Barcelona, the place to Mest

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Because of its international standing

Barcelona is



1st

1st destination in the world by total number of participants in meetings hosted by international organisations.

Source: ICCA – International Congress and Convention Association / 2022 ranking 2nd

in the top 25 meeting destinations in Europe.

Source: Cvent, 2023

2nd

favourite destination for MICE meetings.

Source: American Express 2023 Global Meetings and Events Forecast. 6th

biggest start-up hub in Europe for emerging enterprises in 2023.

Source: EU-Startups

10th

Most attractive city for digital talent

Source: Decoding Global Talent 2021 6th

best city in the world.

Source: 2023 World's Best Cities Ranking **10**th

most technological city of the future of Europe

Source: fDi intelligence. Top Tech Cities of the Future, 2023 4th

Europe best city brand

Source: Brand Finance City Index 2023 **1**st

region for investment in Southern Europe in 2022-2023.

Source: Financial Times

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Because of its connectivity

An outwardlooking destination. With excellent travel connections with the rest of Spain, Europe and the world, as well as a safe and efficient public transport network.



By air



An outward-looking destination.

Josep Tarradellas - El Prat airport
8 miles/12.5 km from the city centre
47 direct intercontinental flights
212 European destinations
52.6 million passengers

By rail



High-speed trains to Madrid, Paris, Lyon, Marseille and Toulouse.

By sea



The leading Mediterranean cruise port.11 passenger terminals,7 for cruise ships and 4 for ferries

Source: AENA 2019



Because of its Mediterranean lifestyle

Barcelona. Quality of life, creativity and innovation.



Barcelona is



Culture

9

World Heritage landmarks

Province of Barcelona

2

Intangible Cultural Heritage elements

Province of Barcelona

243

Museum and collections
Province of Barcelona

175 Festivals

Province of Barcelona



Accommodation

+800

Hotels

Province of Barcelona



Transport

Metro

7 lines and 161 stations City of Barcelona

Buses

130 lines and 2,606 stops City of Barcelona

Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya

15 lines and 81 stations
City of Barcelona

Renfe cercanías 8 lines

City of Barcelona



Parks

86

Urban parks and gardens
City of Barcelona

14

Natural parks
Province of Barceelona

1

Biosphere reserve Province of Barcelona



Beaches

+ 100 km of beaches Province of Barcelona



Climate

2,799.3Hours of sunshine a year
Provincie of Barcelona

18,5°CAverage temperature Provincie of Barcelona



Food

24

Michelin-starred restaurants

Province of Barcelona

Designation of Origin wine- producing areas Province of Barcelona

23
Municipal markets
City of Barcelona



Sustainability

10

Electril vehicle charging stations

City of Barcelona

+ 200 km

of cycle lines
City of Barcelona

78%

Accessible amenities and services
City of Barcelona







A welcoming destination with a unique spirit and lifestyle that invites you to enjoy its gastronomy, culture, climate and traditions

Barcelona is culture

Art museums and exhibitions, music, theatre, international festivals, architecture, design, creative hubs, world-renowned geniuses of contemporary art (Picasso, Gaudí, Miró, Tàpies) who have made their mark on the destination...

Barcelona has a vibrant and varied cultural life.













Barcelona is food

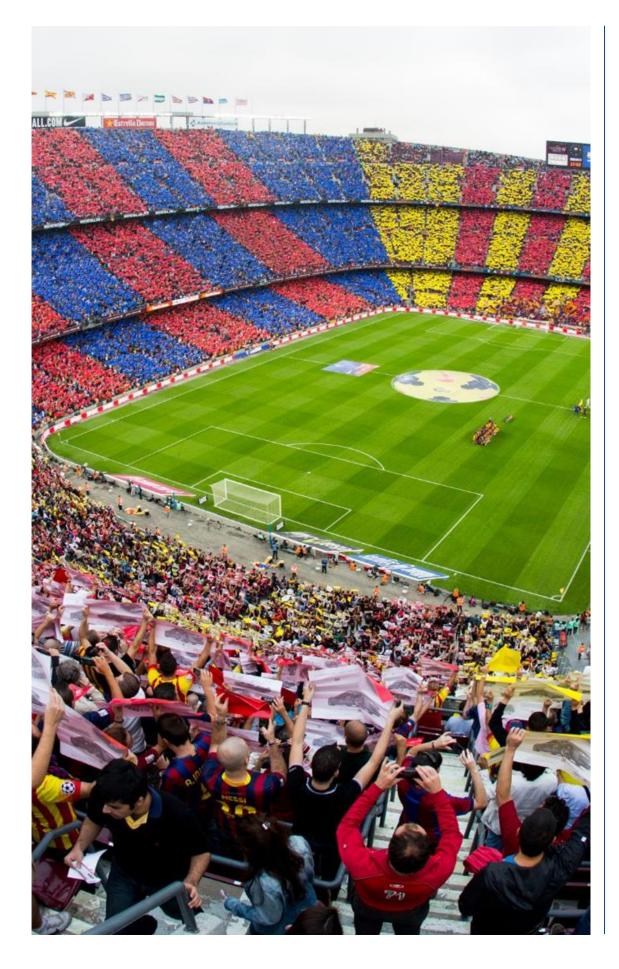
2021, World Capital of Sustainable Food

Barcelona offers a combination of traditional cuisine and the innovative touches brought to the table by great chefs, all paired with red, white, rosé wines and cava...

24 Michelin-starred restaurants and 5 Designation of Origin wine-producing areas: Penedès, Alella, Pla de Bages, Catalunya and Cava.











Barcelona is sport

Barcelona hosts major sporting events due to its organisational capacity, top-class facilities and open-air venues.

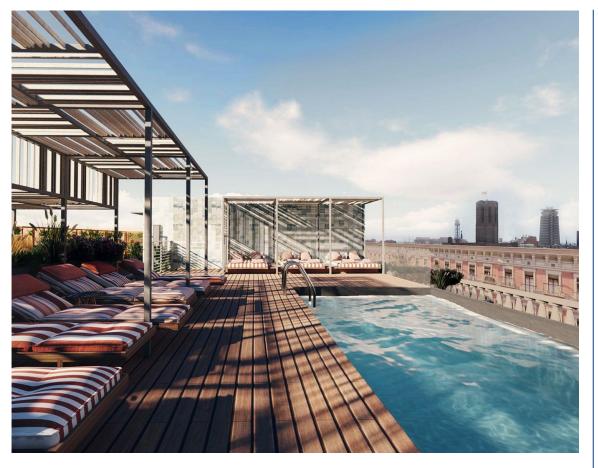
- Barcelona Open Banc Sabadell
 Trofeo Conde de Godó (tennis)
- Barcelona World Race (sailing)
- Formula 1 Gran Premio de España
- Zurich Marató de Barcelona...

4th in the world ranking of sports cities.

Source: 2021 Ranking of Sport Cities (Burson Cohn&Wolfe)

Because of its excellent choice of accommodation





Accommodation excellence

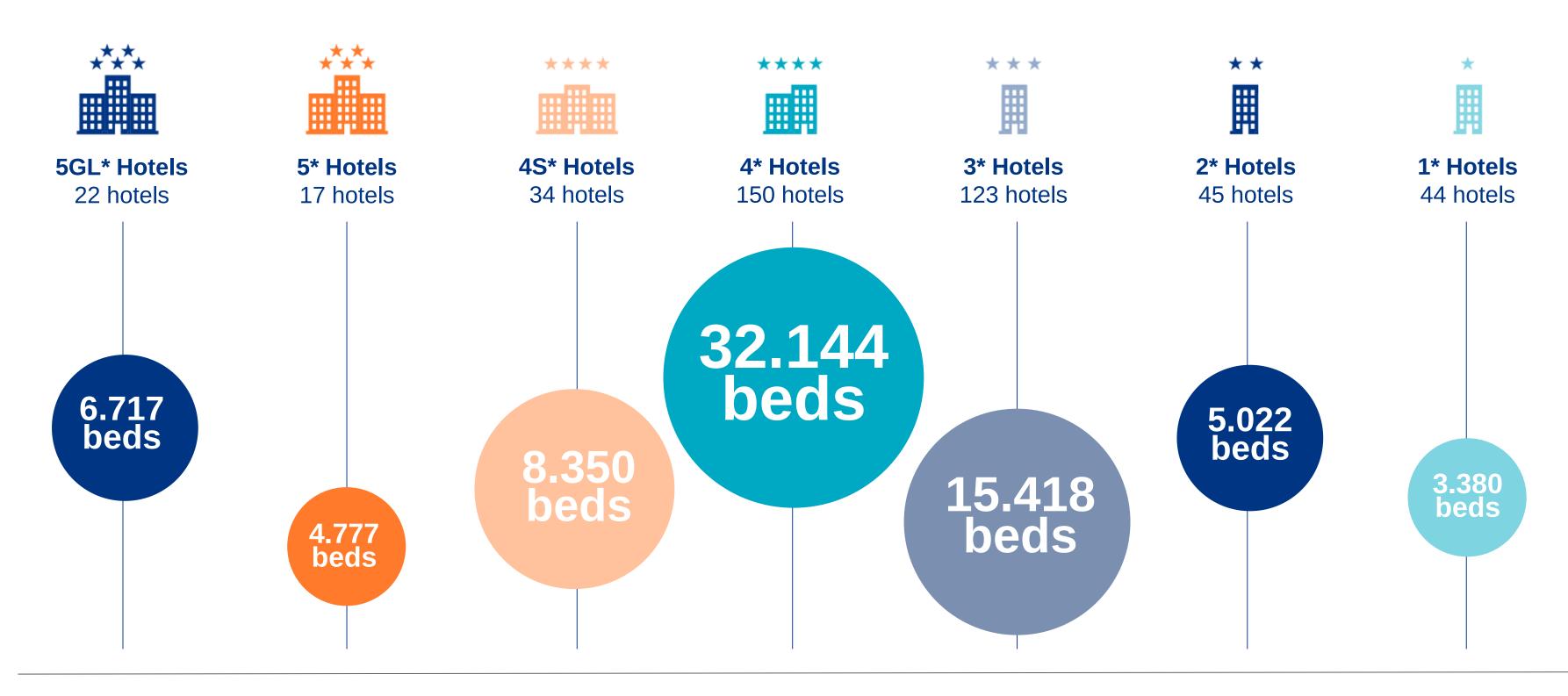




Barcelona has a wide range of topquality accommodation, from luxury hotels operated by Spanish and international chains, where you can hold large-scale events, to cosier, family hotels. They all have their own distinctive style and offer a wide variety of services.

Barcelona metropolitan area

435 hotels, 75.000 beds, 38.000 rooms



Total Destination Barcelona: 863 hotels and 138,617 beds

Because of its unique MICE offer

Barcelona is renowned for its varied and unique venues that cater to all kinds of events, as well as the service companies that make them possible.



Convention centres

Fira Barcelona Gran Via



One of Europe's biggest and most modern convention facilities, designed by the Japanese architect Toyo Ito

Total floor space: $240,000 \text{ m}^2/ 2,583.338 \text{ sq ft}$ Total number of halls: 8Convention Centre (hall 8) $26,000 \text{ m}^2/279,861 \text{ sq ft}$

Fira Barcelona Montjuïc

Site built in 1929 to host the International Exhibition, it combines tradition with an infrastructure that can be adapted to all kinds of events.

Total floor space: 134,000 m 2 / 1,442.364 sq ft Total number of halls: 6 Convention Centre: auditorium 1,600 seats / 3,000 m 2 /32,291 sq ft



Centre de Convencions Internacional de Barcelona



Situated right by the sea, the convention centre is an iconic example of Barcelona's cutting-edge architecture. It comprises two buildings: the Convention Centre and Forum Auditorium.

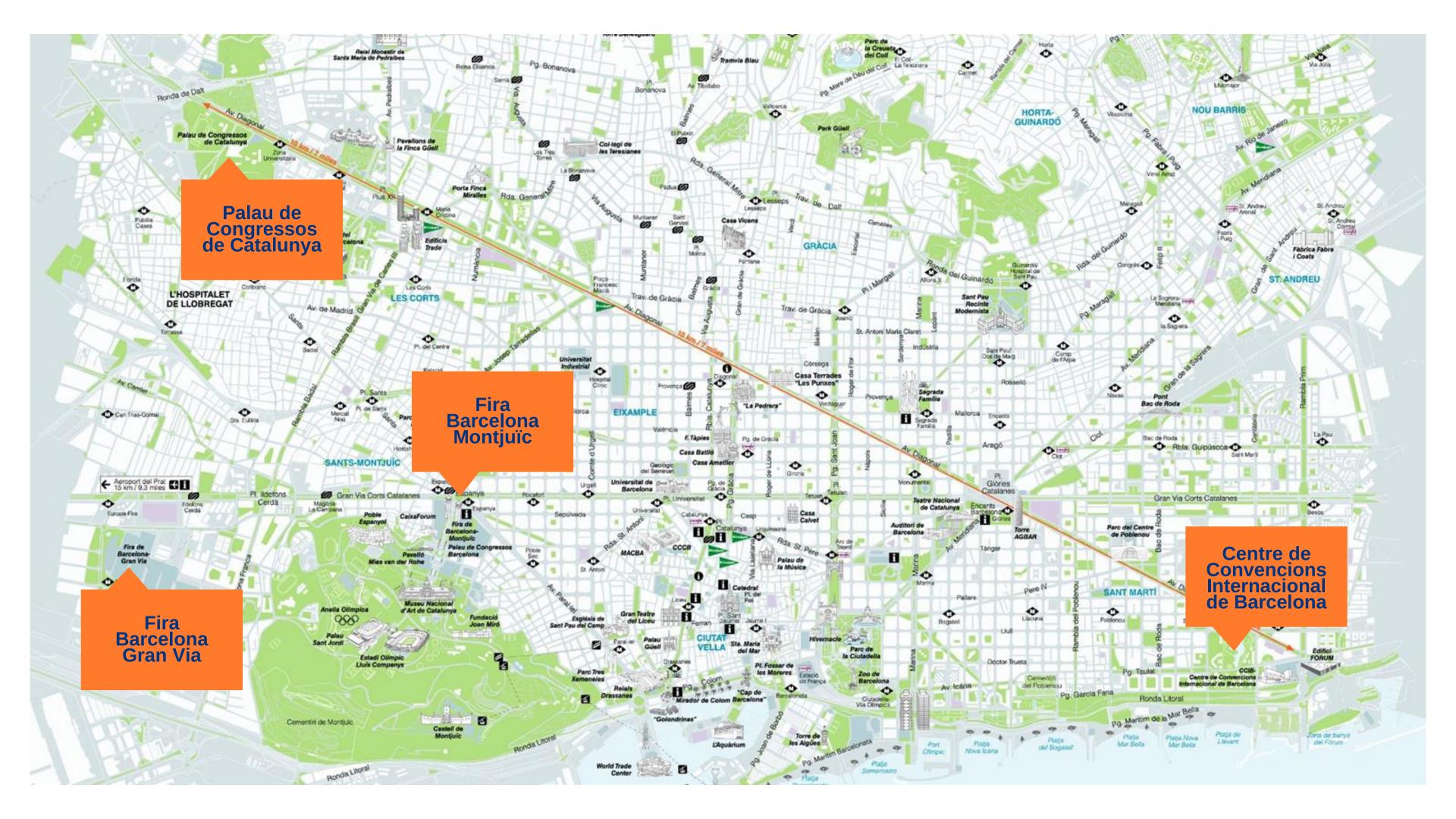
Total floor space: 11,300 m² / 121,632.2 sq ft Total capacity: 15,000 people

Palau de Congressos de Catalunya

Situated on Barcelona's prestigious Avinguda Diagonal, the city's financial and business district.

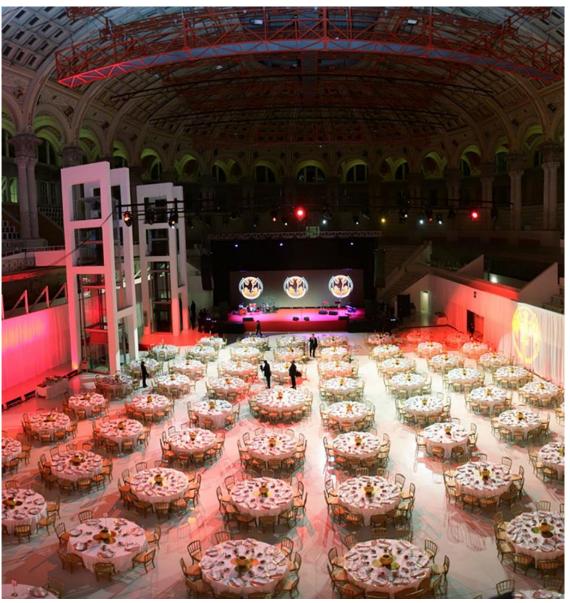
Exhibition space: $2,000 \text{ m}^2$ / 21,527.82 sq ft Auditorium: 2,000 seats













Amazing and unique places

From historic, characterful buildings to the most modern and innovative sites.

Incentives

Video

Barcelona gives you the opportunity to take part in unique and socially responsible activities on land, on the sea and in the air. Come and enjoy them!

You can round them off with a trip to the city's great selection of retail outlets, ranging from unique shops to those selling prestigious leading Spanish and international brands.







Incentives



Because of its scientific and technological development

Leading knowledge city in the Mediterranean.

Headquarters of world-class scientific and technological infrastructures.

1,500 start-ups, most of them in the field of ICT, leisure and health.



Smart City and technological hub



The European
Union has chosen
Barcelona as the
home of the
supercomputer
Marenostrum

1st city in the world to implement a science and technology diplomacy strategy: the SciTech DiploHub.

businesses: 6,767 innovation sector 16,339 ICT sector 1,500 start-ups centres:
39 CERCA (7
associated with
hospitals and 3 run
in conjunction with
CSICI) and 18 CSIC
bodies.

for Southern Europe.

A benchmark city in biomedicine, information and communication technologies, photonics and particle acceleration.

One of the most dynamic cities in Europe in developing mobile apps, the internet of things, e-commerce, videogames and Big Data.

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Because it's a safe and sustainable destination

A green and blue destination.

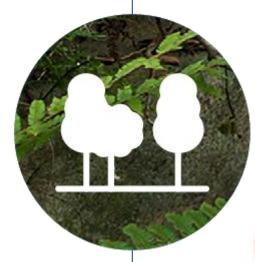
We are committed to social and environmental sustainability and promote our cultural and natural heritage by working on making constant improvements to accessibility.



Barcelona















1st destination in the world to be awarded the **Biosphere** Province of Barcelona certification

100 thousand ha. of natural parks

14 national parks

Province of Barcelona

1 biosphere reserve

Province of Barcelona

Barcelona City Council, 2019

7.1 m2/ green space per capita
City of Barcelona

Source:

Barcelona City Council, 2019

+ 200 km of cycle lanes

City of Barcelona

Source

: Barcelona City Council, 2019

3rd smart city in the world

Source:

Glasgow University

3rd world city in infrastructure security

City of Barcelona

Source:

Safe Cities Index 2019 - The **Economist**

One of the world's most accessible cities

City of Barcelona

92% of the streets are accessible

100% of buses are fitted with ramps

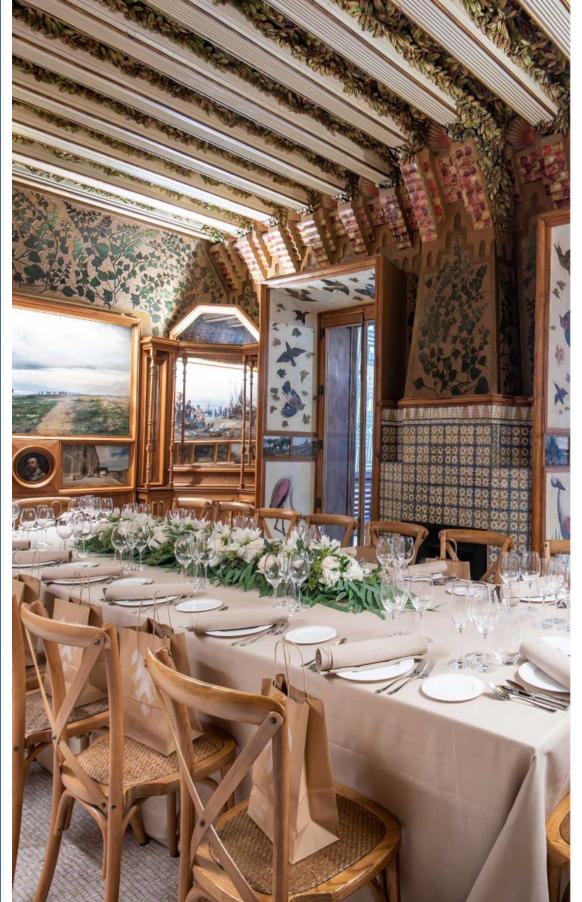
> 91% of the metro network has lifts

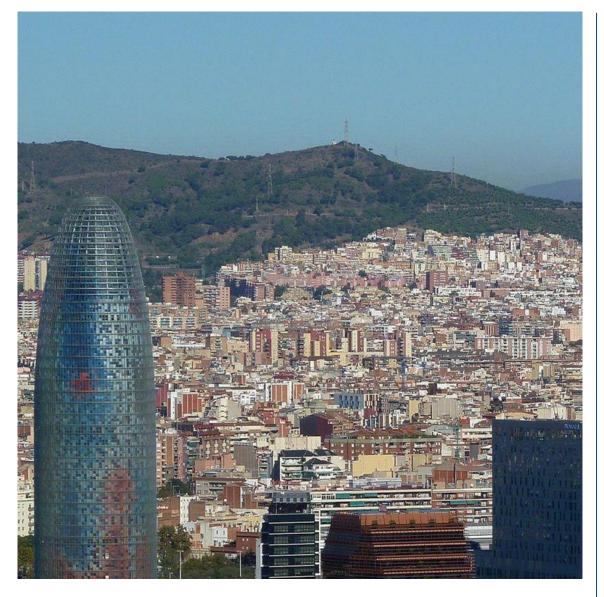
Committed to MICE sustainability

Many Barcelona venues are committed to sustainability and have implemented good-practice programs in the sphere of social responsibility, energy savings and efficiency measures, selective waste collection and the offset of CO2 emissions.

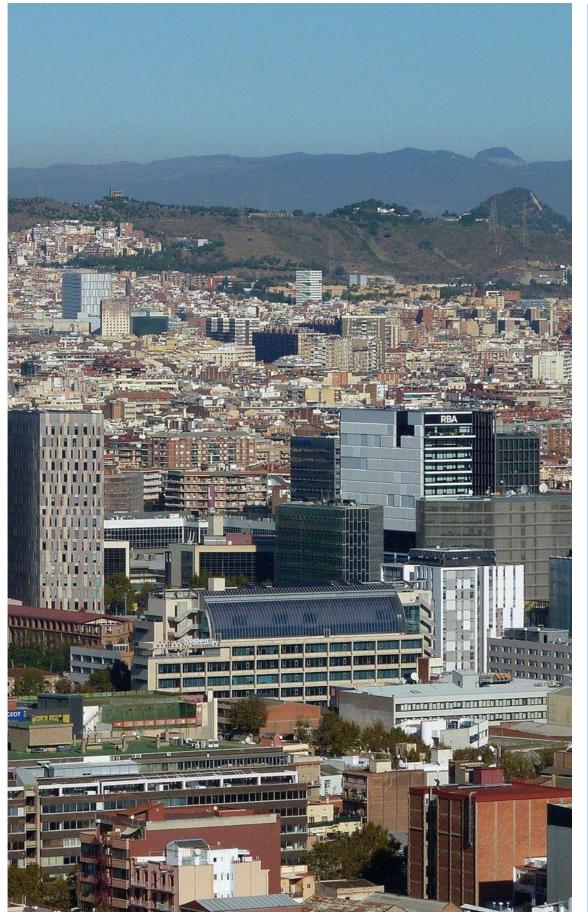












Safe Barcelona



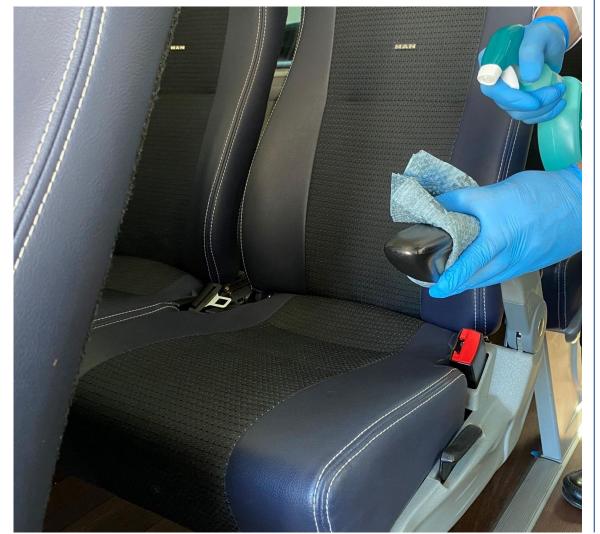
Barcelona is a safe destination that does its utmost to ensure its citizens and visitors feel comfortable no matter where they are. Barcelona City Council, in conjunction with Turisme de Barcelona, has launched the barcelona.cat/safecity project, which is aimed at the activities and places associated with the visitor economy.

Safe Barcelona



More than 150 businesses in Barcelona have obtained the health and safety stamp, Safe Travel, through Turisme de Barcelona. The initiative was launched by the World Travel and Tourism Council.







MICE events: guidelines and recommendations to follow



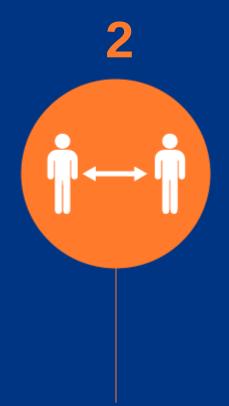
Design and staging of events

Safe conditions for employees, exhibitors and participants

Contracts between the organiser and clients to prevent COVID-19

Deep cleaning and disinfection of the space after assembly

Clearly mark the areas where the technical equipment used by the audiovisual services is located



During the event

Provide information about the recommendations and health and hygiene measures in place.

Implementation of awarenessraising messages and symbols

Safety distance 1.5 m

Face masks must be worn



Managing access and registration

Modify traffic flow at the entrance and exit

Redistribute mobility and public transport

Enclosed spaces must have separate entrances and exits

Online processing

Sanitisation station

Avoid printed material

Daily disinfection of counters

Automatic doors

Queue management



Managing capacity

Adapt capacity to ensure compliance with social distancing

Implementation of control measures and people-counting systems

Allocated time slots for deep cleaning

Indicate visitor flows with appropriate floor markings or signage



Simultaneous translation

Single-use earphones

Disinfection of the interpreter booths

MICE events: guidelines and recommendations to follow



Managing communication and presentations

Material given to the speakers in advance

Lecterns not recommended

Distribution of individual microphone sponges

Use of apps and smartphones for interaction



Networking

More space provided for meetings and more time for disinfection



Catering

Decentralised deliveries

Hands-free bins

Single-use containers and cutlery



Toilets

Limits on the number of users

Soap and hand sanitiser dispensers

Cleaning six times a day



Contact-free tickets



Because of its surrounding area, Barcelona is much more

Barcelona, a diverse destination.
With a unique history and heritage and friendly locals who are welcoming to visitors.

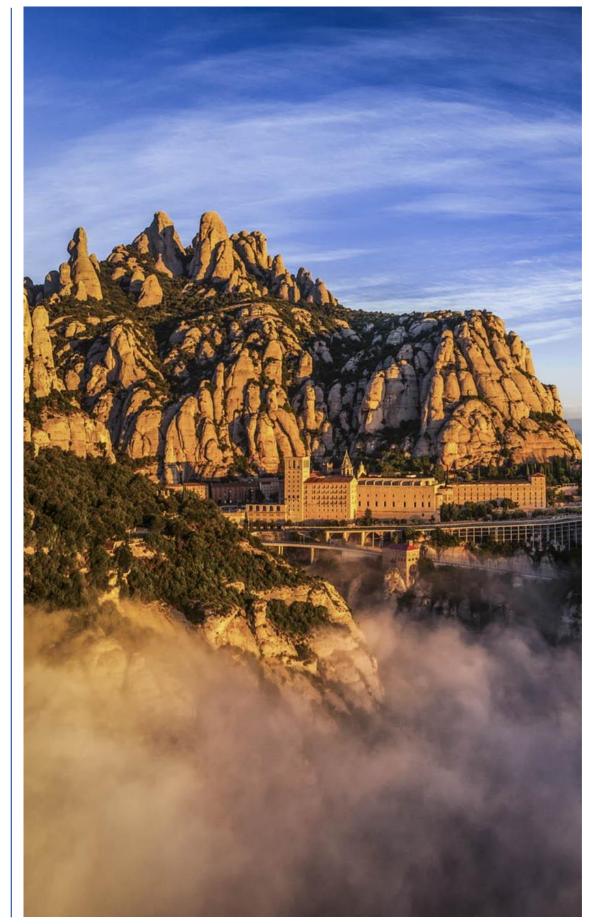


Twelve counties and 311 cities, towns and villages with different landscapes.

The finest urban beaches in the Mediterranean, between the Costa Barcelona and the Pyrenees, inland landscapes that invite you to discover chapels and castles from different eras that are in harmony with nature.









Because of us, the Barcelona Convention Bureau

¿Te podemos ayudar? **The Barcelona Convention Bureau** (BCB) is a division of Turisme de **Barcelona** which promotes the city a venue for congresses, meetings and incentive trips. **Barcelona Provincial** Council is part of the BCB.



The BCB provides free and impartial advice to those professionals interested in organising their event in Barcelona.



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