Tour Name

Barcelona Tapas Tour in El Raval

Tour City

Barcelona

Tour Snapshot

Join this food envy-inducing Barcelona tour for three hours of power eating - Spanish-style. Join locals as they indulge in the fine art of eating and drinking, something Spaniards are champions at. By the end of the tour, you'll know your *banderillas* from your *pintxo*, even if you can't pronounce them.

Highlights

- Indulge in traditional Catalan tapas cuisine from the famous *pa amb tomaquet* (bread with tomato) to highly elaborated appetizers accompanied by a glass of wine or a local aperitif
- Immerse yourself in the buzz of street life and listen to stories of the past and everyday life of the once notorious Raval quarter
- Experience the wine and cava (sparkling wine) culture of Catalonia
- Mingle with the locals in their neighbourhood
Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, 4 glasses of wine (or soft drinks for those under the age of 18), 4 tapas plates (in 4 separate venues)

Exclusions: Items of a personal nature, tips & gratuities for the guide.

Schedule details

- Duration: 3.5 hours
- Meeting point:
  - In front of the Arts Centre Santa Mònica
  - Rambla de Santa Mònica 7, (Metro Line L3, Station “Drassanes”)
- Find the exact meeting point with what3words: //green.sponsors.units
- Starting time: 5.30 PM
- Ending point:
  - Barcelona Parallel Street next to Metro Station “Parallel” (Metro Lines L2 + L3)

Full Itinerary

Meet your English-speaking guide in front of the Art Centre Santa Monica at the bottom of the Ramblas (Metro Station ‘Drassanes’) before setting off on a Barcelona food tour like no other.

We take you away from the touristy spots and into local neighbourhoods, like the once notorious no-go-area Raval, which nowadays features a unique blend of ambitious new architectural projects with the traditional, multi-ethnic life of the barrio. Just a stone’s throw away, you will enjoy the first tapas experience of the night at a cosy little terrace bar, where you can pick up a pintxo of butifarra or some salmorejo, two truly traditional and tasty dishes.

The next tapas bar awaits us and we navigate our way through a labyrinth of small streets that still retain their old-world ambience. Our next stop is a warm bodega (wine cellar) with exquisite ham and cheese, and you’ll experience these tasty flavours accompanied by a nice white or red wine (as you do!). From there, our Barcelona tapas tour continues as we cross the Rambla de Raval, the multicultural heart of the Raval, and have a look at the cat sculpture of the Columbian artist Fernando
Botero.

Next up is a typical Vermuteria, where you can have a *vermut* (vermouth) or *tinto de verano* (think sangría, but simpler) and indulge in a Spanish omelette. On the way to the adjacent neighbourhood of Poble Sec we will cross Parallel, once known for its Montmartre-style entertainment, which is still cluttered with theatres, music venues, and cabarets. Poble Sec is attached to the Montjuic, Barcelona’s emblematic hillside. Still very central, it combines the charm of a lively neighbourhood with an authentic local feel away from the main tourist trails. Our next stop is a vibrant bodega, where you can choose your favourite Basque *pintxo* and top it all off with a glass of *cava*.

Throughout this Barcelona tour, as you delight in the discovery of new tastes, flavours and dishes, your guide will give you insights into local gastronomic specialties and anecdotes of the city’s history and local neighbourhood life. Eating tapas is one of the best things to do in Barcelona, no doubt about that, and a great way to connect with the daily lives of the locals. At some point during this tour, you will likely meet some of the local characters in the barrio and perhaps even get drawn into a conversation or two. You never know what the night has in store!

**Additional information**

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Dress standard: A good pair of comfortable walking shoes is advisable.

Your Trip: For your Urban Adventure you will be in a small group of a maximum of 12 people.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We’ll see you at the start point. Get in touch if you have any concerns or require more information via the email address or phone number (business hours only) on your voucher.

Child Policy: Children and teens under 14 years of age are not permitted on this tour. Please note that alcoholic beverages may only be consumed by persons aged 18 years and up. Travellers may be required to show ID.

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