



Accommodation List

Websites, Accommodation Agencies, Hotels and Hostels in Barcelona

Living in Barcelona can be a wonderful experience. Finding a room or a suitable place to live, however, can be difficult. Our accommodation list gives suggestions to finding a place to “land”, when you first arrive.

It is our experience that most of our students move at least once during their stay at Metáfora, often because they choose to find somewhere together in small groups, or because they hear by chance about “that perfect room, very cheaply for rent, just in the most wonderful area of Barcelona” . . .

This is why we normally recommend students simply to find somewhere quick and then take a month or two to “ponder the territory”. Booking into PAE or ISA is therefore an option, even if you have not seen the room you are going to live in before you arrive. Remember never pay a deposit for more months than you are willing to stay.

Landing in a youth hostel is also an option. There are a few very near the school with reasonable prices.

Barcelona is a small city and transport time to the school will be 10-45 minutes by metro or bus, depending on how far you live. Check out the map at www.bcn.es to know where the school is situated in relation to your flat.

A room in shared flats will normally cost from 350 to 500€ a month (bills included, etc).

Renting a flat with 2-4 rooms will cost from 750€ to 1.200€. Many landlords ask for 6 months in deposit if you are renting an entire flat. Remember that many agencies are closed during August.

Some rooms do not have a window (at least not one leading to the outside) – something which is difficult to understand for many foreigners. When you check the ads on the internet or by phone, remember to ask if the room is “exterior” or “interior”.

Basic vocabulary:

alquiler – rent

vender - sell

habitacion – room

dormitorios - bedroom

individual – small (room)

doble – large (room)

todo incluido - all bills included

piso a compartir – flat to share

amueblado – furnished

calefacción - heating

salón-comedor – living room

cocina equipada – equipped kitchen

reformado - refurbished

exterior – rooms with windows leading to the outside

interior – no windows, or windows leading to the “patio interior” of a house

particular – owner, private rent

agencia – estate agency

ático – top floor

terraza - terrace

inmuebles – houses, flats, estates

It is easy to feel cheated or badly treated, when finding your way through the urban jungle of estate agencies and flats to rent. Despite the stress and difficulty, it is our experience that students find a place in max. 2-3 weeks. Good luck!!!



Quick reference of suggestions:

We know it may be a bit daunting looking over the entire document so here is a quick list of the most popular places to check for housing. Remember it is not limited to just these. Take the time and look over the remainder of the document for more details and options.

www.loquo.com (community website with listings of rooms and flats to rent)

www.airbnb.com (short term rentals of rooms and flats completely furnished with travellers in mind)

Hostels near to the school:

- Hostel One Sants: www.hostelworld.com (search Hostel One Sants, Barcelona)
- Alberguinn: www.alberguinn.com
- Hostelscatbcn: www.hostelscat.com
- Hostal Sans (Pension Sants): www.hostalsans.com

Other recommended hostels:

Sant Jordi Hostels: www.santjordihostels.com

(Numerous locations, nicely appointed, some even boutique style, welcoming and fun atmosphere)

Web sites

www.loquo.com

<http://inmobiliaria.segundamano.es>

Rooms in shared flats, job offers, studios to rent.

Many ads are in English. Watch out for frauds and over-pricing.

www.fincasgerboles.com

www.sacacasa.com (www.pisos.com)

www.idealista.com

www.fotocasa.es

www.enalquiler.com

www.habitaclia.com

Flats and houses for rent and sale in and around Barcelona. This is where a native person would look for a new flat. None of these sites have English translation. The web sites are run by communities of estate agencies and individuals who want to rent /share their flats.

Student agencies

Centre d'Informació i Assessorament per Joves

C/Enric Granados, 19 Entre Sol 1^a

93 323 90 68

Opening hours: Monday to Friday. From 10:00 to 14:00 and from 16:00 to 18:00

www.habitatgejove.com

This place is good for flat hunting. It is an information centre for young people from Generalitat de Catalunya (catalan government) and many students advertise here when they need new flatmates.

There is an English version of the web.



I.S.A. (International Student Agency)

Calvet 15, 6º 2ª 08021 BARCELONA

Contact person: Ferran Navarro-Beltran Viñuales

Tel. 93 200 89 25

Mobile: 670 422 834

e-mail: ferranvinales@gmail.com

No set office hours so it is best to first make an appointment.

The agency charges an initial fee for its services (varies depending on length of lease), plus 1 month deposit and first month's rent to paid up front.

Ferran is the contact person at ISA, they offer housing in Barcelona in shared flats or rooms, and also renting a room in the house of an older person with access to the bathroom and kitchen. The landlords prefer to rent for a period more than 4-6 months. On an individual basis, sometimes a shorter stay can be negotiated. Typically the renters are mature students and working as an intern.

ISA has many flats available in Barcelona, in different areas of the city. You can express your wish of living in a certain area, but all flats are subject to availability. If you are not happy about the place where you live, Ferran will normally do his best to help you move into another flat.

All the flats have a living room with TV, a fully equipped kitchen, washing machine etc. The flats from ISA are normally not especially luxurious, but you should have everything you need during your stay. Rent for a room in a shared flat (3 to 4 students) is around 300€-400€ a month. In most of the flats this price includes all bills. Rent must be paid directly to Ferran at ISA before the 5th of every month.

P.A.E

Roger de Llúria, 57

08009 Barcelona

Tel. 93 487 90 24

Office hours are from 9'00 to 1'00 in the morning.

This flat agency tends to fill up the flats very quickly, and sometimes students cannot know whether they can get a room for August until late June, which is when the agencies know which flats they have empty for the following year. We recommend however, that students should contact them as soon as possible in order to let the agencies know that they are coming.

PAE is run by two old ladies (Sras. Casas). One of them has a son who speaks English. PAE disposes of 3 whole houses with 50 flats in each, in the area of Sagrada Familia in Barcelona. They also have a whole complex of female residence in the centre of Barcelona. In the female residence, men are not allowed.

In some of the residences of PAE, there are some rules about parties during the night and about general behaviour. However, the flats normally house young students from different countries, and the atmosphere is nice.

In PAE there is no deposit or booking fee.

If you have visitors staying over during the night there is an additional fee of 6€ per night.

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Estate Agencies

www.pisocompartido.com

Comptes de Bell-lloc 82, bajos, 08014 BCN, tel. 93 411 09 18 (near the school)

Rooms in shared flats and flats for rent. Rooms between 200 and 400€ pr. month. Normally they charge no commissions. They speak English.

Fincas Pallars

Av. Madrid, esq. Joan Guell (very near the school)

This is a normal estate agent, but they have many flats for rent (that is not very usual). Check periodically for new offers.

As all estate agents, they charge one month deposit in commission and normally ask for a deposit of 3 months rent. They have both furnished and unfurnished flats.

Barcelona Allotjament

carrer Pelai, nº 12 pral B

08001 Barcelona

Telf. 93 268 43 57

Fax 93 268 43 57

www.barcelona-allotjament.com

English spoken.

This agency offers different options of accommodation, including shared flats, small apartments and accommodation with Spanish families, all around the city but mostly in the centre.

The agency will be closed in August. The agency charges an inicial fee for its services.

Habit Servei

c/ Muntaner 200 2º 3ª

Barcelona

Contact person: Ingrid or Raquel

Tel. 93 209 50 45

Fax 93 414 54 25

www.habitservei.com

English spoken.

This agency offers shared flats for students, apartments, and accommodation with families. Costs range from renting an apartment from 700 to 1200€/month (water, elec. not included). Accommodation with Spanish families will cost around 350 euros (breakfast included) or 480 euros (breakfast+dinner).

The agency charges an inicial fee for its services.

BCN Rooms

Barcelona Bed & Breakfast

c/ València 55

Barcelona

Tel. 93 226 54 67

Fax. 93 226 22 69

www.bcnrooms.com

English spoken.

This agency offers shared apartments with the owner of the flat (not with other students) and bed and breakfasts (starting from 45 euros /day). Price range of a shared flat is from 300€/month (room rental and sharing kitchen and other spaces in the house).

The agency charges an inicial fee for its services.

Student accommodation 350-450€ all expenses included

Altiro

C/ Bertran 144 Bajos

08023 Barcelona

Tel. 93 253 0427

www.altiro2000.com/entire-apartments

e-mail: altiro@terra.es

subway: green line: Vallcarca station

FFCC: Av. Tibidabo station

buses: 17,22,58,75

Furnished and fully equipped apartments, rooms in student shared apartments, rooms in a guests houses with kitchen use/facilities

Student Residences

Sant Jordi Piso Univiersitaris

www.pisos-estudiantes-barcelona.es

Duration of stay: October through June (1 month minimum stay)

Private rooms 499€, Double (per person 449€)

Cost includes cleaning in common areas. Food not included, though meal plan available for extra cost.

Related expenses: Utilities 399€, Deposit 600€ and Contract expenses 160€

Melon District Student Housing

www.melondistrict.com

There are two complexes, one located in Poble Sec and the larger one at Marina district. Short and long term stays are available. Both with a rooftop pool, sleek decor, resident assistant, lounge and study space, food for purchase at the Melon Cafe, outdoor spaces with wifi, laundromat and 24 hour reception desk. Rooming may be a bit expensive but it provides a warm, inviting atmosphere with other student residents friendly and eager to help.

- **Marina** location – 500 rooms

C/ Sancho de Ávila, 22

93 85 96 542

Single, Double, Duplex, and Studio spaces available with access to cooking lounge

600€ - 1209€ per month, prices vary depending on room type and length of stay, price includes utilities.

Additional Registration fee and Security Deposit varies depending on length of stay

- **Poble Sec** location – 99 rooms

Av. Paral·el, 101

93 85 96 542

Single, Double, Duplex, and Studio spaces available with access to cooking lounge

Bathrooms are small with a shower integrated into the bathroom space.

543€ - 1087€ month prices vary depending on room type and length of stay, price includes utilities

Additional Registration fee and Security Deposit varies depending on length of stay.



Photo from www.melondistrict.com

Hostels and Hotels

Hotels and apartment of all categories.
For apartment and hotel bookings in Barcelona.
Various prices

www.barcelona-on-line.es
www.barcelona-accomodation.net
www.lodgingbarcelona.com
www.athome-barcelona.com
www.inside-bcn.com
www.barcelonaliving.com
www.hostels.com

Low cost

Alberguinn Youth Hostel **Very close to school!!!**

c/ Melcior de Palau, 70-74 entlo

Teléfono: +34 934905965 / Fax +34 934911941

<http://www.alberguinn.com>

14-24€ (shared dorms)

They have a deal called "landing" according to what if you are enrolled in a school here in Barcelona you can stay there for 14€ a night –shared room, 6 people minimum- (breakfast, towels, sheets and free access to internet, TV and DVD included) for minimum a week.

It may be helpful while finding a "more definitive" place.

Very close to the school.

Hostel One Sants

Calle Casteras 9

+34 933 324 192

Book online through

www.hostelworld.com or

<http://www.districthostel1.com/barcelona-sants-2/>

12-28€ (2-6 person shared dorms)

Close to the school.

<p>Mambo Tango Backpackers Hostel C/ Poeta Cabanyes 23, Book online through www.hostelworld.com or www.santjordihostels.com 26-28€ (4-10 person dorm)</p>	<p>Graffiti Hostel C/Arago 527-529 Pral. 931 86 3397 Book online through www.hostelworld.com 9-17€ (shared dorms)</p>	<p>Alberg Palau (city centre) C/ Palau, 6 Tel: (+34) 934125080 www.bcnalberg.com 2 pax – 15-29€</p>
<p>Hostelscat 2 minutes from school C/Panissars,5 93 667 27 06 www.hostelscat.com/en/ email: info@hostelscat.cat 13-18€ including breakfast, fiber optic wifi, 24 hour reception Discount for longer stays</p>	<p>Sant Jordi Gracia Carrer de Terol 35 93 342 41 61 www.santjordihostels.com email: gracia@santjordi.org 13-35€ -new hip, modern boutique hostel in a charming neighbourhood, 30 minutes by metro to school</p>	<p>Sant Jordi Sagrada Familia C/ Freser 5934 46 05 17 www.santjordihostels.com email: sagradafamilia@santjordi.org 13-38€ large, designer hostel with many rooming options, including a 3 bedroom suite.</p>
<p>Sant Jordi Aragó C/ d'Aragó 268, principal 1ª 93 215 67 43 www.santjordihostels.com email: arago@santjordi.org 12-28€ mixed rooms for 4- 10 people, fully equipped kitchen, convenient location</p>		

Pensions (cheap hotels)

<p>Pension Sants Very close to school!!! C/Antoni de Campmany 82 www.hostalsans.com Tel: (+34) 933313700 29€ -68€ (w/ and without individual bathrooms)</p>	<p>Pension Alamar C/Comtessa de Sobradíel Tel: (+34) 933025012 www.pensioalamar.com 22/28€ (single), 36/45€ (double)</p>	<p>Hostal Neutral (city centre) Rambla Catalunya 42 Tel: (+34) 934876390 35-38€ (single), 60-70€ (double)</p>
<p>Hostal Levante (city centre) Baixada de Sant Miquel, 2 Tel: (+34) 629369950 http://www.hostallevante.com 40€ without bathroom; 100€ triple</p> <p>Also available:</p> <p>Apartment rentals 1br – 4br Min 3 nights – 10 months stay 1200€ - 1800€ fully equipped with 3 double bedrooms</p>	<p>Residencia Australia (city centre) Ronda Universitat 11, 4:1a Tel: (+34) 933174177 Fax: (+34) 933170701 www.residenciaaustralia.com 44-59€ Single and Double</p>	<p>Bohemia Barcelona Gran de Gracia, 123 664 1276 64 www.bohemiabarcelona.com Off season - 20€ single/30€ double Regular season - 30€/45€ High season - 40€/ 60€</p>

Mid-category

<p>Hostal Central Barcelona C/Diputacio 346, pral 2a Tel: (+34) 932451981 Fax: (+34) 932318307 www.hostalcentralbarcelona.com 35-45€ (single w/out bathroom), 60-85€ (double w/bathroom)</p>	<p>Hostal Goya Principal (city centre) C/Pau Claris 74, 1 Tel: (+34) 933022565 Fax: (+34) 934120435 www.hostalgoya.com 60-92 (double)/110</p>	<p>Hostal Opera (city centre) C/Sant Pau Tel: (+34) 933188201 www.hostalopera.com 43/60€ (single) 63/90€ (double),</p>
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Upper-category

<p>Hotel Espana (city centre) C/Sant Pau 9-11 Tel: (+34) 933181758 Fax: (+34) 933171134 www.hotelespanya.com standard double 130/150</p>	<p>Banys Orientals (city centre) C/Argenteria 37 Tel: (+34) 932688460 Fax: (+34) 9326884 www.hotelbanysorientals.com 82€ (single), 98€ (double)</p>	<p>Hotel Actual C/Rossello 238 Tel: (+34) 935520550 Fax: (+34) 935520555 www.hotelactual.com 113-135€ (single), 125-149€ (double)</p>
<p>Hotel Constanza C/Bruc 33 Tel: (+34) 932791910 Fax: (+34) 933174024 www.hotelconstanza.com 100€ (single), 120€ (double)</p>		