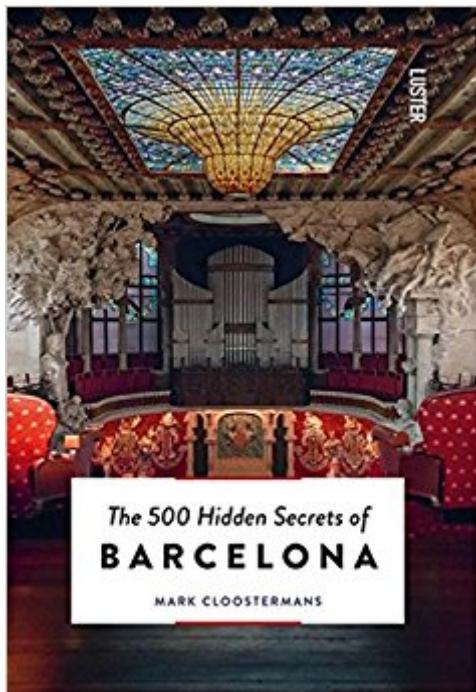


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# The 500 Hidden Secrets Of Barcelona



## Synopsis

A practical guide to discovering the very best of the little-known attractions to be found in BarcelonaContinuing the hugely successful 500 Hidden Secrets seriesWhere's the best place to go out on a Saturday night in Barcelona? What off-beat museums can be discovered after Sunday brunch (and where to have that)? Which locations offer the best viewpoints of the Catalan capital? What GaudÃ- buildings are essential? Where does Barcelona's modernism reach its zenith? Where to take the children? What's the best place to buy wine? And where do the locals hang out?The 500 Hidden Secrets of Barcelona reveals hundreds of good-to-know addresses (where to go for tapas, or vegetarian food, or cocktails?), avoiding the touristy places and pointing out the urban details you are likely to miss. Barcelona is an incredibly rich city. Just the amount of restaurants is overwhelming: this is the home of the universally praised "Mediterranean" diet , after all. It would be a shame to just hang around Plaza Catalunya, where the airport bus drops off the visitors. Mark Cloostermans, a Belgian journalist living in Barcelona, unlocks the various districts, pointing out historical details in the sinewy streets of the old town, taking you from green MontjuÃ c hill to the beach and back up. The best bars in Paris-like Gracia neighborhood, all BarÃ§a-related places and the various festivals you can plan your visit around The 500 Hidden Secrets of Barcelona has it all.

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If you really want to get under the skin of a city, the 500 Hidden Secrets series, which covers a number of cities from Havana to Ghent, all written by people who know the cities inside out, is ideal. It's an innovative and refreshing take on the traditional travel guide. (The Independent)

Mark Cloostermans (1977) studied English and Dutch literature before becoming a journalist and book critic for Flemish broadsheet De Standaard. In 2008 he visited Barcelona for the first time (falling in love instantly with the city's vibe and colors), coming back one year later and moving there in 2010.

A gem! This is the main book I've used to plan my Barcelona vacation. Great for anyone looking for a simple, easy to navigate, off-the-beaten path guidebook that gives you more than just the tourist highlights and is different than any other guide I've seen. It may be subjective, but the places in this book are generally cool, hipper, and more unique than in any other guide and the simple list format everything is presented in, is the book's biggest strength.

I wish there were more pictures to help describe the places they are recommending

If you love Barcelona this is a great book.

great source of hidden places

Great way to get to know the untouristy parts of Barcelona

Very helpful, my son and his family used it to plan their whole stay

nice compact book that i can carry-lots of interesting ideas-Liked the categories

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