

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY OF VALENCIA



Valencia is the capital of the Valencian Autonomous Community, located on the east coast of the Iberian Peninsula, overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. It is Spain's third largest city with a population of nearly 800.000 inhabitants, becoming one of the most popular tourist destinations.

The cultural influence of Romans, Visigoths and Muslims made Valencia well-known for its rich history, culture, and stunning architecture. In the historic city center you can walk through a 13th century cathedral with Goya's

paintings or into a splendid gothic building where silk was exchanged named "La Lonja".

Valencia is geographically located between the provinces of Castellón to the north, Teruel to the west, and Alicante to the south. Mobility from the city is fluid and regular, at just one and a half hour from Madrid by HSR (High Speed Rail), three hours by car to Barcelona or daily departures to the Balearic Islands by ferry. Valencia is therefore a transit city well worth a visit.

Within the urban natural landmarks, the Old Turia River in Valencia is a former riverbed of the Turia River that runs through the city. The river was redirected in 1957 after a devastating flood, and the old riverbed became a large urban park known as the "Turia Gardens" or "Turia Riverbed Park". It extends for over 9 kilometers and features walking and cycling paths, sports facilities, playgrounds, gardens, and educational spaces. Hence is a great place to relax and enjoy nature, exercise, or attend cultural events. It also offers splendid views of some of Valencia's most iconic attractions, such as the Serrano Towers, the Valencia Cathedral and the City of Arts and Sciences.



This last one, the City of Arts and Sciences, is a futuristic complex of buildings designed by the Spanish architect Santiago Calatrava. Includes an IMAX cinema, an

aquarium, an opera house and an interactive science and technology museum. Each building is a remarkable example of a unique architectural style, showing flowing curves, white surfaces, and sophisticated details that reminds of Valencian reminiscence.

Outside the urban boundaries, the city is in a plain surrounded by hills, which protects it from the inner land's cold winds and provides a mild, Mediterranean climate. This means long, hot summers and short winters with an average annual temperature of 18°C (64°F). Valencia is generally a sunny city, with around 300 days of sunshine per year. However, it is important to note that the weather can be unpredictable, and it is a good idea to check the forecast before planning outdoor activities.

One of the exceptional ecologic sites is the Albufera Natural Park, a protected wetland area covering approximately 21.000 hectares. The park is named after the lagoon, a shallow lake separated from the Mediterranean Sea by a narrow strip of land. The lagoon is fed by several small rivers and streams and surrounded by rice paddies, forests, and sand dunes. Is an environmental habitat to a variety of plant and animal species, including over 250 species of birds, as well as for many fish, amphibians, and reptiles.

Finally, no visit to Valencia would be complete without a taste of its typical gastronomy, focused on fresh, local ingredients and a variety of flavors and textures. The region's most iconic dish is Paella, a rice plate made with chicken, rabbit, vegetables and saffron, traditionally cooked over an open flame and served in a large, shallow pan. A real foodie's pleasure!

For further details about the city, you may visit the following sites:

Tourist information:

<https://www.comunitatvalenciana.com/en/valencia/valencia>

<https://www.visitvalencia.com/en>

Interactive map:

<https://www.orangesmile.com/travelguide/valencia/interactive-map.htm>

HOW TO REACH THE CITY

Valencia is a well-connected city and can be reached by several means of transport.



It has two main railway stations, the North Station, with the local train network and Joaquín Sorolla Station, offering high-speed rail services to Madrid, Barcelona, or Seville, among others.

If travelling by car, the city can be easily reached via the AP-7 and A-3 motorways, although driving in the city center can be challenging, and parking difficult and expensive.



The Valencian International Airport (VLC) is located just 8 km from the city, connecting major cities in Europe and beyond, with several airlines offering daily flight to and from Valencia. There are two metro lines, number 3 (red) and 5 (green) straight from the airport to the downtown and the journey takes 25 minutes approximately.



Valencia's taxis are white, they also provide service from and to the airport with a 20€ cost and are available 24/7. Likewise, hotels can supply personal airport transfers too.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF VALENCIA AND ITS FACULTY OF ECONOMICS



leader in new technologies applications, connected to important scientific and teaching networks.



The Faculty of Economics of the University of Valencia was founded in 1966, offering the bachelor's degrees in business administration and management, and Economics. Nowadays, more than 55 years later, the faculty provides 6 official degrees, 2 double degrees, 3 International Degrees, 16 official master's degrees and 8 PhD programmes. It's also the most international faculty with more than 600 incoming students per year.

FACULTY OF ECONOMICS LOCATION



Avenida Los Naranjos¹ s/n – 46022 Valencia (Spain)

How to reach the Tarongers Campus:



[Bus](#): 9, 18, 29, 30, 40, 41, 71



[Metro/Tram](#): Lines 4 and 6

¹ Also known as “Avinguda Tarongers”

HELPFUL ADVICE

CLIMATE

Mean annual temperature between 18°C (64°F) and 20°C (68°F) and over 300 sunny days per year. Summer months from June to September with high temperatures ranging from 28°C (82°F) to 35°C (95°F). It's essential to stay hydrated and wear sunscreen. Winter season, from December to February, is usually chilly and wet. Spring and autumn are transition month, with temperatures reaching from 15°C (59°F) to 24°C (75°F). Usually, the weather is pleasant and moderate with occasional rain showers.

SHOPPING HOURS

Shops generally open from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm and from 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm, from Mondays to Saturdays. Malls usually don't close at lunch.

BANKS

Banks open from Mondays to Fridays from 8.30 or 9.00 am until 2.00 or 2.30 pm, and some of them open certain afternoons. Although almost every bank has a 24-hour ATM.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Public transport network is quite efficient, affordable, and easy to use. Buses cover the entire city and its suburbs; the regular ones are red and operated by EMT. They run from early in the morning (6.30 am) until late at night (10.30 pm). Metro and Tram network includes 9 operational lines and connects the whole metropolitan area, including several villages too. Fares are reasonable, however there is an even cheaper 10-travel pass called [SUMA](#) that can be bought in smoke shops. Public and private bicycles are a nice way of moving around the city too. The public bike-sharing system called [ValenBisi](#) allows users to rent bikes from many stations across the urban area and return them in others. Also, electric scooters are provided by several renting companies, with the requirement of downloading the app and scanning your driving license and ID. +Info <https://www.valencia-tourist-guide.com/en/transport/valencia-transport.html>

RESTAURANTS

Spanish mealtimes are generally late compared to European neighbors. Lunch hours are around 2 pm or 3 pm, and dinner over 10 pm. Most restaurants open from 1 pm to 5 pm and from 8 pm till midnight.

POWER SUPPLY

Electricity supply of 220 volts AC at a frequency of 50 hertz. Multi-plug adapters may come in handy here.

ACCOMMODATION

Valencia offers a wide range of accommodation options to suit every budget and preference.

Students and guests of any international event at the University of Valencia must arrange their own accommodation, although the International Office recommends some hotels/residences listed hereunder:

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| - HOTEL BARCELÓ VALENCIA – | City of Arts and Sciences |
| - HOTEL ILUNION AQUA 4 – | City of Arts and Sciences |
| - DAMIÁ BONET RESIDENCE HALL – | Near UV - Campus Tarongers |
| - AUSIAS MARCH RESIDENCE HALL – | Near UV - Campus Tarongers |
| - HOTEL VENECIA – | City Hall Square |
| - HOTEL OLYMPIA UNIVERSIDADES – | Benimaclet neighbor |
| - HOTEL SILKEN PUERTA VALENCIA – | Mestalla Stadium |

However, to search for other accommodations options look up websites such as [Booking](#), [Expedia](#) or [Airbnb](#)