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#### PRESENTATION OF THE CITY



The capital of Spain, located in the heart of the peninsula and right in the center of the Castillian plain, 646 meters above sea level, has a population of over three million.

A cosmopolitan city, a business center, headquarters for the Public Administration, Government, Spanish Parliament and the home of the Spanish Royal Family, Madrid also plays a major role in both the banking and industrial sectors. Most of its industry is located in the Southern fringe of the city, where important textile, food and metal working factories are clustered. Madrid is characterized by intense cultural and artistic activity and a very lively nightlife.

#### Madrid

- Spain's capital and largest city, Madrid, is widely known for its sizzling nightlife scene. Home to a number of universities, the city constitutes a diversity of ethnic groups, making it one of Europe's most colorful cosmopolitan cities,
- Attraction In Madrid.
- Palacio Real
- Plaza Mayor
- Prado Museum
- Retiro Park
- Gran Via
- Plaza de Cibeles





The **Royal Palace of Madrid** (Spanish: Palacio Real de Madrid) is the official residence of the Spanish Royal Family at the city of Madrid, but it is only used for state ceremonies. King Felipe VI and the Royal Family do not reside in the palace, choosing instead the more modest Palacio de la Zarzuela on the outskirts of Madrid



The **Plaza Mayor** (English *Main Square*) was built during Philip Iil's reign (1598-1621) and is a central plaza in the city of Madrid, Spain. It is located only a few Spanish blocks away from another famous plaza, the Puerta del Sol. The Plaza Mayor is rectangular in shape, measuring 129 m \* 94 m (423 ft \* 308 ft), and is surrounded by three-story residential buildings having 237 balconies facing the Plaza. It has a total of nine entrance ways. The Casa de la Panadería (Bakery House), serving municipal and cultural functions, dominates the Plaza Mayor.

The Prado Museum (Spanish pronunciation: [mu'seo ðe 'praðo]) is the main Spanish national art museum, located in central Madrid.

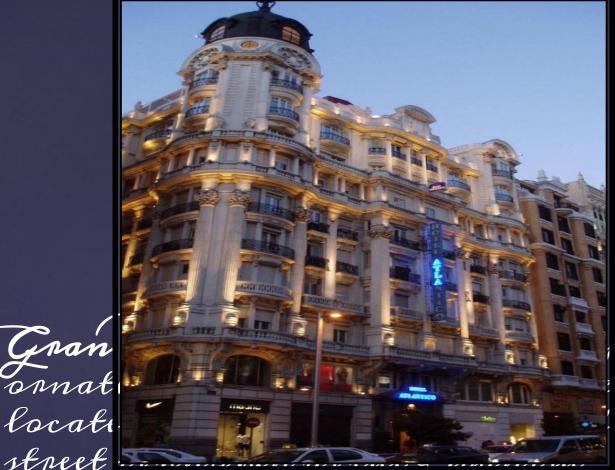


It features one of the world's finest collections of European art, dating from the 12th century to the early 20th century, based on the former Spanish Royal Collection, and unquestionably the best single collection of <u>Spanish art</u>. Founded as a museum of <u>paintings</u> and <u>sculpture</u> in 1819, it also contains important collections of other types of works.

**The Buen Retiro Park** (Spanish: *Parque del Buen Retiro*, literally "Park of the Pleasant Retreat", or simply *El Retiro*) is one of the largest parks of the city of Madrid, Spain. The park belonged to the Spanish Monarchy until the late 19th century, when it became a public park.



### The Buen Retiro Park



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Broadway, and it is one of the streets with the most nightlife in Europe. It is known as the street that never sleeps. It leads from Calle de Alcalá, close to Plaza de Cibeles, to Plaza de Cspana.



The Plaza de Cibeles is a square with a neo-classical complex of marble sculptures with fountains that has become an iconic symbol for the city of Madrid



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