KEY TRAVEL STUDY TOURS: EXPLORE BARCELONA

AS THE ARTS AND CULTURE CAPITAL OF CATALONIA, NORTHERN SPAIN, BARCELONA IS THE IDEAL DESTINATION FOR STUDENTS WITH A REAL PECHEANT FOR ART AND DESIGN. THIS VIBRANT AND HISTORIC LOCATION OFFERS A SUPERB RANGE OF ACTIVITIES, FROM GALLERIES AND ART MUSEUMS TO THEME PARKS AND EXCEPTIONAL BEACHES. ITS MEDITERRANEAN CLIMES AND WORLD-CLASS EATERIES ALSO MAKE TAKING IN THIS CITY'S FINE ARCHITECTURE AND HISTORIC MONUMENTS A PLEASURE ALL YEAR ROUND.

SAMPLE ITINERARY

DAY 1
Fly to Barcelona El Prat Airport and head to the hotel to check in and get settled. Refuel with a Tapas lunch and appreciate the sites of central Barcelona. Depending on the location of your accommodation, you may want to include a short walking tour as a familiarisation and orientation activity. In the evening, immerse yourself further in the Spanish culture by catching a traditional Flamenco show.

DAY 2
Travel to the city centre and beat the morning crowds to Gaudí’s breathtaking Sagrada Familia. Tour the inside or feast your eyes on the awe-inspiring architecture from the outside – either way you won’t be disappointed. Grab some lunch and then take a stroll down the vibrant Las Ramblas - a tree-lined pedestrian boulevard packed with a plentiful supply of restaurants, entertainers and stalls selling local delicacies.

DAY 3
Start the day taking in the spectacular 360° panoramic views of Barcelona at UNESCO World Heritage Site Park Guell, while enjoying more of Gaudí’s famous works at the spot. Next, venture down to the Picasso Museum in the gothic quarter, before finishing the day exploring Barcelona Museum of Contemporary Art.

DAY 4
Why not give thrill-seeking students a chance to let their hair down at the Port Aventura theme park? For those that prefer a bit more peace and quiet, let them enjoy some free time and some last-minute souvenir shopping back in the city centre. In the afternoon, its time to get packed and head back to the airport for flights back to the UK.

Missing something? Why not swap any of the above activities for one of the following:

- Museum of National Art of Catalunya
- Gaudi Museum
- Dali Museum (Figueres)
- Joan Miró Foundation
- Pavelló Mies Van der Rohe
- Casa - Mila La Pedrera
- Museum of Ceramics and Museum of Decorative Arts

WHERE TO STAY

Generator Hotel and Hostel
On a bustling downtown street, this hip hostel is in walking distance from central Metro stations and must-see sites including Gaudi’s Art Nouveau exhibition and concert venue. Perfect for student groups, funky private and shared rooms have en-suite bathrooms and free Wi-Fi. Shared rooms feature bunk beds with privacy screens and reading lamps, while private rooms add balconies, some with city views.

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*TRIP HIGHLIGHT*

Any art or design field trip to Barcelona is incomplete without a visit to the magnificent Sagrada Familia Cathedral, Gaudi’s most famous and still unfinished piece of work to truly inspire any student’s creativity.