www.meam.es/en/

Contemporary figurative art of the 21st century

Permanent exhibition of nearly 300 paintings and 80 sculptures.

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). First Sunday of month, all day, and other Sundays from 3pm, free. w110.bcn.cat/museufredericmares/eng

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.

Fiestas de San Roque

Aug 10-18. 10am-10pm. As part of the celebrations of the 429th Fiestas de San Roque in Barcelona, this exhibition features traditional Catalan festive animal figures.

Original sin

Until Dec 30. The featured work in the display case of the museum's garden is a mid-16th century sculpture.

The gardens of the museum

Until Dec 30. Discover 17 pieces selected from the museum's collection on the theme of gardens.

Museu Marítim de Barcelona

(Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. Sundays from 3pm, free. <http://mmb.cat/en/>

Antoni Benaiges, the teacher who promised the sea

Until Mar 3, 2019. The story of teacher Antoni Benaiges (1903-1936) who worked during the Spanish Republic in a rural school.

Royal boatyards and galleys

Semi-permanent exhibition that's part of a new installation dedicated to the history of Barcelona's shipbuilding industry.

7 boats, 7 stories

Until Dec 31. Show that features some of the museum's most notable model boats and a variety of other interesting items from its archive.

Display of vessels

Until Dec 31. Semi-permanent exhibition of various boats that are part of the museum's extensive collection.

Port, border territory

Until Sep 25. This exhibition covers the history of the neighbourhoods of Barcelona that adjoin the port between 1900 and 1992.

Restoration in full view of the Museum's boats

Until Sep 2. The museum has completely reopened to the public the spaces of the medieval Royal Boatyards where three historic boats are being restored.

Architecture at sea

Until Sep 2. Photos, models and plans display a variety of vessels created by architects. A centenary boat Until Dec. Discover the history of the Santa Eulàlia schooner, moored in Barcelona port.

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya

(Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public hols). Saturdays from 3pm, and first Sunday of every month, free. www.museunacional.cat/en

Permanent exhibition

Most important collection of painted Romanic murals and Catalan modernisme in the world. In addition, the Museu Nacional has recently

inaugurated a new layout for its display of Renaissance and Baroque artworks by iconic European painters such as El Greco, Tintoretto, Canaletto and Rubens, among many others. The almost 300 pieces on show (taken from the museum's archive of around 1,400 works) were all produced between the 16th and early 19th centuries, and many have rarely been shown in public before - don't miss your opportunity to see this unique collection. And during your visit, head up to the rooftop, the perfect spot for enjoying panoramic views of the city.

Gala Salvador Dalí. A room of one's own in Pubol

Jul 6-Oct 14. This is the first international exhibition dedicated to Gala, the muse and wife of Dalí who was an essential part of his artistic development. Over 180 works from around the world create a portrait of her complex and fascinating character.

Museu Olímpic i de l'Esport Joan Antoni Samaranch

(Av. de l'Estadi Olímpic, 60). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-2.30pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). www.museuolimpicbcn.cat/eng/home.asp

Centenary Club: Reial Club de Polo de Barcelona

Until Sep 16. Marking 100 years since the creation of the city's polo club, the museum shows a series of photos that portray this historical sporting institution.

Esportclick

Until Oct 7. In the hall of the museum, take a look at this Playmobil tableau that commemorates the Winter Olympics celebrated earlier this year in PyeongChang.

Permanent exhibition

Explore in-depth the worlds of sport and the Olympic Games.

Museu Picasso

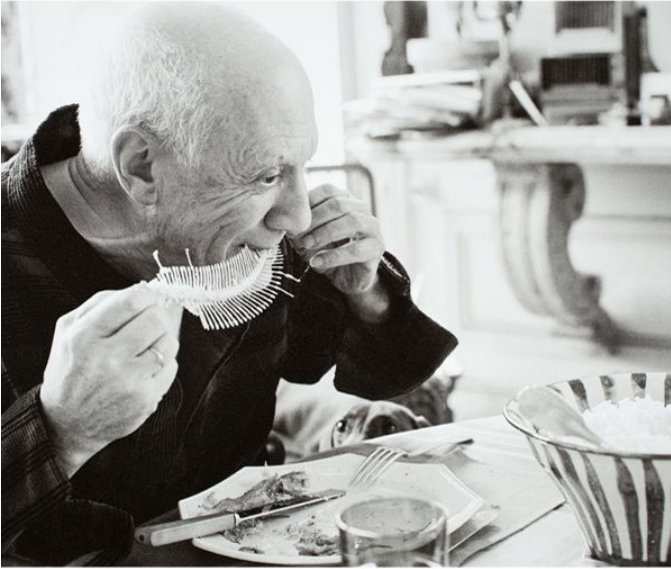
(Montcada, 15-23). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon 10am-5pm; Tue-Sun



Divine murals. Reial Monestir de Pedrabes



Gala Salvador Dalí. Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya



Picasso's kitchen. Museu Picasso

(except Thu) 9am-8.30pm; Thu 9am-9.30pm. Every Thu 6pm-9.30pm and first Sunday of month all day, free entry. www.museupicasso.bcn.cat/en

Permanent exhibition

More than 3,800 works from different periods of the artist's career.

Picasso's Kitchen

Until Sep 30. For the first time, the subject of food and cooking in Picasso's work is considered.

Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public holidays). First Sunday of month, free. www.palauguell.cat/en

Palau Güell: A Look at Furniture

This permanent exhibition is situated on the bedroom floor and features original furniture that decorated the building when the Güell family were living there.

Eusebi Güell i Bacigalupi, patrician of the Renaixença. To mark the centenary of his death, 1918-2018

Until Apr 2019. A special exhibition that remembers Eusebi Güell, patron of Gaudí and the man who had the Palau Güell built for his family.

Palau Robert

(Pg. de Gràcia, 107). M: Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: Provença. Mon-Sat 9am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 9am-2.30pm. <http://palaurobert.gencat.cat/en/inici/index.html>

Antoni Bernad. North/South/East/West

Until Aug 26. Discover the work of fashion and portrait photographer, Antoni Bernad.

Time of hope, time of reflection

Until Aug 26. Summer classical music festivals held in different places across Catalonia.

May 1968; photographs of 'France Soir'

Until Sep 11. A look back to France 50 years ago and the wave of social action that included demonstrations,

general strikes and the occupation of unis and factories as captured by a leading national newspaper.

Why? Carme Solé Vendrell

Until Sep 11. See the work of Carme Solé Vendrell, an illustrator of children's books who is celebrating the 50th anniversary of her career.

Pompeu Fabra

Until Oct 11. Part of a series of activities marking 150 years since the birth of the most important grammarian in Catalonia, Pompeu Fabra.

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Tue-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-8pm; Aug 15 10am-2pm. Closed Mon. Sundays from 3pm, and first Sunday of month, all day, free. <http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

Divine murals. Sant Miquel Chapel

Permanent exhibition of recently restored Gothic murals from the 14th century. Pedralbes Monastery. The treasures of the Monastery Permanent exhibition of art, furniture and liturgical items. Plants, remedies and apothecaries; the medieval garden Permanent exhibition about how Greek and Roman medicine, with Arab-Islamic culture, uses nature as the basis of treating sickness. Petras 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.

Music

CONCERT VENUES

L'Auditori

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

Gran Teatre del Liceu

(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). www.liceubarcelona.cat/en/#

Palau de la Música Catalana

(Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). www.palaumusica.cat/en

Jamboree

(Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). www.masimas.com/en/jamboree

Moog

(Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3). www.masimas.com/en/moog

Palau Sant Jordi + Sant Jordi Club

(Passeig Olímpic, 5-7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). www.palausantjordi.cat/en/ www.santjordiclub.cat

Sala Barts + Barts Club

(Av. Paral·lel, 62). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). www.barts.cat/es/

Sala Apolo + La [2] de Apolo

(Nou de la Rambla, 113, 111). M: Paral·lel. www.sala-apollo.com/en/

Sala Razzmatazz

(Almogàvers, 122/Pamplona 88). M: Marina (L1), Bogatell (L4). www.salarazzmatazz.com/en/

Teatre Coliseum

(Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). <https://www.grupbalana.com/es/teatros/salas/teatro-coliseum/>

SINGULAR VENUES

Museu Europeu Art Modern (MEAM)

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Weekly concerts of flamenco, classical music and blues in art museum.

Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Palace from the 17th-century hosts daily flamenco shows and weekly opera performances.

Esglesia de Santa Anna

(Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Regular Spanish guitar concerts in 12th-century church.

Santa Maria del Pi

(Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Historic church is setting for a variety of Spanish guitar concerts.

OTHER SHOWS

La Bodega Flamenca

(Roger de Flor, 230). M: Verdaguer (L4, L5), Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Mon-Sat 6pm; 8.30pm (shows start later). Flamenco show and dinner close to the Sagrada Família.

Palacio del Flamenco

(Balmes, 139). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); Provença (FGC). Daily 6pm, 7.50pm, 9.40pm (shows start later). Live flamenco every evening with the option of an accompanying meal or drink.

Sala Tarantos

(Plaça Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Daily 7.30pm, 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm. Live flamenco show in central venue.

Tablao de Carmen

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily 6pm; 8.30pm (shows start later). Flamenco shows and dinner in venue that pays tribute to Barcelona flamenco star Carmen Amaya.

Tablao Cordobés

(La Rambla, 3-5). M: Drassanes, Liceu (L3). Daily 5pm, 6pm, 7.30pm, 9.15pm, 10.30pm (shows start later). Authentic tablao at the heart of the city for tapas, drink and meal plus flamenco show. This month's stars include José Maya (Aug 1-31), Karime Amaya (6-26) and Sara Barrero (1-5, 27-29).

Opera y Flamenco

Teatre Poliorama (La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L4). These city centre venues host regular performances of two shows that celebrate the beauty of two musical genres. The first, **Opera and flamenco**, is a love story that tells the tale of a tempestuous affair between flamenco dancers who perform to some of opera's most famous arias. The other is **Grand Flamenco Gala**, offering the chance to hear the most traditional sounds of classic Spanish flamenco, with an intense performance full of passion.

Museu Europeu d'Art Modern



Theatre

Teatre Gaudí Barcelona

(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 120). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5) and Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). www.teatregaudibarcelona.com/es/

El futbol és així (de gai)

Aug 2-Sep 2. Thu-Sat 9pm; Sun 6pm. 24€. Musical theatre about football star Maxi, who arrives at his new club Mercurio FC ready to come out of the closet. But the club isn't going to make it easy for him. In Catalan.

Teatre Poliorama

(La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). www.teatrepoliorama.com/es/inicio.html

La importancia de ser Frank

Until Aug 5. Tue, Thu 8.30pm; Wed, Fri 9.30pm; Sat 6pm, 9.30pm; Sun 6pm. 20€-29€. Translated version of Oscar Wilde's classic play about social hypocrisy whose themes are still relevant today. In Catalan.

Teatre Victòria

(Paral·lel, 67). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). www.teatrevictoria.com/es/inicio.html

Airotic: Les Farfadais & Khaoula Bouchkhi

Aug 14-19. 9.30pm. 16.20€-38.70€. French group Les Farfadais and guest Khaoula Bouchkhi present this performance celebrating Eros and Aphrodite, with a show that is sensual, tasteful and never seeks to offend.

Summer nights



Gandules at CCCB

PLACES OF INTEREST

Jazz nights at La Pedrera

(Passeig de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Until Sep 15. Fri, Sat 8.15pm-10.30pm. 35€. Enjoy a special evening event with a jazz concert on the splendid roof terrace of Gaudí's La Pedrera. Entry includes a glass of cava, tour and the concert.

Magic nights at Casa Batlló

(Passeig de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Until Nov 4. Daily from 8pm. 39€.

For a different kind of summer evening experience, take a tour of Gaudí's famous Casa Batlló with an enhanced reality Smartguide followed by an open-air concert on the rooftop with two drinks included.

Nights with Rhythm at Casa de les Punxes

(Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdaguer (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5); Provença (FGC). Every Fri. Visit: 7pm-8pm; concert: from

8pm. This Modernista gem hosts a night of culture. It starts with a visit to the Casa de les Punxes exhibition and rooftop terrace, followed by a concert accompanied by a glass of cava.

Modernisme Nights at Casa Amatller

(Pg. de Gràcia, 41.) M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Until Sep 21. Every Fri. 7pm (Eng), 8pm (Spa/Cat alternating weeks). 25€. Take a dramatised tour of Casa Amatller with original owner Antoni Amatller and his daughter Teresa; includes a glass of cava.

Supper under the stars at Observatori Fabra

(Camí de l'Observatori, s/n). To get there, you need a car or can take a taxi. Until Oct 7. Tue-Sun 8.30pm. From 71€. Check website for dates and availability. Head to Barcelona's hillside observatory for an al fresco supper, scientific talk, guided tour and the chance to look at

the stars through its historical telescope. A variety of menu options is on offer.

Opera at Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Thu. 11pm. 25€. La Petita Companyia Lírica de Barcelona performs in the unique historical venue that is the Baroque Palau Dalmases. Hear arias and opera by composers such as Mozart, Donizetti, Verdi and Tchaikovsky.

Nights at Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). Every Thu. 8.30pm-10.30pm. 35€. A cultural evening awaits at this Gaudí building with an express tour, a concert from an up-and-coming Catalan band, and a bite to eat and glass of cava.

Blues nights at Poble Espanyol

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Thu until Sep 6. From 9pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Reduced: 7€, 9€, 10.50€. Poble Espanyol hosts a season

of intimate blues concerts featuring some of the best local performers such as Big Mama Montse, the Tòfol Martínez Blues Band and Sweet Marta & The Blues Sharks.

Evening tours of Santa Maria del Mar Basilica

(Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu, Fri, Sat 9pm, 9.30pm (check website for languages). 17.50€. www.riostabarcelona.com/en/ Once the doors of this historic church close, a small group has the chance to tour the basilica in the special ambience of the evening light and warmth, and then view the city skyline from its rooftop.

RiuEstiu

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Sat in Aug. 8pm. From 12€.

Get ready to laugh with these weekly monologue sessions that might also include music, magic or improv. A bar service and barbecue completes a great summer evening of fun. In Spanish.

Summer nights

MUSIC IN THE CITY

Music in the Parks BUY
Various venues.
Every weekday until Aug 30.
Barcelona is home to numerous parks of all shapes and sizes, and throughout the summer months they host a variety of live, small-format concerts. Enjoy nature, music and the warm weather.

Brunch in the Park BUY
Jardines de Joan Brossa (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Every Sun in Aug. 1pm-10pm. From 18€.
From lunchtime until the evening, enjoy al fresco eating, excellent electronic music from top national and international DJs, this month including Ritchie Hawtin and Laurent Garnier, plus activities and games for families and more.

Summer nights at CaixaForum BUY
(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Wed in Aug. Until 11pm. Check website for full programme.
CaixaForum opens its doors late every Wednesday this month with a programme of concerts as well as other activities such as showcooking and workshops.

OPEN-AIR CINEMA

Mecal Air FREE
Jardins Elisava, Museu de Disseny (Pl. de les Glòries Catalanes, 37-38). M: Glòries (L1). Every Fri in Aug. 9pm. <http://mecalbcn.org/en/mecal-air-barcelona/>
Each Friday, a series of shorts are screened based around a particular genre, such as sci-fi, indie or comedy and the first film always has a design connection.

Gandules at the CCCB BUY
(Montalegre, 5). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 7-23. Tue-Thu. 10pm.
The themes for this year's outdoor film festival at the CCCB are 'Magic, altered states and the

occult', chosen as three ways to illuminate and celebrate in dark times. On the programme are films from around the world, both modern and classic.

Festival de Cinema Fantàstic i de Terror by Sitges Festival BUY
Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Wed in Aug. From 9pm. From 8€.
www.poble-espanyol.com/en/
The world-famous film festival held each year in the nearby town of Sitges comes to Poble Espanyol for the first time, with weekly screenings of different fantasy and terror movies.

NIGHT-TIME TOURS

The Gothic Quarter by Night BUY
(Start: Canaletas Fountain, at the top of La Rambla). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Thu, Sat 7pm (Eng); Fri 7pm (Cat/Spa). From 25€.
This tour takes in the main features of this emblematic Barcelona area with memorable architecture, incredible history and modern landmarks, all experienced with a magical evening aura.

Barcelona's Darkest Past BUY
(Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 9pm (Eng). From 16€.
Discover legends and tales from Ciutat Vella, as an expert guide covers themes from medieval times until the 19th century such as the Inquisition, curses and cemeteries.

Ghosts of Barcelona BUY
(Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Fri 9.30pm (Spa/Cat); Sat 8.30pm (Eng). From 12€.
A two-hour tour around some of the spookiest corners of Barcelona in the Ribera and Born district as you'll hear about exorcisms, witchcraft and haunted convents as well as strange apparitions.

Barcelona Night Tour BUY
(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Until Sep 16. Fri-Sun 9.30pm. From 19€.
Make the most of the warm summer evenings in Barcelona with this 2.5-hour open-top bus tour that includes live commentary, a stop at the Magic Fountain show in Montjuïc, and the chance to see some of the city's most famous buildings lit up at night.

Barcelona Tour BUY
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Point, Plaça Catalunya, 17, basement). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Sat 5.30pm-10.30pm. From 44.10€
Combined walking and bus tour that includes many of Barcelona's most famous sights as well as supper at the Modernista Hospital de Sant Pau, the light, water and colour show of the Magic Fountain, and panoramic views of the city by night from Montjuïc.

Blues nights at Poble Espanyol



Visits

PLACES OF INTEREST

Basílica de la Sagrada Família BUY
(Mallorca, 401). M: Sagrada Família (L2, L5). Daily 9am-8pm. From 15€. Prior reservation necessary.
www.sagradafamilia.org/en/
Barcelona's most famous landmark, begun by Antoni Gaudí in 1891 and unfinished to this day. A spectacular example of the architect's genius.

Basílica de Santa Maria del Mar BUY
(Plaça de Santa Maria, 1). M: Jaume I (L4). Mon-Sat 9am-1pm, 5pm-8.30pm; Sun, public hols 9am-2pm, 5pm-8.30pm. Guided tours including rooftop: weekdays noon-7pm; weekends and holidays 11am-7pm (check website for languages). 8€/10€. Evening tours including rooftop: Thu, Fri, Sat (check website for languages) 9pm, 9.30pm; 17.50€.
Beautiful Gothic church that's featured in popular novel The Cathedral of the Sea whose rooftop provides stunning views of the city.

Basílica de Santa Maria del Pi BUY
(Plaça del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Daily 10am-6pm. Guided tour including bell tower: Daily noon, 1pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm (check website for languages). 8.50€.
One of Barcelona's grandest Gothic churches, with unforgettable vistas from its roof and a majestic bell tower that shouldn't be missed.

Biblioteca Arús BUY
(Pg. Sant Joan, 26). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Tetuan (L2). Tue 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). Special summer price: 4.50€.
Created in 1895 using funds donated by Rossend Arús i Arderiu and located in his former home, this library specialises in research into social movements from the 19th and 20th centuries.

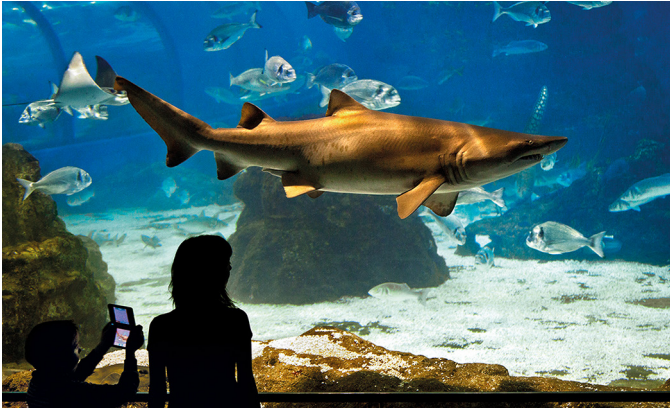
Casa Amatller BUY
(Pg. de Gràcia, 41). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Guided tours (one hour): 11am (Eng), 5pm (Spa). 24€. Tours with video guide (40 mins): 10am-6pm (various languages). 19€.
One of the city's most outstanding Modernista buildings, it was designed by architect Josep Puig i Cadafalch for Antoni Amatller, member of a well-known family of chocolate-makers.

Casa Batlló BUY
(Pg. de Gràcia, 43). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Daily 9am-9pm. From 24.50€.
Located on Passeig de Gràcia, this is a favourite among fans of Gaudí's work. The beauty of its exterior combines with a careful use of colour, forms and light in the interior.

Casa de les Punxes BUY
(Av. Diagonal, 420). M: Verdguer (L4, L5), Diagonal (L3, L5). FGC: Provença. Daily 10am-7pm. Self-guided tour with audio guide (10 languages): 12.50€. Guided tour: 20€. This Modernista gem, the work of Josep Puig i Cadafalch, has a splendid rooftop and is full of symbolism that has a special focus on Sant Jordi, the patron saint of Catalonia.

Casa Felip BUY
(Ausiàs Marc, 21). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Fri 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). Special summer price: 7€.
Once home to the Felip family, this apartment is an excellent example of Modernisme. Today it's the headquarters of the Fundació Vila Casas, which promotes contemporary Catalan art.

Casa Rocamora BUY
(Ballester, 12). M: Lesseps (L3); FGC: Pàdua/Putxet. Thu 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). Special summer price 6€.
The art collected by Manuel Rocamora (1892-1976), a member of a wealthy industrial family who spent much of his life collecting pieces, is on



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display at his former home.

Casa Vicens BUY
(C/ de les Carolines, 20). M: Fontana, Lesseps (L3). Daily 10am-8pm. 16€.
Built between 1883 and 1885, this is the first house that Gaudí designed in Barcelona as a summer house for the Vicens family. It opened to the public at the end of 2017.

Cementiri de Montjuïc FREE
(Mare de Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. Tours: second and fourth Sun of month. Second Sunday: 11.15am (Catalan); fourth Sunday: 11.15am (Spanish). www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en
Barcelona's hillside graveyard is as much an art museum as a final resting-place, and has various noteworthy features such as the Fossar de la Pedrera memorial to some of those killed in the Civil War.

Centre Excursionista de Catalunya BUY
(Paradís, 10). M: Jaume I (L4). Guided tour (50 mins) Thu, Sun 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm (various languages). 8€.
As well as being home to the remains of the 1st century Roman Temple of Augustus, this centre has 140 years of experience in scientific and cultural excursions, including archaeological excavations.

Columbus Monument + Wine tasting BUY
(enoturisme)
(Plaça del Portal, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Daily 8.30am-7.30pm. From 5.40€.
Take the lift to the top of one of the city's most iconic landmarks, the Columbus Monument at the bottom of La Rambla, for spectacular 360° views. And once you're done, enjoy a wine tasting in the dedicated space at the foot of the monument. Every week of the year there's also a different **Wine of the Week** to sample, which is available to buy at a discount

Gran Teatre del Liceu BUY
(La Rambla, 51-59). M: Liceu (L3). Aug 1-3: Guided tours (45 mins): Mon-Fri 2pm, 3pm, 4pm; Sat, Sun every hour 9.30am-4pm. 9€. Prestige tour (50 mins): Mon-Fri 9.30am, 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm. 16€. No tours from Aug 4-Sep 2 inclusive.
Discover one of the world's greatest opera houses, with its impressive concert hall and exclusive private rooms that make it one of Barcelona's unmissable sights.

La Pedrera BUY BUY
(Passeig de Gràcia, 92). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Pedrera by Day: Daily 9am-8.30pm; 22€. Gaudí's Pedrera. The Origins: Daily 9pm-11pm; 34€. The awake-

Visits



Barcelona Nigth Tour

ning of La Pedrera: Wed, Thu, Fri (Eng) 8am; 39€.
Many Barcelona inhabitants believe this is Gaudí's true masterpiece. The wavy lines of its façade, the stunning roof terrace and original interior features are not to be missed.

Observatori Fabra ⓘ
(Camí de l'Observatori, s/n). To get there, you need a car or can take a taxi. Tue-Sun; from 71€.
For a different perspective on the city, head to Barcelona's hillside observatory for an al fresco supper, scientific talk and a look through the historical telescope.

Palau Baró de Quadras **BUY**
(Av. Diagonal, 373). M: Diagonal (L3, L5); FGC: Provença. Wed 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). Special summer price 5€.
This building was remodelled by Josep Puig i Cadafalch between 1902 and 1906, and was one of the first houses to be constructed on Avinguda Diagonal as part of the city's expansion project.

Palau Güell
(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). Tue-Sun 10am-8pm. Closed Mon (except public hols). 12€.
www.palauguell.cat/en

Built by Gaudí in the late 19th century just off La Rambla, this palace was inhabited by his principal patron, Eusebi Güell, and his family.

Palau de la Música Catalana **BUY**
(Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Daily 9am-6pm (guided tours every 30 mins, various languages). 20€.
Step inside one of the most beautiful Modernista buildings in the city, which has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1997.

Palau Requesens **BUY**
(Bisbe Cassador, 3). M: Liceu (L3), Jaume I (L4). Fri, Sat 7.30pm: Guided tours with glass of cava and sword fight; 20€; tour, supper & medieval show; from 71€ (check available dates on website). Aug 4 7.30pm: Sefarad Dinner including welcome drink, tour of Jewish quarter and meal of traditional Jewish food; from 71€. Guided tour only: Sat 11.30am, 12.30pm, 1.30pm. 8€.
This palace was built on one of the towers from the wall that surrounded Roman Barcelona. Here better to enjoy an evening of history, food and drink, and entertainment?

Palauet Casades **BUY**
(Mallorca, 283). M: Diagonal (L3, L5). Mon 11am (Eng), 1pm (Spa). Special summer price 5€. Created as a family home by Antoni Serra i Pujals, this Modernista building became the office for the city's lawyers' association in 1924.

Park Güell
(Olot, 5). M: Vallcarca (L3). Until Aug 26: daily 8am-9.30pm; from Aug 27 daily 8am-8.30pm. 8.50€. Daily general guided tours (Spa, Eng and Fre); daily private guided tours for 2-5 people. Advanced booking recommended. www.parkguell.cat/en/
Set in a privileged spot above the city, this park was intended as Gaudí's take on an English garden city. Despite its lack of success at the time, it has become one of Barcelona's most-visited landmarks.

Pavelló Mies van der Rohe
(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 7). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10am-8pm. 5€.
www.miesbcn.com
Symbolic work from the Modern movement, it was designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe and Lilly Reich as the German national pavilion for the 1929 Barcelona International Exhibition.

Reial Acadèmia de Ciències i Arts de Barcelona **BUY**
(La Rambla, 115). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Wed, Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm. Various languages. 8€.
This illustrious institution is located in an 18th-century building at the heart of the city. Albert Einstein explained the fundamentals of relativity there and it's home to an 1869 astronomical clock.

Reial Acadèmia de Farmàcia de Catalunya **BUY**
(C/del Hospital, 56). M: Sant Antoni (L2), Liceu (L3). Wed, Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm (various languages). 8€.

The pharmacy of the one-time Hospital of the Holy Cross is the oldest of its kind in Europe, dating from 1417. It's currently home to the Royal Pharmacy Academy of Catalonia and contains numerous historical artefacts.

Reial Acadèmia de Medicina de Catalunya **BUY**
(Carme, 47). M: Liceu (L3). Dinner of the Senses: an introduction to neuroscience and a gastronomic experience involving all your senses; Sat 8pm; from 71€. Dinner of the Enigma: Enjoy a culinary and cultural experience full of surprises; Fri 8pm; from 71€. Guided tours: Wed, Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm. Various languages. 8€.
Located in one of Barcelona's most important neo-classical buildings, highlights include the anatomy amphitheatre that was used to train surgeons. Take a guided tour or enjoy one of the two special themed dinners on offer.

Sant Pau, Art Nouveau Site **BUY**
(Sant Antoni Maria Claret, 167). M: Sant Pau/Dos de Maig (L5). Mon-Sat 9.30am-6.30pm; Sun and public hols 9.30am-2.30pm. Self-guided tour: 14€. Guided tour (check website for times): 19€.
Tour the buildings and grounds of this one-time working hospital, which is one of the world's largest Art Nouveau monuments.

Torre Bellesguard **BUY**
(Bellesguard, 20). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Tue-Sun 10am-3pm. Closed Mon. Self-guided tour with audio guide: 9€. Full guided tour: Sat, Sun 11am (Eng); Sat noon, Sun 1.15pm (Spa); 16€.
This castle was created by Gaudí at the foot of Tibidabo mountain, and his design combines Modernisme and medieval Gothic designs.

Visits

GUIDED TOURS

Icono

Stories and legends of the Gothic quarter **BUY**
(Start: Plaça Nova, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu 3.30pm (Eng/Spa); Sat 10am (Fre). From 15€. Explore the heart of the Ciutat Vella, discover its long history and see some of the city's emblematic landmarks.

The Ghost Walking Tour **BUY**
(Start: Arc de Triomf, Pg. Lluís Companys). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). Fri 9.30pm (Spa/Cat); Sat 8.30pm (Eng). From 12€. A two-hour tour around some of the spookiest corners of Barcelona.

The Shadow of the Wind Literary Tour **BUY**
(Start: Centre d'Art Santa Mònica, La Rambla, 9). M: Drassanes (L3). Sat 6pm (Eng/Spa). From 14€. For fans of Carlos Ruiz Zafón's extraordinarily successful Barcelona-set book, this guided tour is a can't-miss.

The Cathedral of the Sea **BUY**
(Start: Plaça de Santa Maria del Mar). M: Jaume I (L4). Sun 10am (Spa/Cat). From 14€. If you enjoyed Ildefonso Falcones's eponymous novel, check out this tour that takes in some of the places mentioned in the book.

Walking Tours Barcelona **BUY**

Barcelona Walking Tour Picasso **BUY**
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Point, Plaça Catalunya, 17, basement). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Tue-Sat 3pm (Eng); Wed, Sat 3.30pm (Fre). From 19.40€.

Pablo Picasso spent several of his formative years living in Barcelona, and this tour includes places that inspired him in his youth and the world-renowned Museu Picasso that the artist helped to create.

Barcelona Walking Tour Gòtic **BUY**
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Daily 9.30am (Eng); Thu, Sat 11.30am (Spa/Cat); Tue, Thu 5pm (Fre). From 14.40€.

Take an in-depth look at the oldest part of the city, the Gothic Quarter, and learn about its development from Roman times to the medieval period.

Easy Walking Tour Gòtic **BUY**
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2; wheelchair access is through the main door of City Hall). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Fri 10am (Eng), noon (Spa/Cat). From 12.15€.
Suitable for anyone with reduced mobility, this one-hour tour in the centre of Barcelona is accessible to all and includes history, architecture and curious facts.

Barcelona Walking Tour Modernisme **BUY**
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Point, Plaça Catalunya, 17, basement). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Wed, Fri 5pm (Eng); Thu 11.30am (Spa/Cat). From 14.40€.
A two-hour tour that takes in some of Barcelona's finest architecture from the Catalan Art Nouveau movement of the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

Barcelona Walking Tour Gourmet **BUY**
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Mon, Fri 10.30am (Eng). From 19.80€.
This guided tour combines fine food and history, giving you the chance to sample local products and discover some of the city's cultural heritage.

Barcelona Genuine Shops **BUY**
(Start: Turisme de Barcelona Tourist Information Office Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Liceu (L3) and Jaume I (L4). Fri 3.30pm (Eng/Spa/Cat). From 25€.

Get ready for an authentic retail therapy experience with this tour of some of Barcelona's most interesting and unique shops, with the chance to meet the producers of speciality food, jewellery, footwear and more. A premium tour is also available Mon to Sat for groups of 1 to 10 people.

LEISURE

Aire de Barcelona, Arab Baths
(Pg. de Picasso, 22). M: Barceloneta, Jaume I (L4). Sun-Thu: first session 9am, final session from 11pm. Fri, Sat: first session 9am, final session from midnight. www.airedebarcelona.com
Indulge yourself at this luxurious spa.

Barcelona Urban Forest **BUY**
(Plaça del Fòrum, s/n). M: El Masrisme/Fòrum (L4). Daily 10am-

3pm, 4pm-8pm. From 11€. Fun for all ages with zip lines, bridges and six-metre-high platforms.

Gaudí Experiència **BUY**
(Larrard, 41). M: Lesseps (L3). Daily 10.30am-7pm. 9€. Interactive 4D journey through Gaudí's creativity.

L'Aquàrium **BUY**
(Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Daily 10am-9.30pm. 20€.
The city's aquarium features a range of living creatures.

Poble Espanyol **BUY**
(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Mon 9am-8pm; Tue-Thu, Sun 9am-midnight; Fri 9am-3am; Sat 9am-4am. From 6.30€. Architecture from around the country at this 'Spanish village'.

Barcelona Genuine Shops



Visits

PortAventura

World theme park

BUY

(Av. Alcalde Pere Molas. Km. 2. Vila Seca (Tarragona)). T. 902 20 22 20. Train: Port Aventura (line R16 from Sants-Estació or Passeig de Gràcia; renfe.es). PortAventura Park: daily 10am-midnight, except Aug 11 10am-3am. Ferrari Land: 10.30am-8pm. Caribe Aquatic Park: 10.30am-7pm. Experience three different parks: PortAventura Park that has rides, adventures and shows for everyone in six different themed areas; Ferrari Land, a unique space in Europe that's dedicated to the fast cars with incredible rides and attractions as well as new experiences for kids opened this year; and water fun for all ages with slides, pools and two special beaches at Caribe Aquatic Park. Get there direct by bus, 90 minutes from the centre of Barcelona – tickets available at tourist offices.

Tibidabo theme park

BUY

(Pl. del Tibidabo, 3-4). Bus Tibibus (T2A) from Pl. de Catalunya. FGC: Av. Tibidabo (L7) + Bus 196 + Tibidabo Funicular. Daily 11am-11pm. 28.50€. New and classic rides, plus amazing views across the city.

Zoo de Barcelona

BUY

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/ Vila Olímpica (L4). Daily 10am-8pm. 21.40€. Check website for activities, services and promotions. www.zoobarcelona.cat/en/home Animals large, small and all sizes in between.

BUS TOURS

Barcelona Bus Turistic

BUY

Different stops around the city. From 27€. Get the most out of your trip to the city with a tour on this hop on-hop off sightseeing bus. Three routes cover all of Barcelona's key landmarks, accompanied by an audio guide in 18 languages and a book of

vouchers with discounts worth up to 250€.

Catalunya Bus Turístic, different options including:

Wine and Cava

BUY

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 8.30am-4.15pm. From 66.60€ Catalan wines have become increasingly popular in recent times and this is your chance to see how some of the best vintages from the local Penedès region are produced before sampling them alongside delicious cheese and other specialities.

Dalí's Figueres & Girona

BUY

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front

of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily (not Mon) 8.30am-7.30pm. From 71.10€ Travel to two other capitals of Catalan culture, Girona and Figueres. In the first, you'll visit the Jewish quarter as well as other historic sights and streets; in the second, discover the unique world of artist Salvador Dalí at his Teatre-Museum, Catalonia's most-visited museum.

Premium Montserrat

BUY

(Start: Plaça Catalunya, in front of El Corte Inglés department store). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily (not Sun) 8.30am-5pm. From 63.90€ This day trip takes you to the sacred mountain of Montserrat, so you can explore the monastery that's home to the Black Madonna and the Escolania

boys' choir and take in the wonderful natural setting. You will also visit the Colonia Güell, a 19th-century workers' colony whose church is the work of Gaudí.

Easy Montserrat

BUY

(Start: Plaça Catalunya on the corner of Rambla Catalunya in front of the Desigual shop). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Daily (not Sat) 10am-4pm. From 44.10€ Ride the train up the mountain of Montserrat then enjoy a guided tour of this holy site with its Benedictine Monastery and statue of the Virgin of Montserrat. You'll also hear a performance from the world-famous Escolania boys' choir.

Day by day

01

WEDNESDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: El Yiyo y El Tete

Tarantos (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Aug 1- Sep 30. 7.30pm, 8.30pm, 9.30pm, 10.30pm. 15€.

These two brothers, who come from neighbouring Badalona, have already established themselves at the forefront of the local flamenco scene despite not yet being in their 20s.

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Global Music Foundation Barcelona '18

Various venues. Aug 1-7.

For the first time this year, the festival includes this week of concerts, workshops for students and after-hours sessions all featuring top-level performers such as Eddie Henderson (Aug 2, Jamboree) and Bruce Barth (Aug 4, Jamboree). Free open-air concerts run from Aug 2 to 6 in Plaça Reial at 6.30pm, while the week ends on Aug 7 at 7pm at the Club Natació Atlètic Barceloneta.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Aug 1, 19-23. 9pm. 23€. www.poemasl.es/en/ Pedro J. González performs a recital of flamenco guitar music

TOUR

FC Barcelona Players Experience Tour

Camp Nou Stadium (Aristides Maillol, s/n. Gates 7 and 9). M: Les Corts (L3). Until Aug 3. 10am, 1pm. 90€-120€ per person (max. 15 people per tour). www.fcbarcelona.com Take an insider's look at the famous FC Barcelona stadium

with this VIP tour that includes access to areas normally restricted to the likes of Messi and Suárez. See inside the changing-room, visit the pitch and enjoy appetisers in one of the VIP rooms.

FAMILY

En espiral

MACBA (Plaça dels Àngels, 1). M: Universitat (L1, L2), Sant Antoni (L2). Until Aug 29. Wed 11.30am. 3€. Advance booking recommended. www.macba.cat/en/index

For children aged between 6 and 12, this weekly workshop takes a different look at the current exhibition of work by Melanie Smith and particularly her piece, 'Spiral City'; in this case the spiral acts as a tool for discovering the museum.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Sala Montjuïc

Jardins del Castell de Montjuïc-Fossat de Santa Eulàlia (Ctra de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 1, 3. Doors: 8.30pm; main film: 10pm. From 6€. <http://salamontjuic.org/en/>

One of Barcelona's favourite summer open-air film festivals features classic, cult and recent movies shown in their original language, preceded by a live music performance.

El Born by Night

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Every Wed, Thu in Aug. 9pm-10pm (Cat). 10€. Prior booking necessary: reserveselbornccm@eicub.net. This historical site, with remains from the early 18th century uncovered during renovation works on a former market, opens its doors for evening tours during the summer with a drink and tapa included.

By the back door: gambling, prostitution and business in Barcelona in 1700

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta

(L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Wed 9pm-10pm. 10€. Prior booking necessary: reserveselbornccm@eicub.net.

This guided tour looks at the commercial side of Barcelona in 1700 in its various forms, including gambling, partying and conflicts. It includes a tapa and drink.

02

THURSDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Eddie Henderson Quartet Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17).

M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. 28€ (box office). 25€ (onlinein advance).

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 2-5. 9pm, except Sat 4 9.30pm. 23€.

www.poemasl.es/en/

Ekaterina Záyitseva was brought up in Russia, although she has lived in Spain for over a decade and is a Spanish guitar expert.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Summer film screenings at CaixaForum

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Thu in Aug. 8pm. <http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>

This evening's screening is The Big Sick (2017), about the unusual love story of Kumail and Emily. In English with subtitles.

CosmoNits de pel·lícula

(Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Concert: 9pm; film: 10pm. 6€.

Running in parallel to its exhibition 'Robots. Humans and Machines', this year's summer season of films at

CosmoCaixa features movies on the same subject. Tonight the series comes to a close with Wall-E (2008). In English with Spanish subtitles.

Cinema Lliure a la Platja de Sant Sebastià

(in front of the Club Natació Atlètic). M: Barceloneta (L4). 9pm. www.cinemalliuere.com

Enjoy a cinema experience with a difference at these open-air screenings at the beach. All the films are shown in their original language and for free! For today's closing event, the public votes to choose what's shown.

Golden Hour: 'Dones fosques'

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes (Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. 8pm-9pm. 11.30€. Not suitable for under-12s. Reserve in advance: reservesmonestirpedralbes@bcn.cat. <http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

The Pedralbes convent is an eminently feminine space and this evening narrator Assumpta Mercader, accompanied by percussionist Joan Hernández, reads stories featuring different women.

Rec Comtal. How water designed the city

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Thu 8pm-10pm. 10€. Prior booking necessary: reserveselbornccm@eicub.net.

Walking tour of the Ribera neighbourhood that explains, among other things, how the inhabitants of Barcelona in the 18th century obtained their water and the system created to move this essential resource around the city. The tour includes a tapa and a drink.

MUHBA Refugi 307: Paral·lel and Poble Sec during the Civil War

(Start: Av. del Paral·lel 60). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). 6pm-

Ferrari Land. Port Aventura World



Day by day

9.30pm. 8.50€. Prior booking necessary: reservesmuhba@bcn.cat. <http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

This walking tour is part of a season of events related to the Spanish Civil War organised by the city's History Museum. The visit includes Refugi 307, one of Barcelona's air raid shelters, and puts the war in the context of the surrounding area.

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Thu. 11pm. 25€.

La Petita Companyia Lírica de Barcelona performs in a unique historical venue.

03

FRIDAY

VISITS

Cloister of the Reial Monestir de Pedralbes

(Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. Until Sep 14. Tue and Fri 6pm-9pm. <http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

Throughout the summer months, the Royal Monastery of Pedralbes is opening its lovely, tranquil cloister for free two evenings a week. It's an excellent chance to take a break from the city and the heat in a memorable setting. Note that only the cloister will be accessible.

FAMILY

3D Planetarium and activities for kids

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Every day; check with museum for times.

Explore the secrets of deep space with a range of screenings available in English, French, Spanish and Catalan. Kids can also enjoy hands-on activities for different ages that feature different aspects of science.

Mysteries of the National Museum

Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Espanya (L1, L3: FGC). Tue-Sat 10am-8pm; Sun and public holidays 10am-3pm. Closed Mon (except public hols). www.museunacional.cat/en

This activity, for children aged 7 and above, involves seeking out the answers to a series of clues related to the artworks on display. Get your form from the group information desk at the entrance and prepare to start investigating! In English, Spanish and Catalan.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 3, 10. 7pm. 20€.
Joan Benejam presents 'Fandango', a journey through the history of Spanish guitar, while you enjoy a glass of wine.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Mecal Air

Jardins Elisava, Museu de Disseny (Pl. de les Glòries Catalanes, 37-38). M: Glòries (L1). Every Fri in Aug. 9pm.

<http://mecalbcn.org/en/mecal-air-barcelona/>

To celebrate its 10th anniversary, this classic short-film festival has moved to the Elisava Gardens and is now working with the Design Museum. Each week, there are screenings based around a particular genre and the first film always has a design connection.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). Fri 3.30pm. From 25€.

Three-hour tour led by a professional guide that lets you discover some of the city's most distinctive and authentic shops.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€.
www.meam.es/en/

Enjoy fingerpickin'and Americana music from The Flat Pack; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Vinyasons: Magali Sare Bodega Carol Vallés

(Can Parellada, Corral del Mestre, s/n, Can Cartrò-Subirats.) Visit to winery: 8pm; concert 9pm. From 40€.

Billed as a festival of music, wine and gastronomy at local wineries, Vinyasons runs throughout the summer with a series of al fresco concerts, tastings and food. This evening, soprano and flautist Magali Sare presents her first solo project.

04

SATURDAY

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

The title of today's concert is 'The most lovely Japanese songs and colatura arias' and is performed by mezzosoprano Kimhiyo Torres with works by Yamada, Viardot, Vivaldi and Rossini. Entry includes an afternoon snack and museum visit.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Aug 4, 9, 11, 14. 9.30pm. 20€-50€.

Hear the most traditional sounds of classic Spanish flamenco, with an intense performance full of passion.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 4, 7, 9, 11. 9pm. 20€.

Joan Benejam presents 'Fandango', a journey through the history of Spanish guitar, while you enjoy a glass of wine.

FAMILY

Escape Room: Fibonacci's dream

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Check website for dates and times. 4€.

Take part in this activity inspired by the escape rooms which are so popular nowadays; this one uses mathematical logic as its key focus. For children aged 6 and above.

The hidden treasures of the Guitarts

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). Weekends. 0.50€ plus entry fee for museum.

<http://mmb.cat/en/>

Take this self-guided tour of the '7 vessels, 7 histories' exhibition along with siblings Laia and Pau to discover a whole host of treasures around the theme of sailors, pirates and treasure maps. For children 7 and above.

Family activities at the Zoo

Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). Weekends and public holidays. 21.40€. Children 3-12 12.95€. Under-3s, free.

In the morning enjoy activities like helping at the farm, discovering how to look after animals, and learning more about the zoo's inhabitants; at 3pm (Plaça Dama del Paraigües) and 5pm (in front of lion enclosure), hear stories courtesy of one of the zookeepers.

TOURS

Funeral carriage and hearse collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. Sat noon. In Catalan.

www.cbsa.cat/?lang=en

Guided tour of the world's largest collection of such carriages, with examples dating from the 18th century to the 1950s.

TRADITIONS

Sardanes

(Pla 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.

05

SUNDAY

OPEN-AIR CONCERTS

Summer at Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Sun from 7pm-10pm.

Throughout the summer, the grounds of the castle on Montjuïc fill with music as different groups perform jazz, bossa nova, dixieland, soul and pop. A free shuttle bus from the castle runs from 9.30pm and entry to the castle is free on Sundays from 3pm.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: René Marie Jazz Diva & Perico Sambeat

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. 28€ (box office). 25€ (online in advance).

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Florian Kupfer

Moog (Arc del Teatre, 3). M: Liceu and Drassanes (L3).

Vinyasons : Judit Neddermann

Oller del Mas (Carretera de Igualada, C37Z, km 91, Manresa). Winery visit:

11.30am; concert: 12.30pm. From 40€.

Young Catalan singer-songwriter Judit Neddermann presents her latest album at this al fresco concert that's accompanied by a tour of the Oller del Mas winery, wine tasting and gourmet dishes.

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Incognito

Teatre Coliseum (Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 9pm. 45€.

The legendary British band returns to Barcelona for a performance of their popular acid jazz and soul sound.

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). Aug 5, 12, 19, 26. 9.30pm. 20€-50€.

This show is a love story combining the passion and beauty of the two musical genres, and which tells the tale of a tempestuous affair between flamenco dancers who perform to some of opera's most famous arias.

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). Daily 9.30am, noon, 4pm; check website for availability. No prior reservation necessary.

www.aquariumbcn.com/en/

Barcelona's Aquarium offers you the chance to go cage diving in their Oceanarium tank, home to sharks and thousands of other creatures, without the need to book ahead.

FAMILY

Family planetarium

Museu Marítim de Barcelona (Av. de les Drassanes, s/n). M: Drassanes (L3). 11.30pm. Adults 4€.

Children 2.50€. <http://mmb.cat/en/>

For children aged 3 and above, this hour-long activity looks at the most important constellations and planets, and how people have used stars to help navigate their boats. In Catalan.

Craft workshop: enamel in the oven

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13).

M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10.30am-1.30pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Throughout the summer, Poble Espanyol hosts different workshops for children; today the focus is on enamel as participants learn why it has to be heated up and the tools necessary to make a pendant. For children three and above.

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Tue-Sun 4.30pm (Eng); Sat, Sun 6.30pm (Spa). 5.50€. Prior booking necessary: reserveselbornccm@eicub.net. One-hour tour of remains from the start of the 18th century that were uncovered below the market that once stood on this site.

ELECTRONIC MUSIC - BRUNCH

Brunch in the Park

Jardines de Joan Brossa (Parc de Montjuïc).

M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). Every Sun in Aug. 1pm-10pm. From 18€.

From lunchtime until the evening, enjoy al fresco eating, excellent electronic music from top national and international DJs, plus activities and games for families and more.

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MONDAY

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica de Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 6, 8, 27. 9pm. 23€.

Luis Robisco performs a selection of classic Spanish guitar tunes, highlighting the beauty of this traditional form of music.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Summer at the Palau: Noelia Rodiles

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 20€.
www.palaumusica.cat/en

Opening a season of summer concerts at the Palau de la Música Catalana, pianist Noelia Rodiles performs a recital of work by Schubert, Ligeti, Schumann and Bach.

07

TUESDAY

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site and exhibition

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Tue-Sun 6pm. 8.80€.

Prior booking necessary: reserveselbornccm@eicub.net.

This tour of 90 minutes includes a visit to the 18th-century archaeological site, where you'll discover what life was like in the city 300 years ago, and to the exhibition 'Barcelona 1700. From stones to people', which includes 2,000 objects recovered from the excavations.

FAMILY

Clik

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Every day; check with museum for times.

The Clik area is a workshop for kids aged three and above that introduces them to scientific discoveries through play and observation.

Day by day

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WEDNESDAY

TOURS

Catalan Parliament

FREE

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). You have to reserve your tour online at least two days in advance:

www3.parlament.cat/acces/visites/info/en/index.html

The Catalan parliamentary institution is one of the oldest in the world; today it's composed of a single house with 135 members. Take a 45-minute tour with an expert guide who explains the building's history and Parliament's functions.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Saphie Wells & The Swing Cats

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Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. 15€ (box office). 13€ (online in advance).

Daily sessions at Jamboree throughout August, check web for details.

Peru-born, Barcelona-trained singer Saphie Wells performs some well-loved swing and jazz classics.

09

THURSDAY

LGBTI FESTIVAL

Circuit Festival

i

Various venues. Aug 9-19.

The biggest international gay summer festival kicks off in Barcelona once more for 11 days of pool parties, club nights, culture, shopping and more.

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). See Thu 2.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Golden Hour: 'Herbarius'. Plants and remedies in the Middle Ages

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes (Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. 7pm-9pm. 11.30€. Not suitable for under-12s. Reserve in advance: reservesmonestirpedralbes@bcn.cat.

<http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

Following Greek and Roman tradition, medicine in medieval times believed that human bodies were made up of four elements (the four humours), and that illness was caused by a lack of balance in the humours. Visit and workshop on the subject.

MUHBA Refugi 307: The Civil War in Barcelona, revolution and bombings

(Start: MUHBA Plaça del Rei). M: Jaume I (L4). 6pm-9pm. 8.50€.

Prior booking necessary: reservesmuhba@bcn.cat.

<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

This walking tour is part of a season of events related to the Spanish Civil War organised by the city's History Museum. It starts in the heart of the Old City and looks at the background to the war before a visit to Refugi 307, one of the city's air raid shelters.

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FRIDAY

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

BUY

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€.

The Suitcase Brothers, singer Santos Puertas and singer and harmonica player Victor Puertas, perform country and Piedmont blues; you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops

BUY

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 3.

FOOD AND DRINK

Eternal Banquet at the Museu Egipci

i

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). Aug 10, 24 (confirm with venue). 8.30pm-10.30pm. 35€. Prior reservation necessary.

Get an authentic taste of what the Ancient Egyptians ate and how they cooked as well as a guided tour of the museum that's focused on the culinary arts of that extraordinary culture. In Catalan.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Vinyasons: Marina Tuset

i

Alta Alella (Camí Baix de Tiana, 5, Alella). Winery visit: 8pm; concert: 9pm. From 40€.

Young singer Marina Tuset has already established herself on the Catalan jazz pop scene, and here she brings this year's Vinyasons festival to a close at the organic vineyard of Alta Alella.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

BUY

Basilica Santa Maria del Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Liceu (L3). Aug 10-13, 15, 17, 18. 9pm, except Sat 11, 18 9.30pm. 23€.

Classical Spanish guitar at its best performed by Manuel González, described by the New York Times as one of the leading specialists in the genre.

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SATURDAY

TOURS

Gràcia and Casa Vicens: design, gastronomy and the most exotic Gaudí

Aug 11, 25. 11am. 13€ (without visit to Casa Vicens); 25€ (with visit to Casa Vicens). www.iconoserveis.com/en/

This 90-minute tour of the Gràcia neighbourhood highlights its Modernista architecture and includes stops at bars, patisseries and shops, as well as an optional visit (extra 45 mins) to the first building that Gaudí created in the city, Casa Vicens.

Funeral carriage and hearse collection

FREE

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 4.

Visit to archaeological site and vermouth El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). Sat, Sun 12.30pm. 8.50€. Prior booking necessary: reserveselbornccm@eicub.net.

Take a one-hour tour of the 18th-century remains uncovered on this site, followed by a glass of vermouth.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Electro Deluxe

i

Teatre Coliseum (Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 9pm. 30€.

French group Electro Deluxe brings together jazz, funk, rap, hip hop and soul with such success that their last four albums reached number 1 on the jazz charts in their home country. Here they present their latest record, Circle.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

BUY

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Every Sat. 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

Soprano Itziar Espinar and pianist Hector Valls perform works by Schubert, Debussy, Granados and others. Entry includes an afternoon snack and museum visit.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala

BUY

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sat 4.

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site

El Born Centre de Cultura i Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Sun 5.

COOKING WORKSHOP

Doughnuts Museu de la Xocolata

(Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 4pm-7pm. 60€.

www.museumxocolata.cat/?lang=en

Workshop for adults about how to make finger-licking good doughnuts with different fillings. In Spanish and Catalan.

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SUNDAY

FAMILY

Craft workshop: let's imitate stained glass windows

i

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10.30am-1.30pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Throughout the summer, Poble Espanyol hosts different workshops for children; today the focus is on stained glass windows. Find out how the real ones are made and then learn how to make an excellent imitation. For children three and above.

Toca Toca

i

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Every day; check with museum for times.

This activity gives children (aged 5 and above) the chance to investigate a series of flora and fauna found in different parts of the planet.

OPEN-AIR CONCERTS

Summer at Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). See Sun 5.

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MONDAY

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Summer at the Palau: Levon Avagyan

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 20€.

www.palaumusica.cat/en

The summer concerts at the Palau de la Música Catalana continue with pianist Levon Avagyan who performs compositions by the likes of Grieg, Liszt, Schumann and Scriabin.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: El Yiyo y El Tete

Tarantos (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). See Wed 1.

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TUESDAY

NEIGHBOURHOOD FESTIVAL

Festes de Sant Roc

Aug 14-18. <http://lamevabarcelona.cat/ciutatvella>

This is one of the oldest local festivals in the city, dating from 1589, and it mainly takes place around Ciutat Vella's Plaça Nova. It's a celebration of Catalan traditions such as the 'sardana' dance, 'panellet' cakes, and the 'cucanya' log challenge.

LGBTI FESTIVAL

Girlie Circuit

i

Various venues. Aug 14-19. Europe's biggest lesbian summer festival gets going once more for six days of pool

parties, club nights, culture, shopping and more.

FLAMENCO

Grand Flamenco Gala

BUY

Palau de la Música Catalana (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sat 4.

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WEDNESDAY

NEIGHBOURHOOD FESTIVAL

Festa Major de Gràcia

i

Aug 15-21.

For seven days, the streets of this popular neighbourhood are full of colour, music and fun. Residents compete to create the best-decorated street, while concerts, food and drink stalls, family activities and more add to the party atmosphere.

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Sun 5.

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THURSDAY

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Mayte Martín: El amor brujo

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 15€-45€. www.bcnclassics.cat/en

Barcelona singer Mayte Martín performs Manuel de Falla's El amor brujo accompanied by the Orquestra de Cadaqués. The programme also includes Toldrà's 'Vistes al mar' and Mozart's 'Symphony n° 40 in G minor'.

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Sun 5.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Golden Hour: 'El Monestir reservat'

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes (Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. 7pm-9pm. 11.30€. Not suitable for under-12s. Reserve in advance: reservesmonestirpedralbes@bcn.cat.

<http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

One of the architectural highlights of the Pedralbes monastery is its day cells, built down the ages to house the community's members. This guided tour examines the rich heritage of Pedralbes and its treasures, and includes areas usually closed to the public.

Summer film screenings at CaixaForum

(Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 6-8). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). Every Thu in Aug. 8pm.

<http://caixaforum.es/es/barcelona>

Tonight's screening is Sing Street (2016), an Irish film set in 1980s Dublin about a boy who has to leave his private school and go to a local state school where he meets a girl he wants to impress. In English with Spanish subtitles.

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmases

i

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). Thu 11pm. 25€.

La Petita Companyia Lirica de Barcelona performs in a historical venue.

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FRIDAY

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops

BUY

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 3.

Day by day

FAMILY

Bubble Planetarium

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Every day; check with museum for times.

This planetarium for children aged 5 to 8 looks at different aspects of space.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€.

The Cayuela Laidet Duo give a concert of traditional blues; and you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

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SATURDAY

NEIGHBOURHOOD FESTIVAL

Festa Major de Sants

Aug 18-26.
www.festamajorsants.cat

The end of August sees the working-class neighbourhood of Sants celebrate its annual festival. Parades, concerts, Catalan traditional culture and fireworks are all part of the programme.

TOURS

Funeral carriage and hearse collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 4.

TRADITIONS

Sardanes

(Pla 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.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

Saxophone and guitar come together for a concert of traditional and popular sounds featuring works by Manuel de Falla, Astor Piazzolla and Paco de Lucia. Entry includes an afternoon snack and museum visit.

FAMILY

Family activities at the Zoo

Barcelona Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). See Sat 4.

Doughnut workshop

Museu de la Xocolata (Antic Convent de Sant Agustí, Comerç, 36). M: Arc de Triomf (L1). 4pm-6pm. 15€.
www.museuxocolata.cat/?lang=en

Workshop for children on how to make irresistible filled doughnuts! For children aged 8 and above. In Spanish and Catalan.

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SUNDAY

TOUR

Secret Palau Güell

(Nou de la Rambla, 3-5). M: Liceu (L3). 8.30pm (Eng/Cat); 8.45pm (Fre/Spa). 20€. Not available for under-10s.
www.palauguell.cat/en

This 90-minute evening tour lets you see parts of this Gaudí-designed building that aren't usually open to the public. Learn about the daily life of the Güell family, see the amazing rooftop views, and visit the office of patriarch Eugeni Güell.

FAMILY

Craft workshop: working with leather

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10.30am-1.30pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Throughout the summer, Poble Espanyol hosts different workshops for children; today kids find out how to make a simple bracelet and how to create their own designs on the leather with letters, colours and shapes. For children five and above.

OPEN-AIR CONCERTS

Summer at Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). See Sun 5.

ELECTRONIC MUSIC - BRUNCH

Brunch in the Park

Jardines de Joan Brossa (Parc de Montjuïc). M: Paral·lel (L2, L3). See Sun 5.

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 5.

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MONDAY

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Summer at the Palau: Alba Ventura

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 20€.
www.palaumusica.cat/en

The summer season at the Palau de la Música Catalana continues with pianist Alba Ventura who gives a concert featuring the musical impressionism of Debussy and Albéniz's 'Suite Iberia'.

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TUESDAY

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa

Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 21, 23, 25, 28, 30. 9pm. 20€.

Robert Majure performs an intimate candlelit concert where you can also enjoy a glass of wine.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: James & Black

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). 8pm, 10pm. 17€ (box office). 15€ (online in advance). Daily sessions at Jamboree throughout August, check web for details.

Singer and keyboard player Bruce James and singer Bella Black joined forces back in 2011 in Austin (Texas), and have since created a winning combination of soul, jazz and funk.

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WEDNESDAY

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

MUHBA Turó de la Rovira: The Civil War and post-war period in Barcelona, perspectives from Turó de la Rovira

(Marià Labèrnia, s/n) Bus: 119, V17. 7pm-9pm. 7.50€. Prior booking necessary: reservesmuhba@bcn.cat.
<http://ajuntament.barcelona.cat/museuhistoria/en/>

Enjoy an evening guided tour of this strategic point that's 262m above sea level and has 360° panoramic views of the city and its surroundings; it played a key role in the defence of Barcelona during the war.

TOURS

Catalan Parliament

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Wed 8.

FAMILY

2D Planetarium: Chloe's sky

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Every

day; check with museum for times.

Children aged from 3 to 7 can take a trip through the stars led by a young girl called Chloe, who will help them discover all kinds of exciting and interesting things about the Sun, the Moon and the planets of our Solar System.

23

THURSDAY

UNDERWATER ACTIVITIES

Shark Cage Diving Express

L'Aquàrium (Moll d'Espanya del Port Vell, s/n). M: Barceloneta (L4), Drassanes (L3). See Sun 5.

OPERA

Opera at Palau Dalmases

(Montcada, 20). M: Jaume I (L4). See Thu 2.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Andrea Motis

Swing TributeTeatre Coliseum (Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 9pm. 35€.

Young Catalan musician Andrea Motis, who sings and plays trumpet and tenor sax, pays tribute to swing music, a genre she loves, with this show of classic tunes and featuring special guest musicians.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Golden Hour: The medieval monastery and the Sant Miquel Chapel

Reial Monestir de Santa Maria de Pedralbes (Baixada del Monestir, 9). FGC: Reina Elisenda. 7pm-9pm. 11.30€. Not suitable for under-12s. Reserve in advance: reservesmonestirpedralbes@bcn.cat.
<http://monestirpedralbes.bcn.cat/en/>

Guided tour about the early years of the Pedralbes Monastery including its founding by Queen Elisenda of Montcada and with a special

focus on the Sant Miquel Chapel, which has been recently restored.

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FRIDAY

SHOPPING

Barcelona Genuine Shops

(Start: tourist office in Pl. Sant Jaume, Ciutat, 2). M: Jaume I (L4), Liceu (L3). See Fri 3.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€. Agustí Burriel and the Marc Ferrer Trio perform Harlem jazz and swing, while you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES

Eternal Banquet at the Museu Egipci

(València, 284). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). See Fri 10.

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SATURDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Juan Perro

Teatre Coliseum (Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 9pm. 45€.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 39€, 45€.

Barcelona 4 Guitars give an expert recital of Spanish guitar in the modernista concert-hall with a show entitled 'Versus'.

TRADITIONS

Sardanes

(Pla 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.

FAMILY

Misión, códigos secretos

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Weekends; check with museum for times.

Do you know how to encrypt secret messages? And decipher them? Those are two key skills that this workshop for children aged 7 and above will learn, using a tool based on the famous Enigma machine from the Second World War.

Family activities at the Zoo Barcelona

Zoo (Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Arc de Triomf (L1), Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4). See Sat 4.

Rock with the family

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 8.30pm (doors: 7.30pm). From 8€.

If you're a rocker and your kids are following in your footsteps, this is one musical event you can't miss! Hear some of the best rock tribute bands perform classic hits and get ready to rock out.

TOURS

Funeral carriage and hearse collection

(Montjuïc Cemetery, Mare del Déu del Port, 56-58). Bus: 21. See Sat 4.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Classical music at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Sat 6pm; entry from 5.30pm. 19€.

'From Russia to Catalonia' is the name of this afternoon's recital with cellist Svetlana Tovstukha

and pianist Jordi Romero. Entry includes an afternoon snack and museum visit.

26

SUNDAY

ROCK

Incubus

Sala Razzmatazz (Pamplona, 88). M: Bogatell (L4), Marina (L1). 8pm.
www.livenation.es

The US rock group play the second Spanish date of their current tour, which features both hits from throughout their career and songs from their latest studio album, 8, released last year.

OPERA – FLAMENCO

Opera and flamenco

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). See Sun 5.

FAMILY

Craft workshop: silk postcards

Poble Espanyol (Av. Francesc Ferrer i Guàrdia, 13). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). 10.30am-1.30pm. General entrance (includes this event): 14€. Family tickets available. Under-4s free.

Throughout the summer, Poble Espanyol hosts different workshops for children. Today they find out how to work with silk, but not to make clothes; they play with salt but not for cooking; they use alcohol but not for cleaning a cut. For children three and above.

OPEN-AIR CONCERTS

Summer at Castell de Montjuïc

(Ctra. de Montjuïc, 66). M: Espanya (L1, L3; FGC). See Sun 5.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Basilica de Santa Maria del

Day by day

Pi (Pl. del Pi, 7). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). Aug 26, 30, 31. 9pm, except Sat 14, 21 9.30pm. 23€.

Barcelona Guitar Trio perform a concert of flamenco and Spanish guitar music that pays homage to Paco de Lucia.

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MONDAY

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Summer at the Palau: Daniel Ligorio

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 8pm. 20€. www.palaumusica.cat/en

The summer concerts at the Palau de la Música Catalana continue with pianist Daniel Ligorio who performs works by Debussy, Bernstein and Mussorgski.

FAMILY

3D Planetarium and activities for kids

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. See Fri 3.

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TUESDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: The Soul Experience

Jamboree (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). Aug 28, 29. 8pm, 10pm. 15€ (box office). 13€ (online in advance). Daily sessions at Jamboree throughout August, check web for details.

Singer Zalon Thompson was a backing singer and close friend of the late Amy Winehouse. Here he performs a repertoire of personal favourites alongside a band specially created for the occasion.

TOURS

Visit to archaeological site

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Memòria (Plaça Comercial, 12). M: Jaume I & Barceloneta (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1). See Sun 5.

Catalan Parliament

(Parc de la Ciutadella, s/n). M: Ciutadella/Vila Olímpica (L4), Arc de Triomf (L1).

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WEDNESDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: El Yiyo y El Tete

Tarantos (Pl. Reial, 17). M: Liceu (L3). See Wed 1.

SPANISH GUITAR

Maestros of the Spanish Guitar

Palau de la Música (Palau de la Música, 4-6). M: Urquinaona (L1, L4). 9pm. 39€, 45€.

BCN Guitar Trio & Dance present a unique show featuring three prestigious guitarists and one of Spain's leading flamenco dance couples, who pay homage to the great Paco de Lucia.

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THURSDAY

TRADITIONS

Castells in Vilafranca del Penedès

Festa Major de Vilafranca: Aug 29-Sep 2.

While the celebrations for the town festival in Vilafranca run for several days, today's display of human towers is the highlight for many. Don't miss the incredible 'castles' built by different groups, each trying to make theirs the highest.

TOURS

Menja't al museu: Darwin. Menjar com un naturalista

CosmoCaixa (Isaac Newton, 26). FGC: Av. Tibidabo. Check website for time. 18€.

<https://cosmocaixa.es/es/home>

CosmoCaixa hosts this session for adults that combines learning and food giving participants the chance to focus on a particular part of the collection then enjoy a specially created tasting menu.

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FRIDAY

MUSIC FESTIVAL

San Miguel Mas i Mas Festival: Clarence Bekker Band

Teatre Coliseum (Gran Via de les Corts Catalanes, 595). M: Passeig de Gràcia (L2, L3, L4). 9pm. 25€.

This year's festival draws to a close with a performance from soul and funk singer Clarence Bekker, born in Surinam and now living in The Netherlands, whose voice is full of depth, energy and strength.

SPANISH GUITAR

The Art of the Spanish Guitar: concert and wine

Santa Anna Church (Santa Anna, 29). M: Catalunya (L1, L3; FGC). 7pm. 20€.

Robert Majure performs an intimate candlelit concert where you can also enjoy a glass of wine.

BLUES

Blues at the MEAM

(Barra de Ferro, 5). M: Jaume I (L4). Fri 6pm. 14€.

The group Atomic Leopards perform rockabilly, blues and swing, while you can also enjoy modern art, drinks and snacks.

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