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4 DAYS PRE CHRISTMAS BARCELONA BY TRAIN

4* EUROSTARS CRISTAL PALACE HOTEL B&B



TUESDAY 9TH to FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2025

379€ Shared Room Per Person

399€ shared room per person with Coach Transfers from and to the Costa Blanca South and Alicante Train Station

529€ Single Room

549€ single room with Coach Transfers from and to the Costa Blanca South and Alicante Train Station

DAY 1 TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2025

We'll meet at Alicante Train Station at 06:00 and pass through Security as a group to board the High Speed RENFE Train, destination Barcelona Sants. Travelling mostly around 200kmp/h (that's twice as fast as a coach!) we arrive in the Catalanian capital at 12:20. Our ticket includes the connection on the local network through to Passeig de Gràcia Metro station which is 200 meters from our hotel. Bags can be left in the hotel luggage room and check in is from 15:00. Included in the stay is a delicious daily hot buffet breakfast which is served from 07:00 to 10:30.

SIGHTSEEING BUS

Barcelona is a big city and its attractions are spread far and wide from the central location of our hotel. An ideal way to explore is to purchase a ticket for the Hop On Hop Off Bus. The approximate costs for a 24 hour pass are 30€ for an adult or 25€ for a senior, whilst a 48 hour pass costs 40€ for an adult or 35€ for a senior. There are 2 routes available;

The Green Route has 14 stops, one of which is beside our hotel. The route explores the city's maritime and artistic side including the Park Güell, one of Gaudí's masterpieces, Barcelona's famous Zoo as well as stopping close to the iconic Sagrada Familia.

The Orange Route has 19 stops - you'll need to take the green route to an interchange at the Sagrada or Zoo, or walk 2km. This route takes you to some of the city's most iconic landmarks. The 1992 Olympic facilities can be visited in the Montjuïc as well as the Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, and Poble Espanyol, an open-air museum showcasing architectural styles from across Spain. It stops that the Camp Nou - for all football fans

METRO & PUBLIC BUS

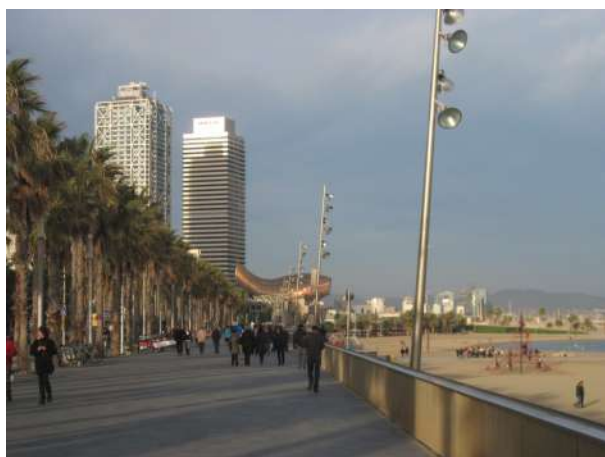
There is a ticket called Hola Barcelona Travel Card which entitles you to travel as much as you like on any bus or metro within zone 1 (basically the whole of the central area) as well as the Montjuïc Funicular. It is valid by hours from the time of first use. It costs approximately 19€ for 48 hours and can be purchased with a 10% discount online or from any metro station.



You'll have plenty of time to discover the city's most iconic sights and hidden treasures. Read on for a snapshot of some of these delights, but of course there is so much more!



Marvel at the awe-inspiring Sagrada Família, Gaudí's still-unfinished masterpiece that towers over the skyline with its intricate detail and spiritual symbolism. Explore the whimsical world of Park Güell, where colourful mosaics and imaginative sculptures create a dreamlike garden overlooking the city. In the atmospheric Gothic Quarter, wander through narrow medieval lanes, stumble upon Roman ruins, and soak up the charm of centuries-old squares. A stroll down La Rambla brings the city to life – with street performers, flower stalls and local cafés all adding to its vibrant energy.



You'll also admire the surreal beauty of Casa Batlló, a true architectural gem that captures Gaudí's bold and playful vision. Ride up to Montjuïc Hill for panoramic views and down by the sea, the Barceloneta beachfront invites you to relax and take in the Mediterranean atmosphere.

Art lovers will be captivated by the Picasso Museum, where you can trace the early evolution of one of the world's greatest artists. Even football fans will get their moment, with a visit to the legendary Camp Nou, home to FC Barcelona and a symbol of local pride. And no visit would be complete without sampling local flavours at the Sant Joseph Boqueria Market, a sensory paradise of fresh produce and Catalan delicacies.



As this tour takes place in the run-up to Christmas, Barcelona takes on an extra layer of magic. The city comes alive with festive markets perfect for a leisurely browse, offering seasonal treats, artisan gifts and the joyful spirit of the holidays. The true jewel in the crown, however, is Llums de Nadal – Catalan for Christmas lights. With three evenings in the city, you'll have plenty of time to take in the sparkle: from the enchanting open-top bus tour through the illuminated streets (15€ in 2024), to the breathtaking Sant Pau Light Experience (13.50€ in 2024), where the magnificent former hospital, with its Gaudí inspired architecture, is transformed into a glowing wonderland. Don't miss the Mar de Llums in the Jardins del Baluard of the Museu Maritim or the Christmas fair and stalls along the Marina. Added to this is the spectacular Magic Fountain show (hopefully it will have opened), a mesmerising mix of light, music and dancing water, or the sheer delight of strolling down La Rambla, beneath trees whose branches are wrapped in twinkling lights, casting a warm festive glow over this iconic boulevard and filling air with festive cheer.





DAY 4 FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2025

After enjoying a final hot buffet breakfast, we check out at 08:30 and take the metro to Barcelona Sants Station for our 10:15 departure. Once again, the RENFE high-speed train will whisk us through Spain, covering the 520 km journey in just 5 hours and 25 minutes. We are scheduled to arrive at Alicante train station at 15:40, where the coach will be waiting for those who have booked the transfer back to the Costa Blanca South.

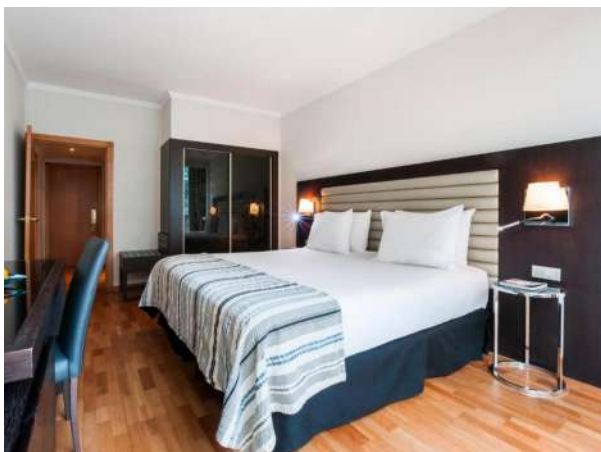
HOTEL EUROSTARS CRISTAL PALACE 4* B&B

Our base for this festive city break is the superbly located Eurostars Cristal Palace. Situated right in the heart of Barcelona it is the ideal location for exploring the city. Much of the hotel has recently been refurbished and it mixes modern with rustic. Your stay includes a generous hot buffet breakfast to set you up for each day.

The hotel has a Google rating of 3.8 and a Booking.com rating of 7.8. It scores 8.2 for cleanliness and a whopping 9.4 for location.

The hotel is 200 metres from the Passeig de Gracia Metro Station and the Green Route of the Hop on Hop off Bus. It is 450 meters from the Placa de Catalunya, Barcelona's central square and the start of the Rambla, 1.2km to the Cathedral in the heart of the Gothic Quarter and 1.1km from the Mercat Sant Josep de la Boqueria

Also walkable from the hotel, but you might prefer to use the Sightseeing bus, public transport or one of the numerous taxis, are the Sagrada Familia and the Marina, both of which are 2.3km but in opposite directions, whilst the Telecabin and the Magic Fountain for the Montjuic park are 2.9km away.





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BASIC TRAVEL ASSISTANCE INSURANCE

- Basic Travel Assistance Insurance is included in the cost of this coach tour (terms and conditions apply, please request a copy of the policy in Spanish if required). The point of origin for both Residents and Non Residents is considered to be the starting point of this coach tour.

PASSENGER NUMBERS

- A minimum of 30 and a maximum of 50 passengers

INCLUDES

- Hotel 4* Eurostars Cristal Palace with hot buffet breakfast / Return Train Travel on Renfe High Speed Alicante / Barcelona Santa & Return Metro Barcelona Sants & Passeig de Gracia

• OPTIONAL TRAIN STATION TRANSFER

- You can either make your own way to and from Alicante Train Station or book onto the Coach Transfer. The pick ups will be La Zenia Consum 04:45, Torrevieja Carrefour 05:00 , Quesada Consum 05:15

• PRICE

- Shared Room: 379€ per person
- Shared Room & Train Station Transfers: 399€ per person
- Single Room: 529€
- Single Room & Train Station Transfer: 549€

• PAYMENT

- Non Refundable Deposit Payment: 79€ per person or 99€ per person with train station transfers due at time of booking
- Final payment of 300€ per person in a shared room or 450€ in a single room is due on the 17th October

• HOTEL ROOMS

- There are 8 single rooms, please email jessicahayes@eurotourguide.com before booking to check availability
- All bathrooms have a bath with a shower over the bath