

International Soccer Tour 2024-2025 Itinerary Colorado Rush U14 Girls Academy ECNL Spain – Barcelona

Travel dates:

March 15-23, 2025

Itinerary:

- March 15 Departure from Denver airport.
- March 16 Arrival Barcelona airport. Transfer to your accommodation.
- March 17 Bus or boat tour Tossa de Mar: visit the beautiful old fishing town made famous in the 1950's by Ava Gardner and James Mason in the film Pandora and the Flying Dutchman. Evening game vs. a local team.
- March 18 Training session with a coach from a Barcelona-area pro club like Espanyol. Visit Barcelona by bus, covering the Bullring, the Gaudi buildings, Casa Battlló and the Pedrera, Plaza Francesc Masia, the Nou Camp home of FC Barcelona, followed by Gaudi's unfinished Sagrada Familia Cathedral, and lastly Parque Guell. Training session with a Barcelona-area pro club coach from a club like Espanyol, Girona, etc.
- March 19 Visit the city of Girona. Sightseeing possibilities include St. Mary's Cathedral, built between the 11th and 17th centuries, Passeig de la Muralla, Monastery of Saint Pere de Galligants and Chapel of Sant Nicolau, the Arab Baths, Cases de l'Onyar, etc. Evening game vs. a local team.
- March 20 Visit the sacred mountain-top monastery of Montserrat with its breathtaking views.
- March 21 Free day in Barcelona visiting the places the bus cannot reach. Drop off and pick up point in the central Plaza Catalunya. Recommended are the: Ramblas with its human statues and street artists, Palau de la Musica, Barrio Gotico with its maze of narrow streets, Plaza Real, and Cathedral. Evening game vs. a local team.
- March 22 More sightseeing in Barcelona. Visit Montjuic, a prominent hill overlooking Barcelona with amazing views of the city and visit the Olympic facilities.
- March 23 Transfer to Barcelona airport and return flight.

*The above itinerary is a provisional/suggested itinerary and can/will change depending on your group's specific wishes, the final game schedule for your team(s), and any pro game visit(s) incorporated for your group. Sightseeing admission fees are not included in the prices but can be added and pre-booked based on your group's specific wishes. Consult us for more information.

Price estimate per person:

| Number of people traveling | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |
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| Participant prices | \$3,410 | \$3,240 | \$3,121 | \$3,031 | \$2,970 | \$2,916 |



Price inclusions:

- Round trip airfare, including airport taxes and fuel surcharges. Prices are always subject to availability of flights and fares at time of booking.
- Accommodations and meals as specified in this proposal see below. Hotel
 options and room types (triples, doubles, etc.) are subject to availability at the time
 of tour booking.
- Ground transportation see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant see below.

Sport program included:

- We will arrange three friendly games per team.
- We will arrange one training session with a coach from a Barcelona-area pro club like Espanyol.
- We will arrange a pro-team stadium tour like Camp Nou, home of FC Barcelona.

Accommodation and meals included:

4-star Hotel accommodation in the Costa Brava region in a seaside town like Santa Susanna, Calella, etc.

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- The accommodation is situated near the town center and/or beach. The distance to Barcelona is approx. 30-35 miles.
- Accommodation in rooms for 3 people (3 beds or a double bed and twin bed typically) and all rooms have a private bathroom, TV, phone, Wi-Fi access, and air conditioning.
- The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge, reception, and often a swimming pool.
- Double rooms (2 people per room) are available as well at a supplement of \$15.00 per person per night.

Ground transportation included:

During your entire stay, a private bus will be available exclusively for your group 9-10 hours a day.

Local guide services included:

A local tour assistant will be assigned to be exclusively with your group full time each day during your stay in each destination to provide you with any assistance when necessary and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed.



Options available (not included in prices)

Sport program options:

- We can arrange tickets for pro games, subject to availability. Ticket costs will depend on the game, but usually ticket costs range from approx. \$75-\$150 per person depending on the game.
- A 2-hour training session with your own coaching staff costs approx. \$300.00 per 2 hours.

Accommodation option Barcelona:

On request, we can accommodate the group in a 3/4-star hotel in Barcelona, close to the city center while in Spain instead. The hotel is within walking distance of a train station and not far from the Sagrada Familia. All rooms have private facilities/bathroom, satellite TV, phone, and climate control. The hotel has a bar, lounge, workout room and small outdoor pool. The supplemental cost for this hotel option is approx. \$50.00 - \$75.00 per person per night (to be confirmed – depends on time of the year).

Travel insurance option:

Your participants have the option to purchase accident, illness and trip cancellation/interruption insurance, including a Cancel for Any Reason Coverage (CFAR) – more information about this insurance is included on your team website page.

Not included in prices:

- Beverages (soda) with meals.
- Gratuities for representatives and bus drivers.
- Admission fees to attractions.
- Single rooms in hotels. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night on top of the double room supplements outlined in the accommodation description.



SIGHTSEEING IN BARCELONA

Recommend excursion(s) to pre-book are Nou Camp and Sagrada Familia.

1) CAMP NOU (Stadium under construction, museum only)

Price: ADULTS \$38.00 (Under 13's + Students \$30.00)

Visit the Home of Barcelona FC: the away team changing room, the players' tunnel, the dugouts, the press room, commentators' box, and of course, the Museum. The Museum is the most modern football museum thanks to its interactive wall spaces, large scale audiovisual displays, and an extensive display of objects to explain the history of FC Barcelona and understand the values that make Barça "més que un club" - " more than a club".

2) SAGRADA FAMILIA

Price: \$40.00 pp Fully Guided Group Tour (Includes a Tour Guide) – Does not include towers

The unfinished Cathedral by Gaudi, the expiatory church of La Sagrada Família, is a work on a grand scale which began on March 19, 1882, from a project by the diocesan architect, Francisco de Paula del Villar (1828-1901). At the end of 1883 Gaudí was commissioned to carry on the work, a task which he did not abandon until his death in 1926. Since then, different architects have continued the work after his original idea.

Important note: Once your group decides to pre-book this excursion, we do require an official letter from your club, school or university. Please feel free to ask a sample letter from us. Secondly, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to get admission tickets for this site.

3) MONTSERRAT MOUNTAINS

Price: Rack Railway Return Prices: Adult \$15.00 (Under 13s \$9.00), Santa Cova Funicular Return Prices: Adult \$13.00 (Child \$4.00) and Sant Joan Funicular Return Prices: Adult \$8.00 (Child \$8.00). Pre-booking is not available. Montserrat is a multi-peaked mountain located near the city of Barcelona. It is well known as the site of the Benedictine abbey, Santa Maria de Montserrat, which hosts the Virgin of Montserrat sanctuary and which is identified by some with the location of the Holy Grail in Arthurian myth. The mountain is composed of strikingly pink conglomerate, a form of sedimentary rock, and Montserrat is Spain's first National Park.

4) LA RAMBLA & BOQUERIA MARKET

Prices: Free

This busy street is just for pedestrians and is lined with outdoor markets, shops, restaurants, and cafes. La Boqueria is a large public market in the Ciutat Vella district of Barcelona, and one of the city's foremost tourist landmarks, with an entrance from La Rambla, not far from the Liceu, Barcelona's opera house. The market has a very diverse selection of goods.

Prices and availability for these excursions may change at the time of booking.