



## Public Transportation in Barcelona

Barcelona has one of the largest urban transport networks in the world, with a completely integrated public transportation system serving Barcelona and the wider metropolitan area.

This system includes trains, buses, streetcars, ferries, and even a cable car taking you to nearby mountains. The TMB (*Transports Metropolitans de Barcelona*) aims to be a benchmark of public transportation throughout Europe and the world while improving transportation throughout Barcelona, promoting sustainable development, and running efficiently.

### TMB METRO PASS



You will be given a TMB Ticket as part of your program that covers all forms of transportation within Barcelona. This is a paper ticket that will have your passport number written on it (in the area in the red square) which will allow you to show ticket inspectors that you are the owner of that ticket. This ticket will allow you unlimited travel within Zone 1 (which includes all of Barcelona and many of the surrounding areas) for the duration of your program. This will allow you to easily travel to your apartment or homestay, along with getting you wherever you need to be in Barcelona.

**To use this card:** simply enter the turnstile that shows a green arrow and slide the ticket into a ticket slot at the turnstiles in the stations at the start of your journey (you do not need to do anything to leave, just enter the turnstile that shows a green arrow again and the turnstile will open automatically). Sometimes, there will be a little pad on top of the turnstile instead of a ticket slot; in those cases, just tap the pad and the turnstile will open.





## BARCELONA BUSES

Barcelona's bus system is one of the cleanest in Europe, having replaced older models with hybrid buses. The bus system is a quick, convenient, and cheap way to travel around the city.



- Barcelona buses do take cash, but they advise to pay with the exact amount, and the max they will accept is a €10 bill. Additionally, you can pay by a card or by using your TMB Metro Pass.
- A bus fare is €2.20 for a single, one-way ticket (but remember, your TMB Metro Pass covers this so always make sure to bring it with you!)
- Night buses run all night from 10:40pm until 6am
- There are several different Barcelona tours by bus
- Barcelona's bus route network covers the entire city with a 24-hour service





## BARCELONA METRO SYSTEM

Barcelona's subway system, known as the "Metro," is a great way to travel around Barcelona and the surrounding areas. It will be an integral part of most people's stay in the city! Here's what you need to know:

- There are eight Metro lines
- How much it costs to travel depends on what zone you are in and what zone you are traveling to
- Buying an integrated ticket is the easiest way to get around (you'll have one given to you as a part of your program with CAPA)
- Metro services run with the following schedule:
  - Monday to Thursday: 5am to midnight
  - Saturday: Non-stop from Saturday 5am until Sunday night (ends on Sunday at midnight)
  - Sunday: Non-stop from Saturday night until Sunday night (ends on Sunday at midnight)
  - Public Holidays: Depends on the holiday, but will generally have longer service hours as well

Barcelona is also served by an interconnected local railway; the main station is at Barcelona Sants (*Sants Estació*).

## WHAT ARE THE BARCELONA ZONES?

Barcelona's TMB public transport network (locally called the Metro) is divided into six travel zones. Zone 1 covers all of Barcelona and a few of the surrounding areas; Zone 6 contains many of the farther away towns and cities in Catalunya.

Check out [this blog post](#) on five tips for using public transportation in any city!