



THE RIVER ONYAR



girona



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| | 11 Peninsular | | |
| | 12 Ultònia | | |

 Girona-Costa Brava International Airport

 AP 7 south exit

 High-speed (AVE) train station

 7 1,6 km

 13 600 m

 2 550 m

 16

 15 400 m

 1 750 m

WELCOME! *get around like a local*

Welcome to Girona, a university city on a human scale, friendly, quiet, but with all the attractions of a big city. Girona has many different faces, with a wide range of things to see and do for people of all ages and tastes.

This guide provides a quick and accessible way to discover all the sights and facilities the city offers visitors. A city that is delighted to welcome you!



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essencial GIRONA

Here are our tips to help you move around the city as if you were a local!

Getting around the city is easy when you know how. In Girona's tourist offices you'll find all the information you need to make the most of your stay here.



GIRONA APP | GUIDE TO GIRONA

Two apps with all the information you need about events, shopping, transport and many more services offered in Girona.



FREE WI-FI

The Girona Free Wi-Fi service provides free access at more than 170 points spread across the city.



CLIMATE

Girona enjoys a mild Mediterranean climate. Average temperatures range between 15°C and 19°C.



MONEY

All banks in the city can change money into Euros.



TOURIST OFFICES

Rambla de la Llibertat, 1 - T. 972 01 00 01
Berenguer Carnicer, 3 - T. 972 01 16 69
Email: turisme@ajgirona.cat



GIRONA WALKS, GUIDED TOURS

From March to November, Tuesday to Sunday. Starting every day at 10.15 am at the Girona - Gironès Welcome Point. Duration: 2 h. Price: €12.



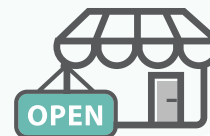
LANGUAGE

The local language is Catalan. Spanish is also an official language. Most businesses in the tourist sector also offer their services in other languages, mainly English and French.



TIME ZONE

Girona is located in the UTC+01:00 time zone, the same as Madrid, Paris, Rome, Brussels, Berlin, Warsaw and Copenhagen.



OPENING TIMES

Normal business hours for shops are from Monday to Saturday, 9.30 am to 1.30 pm and from 4.30 to 8.30 pm. Large supermarkets usually open from 10.00 am to 10.00 pm.



GIRONA CITY TOUR

The official city tourist train that follows a panoramic route around the city offering the best views of Girona. With audio guide available in nine languages.

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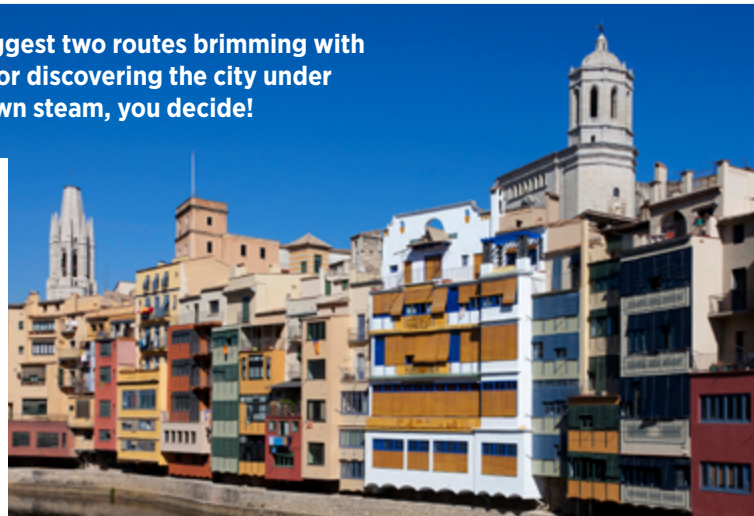
1st day

We suggest two routes brimming with ideas for discovering the city under your own steam, you decide!

10.00 am

HOUSES ON THE RIVER ONYAR

There are days that you will remember for the rest of your life, like the one that starts with crossing the River Onyar on one of its bridges: the Pont de les Peixateries Velles, designed by Gustave Eiffel in 1827, the Pont de Pedra or the slender Pont d'en Gómez. A route set against the colourful backdrop of the painted facades of the houses looking over the river. Get your camera ready for one of the most powerful and unique images of Girona.



11.00 am

CUL DE LA LLEONA

Every city has its own popular traditions and legends. In Girona we guarantee you'll be back to visit us, as long as you remember to kiss a certain animal on the bottom! The animal in question is a lioness, a sculpture that reproduces the original limestone version, which you will find on your way to the church of Sant Feliu.

1.00 pm

AVANT-GARDE CUISINE

After such an attractive and varied route, stop for a while in the historic quarter and enjoy another local gem, its gastronomy, in one of the city's numerous restaurants. Girona is renowned for its great culinary dynamism, with both classic and modern styles as exemplified by the internationally acclaimed restaurant El Cellar de Can Roca, which holds three Michelin stars and has been named best restaurant in the world twice by *Restaurant Magazine*.



12.00 am

ARAB BATHS

Continue the route around historic Girona and make a stop at the Arab Baths which, despite the name, is actually a Romanesque construction inspired by Roman baths. Its most outstanding feature is the dome resting on slender columns which covers the central pool.



4:00 pm

SHOPPING

Set aside the afternoon to go shopping in the city, strolling around the Eixample commercial district. Here you will find everything from typical neighbourhood shops to boutiques selling the very latest fashions and prestigious international brands.

7:00 pm

DINNER AND DRINKS IN THE HISTORIC QUARTER

In the evening, when the day is done or is just getting started, relax on one of the terraces in Plaça Independència or Plaça Sant Feliu. Bars and restaurants in unbeatable surroundings.

GIRONA

2nd day

10.00 am

LLEÓ MARKET

Where do most of the products that supply local kitchens in both private homes and bars and restaurants come from? From Lleó market, the distribution centre for fresh produce in Girona. Get there early in the morning and enjoy the colourful stalls filled with fruit and vegetables, meat and fish.



10.30 am

STROLL ALONG THE OLD CITY WALLS

Not far from the market, on the other side of the river, climb up the old city walls to enjoy the best views over the city. Walk along this structure that encloses the historic and monumental centre of Girona, and have your camera ready, because you will want to immortalise each step along this centuries-old construction.



1.00 pm

LOCAL CUISINE

All that walking must have given you an appetite... But before you sit down to lunch in one of the area's many restaurants and cafes, perhaps you'd like to try one of Girona's typical products: the *xuixo*. A pastry filled with creamy custard that you will find in bakeries and patisseries. Alternatively, if you prefer something less sugary, try a Girona apple, a fruit with its own denomination of origin.



12.00 am

CATHEDRAL

Leave the city walls through the Francesca gardens and walk up to the cathedral, but only if you are willing to do a little exercise! To reach this temple, which boasts the widest Gothic nave in the world, you'll have to climb the 90 steps of the staircase leading up to the main door.

6.00 pm

SOUVENIRS

Complement your first day's purchases with another afternoon of shopping. This time take a look around the historic quarter, where the narrow streets, squares and ramblas are full of exclusive shops and top global brands.

11.00 pm

NIGHTLIFE

After a delicious dinner, such a full day deserves a great ending. You can enjoy another drink while sitting on a terrace or lap up the music and atmosphere of one of the many bars in the centre of Girona.

TOP 10 must-see attractions

Girona, one of the most interesting historic cities in Catalonia, invites visitors to trace its more than 2000 years of history through two fortified enclosures, the Força Vella and the medieval quarter. The Força Vella dates back to the Roman foundation while the medieval extension of the city walls was carried out during the 14th and 15th centuries. The city's numerous monuments preserve some outstanding artistic heritage.

The highlights of Girona are rounded off by the impressive old Jewish Quarter or *Call*, with its beautiful streets and porticoed squares, with hidden gardens and surprises around every corner, such as the Noucentisme-style buildings by architect Rafael Masó.



CATHEDRAL

Built between the 11th and 18th centuries, the cathedral is a blend of Romanesque, baroque and Gothic styles. Come and be amazed by the widest vaulted Gothic nave in the world.

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BASÍLICA OF SANT FELIU

Girona's first cathedral until the 10th century. This fine example of the Gothic style is known for its slender bell tower.

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OLD JEWISH QUARTER

Made up of a labyrinth of narrow streets and courtyards that have maintained their medieval atmosphere, Girona's *Call* is one of the best preserved Jewish quarters in the world.

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ARAB BATHS

A singular Romanesque construction inspired by Roman baths and built in the 12th century. Its most outstanding feature is the dome supported by slim columns covering the central pool.

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SANT PERE GALLIGANTS AND SANT NICOLAU

A large temple which was originally a Benedictine monastery. Today it houses an archaeological museum which is a must-see if you want to enjoy one of Catalonia's most important Romanesque sites.

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CUL DE LA LLEONA

According to popular tradition, we can guarantee that you will return to Girona as long as you plant a kiss on the lioness' bottom. An obligatory stop for all visitors to Girona.

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CITY WALLS

A unique walkway along the Romanesque walls, which were extended in medieval times. An excellent vantage point offering views over the city and the surrounding areas.

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HOUSES AND BRIDGES ON THE RIVER ONYAR

The River Onyar offers one of the most emblematic images of Girona: brightly painted façades and bridges like the slender Pont d'en Gómeu and the Pont de les Peixateries Velles (1827), which was built by the Eiffel company.

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PUJADA DE SANT MARTÍ

One of the spaces in Girona where time seems to stand still. A magical place framed by the church of the former Sant Martí convent and the Agullana palace, with its unique skew arch.

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L'ÀNGEL GARDEN

This small urban garden, located in Carrer de l'Àngel, is a little-known space, tucked away from the hustle and bustle and the perfect spot to relax in. An oasis of calm where you can recharge your batteries and take a breather.

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MUSEUMS to discover

One of the best ways to learn about the history of the city and its evolution over the centuries as well as its relationship with the different civilizations that have dominated old Europe is to visit its museums. Six museums with a discourse that will lead you inside ancient Girona through the valuable heritage on display.



VISIT GIRONA'S MUSEUMS WITH A DISCOUNT!

With the M6 Ticket you can visit all of the city's museums at a special price. Visit the first museum, pay the normal entrance price, then enter all the others with a 50% discount.



JEWISH HISTORY MUSEUM

Carrer de la Força, 8 · 17004 Girona
T. 972 216 761 · **Email** callgirona@ajgirona.cat

This museum tells the story of the medieval Jewish communities in Catalonia, paying particular attention to Girona. On display is a unique collection of medieval Hebrew tombstones from the Jewish cemetery of Montjuïc.

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GIRONA HISTORY MUSEUM

Carrer de la Força, 27 · 17004 Girona
T. 972 222 229 · **Email** museuhistoria@ajgirona.cat

Housed in an old Capuchin monastery (18th century), this museum tells the story of Girona, from its foundation by the Romans (1st century BC) to the return of democracy from 1975 onwards.

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CATHEDRAL TREASURY-MUSEUM

Plaça de la Catedral · 17004 Girona
T. 972 427 189 · **Email** visites@catedraldegirona.org

This museum houses important works of religious art, such as the Beatus Codex (10th century), the famous Creation Tapestry (12th century), a valuable collection of Gothic sculptures, paintings and silverware and the Renaissance altarpiece of St. Helena (16th century).

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CINEMA MUSEUM

Carrer de la Séquia, 1 · 17001 Girona
T. 972 412 777 · **Email** info@museudelcinema.cat

Housed in the old Casa de les Aigües, a central location in the Mercadal district, this museum exhibits Tomàs Mallol's valuable collection of pre-cinema pieces, from the first moving images from shadow theatres to today's cinema.

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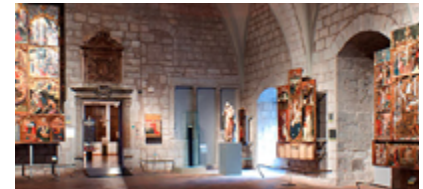


CASA MASÓ

Carrer de les Ballesteries, 29 · 17004 Girona
T. 972 413 989 · **Email** info@rafaelmaso.org

The house where Rafael Masó (1880-1935) was born, one of his most important architectural works and the only one of the famous houses over the River Onyar that is open to the public.

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ART MUSEUM

Pujada de la Catedral, 12 · 17004 Girona
T. 972 203 834

Email museuart_girona.cultura@gencat.net

Located in the incomparable setting of the former Episcopal palace, which was modified and enlarged between the 10th and 18th centuries, the Art Museum contains a valuable collection of art from the province of Girona.

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CINEMA city

Descend the steps of the temple that Cersei Lannister blew sky high or roam the streets where Arya Stark ran for her life. There is no doubt that the recording of part of the sixth season of *Game of Thrones*, with all its global impact, has firmly positioned the city in the imaginations of many fans of this blockbuster series.

But Girona not only forms part of the land of the Lannisters and company. The city's relationship with the world of television and cinema dates back more than a century and it has been chosen as the setting for stories based on real events and for the most incredible fiction.

Thanks to its heritage, urban layout and architectural styles, Girona provides the perfect backdrop for filming movies, series and advertisements.

GAME OF THRONES EXPERIENCE

The Association of Girona Guides offers visitors guided tours around the locations that have appeared in the famous television series. Information and reservations available by email (puntebenvinguda@ajgirona.cat) or telephone (972 211 678).



SPECIAL EVENTS



Carrer del Bisbe Cartaïa: *Game of Thrones* (6th season). HBO, 2015



Plaça de la Catedral: *Perfume: The Story of a Murderer* (Tom Tykwer, 2006). Author: Miquel Ruiz (2005)



Pont de Ferro: *The Soldiers of Salamís* (David Trueba, 2003). Author: Pep Iglesias (2002)



La Devesa park: *Amor adolescente* (Jordi Lladó, 1969). Author: Martí Sebastià (ca. 1966) (CRDI)



Plaça del Vi: filming for a Samsonite advertisement. Girona City Council, 2014

legends, festivals AND TRADITIONS

FESTIVALS AND TRADITIONS

In Girona, there are festivals and traditional events happening throughout the year. Some of the most important include the *Manaies* (Roman legionaries) parade at Easter, the Sant Jordi book and rose fair, the *Girona Flower Time* exhibition and the festivities in honour of Sant Narcís, the city's patron saint, celebrated around 29 October.



The Tarlà **Spring Festival**



Going up the steps of the Cathedral **Festes de Sant Narcís**



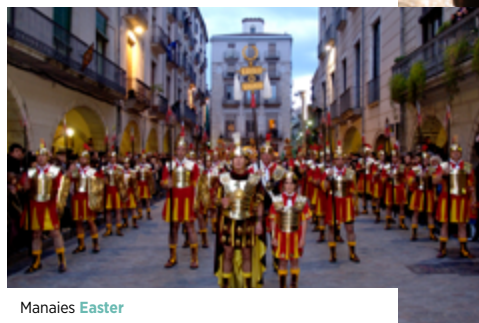
Correfoc (fireworks parade) **Sant Narcís Festival**



Three Kings' Parade **Christmas celebrations**

SPRING FESTIVAL, TARLÀ FESTIVAL

George's Day, on 23 April, in Carrer de l'Argenteria. One of the most characteristic and popular features is the presence and evolution of the Tarlà, a figure who turns somersaults on a bar hung over the street. This character is linked to a very old celebration that combined religious devotion with carnival fun.



Manaies **Easter**

LEGENDS

Legends, traditional stories and anecdotes are popular chronicles of city life. Girona has many of these. Here we highlight two in particular:

THE WITCH OF THE CATHEDRAL

A long, long time ago in Girona there was a woman dedicated to the diabolical art of witchcraft who would throw stones at the cathedral to demonstrate her hatred of religion. One day, by divine powers, the witch was turned into a stone gargoyle and fixed to the highest part of the temple walls so from that moment onwards, rather than expletives and curses, only clean water falling from the clouds would spew from her mouth.

COCOLLONA

It is said that when there is a full moon over the River Onyar, just before dawn, when ghosts become visible, truly sensitive people can see the semi-transparent and blurry spectre of a crocodile with butterfly wings swimming up and down, until it disappears with the first rays of the sun.



SPECIAL EVENTS

5 JANUARY **THREE KINGS' CAMP AND PARADE** | MARCH - APRIL **MANAIES** | 23 APRIL

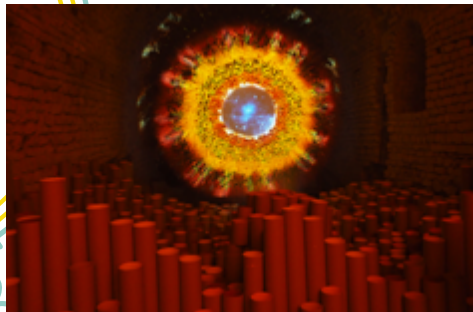
SAINT GEORGE'S DAY | 29 OCTOBER **SANT NARCÍS FAIR AND FESTIVAL**

FLOWER TIME

the spring capital

Visiting historic and ancient Girona is a must at any time of the year, but if you visit us in May you can enjoy *Girona Flower Time*, a ten-day festival that fills the city's most charming corners and gardens with flowers and artistic creations.

After sixty editions, *Girona Flower Time* is still decorating the city with more than 160 floral displays that, for a few days each year, turn Girona into the Catalan spring capital.



MAY

The event always takes place from the second to the third weekend in May.

*save the date
and don't
miss it!*



TEMPORADA ALTA
October-December

FIRATAST
October

STREET FOOD MARKET
December

GIRONA 10
January

PEPE SALES INDEPENDENT ART FESTIVAL
January-February

CYCLE TOUR OF CATALONIA
March

JAZZ FESTIVAL
September

BLACK MUSIC FESTIVAL
March

COSTA BRAVA RALLY
March

ALL SAINTS FAIR
November

GASTRONOMY WEEK
April

STRENES FESTIVAL
April

365

**DA YS
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MILESTONE PROJECT
September

NAPOLEONIC SIEGES
September

GIRONA A CAPPELLA
May

FITAG
August

INTERNATIONAL MAPPING FESTIVAL
July

FESTIVALOT
May

TEMPO UNDER THE STARS
July

GIRONA FLOWER TIME
May

CHIC & CHEAP NIGHT MARKET
July

GIRONA GRAN FONDO
June

LUDIVERS
June

INUND'ART
June

Three-star GASTRONOMY

Eating out in Girona is an authentic pleasure. In addition to being the home of El Celler de Can Roca, which, with three Michelin stars, is one of the best restaurants in the world, the city also offers a wide variety of small establishments and large restaurants serving Mediterranean cuisine prepared with high-quality ingredients. With options at all price points and creations ranging from cutting-edge cuisine to simple hamburgers as well as the most traditional cooking, Girona's gastronomy always leaves a good taste in your mouth.



Xuíxo de Girona



LLEÓ MARKET

Monday to Friday, from 7 am to 3 pm
Friday afternoon, from 5 pm to 8 pm
Saturday and the eve of public holidays, from 7 am to 3 pm
Plaça Calvet i Rubalcaba s/n



SPECIAL EVENTS

FEBRUARY TRUFFLE GASTRONOMY FAIR | APRIL CRAFT BEER FAIR | MAY GASTROFLORS

| MAY TOCS DE VI DE L'EMPORDÀ WINE FAIR | NOVEMBER TAPA'T

EIXAMPLE



Lleó Market



Jordi Roca *El Celler de Can Roca restaurant and the world's best pastry chef 2014*

How does Girona make you feel?

It fascinates me. I normally go from one place to another, but for me Girona is the only place in the world where strolling around makes perfect sense.

Which place in Girona do you always show to visitors/friends?

After visiting the historic quarter, the icing on the cake is the banks of the River Ter from La Devesa park and the walkway that leads to Fontajau. It is a fantastic natural site in the middle of the city.

What flavour does Girona have?

Thinking of the historic quarter, the taste would be baked apple and bergamot ice cream. Baked apple because it has a warm, mellow heart when you break through the membrane of cold ice cream. The tart, perfumed touch of the bergamot - I once saw a bergamot tree in a courtyard in the historic quarter - represents the bohemian artistic and dreamy quality of its people. The sour taste is us knowing how to laugh at ourselves. In fact, we have an ice lolly, El Cul de la Lleona, flavoured with baked apple and bergamot.



keep calm & GO SHOPPING

Quiet streets, a historic centre with urban labyrinths that invite you to wander around and discover a city full of history and life. Girona is perfect for shopping in a calm and relaxing way. In the historic quarter you will find a wide range of traditional and family shops and businesses, as well as exclusive, designer and original boutiques. But shopping in Girona extends outside the historic centre too: take a stroll and shop calmly in the Eixample area or try the Santa Eugènia district with its weekly market, or the Sant Narcís district, whose art and music market is a real gem.

HISTORIC QUARTER



LA VOLTA MARKET - Plaça Assumpció

On the second Saturday of every month, the porticoed square in the Sant Narcís district is transformed into a market selling art, new handicrafts and creative designs complemented by concerts, workshops, etc.



EIXAMPLE AXIS



SANT NARCÍS
←

EIXAMPLE AXIS
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JANUARY FIRAREBAIXA | MAY-JUNE STREET MARKETS | JUNE FASHION WEEK

| JULY CHIC & CHEAP NIGHT MARKET

ACTIVE *and nature tourism*

Enjoy with your family a city that merges into unique natural spaces. Come and experience a few days in an urban oasis set in incomparable natural surroundings perfect for practicing active and healthy tourism.

With routes that take you from the historic city centre to Sant Miquel mountain, crossing the Sant Daniel valley, to enjoy a view that extends all the way to the Pyrenees, or that allows you to discover the two largest urban parks in Girona: La Devesa and Ribes del Ter. The first covers an area of over 40 hectares and boasts more than 2000 hundred-year-old trees.

ORIENTEERING CIRCUITS

Discover the nature surrounding the city on the orienteering circuits you'll find at the Tourist Office. A map, lots of tracks and hours of fun for the whole family. When you finish, you will receive a gift from the tourist office as a reminder of your adventure around Girona.

These and many other special activities will make your stay in Girona a unique experience for you and your family.







SPORTS TOURISM *destination*

Girona is a perfect city as a sports tourism destination thanks to its charm and beautiful surroundings, its sports facilities and its human dimension. If you add to this its range of modern, well-prepared accommodation, it's no surprise that many professional teams and sportspeople frequently choose the city as their base for training stays.

Check the cycling, mountain bike and running routes. They can be downloaded free of charge from the Wikiloc app.



-  **7** running routes
+ de 125 km
-  **8** road cycling routes
+ de 730 km
-  **13** mountain bike routes
890 km
-  **Pirinexus + greenways**
342,69 km + 100 km
Accessible routes from Girona to the Pyrenees and the Costa Brava



SPECIAL EVENTS

FEBRUARY GREENWAYS MARATHON | APRIL MOUNTAIN BIKE CHALLENGE | APRIL PIRINEXUS



Marta Xargay basketball player. Winner of a silver medal at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games

How does Girona make you feel?

Whenever I return to Girona I always have the same sensation: I feel at home and I love wandering around in the narrow streets of the historic quarter. I am in love with Girona.

Which place in Girona do you always show to visitors?

I never get tired of crossing the Pont de Pedra bridge. It is a spot I always recommend and take the opportunity to revisit when I am showing off my city. In addition, the view of the houses on the Onyar from the bridge is also spectacular.

Why do you think that Girona attracts sportspeople?

Apart from being a very welcoming city, with its own special charm, it also has the advantage that you can get around it quickly and easily. Professional sportspeople can also find a unique natural setting here, very close to the sea and the mountains.

360 CHALLENGE | OCTOBER WOMEN'S RACE | DECEMBER SANT SILVESTRE GIRONA

ACCESSIBLE CITY *for all*

We strive to make Girona an inclusive city for everyone, residents and visitors alike. A city that is prepared for you to enjoy it, whatever your physical condition. Without barriers. This has been made possible through the concerted efforts of the local administration and private organisations whose goal is to guarantee the accessibility of Girona's main tourist resources and services.

Download the guide - APP with all the routes and videos.



CONFERENCES *with character*

There are many cities in the world capable of hosting conferences, but only Girona can do it with such flair. With its unique and singular venues, such as the courtyard of the Jewish History Museum or the foyer of the Municipal Theatre, which, due to their location in the city's historic quarter, add a rather distinctive touch to any event.

Extraordinary spaces that are transformed to hold gala dinners, cocktail parties and other exclusive events that make any conference a special and memorable experience.

And most importantly, all of this is located just a short walk away, allowing you to get around without needing a vehicle.

Check the calendar and all the information at: www.gironacongressos.org



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Palau de Congressos de Girona



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Plaça dels Jurats



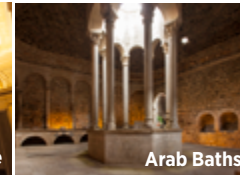
La Mercè Cultural Centre



Sant Pere Galligants



Municipal Theatre



Arab Baths



Symphonic Hall - Conference Centre



Hall - Conference Centre



Casa Masó



Ramon Brugada *Cardiologist, researcher, first dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Girona (UdG) and scientific director of the project "Girona territori cardioprotegit".*

Què t'inspira Girona?

It gives me a sense of tranquillity and the feeling that everything is close and easy. In Girona everything you need is quick and accessible. It is a medium-sized city, but with nothing to envy about the world's big metropolises. And, it is surrounded by amazing natural spaces just a few kilometres away.

Which place in Girona do you always show to visitors?

I invite them to cross any of the bridges over the Onyar and admire the colours of the houses which follow the course of the river on one side and the other from the Pont de Pedra bridge towards the north. And, above all, I recommend that they do so at sunset, when you can appreciate the changing colour of the facades.

You have organised and taken part in conferences in the city. Why should we choose Girona?

Girona is a city on a human scale, but with all the attractions and infrastructure of big cities. Holding a conference or congress in Girona, with its first class conference centre, in a historic city like this one and avoiding all the crowds, is a real luxury and it brings added value. These are days for congress work, but also for disconnecting and having meetings outside; for this reason, the setting is key.

many reasons FOR HOLDING A CONFERENCE IN GIRONA

1 Global tourism recognition



Girona is one of the cities with most personality in Catalonia. This has been recognised by some prestigious international magazines and travel guides, such as *Frommer's*, *National Geographic* magazine, *The Guardian* newspaper and the web portal TripAdvisor.



2 Ancient historic city



Discovering the charms of this city with 2000 years of history is an experience you won't forget in a hurry. Its narrow cobbled streets will transport you to another time.

3 Unbeatable geographical location



A high-speed train connects Girona with Barcelona in 37 minutes, with Madrid in 3.5 hours and with Paris in 5.5 hours. The airport, just 15 minutes from the centre, links the city with more than 20 international destinations.

4 Varied landscapes



Girona is the capital of the Costa Brava, a coastline dotted with spectacular coves with crystalline water. In addition, just one hour away by car we have the Pyrenees, with a historic legacy of hermitages and churches, and some of the country's best ski resorts.

5 Unique cuisine



Girona is one of the world's most important gastronomic zones. There are more than 20 Michelin stars spread across the region, and it is also home to one of the best restaurants in the world according to *Restaurant Magazine*: El Celler de Can Roca.

6 Quality accommodation



Most of the 1100 hotel rooms available in the city and immediately surrounding area are within 10 minutes' walk from the Conference Centre.

7 Girona Conference Centre



With three auditoriums and 13 parallel rooms with natural light, the centre has the capacity to host up to 1800 people. The building is complemented by a large exhibition area and several spaces adapted to provide meals.

8 Extensive experience



Sectors as important and strategic as healthcare, science and business have placed their trust in the Girona City Convention Bureau (GCCB) to offer advice and planning assistance for their congresses and conferences.

9 Excellent hospitality and a warm welcome



The team at the GCCB do their utmost to satisfy all their clients' needs. The resulting high quality is demonstrated by the post-conference surveys carried out in which the average satisfaction rating is 9.7.

AFTER WORK *like the locals*

What do the locals do when they finish their daily routines? Where do they go? How do they live and see the city? Here are a few suggestions to help you move around the city like a genuine insider.

- Stroll around the historic quarter and La Rambla eating an ice cream.
- Wander the streets of the centre and discover original shops hidden away in the stone labyrinths.
- Relax with a drink on one of the terraces in the historic quarter or admiring the views from a hotel rooftop.
- Learn all about authentic Catalan gastronomy with a show cooking workshop.
- Go running around this ancient city's most emblematic areas.
- Experience the night in the most vibrant bars and clubs, whether enjoying a concert or dancing to the latest music.



CONNECTIONS

a step away from everything!

Girona maintains the charm of a small city in an unbeatable setting and with a modern and efficient transport network. It is easy to access the city from any part of Spain or Europe, by air, rail, road or sea.



BY AIR

Girona-Costa Brava Airport, with national and international flights, is located just 15 km from the city. There is also the option of flying to Barcelona-El Prat International Airport, located 100 km from Girona and with excellent road links.



BY ROAD

Girona is connected by motorway (AP-7) with various Spanish and French cities. In addition, the network of public buses and coaches also links the city with the different airports and cities in the province.



BY TRAIN

The high-speed train connects the city with both national and international destinations.

- Girona - Barcelona: 37 min.
- Girona - Madrid: 3 h 30 min.
- Girona - Toulouse: 2 h 30 min.
- Girona - Paris: 5 h 30 min.



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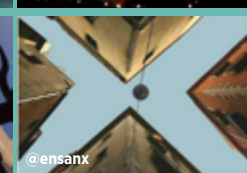
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