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INSIDER'S GUIDE

EXPLORE VALENCIA



¡Os damos la bienvenida! Welcome to Valencia! This city is the epitome of the Mediterranean lifestyle: sunny weather, great food, picturesque scenery, and a welcoming, friendly community.

Get to know Valencia with some facts, tips, and recommendations we've gathered.

CIUTAT VELLA: HISTORIC DOWNTOWN

In el Carmen you will find the history of Valencia as well as leisure activities, art, restaurants, and lots of shops. If you want to explore, you can visit la Lonja de la Seda (the Old Silk Market); the Plaza de la Virgen, adjacent to Valencia Cathedral; or el Mercado Central (the Central Market), which is one of the most vibrant places in the city.

RUZAFÁ

This is the most active neighborhood in the city, with its own market and plenty of exquisite food—a mix between new trends and old traditions.

GRAN VÍA

Right next to Ruzafa, this neighborhood is characterized by its modern architecture, numerous restaurants, and high-end boutiques.

FAST FACTS

- Valencia is located on the southeast coast of Spain.
- It is the third-largest city in Spain, after Madrid and Barcelona.
- The city is home to over 800,000 people.
- The city has two official languages: Spanish and Valencian.
- The currency is the euro (€).
- In 2022 Valencia was designated World Design Capital by the **WDO**.
- Valencia will host the the 2026 Gay Games.



Historic Downtown

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Ruzafa

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EL CABANYAL, EL CANYAMELAR

Due to its location on the Mediterranean coast, Valencia's old sailing and fishing neighborhoods have long flourished with cultural, social, and historic initiatives. El Cabanyal offers singular architecture and is one of the most traditional neighborhoods in the city.

PATACONA

La Patacona beach is your best option if you want to have a relaxing day at the seaside while staying in the city. It is the perfect place to breathe and recharge. You can also bike, play sports, and walk along the ocean.

MESTALLA

If you like soccer, this is the place you will want to hang out. In this neighborhood, you'll find the stadium that is home to the Valencia FC team. If you're a fan of European soccer, you'll know that Valencia won the European UEFA Super Cup in 1980 and 2004.

PLACES YOU SHOULDN'T MISS (YOU'LL THANK US LATER)

- Albufera National Park
- The Cathedral and Miguelete Tower
- Serranos and Quart Towers
- Lonja de la Seda (declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO)
- Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias (The City of Arts and Sciences)
- Museo de Bellas Artes de Valencia (Museum of Fine Arts Valencia)
- Chinatown
- Valencia's Central Park

TRANSPORTATION

In Valencia it is very easy to get around because of the size of the city. You can take the bus, the metro, the tram, a bike, or just walk. Everything is safe and simple, and most places are within walking distance.

Travelling to other European cities is also easy. Valencia has an airport, three train stations, and a bus station; or you can use the BlaBlaCar service. Valencia is a hub in Europe, so it is simple to get from place to place. The city is less than two hours from Madrid by AVE, Spain's high-speed train; three hours from Barcelona; five hours from Sevilla; and a two-hour flight from both Paris and London.

Useful transport apps include **EMT**, **Free Now**, **Cabify**, and **Moovit**.

VALENCIA'S FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

From March 1 to March 19, Valencia celebrates its main festival, **Las Fallas**. During these days, streets in all the neighborhoods are filled with hundreds of wooden and cardboard monuments that are burned on the final night of festivities. This celebration combines tradition, satire, and art. Music also plays an essential role in the fiesta. Street parties, concerts, and parades inundate the city with sound. You won't want to miss it.

Valencia's vibe is artistic and youthful, and you will always find new activities here and in the surrounding areas. Of all the events and festivities that happen throughout the year, we have listed some that you shouldn't miss:

- **Festival de Jazz de Valencia**
- **FIB Benicàssim Festival**
- **Cinema Jove: Festival Internacional de Cine de Valencia**
- **Festival de Les Arts**
- **Nits de Vivers**
- **Rototom Sunplash**



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