



Hotels in Barcelona

These hotels offer a mix of styles, amenities, and price points, from luxurious five-star experiences to affordable yet charming stays, making it easier for visitors to find the perfect place to stay in downtown Barcelona.

Luxury Hotels (€400+ per night)

1. **The Barcelona EDITION** – A sleek and sophisticated 5-star hotel in El Born, known for its stylish design, rooftop bar, and exclusive dining experiences.
2. **Almanac Barcelona** – Overlooking Gran Via, this 5-star hotel is more than a place to stay, Almanac is a collection of experiences.
3. **Serras Barcelona** - An elegant 5-star luxury **hotel** in the Gothic Quarter of **Barcelona**, overlooking Port Vell and the Mediterranean Sea.
4. **Hotel Arts Barcelona** – A 5-star luxury hotel offering stunning sea views, Michelin-star dining, and a world-class spa near Barceloneta Beach.
5. **Mandarin Oriental Barcelona** – Located on Passeig de Gràcia, this 5-star hotel features contemporary design, exceptional service, and a Michelin-star restaurant.
6. **The One Barcelona** – An elegant 5-star hotel in Eixample with luxurious rooms, a rooftop pool, and a spa.
7. **W Barcelona** – This iconic, sail-shaped 5-star hotel on the beachfront offers ultra-modern design, high-end amenities, and lively nightlife at its rooftop bar.
8. **Majestic Hotel & Spa Barcelona** – A historic 5-star hotel on Passeig de Gràcia, known for its elegant rooms, rooftop terrace, and Michelin-starred dining.
9. **Hotel Casa Fuster** – A landmark modernist building at the top of Passeig de Gràcia, offering luxury with stunning architecture and views.
10. **El Palace Hotel** – One of Barcelona's most historic and luxurious hotels, offering old-world grandeur, lavish suites, and a rooftop garden.
11. **Cotton House Hotel** – A 5-star boutique hotel housed in a 19th-century building, blending historic charm with luxury, featuring a rooftop pool and excellent restaurant.
12. **SOFIA Barcelona** – A luxurious 5-star hotel in the Diagonal area, offering contemporary design, a high-end spa, and multiple dining options.

Mid-Range Hotels (€150-400 per night)

1. **Hotel Casa Sagnier** – A luxurious boutique hotel located in the vibrant Eixample district of Barcelona which offers private terraces or balconies overlooking Rambla de Catalunya.
2. **NH Collection Barcelona Podium** – This four-star hotel lies in the heart of Barcelona, near the Plaza de Catalunya, the city's main shopping and cultural district.
3. **Casa Bonay** – Set in a neoclassical building dating from 1869, this hotel in the Eixample neighborhood is a 3-minute walk from a metro station and a 13-minute walk from lively Plaza de Catalunya.
4. **Le Méridien** - Surrounded by the shops and restaurants on Las Ramblas, this contemporary hotel is a 4-minute walk from Catalunya metro station and 1 km from the Museu Picasso.
5. **Hotel Neri** – A 4-star boutique hotel in the Gothic Quarter, combining historical architecture with modern amenities, including a rooftop terrace.
6. **Grand Hotel Central** – A 4-star design hotel near the Gothic Quarter, featuring a rooftop infinity pool with incredible city views and stylish, modern rooms.
7. **Room Mate Anna** – A trendy 4-star hotel with bold, quirky designs located near Passeig de Gràcia, offering comfortable rooms at a more affordable price point.
8. **Ohla Barcelona** – A chic 5-star boutique hotel in the Gothic Quarter, known for its rooftop terrace with a pool, stylish rooms, and a Michelin-star restaurant.
9. **H10 Cubik** – A modern 4-star hotel near the Gothic Quarter, featuring spacious rooms, a rooftop bar, and a contemporary design.
10. **Hotel 1898** – A 4-star hotel on La Rambla, housed in a restored colonial building, with a rooftop pool and a luxurious spa.
11. **Hotel Yurbban Trafalgar** – A trendy 3-star hotel offering stylish rooms, a rooftop pool, and affordable luxury, located near the Born district.
12. **Hotel Barcelona Catedral** – A 4-star hotel in the Gothic Quarter, offering modern rooms, a rooftop pool, and a central location near the Cathedral.

Things to do in Barcelona

Barcelona is an incredibly vibrant city with a blend of stunning architecture and rich history. It offers a mix of history, art, culture and beach vibes truly captures Barcelona's unique charm!

Here are the top ten things to do when visiting:

1. **Sagrada Família** – Gaudí's iconic, unfinished basilica is a UNESCO World Heritage site, offering breathtaking architecture and intricate details.
2. **Park Güell** – Another Gaudí masterpiece, this park offers colorful mosaics, organic architecture, and panoramic views of the city.

3. **La Rambla** – This lively pedestrian street is full of shops, cafes, and street performers, perfect for people-watching and soaking in the city's energy.
4. **Gothic Quarter (Barri Gòtic)** – Wander through the narrow medieval streets, discovering historic buildings, quirky boutiques, and beautiful squares like Plaça Reial.
5. **Casa Batlló and Casa Milà (La Pedrera)** – Two more of Gaudí's architectural wonders, these surreal modernist buildings offer tours inside to see their whimsical designs.
6. **Barcelona Beach (Barceloneta)** – Enjoy a sunny day by the Mediterranean at Barceloneta Beach, which is close to restaurants and beach bars.
7. **Montjuïc** – Visit Montjuïc Hill for attractions like the Magic Fountain, Montjuïc Castle, and the Joan Miró Foundation, along with stunning views over the city.
8. **Picasso Museum** – Explore this museum dedicated to the works of Pablo Picasso, showcasing his early works and development as an artist.
9. **Camp Nou** – Football fans shouldn't miss the chance to visit FC Barcelona's legendary stadium, where you can take a tour and learn about the club's history.
10. **Mercat de Sant Josep de la Boqueria (La Boqueria Market)** – A bustling market full of fresh produce, local delicacies, and vibrant stalls, perfect for tasting authentic Spanish cuisine.

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Explore Barcelona's Culinary Scene

Barcelona is known for its diverse and delicious culinary scene, offering everything from traditional Catalan dishes to modern, innovative cuisine. Here's a list of the top 20 places to eat in the city, ranging from fine dining to local tapas spots:

1. **Tickets Bar** – A modern tapas bar by the Adrià brothers, offering creative and playful takes on traditional Spanish cuisine.
2. **Disfrutar** – A Michelin-starred restaurant known for its avant-garde tasting menus, blending creativity with Mediterranean flavors.
3. **Lasarte** – A three-Michelin-star restaurant that offers exquisite modern Mediterranean dishes with artistic presentation.
4. **Quimet & Quimet** – A cozy, no-frills spot offering some of the best montaditos (small sandwiches) and tapas in Barcelona.
5. **El Xampanyet** – A traditional tapas bar near the Picasso Museum, known for its authentic Catalan dishes and homemade cava.
6. **Cinc Sentits** – A Michelin-starred restaurant focusing on modern Catalan cuisine with a tasting menu that highlights seasonal ingredients.
7. **Bar Cañete** – This vibrant eatery offers classic Spanish dishes, such as seafood and jamón, in a lively, old-school atmosphere.

8. **Cal Pep** – A legendary tapas bar near the harbor, famous for its fresh seafood and lively counter experience.
9. **Bodega 1900** – Another gem from the Adrià brothers, this bodega-style restaurant specializes in vermouth and classic Spanish tapas.
10. **Bar Mut** – A chic bistro-style bar known for its wine selection and creative twists on traditional tapas.
11. **Can Sole** – One of Barcelona's oldest seafood restaurants, located in Barceloneta, known for its paella and seafood rice dishes.
12. **Paco Meralgo** – A local favorite for top-quality tapas and fresh seafood, offering an extensive menu and a lively ambiance.
13. **Casa Leopoldo** – A historic restaurant known for its classic Catalan dishes, such as oxtail and grilled fish, located in the heart of the Raval neighborhood.
14. **La Paradeta** – A seafood restaurant where you choose your fresh fish and seafood, and they cook it to order.
15. **Bar Pinotxo (Boqueria Market)** – A legendary tapas stall in La Boqueria market, known for its fresh seafood and traditional Catalan dishes.
16. **Suculent** – A modern, rustic eatery offering innovative, yet grounded Mediterranean dishes in a laid-back setting.
17. **El Nacional** – A stylish multi-space restaurant featuring different areas dedicated to Spanish cuisine, including seafood, meats, and tapas.
18. **Restaurant Gaig** – Known for its refined Catalan cuisine, Gaig is a Michelin-starred restaurant offering both modern and traditional dishes.
19. **La Esquinica** – A bustling local joint in the outskirts, famous for its affordable and hearty tapas, especially the patatas bravas.
20. **Dos Palillos** – A Michelin-starred restaurant combining Spanish tapas with Asian flavors, offering a unique dining experience.

These restaurants offer a range of experiences, from high-end tasting menus to casual, traditional tapas, giving you a true taste of Barcelona's culinary diversity.

Getting from Barcelona to Zaragoza

The Spanish high-speed AVE trains operate on the longest high-speed network in Europe. Running at speeds of up to 310 km/h, this extensive network allows for fast connections between cities in Spain. It's the quickest – and most direct – method of travel from BCN Sants to ZAZ Delicias. The one-and-a-half-hour trip costs approximately \$30 US. Upon arriving at the train station in ZAZ, it's a quick taxi or Uber ride to your hotel.

Hotels in Zaragoza

Here's a curated list, ranging from luxury to budget options:

Luxury Hotels (€200+ per night)

1. **NH Collection Gran Hotel de Zaragoza** – A 4-star luxury hotel in a prime location near Paseo de la Independencia, offering elegant rooms, a gourmet restaurant and a fitness center.
2. **NH Ciudad de Zaragoza** – A 4-star luxury hotel in a prime location in the city's historic center, close Basilica del Pilar, El Tubo and more.
3. **INNside by Meliá** – located in the heart of the historical center, perfect for discovering Zaragoza. Just a few minutes from the Aljafería Palace, Basilica del Pilar and more.
4. **Hotel Palafox** – A 5-star hotel located in the city center, known for its elegant design, rooftop pool, fine dining restaurant, and fitness center. Offers luxurious rooms with modern amenities and city views.
5. **Hotel Alfonso** – A sleek 4-star hotel in central Zaragoza, offering spacious rooms, a rooftop pool with panoramic views, and excellent dining. Close to landmarks like the Basilica del Pilar.
6. **Catalonia El Pilar** – Housed in a beautiful modernist building, this 4-star hotel combines historic charm with luxury. Located near Plaza del Pilar, it features chic rooms with balconies overlooking the city.
7. **Hotel Reina Petronila** – Located in Zaragoza's business district, this 5-star hotel offers spacious and modern rooms, an indoor pool, spa, and a gourmet restaurant.
8. **Zentro Zaragoza** – A contemporary 4-star hotel in the heart of the city, featuring modern, minimalist decor, a trendy bar, and high-tech amenities.
9. **Eurostars Boston** – A 4-star hotel known for its expansive, comfortable rooms and classic decor, located close to major cultural attractions in Zaragoza.
10. **Vincci Zaragoza Zentro** – A design-forward 4-star hotel offering sleek rooms with avant-garde touches. It's located in the city center near shopping and dining.

Mid-Range Hotels (€80-200 per night)

9. **Ibis Styles Zaragoza Ramiro I** – A 3-star hotel offering bright, colorful rooms and a central location near the Plaza del Pilar. Known for its family-friendly atmosphere.
10. **Hotel Sauce** – A 2-star budget hotel offering excellent value for money with cozy rooms, friendly service, and a prime location near the Basilica del Pilar.
11. **Hotel Inca** – A 3-star hotel in the Old Town, perfect for travelers who want to explore Zaragoza's history. It offers modern rooms at reasonable prices.
12. **Exe Zaragoza WTC** – Located near the World Trade Center Zaragoza, this 3-star hotel offers modern rooms with minimalist decor and easy access to public transport.

13. **AC Hotel Zaragoza Los Enlaces by Marriott** – A 4-star hotel offering modern comforts, fitness facilities, and an on-site restaurant. Located a bit outside the city center, ideal for business travelers.
14. **Hotel Zaragoza Royal** – A 3-star hotel offering large, comfortable rooms with classic decor. Known for its central location and great value.
15. **Hotel Oriente** – A cozy 3-star hotel offering simple but comfortable rooms, located near the Plaza España and major attractions.
16. **Hotel Tibur** – A charming 3-star hotel located near the Basilica del Pilar, offering basic but comfortable rooms and a rooftop terrace with views of the historic city.

Things to do in Zaragoza

Zaragoza, the vibrant capital of Aragon, is a city rich in history, culture and stunning architecture. From iconic landmarks like the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar to its lively tapas scene, Zaragoza offers an unforgettable blend of tradition and modern charm. Our planned activities will keep you busy, and may include one or two of the following, but plan your top activities for downtime:

1. **Visit the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar** - Admire the breathtaking Baroque architecture of this iconic basilica. Don't miss the chance to climb one of its towers for panoramic views of the city.
2. **Explore the Aljafería Palace** - A stunning example of Islamic architecture in Spain, this medieval fortress-turned-palace offers a glimpse into Zaragoza's Moorish past.
3. **Stroll Through El Tubo** - This vibrant area is perfect for enjoying Zaragoza's lively tapas scene. Wander through its narrow streets and savor local specialties.
4. **Discover the Goya Museum** - Learn about the life and works of Francisco de Goya, one of Spain's greatest artists, who was born near Zaragoza.
5. **Relax Along the Ebro River** - Take a leisurely walk or bike ride along the Ebro River. Enjoy views of the city's landmarks and stop by some of the scenic parks.
6. **Admire La Seo Cathedral** - Located near the Basilica, this Gothic-Mudejar cathedral showcases intricate details and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
7. **Visit the Roman Ruins** - Zaragoza's Roman heritage is evident in sites like the Caesaraugusta Theatre Museum, Forum Museum, and the River Port Museum.
8. **Experience the Puente de Piedra** - Known as the "Stone Bridge," this historic bridge offers stunning views of the Basilica and is a great spot for photos.
9. **Explore Parque Grande José Antonio Labordeta** - This expansive park is perfect for picnics, walking, or renting a bike to explore its sculptures, fountains, and gardens.
10. **Indulge in Local Cuisine** - Try Aragón's traditional dishes like ternasco (roast lamb), migas (breadcrumb-based dish), and borrajas (a regional vegetable) at local restaurants.

