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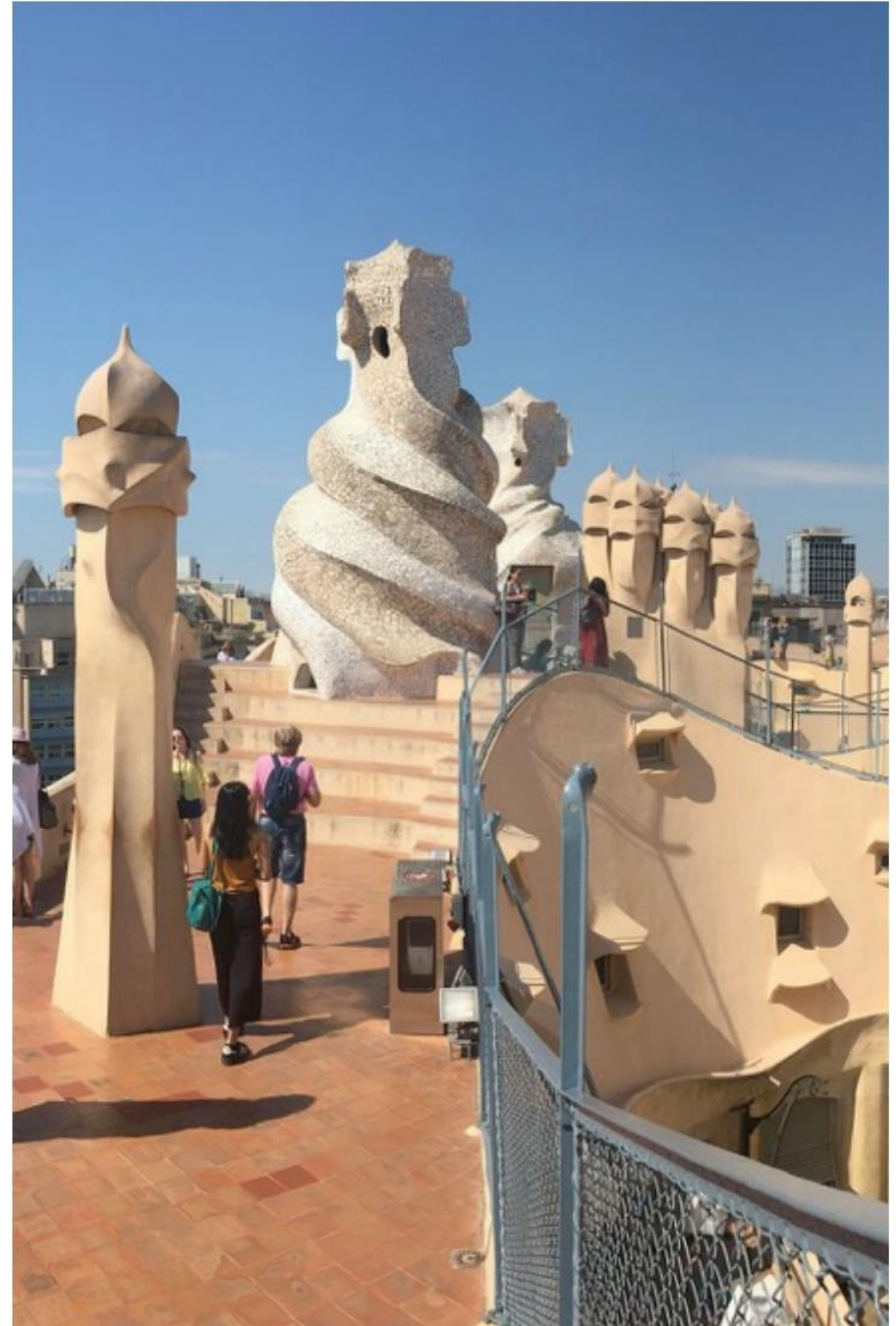
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In this small guide, you will find all the information on the main means of urban and extra-urban, public and private transport in Barcelona. We will talk about public buses, night buses, tour buses, metro, public, private taxis and much more.

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Taxis in Barcelona

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Private Taxis and Public Taxis

A Private Taxi is a taxi service at a fixed price which can be booked for airport transfers to the hotel or any other destination specified by the client. On the other hand, the Public Taxis are the famous black and yellow taxis which are visible all over the streets of Barcelona and which are very useful for quick journeys around the city but are less so when it comes to airport transfers as the cost varies according to the journey time.

How to book a public taxi?

There are various ways of booking a taxi: you can make a booking over the 'phone, via the App., in person at the taxi ranks or, in view of the very large number of taxis in Barcelona, you can just raise your hand and wait for the next available taxi (with the green light switched on). This latter option is undoubtedly the quickest and most convenient and doesn't involve any forethought. When you do this, you can show the street name you require on your mobile 'phone and thus avoid any mistakes with regard to your end destination. Quite often, the street names can be very similar!

Public Taxis prices in Barcelona

The public taxi rates in Barcelona are pretty reasonable and for those who are travelling as a group, a taxi becomes both a practical and economical solution. A taxi journey from one attraction to another costs on average €10/€15.00 in a four-seater vehicle. But, if you analyse the costs in more detail, you

will discover that a large part of the final fare comes from the fixed costs, (such as the initial charge at the beginning of the journey and other supplements) as well as other variables which are the real hourly tariffs.

- Rate 1: (working days from 08:00 to 20:00 hours) €2.15 fixed charge at the start of the journey + €1.13 per kilometre;
- Rate 2: (working days from 20:00 to 08:00 hours+ Saturdays and public holidays from 08:00 to 20:00 hours) €2.15 fixed charge at the start of the journey + €1.34 per kilometre;
- Rate 3: (Saturdays and public holidays from 20:00 to 08:00) €2.30 fixed charge at the start of the journey + €1.40 per kilometre;

Note: the taxi meter continues to run when the taxi is stopped in traffic.

The taxi meter starts to run from the moment that you 'phone a taxi or hail a taxi on the street. The major part of the cost obviously applies to the journey time. For this reason, our recommendation when it comes to airport transfers, is to book a taxi at a fixed price which will only calculate the rate based on distance and not depending on the journey time.

How to book a taxi at a fixed price?

The traffic in Barcelona is really heavy, particularly during rush hour and at the entry to the airports. If you are unfortunate enough to end up with a dishonest driver who lengthens the journey time, the total cost of the journey can rapidly

increase. Fortunately, there is an alternative, which means you will know the exact fare in advance for your taxi journey. By booking a Private Taxi from El Prat Airport at Taxileader.net, you will pay a fixed price which is based on the distance, not the journey time. The booking can be made by telephone, via the Customer Service team (without having to pay the cost of the call), or on-line with the simple booking form.

Book now a Barcelona airport transfer:

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Daytime and night-time services

The bus network in Barcelona is quite complex. As you can imagine, with such a large city, the network has to be large enough to cope with providing a daytime and night-time service for a population that exceeds more than 1.5 million inhabitants all of whom will need to go to work, return home and of course, go out in the evenings to enjoy some tapas or to a party. One of the things you should be aware of and which might strike you as strange is that in Barcelona you will find a number of buses with the letters H, V and D. What do these letters mean? Well, they actually indicate nothing other than the direction of the route they are taking. Buses on the H line, travel the city in a horizontal direction whereas the buses on the V line travel the city in a vertical direction. There is also a D line which indicates a diagonal direction. And if that wasn't enough, Barcelona also has a wide network of night buses which are known as the Nitbus, and there are plenty of those too! In total, there are 17 lines which you can use for getting to a party and coming home in the early morning! This city never sleeps and you will always be able to count on the night service when the daytime service is no longer operative.

Some of the most useful city routes are

Line D20: Playa de la Barceloneta, Via Laietana, Plaza de España, Sants.

Line H14: Paral.lel, Via Laietana, Parc de la Ciutadella.

Line H16: The Railway station, Gran Vía, Joan Miró, Poble Nou.

Line V13: Palau, Barceloneta, Via Laietana, La Rambla, Teatre Liceu, Plaça de Catalunya,

Line 7: Diagonal, Poblenou, Gran Vía, Gràcia, Palau Reial.

Line 21: Paral·lel, Plaça de Catalunya, the RENFE railway station.

Line 24: Plaça de Catalunya, Rambla Catalunya, Gràcia, Park Güell.

Line 46: Paral·lel, Gran Vía, Plaza de España, Airport.

Tickets prices

- Single ticket (Zones 1-6) costs €2.20;
- A T10 Pass (Zones 1-6) costs €10.20 which equates to €1.00 for each trip.

Airport Buses

The aerobús has two lines, one for each terminal. The buses enable direct access to the airport in around half an hour. The easiest option is to wait for the bus in Plaza Cataluña or Plaza de España. Despite being an easy service to use, let's not forget about the nuisance of having to lug heavy suitcases around - particularly as they always seem to weigh more on the way home!

Both these options are really useful for getting around the city but in this instance, we think that the best solution is to book a Barcelona airport taxi transfer with Taxileader.net, which will take you straight to the airport quickly and in comfort. No stress, no worries and customer service that is arranged to collect you at whatever time you need!

Barcelona's tourist buses

And we can't forget the famous tourist bus. This is a comfortable double-decker bus which is really great for getting to know many of Barcelona's main attractions and has an audio-guide and Wi-Fi access on board which are included in the price. If it is the first time that you are visiting Barcelona, this is a really good option as it will give you an overall view of the city and you won't have to worry about constantly changing the means of transport. Read our article for more information and additional useful details about the service.

For further details and to buy, go to the web page:

[Buy a tourist bus ticket!](#)

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The Metro and the Railway

Barcelona's Metro system is comprised of 11 lines which are differentiated from each other by colour and numbers as well as to the Montjuic Cable Car which connects the Paral·lel station with the famous park of Montjuic. It is important to understand that the Metro lines are actually operated by different public transport companies. The TMB is responsible for the majority of the metro lines with the exception of lines L6, L7 and L8 which are operated by the railway company of the region of Catalonia (FGC). Due to this, tickets or passes from the TMB are not valid on lines L6, L7 and L8 and vice versa.

The Metro Lines

- **Red Line L1:** the Triumphal Arch (Parco de la Ciutadella), Plaça Catalunya and Plaça d'Espanya;
- **Violet Line L2:** Sagrada Familia, Passeig de Gracia where you can admire Gaudí's buildings and Sant Antoni nel Raval
- **Green Line L3:** 3 stops on Rambla, Passeig de Gracia, Diagonal, Plaça d'Espanya, Poble Sec and Paral·lel
- **Yellow Line L4:** Passeig de Gracia, the cathedral's square, Barceloneta and the Olympic Port
- **Blu Line L5:** Sagrada Familia, the Sants train station, Badal (Camp Nou)
- **Purple Line L9:** the University Area and El Prat Airport

Barcelona Metro Schedules

The timetables for the Metro tend to vary depending on the Line but in general, the service starts to operate from 05:30 and runs until midnight during the week. However, at the weekends, the service runs until 02:00 on Fridays and throughout the night on Saturdays. If you should need some means of transport outside the Metro's operating hours, you can always get a Night Bus or take a Public Taxi, which you can usually find quite easily on the street or which you can book by using the App.

Tickets Prices

First of all, it is worth knowing that the same tickets are used for the metro and for the buses. They can be easily purchased at the ticket dispensers at the entry to the Metro and the prices vary depending on the zones. In general, for tourists, buying a ticket or pass for Zone A should be sufficient (although this does exclude the airport). Buying a single ticket is not recommended as this is quite expensive at €2.20 (Zone A). Because of this, it is preferable to purchase a T10 Pass (i.e., 10 trips within Zone A) at €10.20. In addition to this, the Passes are not user specific so you can easily share them amongst your family and friends.

From El Prat Airport by Metro

The Line L9S on the Metro connects the centre of Barcelona with both terminals at El Prat Airport. The ticket costs €4.50 per trip which isn't very convenient unless you are heading to the University Area and Paral·lel or between Torassa and Glories. In fact, for those who prefer to travel to the airport as comfortably as possible, we would recommend booking a private taxi service: Taxi Barcelona, thus avoiding the stresses of using public transport when you're laden with heavy suitcases.

For further details and to book, go to the web page:

[Book a Barcelona airport taxi!](#)

For further details, go to the web page: “How to get from El Prat Airport to Barcelona”:

[Book from El Prat to Barcelona!](#)

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Barcelona on a bicycle

In Barcelona, the implementation of this cycle service has been a great success and because of this, the number of docking stations are continually increasing. If you're visiting the centre of Barcelona, you won't have any problem finding hundreds of bikes that are available across such iconic areas as Montjuic, Joan Miró, the Sagrada Familia or the Arc de Triomf, and you will also be able to try both a conventional bicycle and the electric version.

Bicing pricing and passes

It is necessary to subscribe to the service on an annual basis. However, the first 30 minutes of usage are free and after that, you will pay €0.74 for every 30 minutes. You can use the bicycles for fractions of the 30 minutes periods for a maximum of 2 hours. If you exceed this time continuously, there is a penalty so it is worth keeping track of your usage.

For, further details, go to web page:

[Book a bicycle service!](https://www.bicing.com)

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The Montjuïc Cable Car

The Montjuïc Cable Car is the most comfortable and panoramic means via which to reach Montjuïc mountain. By choosing this route, you will avoid the long, steep climb and will be able to travel in comfort as you sit and admire the unique spectacle of Barcelona from on high. With tickets that are purchased on-line, you can take advantage of the "Skip the Queue" feature for access to the Cable Car by simply showing your tickets on your smartphone. There are three stops: Parc de Montjuïc, Miramar and Castell de Montjuïc. You can decide to have a break and get off at each stop before eventually reaching the summit where you will find Montjuïc Castle. When you do arrive at the final stop, you will be able to visit the inside of this spectacular castle, (entry is included in the ticket price) and relax and admire the stunning views of the city and its famous attractions.

For further details and to book, go to the web page:

[Book Montjuïc Cable Car!](https://www.taxileader.net/en/)

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Barcelona Card

Thanks to the Barcelona Card, you can have access to the best that Barcelona has to offer in the palm of your hand. This fantastic "Pass" which has been created by Barcelona's Tourist Centre, enables visitors to travel for free on all the different modes of public transport, including the Metro and the trains, to and from El Prat Airport. But the beauty of this Travel Card doesn't end here! In fact, those who opt for the 72 hour passes will also have free access to more than 20 museums and discounts on many of the attractions and guided tours.

Bear in mind that:

- An Adult ticket costs €20.00 (for 48 hours) and €48.00 (for 72 hours);
- Unlimited public transport inside the city;
- Public transport to and from the airport is included;
- Voucher discounts at many of the city's shops.

Buy now your Barcelona card:

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Visit Barcelona with a tourist guide

Entrusting yourself to an expert guide when visiting Barcelona is the perfect choice for any kind of tourist. In fact, booking just one guided tour (for the duration of your choice) means you will be able to ask the guide for all the advice you would like to have and being able to move around the city centre in complete comfort. If you were to book your guide for the first day of your visit to the city, you would be able to ask for detailed advice about the best places to visit in the coming days and also to obtain information about the best and most typical restaurants which are worth trying. In addition to this, why stress yourself out trying to get your bearings in the historic city centre which is something of a labyrinth? Let yourself be guided by a local expert who has an in-depth knowledge of all the most beautiful streets and many of the city's hidden charms. On this page, you will be able to book the best guides to Barcelona who will be able to recommend the most enchanting and typical areas of the Catalan capital.

Official guide

The official guide is our excellent service, the one that every tourist wishes to visit the best attractions of Barcelona in Spanish. It is a professional guide with the certified book of the European Union and Catalonia. Our guides are highly specialized and can respond to any kind of historical-cultural curiosity you want to ask. The service has a fixed cost that you can divide with the people of your group.

Official Guide Rates

- 2 hours: 130.00 €
- 4 hours: 190.00 €
- 6 hours: 240.00 €
- 8 hours: 280.00 €

Unofficial Guide - Low Cost Service

The unofficial guide is our economic guide service, which allows each tourist to visit the most beautiful neighborhoods of Barcelona and the facades of the most important buildings with a real expert of the city. Our guides are Spanish boys and girls, who have lived in Barcelona for more than 5 years, and know the city perfectly. It is an economic service, since the guides can accompany you outside the attractions, but they are not allowed to enter. The guide service has a fixed cost, which you can divide with the people of your group or family, saving without sacrificing the quality of a guide service in Spanish

Unofficial Guide Rates

- 2 hours: 70.00 €
- 4 hours: 90.00 €
- 6 hours: 110.00 €
- 8 hours: 130.00 €

Guided tours - Shared Service

The official guide also performs a shared guide service, that is, not reserved guided tours only to your group, but to which other participants may join. In this case, the service includes the entry into the price, the guide service in Spanish is only available on specific days and only in spring / summer.

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