

Direct flights to Spain's Catalan Capital available for 2012 from £29.99

The North's leading leisure airline with friendly low fares, **Jet2.com**, today launched a new route to Barcelona from Manchester Airport – giving the people of the North West even more choice when it comes to great value city breaks in the sun.

The new **Jet2.com** flights to Barcelona, Spain's second largest city, will depart four times a week from March 2012, with prices starting from £29.99 one way including taxes.. The new routes further establish **Jet2.com** as Manchester's leading leisure airline, which now has 32 city, sun and ski destinations available from the airport.

Holidaymakers will be able to take advantage of sister company **Jet2holidays'** great offers to the famous Costa Brava – combining

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flights, transfers and handpicked two to five star hotels, all ATOL protected, and starting at just £329 per person for seven nights half board.

Ian Doubtfire, managing director of **Jet2.com**, commented: "At **Jet2.com** we are committed to providing passengers from the North West with more choice, so we are pleased to announce the launch of our new route to Barcelona. The city famously offers the full package to holidaymakers – from infamous sights including the unforgettable Sagrada Familia and bustling Las Ramblas to great Catalan cuisine and vibrant nightlife.

"We look forward to welcoming passengers on board our new flights, so they can enjoy our great value fares, generous 22kg baggage allowance, allocated seating and friendly flight times for themselves."

Customers keen to book their 2012 Barcelona break will also be able to try out **Jet2.com**'s

new look booking process. In an overhaul of its popular website it has launched inclusive pricing – with all taxes and charges now included from the outset so that customers can easily get a sense of their total costs up front.

Barcelona – just voted the number one beach city in the world by National Geographic – is the ideal destination for city break lovers who want to combine sightseeing with sunbathing. It has a number of must see sights, including Gaudi's city garden Park Güell and the popular Barceloneta beach. For art-lovers, the Museu Picasso is home to the World's largest collection of Picasso's artwork and a visit North to the former home of Salvador Dali is well worth the trip. If you like vibrant nightlife, Barcelona is a buzzing city that never sleeps, with enough bars and nightclubs to keep even the biggest party animal satisfied! Those looking for fun can head to the Olympic and Nou Camp stadiums for a tour, or head along the coast to the famous Port Aventura or Tibadabo theme parks and the Caribe Aquatic Park, located in the resorts of the beautiful Costa Brava.

With 2012 seeing key events taking place in Barcelona including the World Sailing Championships (10th – 19th May), European Athletic Championships (27th July – 1st August) and Barcelona Summer Festival – The Grec (June – August), Jet2.com and **Jet2holidays** are urging people to book early to take advantage of the widest choice and best prices on flights and holidays.