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The 13 Best Hotels In Barcelona

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hile many travelers visit Barcelona to admire the majesty of La Sagrada Familia or the city's plentiful Gaudí landmarks, the Catalan capital is much more than its most famous attractions. Contemporary galleries, lively bars and vintage wares rule the El Born neighborhood, while designer stores adorn the tree-lined Passeig de Gràcia. Wherever you go, a never-ending parade of restaurants and tapas bars means you're never far from a delicious meal or regional wine. No matter what you're in town for, the best hotels in Barcelona are guaranteed to appeal to many different types of travelers.

With so many accommodations to choose from, we narrowed down the best places to book based on multiple trips and stays. For old-world glamour, we suggest El Palace Barcelona, where legendary artist Salvador Dalí loved to visit for extensive periods. For a chic stay in the heart of it all, you can't go wrong with Hotel Neri or Kimpton Vividora. Gourmands looking for an exceptional dining experience will devour the options at Monument Hotel, while families will appreciate the kid-friendly amenities at Petit Palace Museum. Below, we've selected the best hotels in Barcelona to book in 2024.

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Best Hotel In Barcelona Overall: El Palace

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The Bluesman Cocktail Bar is a music lover's dream, with its velvet-draped speakeasy vibe and regular rotation of live performances. EL PALACE HOTEL BARCELONA

El Palace Barcelona

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Reserve At Expedia

Who Will Love It: Lovers of old-world luxury and modern indulgences

All-Star Amenities:

Rooftop garden seasonal pop-ups; traditional afternoon tea with bubbly; Mayan-inspired spa treatments

What Not To Miss: Live music performances at Bluesman Cocktail Bar

Location: Eixample

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As the city's first 5-star hotel, guests at El Palace have been mesmerized by its opulent grandeur since it first opened its doors in 1919. Today, that magnificence continues, from dapper doormen welcoming visitors to the first sighting of the property's beating heart, the ornate Great Hall. Background piano music, rotating art exhibits and world-class service enhance daily meals and coffee breaks. El Jardín's sumptuous breakfast buffet, presented in plant-filled, monochrome surrounds and El Bulli alum Rafa Zafra's chandelier-topped AMAR offers specialty seafood dishes, rounding off the property's gastronomic delights.

The enchanting rooftop garden, the largest in Barcelona, transports guests with its tropical flora, Italian Rivera-style pergolas, open-air cinemas and wintertime Chalet El Palace, modeled after an authentic Swiss Alps fondue restaurant. After hours, the Bluesman Cocktail Bar is a music lover's dream, with its velvet-draped speakeasy vibe and regular rotation of live performances. The 120 rooms share the hotel's old-world glam with stately neoclassical decor, period wallpaper and fireplaces. Travelers can also book the Salvador Dalí or Joan Miró suites, two of six signature Art Suites uniquely fashioned after famous guests' lifestyles, personal tastes and artistry.

Best High-End Hotel In Barcelona: Mandarin Oriental Barcelona

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In the warmer months, visit the rooftop Terrat, which shares its striking panoramic views with a plunge pool, cocktails and delectable Peruvian bites. MANDARIN ORIENTAL BARCELONA

Mandarin Oriental Barcelona

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Oriental Hotel

Who Will Love It: Well-heeled business and leisure travelers
All-Star Amenities:

Michelin-starred

restaurant; seasonal

rooftop dining; signature spa treatments

What Not To Miss:

Creative cocktails at
Bankers Bar and
Moments tasting menu **Location:** Passeig de

Gràcia

A vision in textured bronze and silky ivory, the Mandarin Oriental Barcelona's swank lobby is rivaled only by its impeccable spaces and services. The spa offers signature treatments and a serene, emerald-hued indoor pool. Blanc, the property's ground-floor restaurant, serves local cuisine in a sprawling spot adorned with wall cutout decorations, a skyline and whimsical extra-tall seating. Moments, the refined 2-star Michelin restaurant of renowned chef Carmen Ruscadella and son Raül Balam, invites guests on an inventive culinary journey through her conceptualized tasting menus. And with a wink to the building's former inception as a bank, authentic safe deposit boxes mix and mingle with stylized decoys at the snazzy Banker's Bar, serving creative concoctions presented on faux vintage bank notes.

Asian-inspired and quietly decadent, the property's 120 rooms and suites feature a palette of taupes and creams, natural wood flooring, luxurious rugs, bespoke furnishings and speckles of muted blues, yellows and orange. For an ultra-special indulgence, reserve the Barcelona Suite, which offers separate living spaces, a rainforest shower, and a stately terrace with a dining area and private whirlpool bath.

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Best Value Hotel In Barcelona: Seventy Barcelona



Guests are greeted with leather loungers and statement head-to-toe bookcases on either end of the high-ceiling White Hall, encouraging longer lingers. SEVENTY BARCELONA

Seventy Barcelona

Reserve At Booking.com

Who Will Love It: Lounge lizards; budget-conscious hipsters

All-Star Amenities:

Outdoor relax areas; ambient hangout spots; sublime spa services What Not To Miss: A drink and dip at the rooftop Urban Beach Club

Location: Eixample

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Juxtaposed between the buzzy Eixample and bohemian Gracia districts, Seventy Barcelona combines a sleek design aesthetic with laidback comfort. Guests are greeted with leather loungers and statement head-to-toe bookcases on either end of the high-ceiling White Hall. The hotel's open-plan eatery, The Kitchen & Timeless, features a breakfast pantry with a peek-inside kitchen, switching gears to Mediterranean-style cuisine later in the day. In good weather, opt to eat, drink or relax on Balinese beds in the olive tree-peppered patio or poolside at the rooftop beach club. For a cocktail break, take a fireside breather on a plush sofa at The Cors.

Accommodations, from intimate House Rooms to the ultra-chic Duplex Suite, are streamlined with black and white detailing (some with ultramarine or red touches), mood lighting, minimalist furnishings and abstract artwork. All rooms feature quality bedding, complimentary coffee and tea and a bag packed with toiletry essentials for a memorable escape that won't break the bank.

Best Boutique Hotel In Barcelona: Hotel Bagués



Hotel Bagués oozes sophistication with a melange of classical and contemporary aesthetics. SMALL LUXURY HOTELS OF THE WORLD

Hotel Bagués

Reserve At Booking.com

Reserve At Expedia

Who Will Love It:

Sophisticates; bling chasers

All-Star Amenities: Glass vessel exhibition; rooftop terrace with pool and tapas bar; refined rooms and suites

What Not To Miss: The new collection of 19thcentury Art Nouveau glass vessels

Location: Gothic Quarter

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Intimate and chic with heaps of history, character and personalized service, Hotel Bagués has all the makings of the best boutique stay in Barcelona. What ultimately secured its title is its inimitable mix of style and soul. Breathing new life into the 1850s palace of El Regulador, which once housed the workshop of the Bagués Masriera jewelry company, this bijou treasure in the heart of Las Ramblas oozes sophistication with a melange of classical and contemporary aesthetics.

It's quite hard to outshine the property's gilded headboards and ebony-paneled walls, but the crown jewel of each bedroom is the glimmering bauble that's placed just so. Travelers interested in gawking at even more art treasures can meander through the property's small on-site museum. Additional plush perks include ondemand massages and cooling off in the rooftop plunge pool.

Best Hotel For Romance In Barcelona: Wittmore Hotel



Among the most attractive traits, the roof terrace features a plunge pool, sunny striped loungers, and an intoxicating cocktail menu. SMALL LUXURY HOTELS OF THE WORLD

Wittmore Hotel

Reserve At Booking.com

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> Who Will Love It: Couples and adults looking to relish the pleasures of a child-free escape

All-Star Amenities: Sunwarmed roof terrace with outdoor pool; fireside cocktail lounge; patio with a living green wall

What Not To Miss:

Sipping a cocktail on the sophisticated rooftop terrace

Location: Gothic Quarter

The Wittmore Hotel stands out as a seductive choice for couples eager to steal away for a romantic getaway, but you certainly don't have to be in a relationship to get swept up in the many alluring attributes of this adults-only gem tucked away in a narrow alley of the Gothic Quarter. Irresistible in every sense, this property supplies a sultry atmosphere (best to leave the kids at home) courtesy of its grown-up guest list, "no photos" policy and red velvet-draped interiors.

Among the most attractive traits, the hotel's roof terrace features a plunge pool, sunny striped loungers and an intoxicating cocktail menu. Helmed by Chef Alain Guiard, Contraban serves a tantalizing mashup of British and Catalan cuisine. The fireside bar is a sexy spot to grab a nightcap before returning upstairs to snooze. Designed with privacy and sleep in mind, the dimly lit rooms and suites gaze upon the inner patio and feature plush beds.

Best Hotel For Families In Barcelona: Petit Palace Museum



Youngsters will feel right at home with a collection of toys and games gifted upon arrival, along with rooms suitable for all family situations. PETIT PALACE MUSEUM

Petit Palace Museum

Reserve At Expedia

Who Will Love It: Families traveling with kids or pets All-Star Amenities: City guide created by locals; complimentary bikes; babysitters

What Not To Miss: The healthy breakfast corner Location: Eixample

Don't let the urban-chic interiors complete with exposed brick walls and lobby piano fool you—Petit Palace Museum caters to children aged zero to 99. With complimentary strollers in tow for your littlest wanderers, plan unforgettable excursions to top city attractions like the Gothic

Quarter, the Egyptian Museum and Gaudi's La Pedrera and Casa Batlló, all of which are just a quick stroll from the hotel's privileged location near Passeig de Gràcia and Plaza Catalunya. For scenic outings to Barceloneta Beach or Ciutadella Park, reserve free bikes or take a quick metro ride just minutes away.

Youngsters will feel right at home with a collection of toys and games gifted upon arrival, along with rooms suitable for all family situations, from bunk beds to cribs to extra single beds. With the hotel's pet-friendly services, pets can also tag along and feel welcome. And, when adults need a little break or time alone, in-house babysitters, tasty rainbow snacks, portable Wi-Fi and a free citywide internet data service will keep your kiddos entertained.

Hotel With The Best Location In Barcelona: Hotel Neri



When you're not exploring the Gothic Quarter, retreat to the plush comforts of the charm-filled rooms and suites. HOTEL NERI

Hotel Neri

Reserve At Booking.com

Reserve At Expedia

Who Will Love It: Design devotees and fans of discreet decadence

All-Star Amenities:

Mouthwatering gastronomy; garden cocktail lounge; sunsplashed courtyard

What Not to Miss: Dining at the only restaurant on Sant Felip Neri Square

Location: Gothic Quarter

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Many travelers visiting Barcelona for the first time choose to stay in the Gothic Quarter due to its proximity to Gothic edifices and heritage churches. Located in the middle of the oldest and arguably most desirable district, Hotel Neri, the only Relais & Châteaux property in the City of Counts, is a medieval-meets-modern bolthole a stone's throw from the Cathedral of Barcelona, Palau de la Generalitat and Mercado de La Boqueria. It's also a short walk from the beach and harbor for a lovely change of pace.

When you're not out exploring the many landmarks, markets and squares, kick back on the tranquil terrace or retreat to the plush comforts of the charm-filled rooms and suites. Guests don't have to leave to tickle their taste buds either thanks to seasonal Mediterranean plates created by Chef Alain Guiard at "a" Restaurant.

Best Hotel In The Gothic Quarter: Serras Barcelona



Make sure to visit the Rooftop Terrace Restaurant for a quick drink and to appreciate the twinkling skyline views. MICHELLE CHAPLOW / HOTEL ESSENCE PHOTOGRAPHY

Serras Barcelona

Reserve At Booking.com

Reserve At Expedia

Who Will Love It: Foodies and the fashionable crowd

All-Star Amenities:

Hypnos mattresses (yes, the brand favored by the British royal family); sleek interiors; a trendy rooftop

What Not To Miss:

Spritzes and views of Marina Port Vell

Location: Gothic Quarter

While there's stiff competition for the best stay in the fabled Gothic Quarter, including several excellent choices on this list, what ultimately gives Serras Barcelona the edge is its enviable address, distinctive ambiance and eye-catching design. An easy stroll to the Picasso Museum, Las Ramblas and the beach, it's very doable to spend the morning exploring and the afternoon watching waves lap the shore.

Of course, no one would fault you for soaking in the sunshine from your balcony. The plunge pool and lounge seating overlooking Marina Port Vell provide even more excuses to stay put. Epicureans come from all over to feast on fresh iterations of Catalan cuisine. Even jet lag isn't an excuse for calling it a night without popping back up to the rooftop for a quick drink and to appreciate the twinkling skyline views, all while listening to a DJ spin tunes.

Best Hotel With Views Of La Sagrada Familia: The Hoxton, Poblenou



The hotel itself offers a trendy meal space: Tope, the seasonal rooftop bar and eatery offering Mexican-inspired bites and striking views of the Sagrada Familia and Torre Glòries. THE HOXTON POBLENOU

The Hoxton, Poblenou

Reserve At Expedia

Who Will Love It: Hipsters and tastemakers

All-Star Amenities:

Rooftop terrace with Mexican-inspired eats and views of La Sagrada Familia

What Not To Miss:

Poolside cabana lounging with creative cocktails

Location: El Poblenou

Situated in one of Barcelona's most creative neighborhoods, The Hoxton Poblenou highlights the vibrant energy supplied by the district's many start-ups, old factories renovated into hip, ① BETA

urban galleries and restaurants and bars. The hotel itself offers two trendy meal spaces: Four Corners, which specializes in Detroit-style pizza, and Tope, the seasonal rooftop bar and eatery offering Mexican-inspired bites and striking views of the Sagrada Familia and Torre Glòries. Twenty-odd minutes away on foot or a 10-minute ride via metro for scheduled visits, guests can gaze at Gaudí's masterpiece at leisure while sipping a drink or following a dip in the glamorous, cabana-lined checker-print pool.

Rooms at the 240-key hotel are furnished with textile-lined headboards, faded motif throw pillows, abstract artwork in neutral shades and vintage accessories. Depending on your travel needs, some rooms are equipped with sofa beds or extra lounge spaces. If you plan to visit off-season, when it may be too chilly to venture to the rooftop, be sure to book a stay in a Roomy View room, which boasts a king-size bed and head-to-foot windows for a private view of Barcelona's most famous basilica.

Best Beachfront Hotel In Barcelona: Hotel Arts Barcelona



Constructed from blue glass and steel, the 44-story stunner grazes the sky from its prime position overlooking Barceloneta Beach. HOTEL ARTS BARCELONA

Hotel Arts Barcelona

Reserve At Booking.com

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Who Will Love It: Sun worshippers and gastronomes

All-Star Amenities:

Panoramic observation deck; two sparkling pools; gourmet cuisine; exhibits at the art gallery

What Not To Miss: The tasting menu at 2-Michelin-starred restaurant Enoteca

Location: Port Olimpico

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Have trouble deciding between a fast-paced city break and a relaxation-on-the-sand holiday? Hotel Arts Barcelona hits the sweet spot between the two types of getaways. Constructed from blue glass and steel, the 44-story stunner grazes the sky from its prime position overlooking Barceloneta Beach. It touts a spate of vacation-making amenities that put it squarely in the class of urban resort. Visitors can look forward to two outdoor pools, a rooftop spa, an art gallery and an observation deck with 360-degree views.

The property also happens to be an unrivaled culinary destination. Gourmands flock to Enoteca, the 2-Michelin-starred restaurant where celebrity chef Paco Pérez whips up exquisite tasting menus that spotlight Catalan flavors in a creative, contemporary way. While the list of things to do and devour steals the show for many guests, the accommodations, which range from breezy rooms to sprawling penthouse suites, are far from an afterthought. For an even more exquisite experience, book one of the club category sanctuaries that provide access to the exclusive private lounge and dedicated concierge team.

Best Design Hotel In Barcelona: Kimpton Vividora Hotel



The 156 bedrooms, including ten suites, feature cosmopolitan leather patchwork headboards, hardwood floors and marble-top bathrooms. KIMPTON VIVIDORA HOTEL

Kimpton Vividora Hotel

Reserve At Booking.com

Who Will Love It: Design fiends; urbanites; pet lovers

All-Star Amenities: 24fitness space; top-notch eateries; complimentary "Social Hour" glass of wine

What Not To Miss: Sunset drink with views on the rooftop Terraza de Vivi Location: Gothic Quarter

Kimpton Vividora's eclectic design embodies the best of Barcelona's urban living from the moment you enter its retro-fabulous lobby space that doubles as the GOT Coffee & Cocktails Bar.

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A friendly, suspender-wearing staffer will direct you one floor up for check-in, an early sign that things run a little differently here. The property's 156 bedrooms, including ten suites, feature cosmopolitan leather patchwork headboards, hardwood floors and marble-top bathrooms. Standout details like burnt-orange cotton robes, locally sourced furnishings and vintage knick-knacks inspire a dreamy designer vibe more akin to a hip residential sleeper than a hotel stay.

On the gastronomic front, guests can enjoy Fauna, a space reminiscent of your best friend's style-savvy dining area, with wood and glass panels, traditional hydraulic tile floors and a printed tile wall and countertop. Sharing dishes of note offers an elevated take on regional favorites, including Vivi's famous patatas bravas and salted cod croquettes. When the sun sets, capture the moment at Terraza de Vivi, a beach club-inspired rooftop terrace with stunning 360-degree views. Fitness lovers can also take advantage of the 24-hour gym, free yoga class and strolls with pets as they are welcome in all common areas.

Best Hotel For Architecture Lovers In Barcelona: Hotel Casa Fuster



To lay eyes on La Sagrada Familia, the unmistakable cultural landmark, just head up to the rooftop and grab a cocktail. HOTEL CASA FUSTER

Hotel Casa Fuster

Reserve At Booking.com

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Who Will Love It:

Architecture aficionados and jazz enthusiasts

All-Star Amenities: Café

Vienés lounge and jazz club; Michelin-starred dining; rooftop cocktails

with panoramic views

What Not To Miss: Firstrate jazz performances

Location: Gran de Gracia

Designed by Gaudí contemporary Lluís Domènch i Montaner for a well-to-do couple in

1908, Casa Fuster remains a prime example of Modernist architecture at its finest. Restored in 2004, the former residence-turned-105-roomstay on the exclusive Passeig de Gràcia features ornate facade carvings, decorative rooftop columns and a scarlet-hued café lounge with gold vaulted ceilings. Visitors can enjoy premium jazz music or coffee and cocktail breaks.

Other notable offerings include fine dining at Aleia, the hotel's Michelin-starred Mediterranean cuisine restaurant, and ondemand massage treatments. Elegant and refined bedrooms, some circular-shaped living spaces, king-size beds or avenue-facing wrought-iron-framed balconies offer optimum comfort. Unwind after a day of touring the city by relaxing poolside, cocktail in hand, on the property's rooftop terrace.

Best Hotel For Foodies In Barcelona: Monument Hotel



Lasarte, chef Berasategui's 3-star Michelin jewel, serves a multi-course signature tasting menu backdropped by a stylish, avant-garde decór. MONUMENT HOTEL

Monument Hotel

Reserve At Booking.com

Who Will Love It: Haute cuisine gourmands; luxury lovers

All-Star Amenities: Two Michelin-starred

restaurants; Hallo Coctelería; glass-covered rooftop breakfast room

What Not To Miss: Chef's

Table Experience at 3star Michelin restaurant Lasarte

Location: Passeig de

Gràcia

At first glance, the sophisticated beauty of Monument Hotel, a former 19th-century, Neo① BETA

Gothic style edifice housing 84 rooms (most of which are suites) embellished with a rich melange of brick and contemporary furnishings should be enough to warrant a stay. And surely, proximity to Passeig de Gràcia's many cultural offerings, including Gaudi's Casa Milà (La Pedrera) and the Wellness Studio's organic body treatments, would seal the deal. But for food lovers in particular, this hotel delivers in spades.

Monument's dining options are the brainchild of superstar chef Martín Berasategui, who has been honored with 12 Michelin stars—more than any other chef in Spain. Start your culinary exploration at the Hallo Coctelería, where designer cocktails mix well with bite-size morsels, or try the rooftop Verbena and sample al fresco Mediterranean fare. Michelin-starred Oria delights guests with two Basque cuisine tasting menus in a sleek, modern setting, and Lasarte, Berasategui's 3-star Michelin jewel, serves a multi-course signature tasting menu backdropped by a stylish, avant-garde decór. For an ultimate foodie experience, book the recently remodeled eight-seater Chef's Table, where guests dine while observing master chefs at work.

Featured Tours In Barcelona

While you can experience Barcelona's unique culture simply by wandering the city streets, adding a tour to your itinerary is a surefire way to make sure you get the most out of your trip. Here are a few experiences we recommend:

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- Park Güell And Sagrada Familia
 Walking Tour: This small group tour
 includes admission to two of Barcelona's
 main attractions, Park Güell and Sagrada
 Familia. In addition to learning about
 Barcelona's fascinating history from a
 knowledgeable tour guide, your ticket
 includes skip-the-line entry to both
 locations—which saves you precious time
 during your trip.
- Barcelona Tapas And Wine
 Experience: Barcelona is known for its exceptional cuisine and regional wine, and this experience allows you to savor the best of both. The gastronomic tour takes you to four tapas restaurants, where the menus have already been selected. In between each stop, you'll learn interesting tidbits of history about Barcelona's most iconic neighborhoods.
- Montserrat Monastery And Hiking
 Experience: Located an hour northwest of Barcelona, Montserrat is a popular day trip destination that's worth the short trek. This guided tour meets in central Barcelona then whisks you away to Montserrat National Park, where you'll visit the famous Benedictine monastery of Santa María. You'll also learn about the region's rich flora and fauna on a glass-bottomed funicular railway ride.

• Barcelona City Bike Tour: If you're someone who prefers sightseeing on wheels, this well-rounded bike tour will be up your alley. You'll get to see several of the city's highlights, including the Barcelona Cathedral, Placa Reial and La Sagrada Familia, accompanied by indepth commentary from your local guide.

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What Is The Best Time To Go To Barcelona?

For many people, the best time to go to Barcelona is in the late spring to early summer, from May to June. During these months, the weather is temperate but not too humid, with average temperatures in the low to mid-70s. Spring is also the start of Barcelona's festival season, so there will be plenty to do and see—but crowds won't be at their highest peak until later in July and August. Another favorable time to visit is September, when the weather begins to cool and the crowds start thinning out.

Is Barcelona A Walkable City?

Yes, Barcelona is a very walkable city. Many tourist destinations are centrally located, making it easy to visit them by foot. For example, you can walk from Placa de Catalunya to Sagrada Familia in around 30 minutes, or from Parc de la Ciutadella to the Columbus Monument in 20 minutes. Many streets in Barcelona are particularly suited for pedestrians, including Las Ramblas, which is lined with marketplaces, flower shops and street performers. However, if you're pressed for time, you can take advantage of Barcelona's well-developed public transit system.

How Many Days Do You Need In Barcelona?

While the amount of time you wish to spend in Barcelona is ultimately up to you, we

recommend allotting at least three days for your trip. That should give you enough time to see the city's major highlights and get a feel for the region's vibrant culture. If you have an extra day or two, it's worth staying a little longer and planning a day trip to one of Barcelona's surrounding destinations, like Montserrat, which lies just an hour northwest of the city.

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