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# 100 Hotels Under \$150

By **STUART EMMRICH**

INITIAL signs were not promising. As I emerged from the Sant Antoni metro station on a warm Barcelona afternoon in search of the [Market Hotel](#), a place I had booked a few days earlier on the Web, I was confronted by a busy commercial thoroughfare anchored on one corner by a ramshackle market selling everything from espadrilles to salted fish and on the other by an unpromising-looking cafe populated by a lone elderly man sipping coffee and flipping idly through a newspaper.

As I made my way up the street — past a pizzeria, a liquor store and a cosmetics shop — I came across an easy-to-miss alleyway flanked by two metal gates. Then, at the far end of the alley, past a parking garage, I spotted the Market Hotel. My first reaction was to turn back and head to the closest Internet cafe to search for a new hotel, but as I inched closer, I noticed a surprisingly elegant exterior, with orange awnings shading sleek mirrored windows, and a row of lanterns providing a spark of warmth to the otherwise industrial street.

After being greeted exuberantly by the woman at the front desk, who immediately offered me a bottle of water to slake my thirst, I headed up to the room, where more surprises awaited. The room, though small, was elegantly appointed, with gleaming wood floors, Chinese-influenced cabinets, a flat-screen TV and a good-sized, comfortable bed. The bathroom was huge, compared with others I have encountered over the years in Europe, and was well stocked with toiletries in elegantly designed packaging.

As I opened the French doors that led out to a tiny balcony overlooking the street, I had one thought: How was it possible that this room was costing me only 60 euros a night?

That's the thing about budget hotels. Sometimes they turn out to be a disaster, leaving you to lie awake at night, fighting to go to sleep as you try to shut out the noise from the busy street just beyond your window and hoping you will get to morning without having inherited a family of bedbugs. And other times, they turn out to be diamonds in the rough, places you can't wait to brag about to friends back home.

And that's what the Market Hotel turned out to be over the next three days. How had I found it? Well, it wasn't a friend who had told me about it. It was a reader of the Travel section's Web site who had recommended it on a posting on our Barcelona destination guide, saying it was "modern, inviting and simply wonderful" and that it only cost 80 euros a night. (I got an even better deal, it seemed.)

Over the last three years, thousands of readers have posted comments about their favorite hotels on the roughly 1,500 destination guides found on the Travel Web site. For this special issue, "Fall in Europe," we used that database to research and then select 100 hotels that we feel represent some of the best bargains for travelers headed to one of 14 European cities in the next few months. (In some instances, we have

included reader comments explaining the reasons behind their recommendations.)

All prices listed are for a double room for a weekend in either October or November, and are based on rates found on the hotels' Web sites or on travel sites like Expedia or Hotels.com. (The \$150 limit was based on the conversion rates of roughly \$1.60 to the pound and \$1.50 to the euro.)

## Amsterdam

### 1) [Hotel Prinsenhof](#)

Prinsengracht 810

(31-20) 623-1772

[www.hotelprinsenhof.com](http://www.hotelprinsenhof.com)

89 euros (private bath)

I stayed at Hotel Prinsenhof for around 65 euro/night. ... I was very happy with the accommodation. They had one of the lowest prices I could find for a 2-person private room with common bath on a summer weekend. It turned out much more comfortable than I'd expected. — [ratchford22](#)

### 2) Hotel Nes

Kloveniersburgwal 137-139

(31-20) 624-4773

[www.hotelnes.nl](http://www.hotelnes.nl)

90 euros

Hotel Nes is in a charming old canal house in the center of Amsterdam. Half the rooms have a lovely canal view. — [Esther Shaya](#)

### 3) Sunhead of 1617

Herengracht 152

(31-20) 626-1809

[www.sunhead.com](http://www.sunhead.com)

89 euros

### 4) Hotel Kap

Den Texstraat 5b

(31-20) 624-5908

[www.kaphotel.nl](http://www.kaphotel.nl)

83 euros

We have stayed at the Hotel Kap twice now and have loved it both times. It's in a beautiful, quiet residential neighborhood, close to public transport and only minutes away from the Leidseplein and Rijksmuseum. —

[Delia](#)

### 5) Hotel Brouwer

Singel 83

(31-20) 624-6358

[www.hotelbrouwer.nl](http://www.hotelbrouwer.nl)

95 euros

An absolutely beautiful canal house. Each of the rooms have a view of the canal. Prices can't be beat. —

[Anonymous](#)

6) [Leidse Square Hotel](#)

Tesselschadestraat 23

(31-20) 612-6876

[www.leidsesquarehotel.nl](http://www.leidsesquarehotel.nl)

75 euros

7) [Seven Bridges Hotel](#)

Reguliersgracht 31

(31-20) 623-1329

[www.sevenbridgeshotel.nl](http://www.sevenbridgeshotel.nl)

100 euros

The Seven Bridges is wonderful, and I have stayed there many times. Located on the corner of Reguliersgracht and Keizersgracht, it is on one of the best inner-circle canal spots in Amsterdam. No elevator. — [wvanrijn](#)

## Barcelona

8) [Hotel Spa Senator Barcelona](#)

Carrer del Cardenal Reig, 11

(34-93) 260-9900

[www.hotelsenatorbarcelona.com](http://www.hotelsenatorbarcelona.com)

79 euros

We stayed at Hotel Senator, which we liked very much. The hotel is in more of a neighborhood, but very near a subway stop (Collblanc), so it was pretty easy to get wherever we wanted to go. — [ebf9q](#)

9) [Market Hotel](#)

Passatge Sant Antoni Abad, 10

(34-93) 325-1205

[www.markethotel.com.es](http://www.markethotel.com.es)

65 euros

A well-kept secret, but probably not for long is the Market Hotel in Eixample. It's modern, inviting and simply wonderful. Paid about 80 euros/night (included a continental-style breakfast). The restaurant is great as well! — [Leelee](#)

10) [Hotel Diagonal Zero](#)

Plaça de Llevant

(34-93) 507-8000

[www.hoteldiagonalzero.com](http://www.hoteldiagonalzero.com)

91 euros

11) Hotel Gran Derby

Loreto, 28

(34-93) 445-2544

[www.derbyhotels.com](http://www.derbyhotels.com)

90 euros

12) [Hotel Astoria](#)

París, 203

(34-93) 209-8311

[www.derbyhotels.com](http://www.derbyhotels.com)

48 euros

13) [Hotel Banys Orientals](#)

Calle Argenteria, 37

[www.hotelbanysorientals.com](http://www.hotelbanysorientals.com)

(34-93) 268-8460

99 euros

## Berlin

14) [Westin Grand, Berlin](#)

Friedrichstrasse 158-164

(49-30) 20270

[aktuelles.westin.de/berlin\\_en](http://aktuelles.westin.de/berlin_en)

96 euros

The Westin is smack in the center of former East Berlin and an easy walk to the major museums, Alexanderplatz, [Brandenburg Gate](#). Rooms are good size, quiet and at a \$150 rate, including their diverse breakfast, which otherwise goes for an outrageous 25 euros per person, this 4/5-star hotel was good value.

— [Artnuvo](#)

15) [Ku'Damm 101](#)

Kurfürstendamm 101

(49-30) 520-0550

[www.kudamm101.com](http://www.kudamm101.com)

92 euros

16) art'otel berlin-mitte

Wallstrasse 70-73

(49-30) 240-620

U.S. reservations, (800) 791-9161

[www.artotels.com](http://www.artotels.com)

92 euros

17) [Circus Hotel](#)

Rosenthaler Platz 1

(49-30) 2000-3939

[www.circus-berlin.de](http://www.circus-berlin.de)

78 euros

The Circus Hotel is a hip 60-room hotel in an area that seems to be up and coming. Prices start at about 70 euros and include breakfast. Wi-Fi is free and you can rent a Segway to tour the neighborhood. Across the street is their hostel version, packed with young people from around the world. — [VividTurtle](#)

18) Hotel Transit

Hagelberger Strasse 53-54

(49-30) 789-0470

[www.hotel-transit.de](http://www.hotel-transit.de)

72 euros

I highly recommend Hotel Transit. The nearest U-Bahn is Mehringdamm, about two blocks away. The building doesn't look like much on the outside, but there is a beautiful courtyard tucked away inside that many of the rooms look out to. The rooms (doubles/triples) are simply but elegantly decorated, and best of all, it is technically a "hostel" so it is very reasonably priced! — [lmzhang](#)

19) Hotel Gates Berlin City West

Knesebeckstrasse 8-9

(49-30) 311-060

[www.hotel-gates.com](http://www.hotel-gates.com)

85 euros

20) [Arte Luise Kuntshotel](#)

Luisenstrasse 19

(49-30) 284-480

[www.luise-berlin.com](http://www.luise-berlin.com)

99 euros

I stayed at the Arte Luise Kuntshotel on a recent visit and paid about 50 euros per night for a very basic single room. The hotel staff is wonderful and each guest room has been designed by a different artist (hence the name of the hotel). And the location couldn't be better — in Mitte, steps away from many "touristy" sites, but not far by foot or train to many off-the-beaten-path locations. — [Adrian](#)

21) Holiday Inn Berlin City Center East

Prenzlauer Allee 169

(49-30) 446-610

[www.hi-berlin.com](http://www.hi-berlin.com)

64 euros

For the past few years, I have stayed regularly at the Holiday Inn in Prenzlauer Berg, a lively area with excellent pubs, restaurants, art galleries, bookshops etc. — [David Kemp](#)

## Brussels

22) Le Dixseptieme

25, rue de la Madeleine

[www.ledixseptieme.be](http://www.ledixseptieme.be)

(32-2) 517-1717

100 euros (weekend special)

Hotel Le Dixseptieme near Central Station is a charming, small, high-end business hotel. It has about 25 rooms/suites, a private courtyard and common sitting rooms. We took advantage of weekend discounts. —

[Tom and Laura](#)

23) Chambres en Ville

19, rue de Londres

(32-2) 512-9290

[www.chambresenville.be](http://www.chambresenville.be)

90 euros

24) [Stanhope Hotel](#)

9, rue du Commerce

(32-2) 506-9111

[www.stanhope.be](http://www.stanhope.be)

84 euros

25) Hotel Queen Anne

110, boulevard Emile Jacqmain

(32-2) 217-1600

[www.queen-anne.be](http://www.queen-anne.be)

95 euros

My husband and I stayed at the Queen Anne. Hotel was clean, modern and simple. Decent subway access one street away. All we ask is for a good bed and bathroom for the price and we got that. — [swindu](#)

## Dublin

26) Azalea Lodge

67 Upper Drumcondra Road

(353-1) 837-0300

[www.azalealodge.com](http://www.azalealodge.com)

100 euros

We enjoyed our stay at the Azalea Lodge so much that we lodged there during our two trips to Dublin. Accommodations are comfortable and clean, it is located right on the bus line to Center Dublin and

breakfasts are delicious. — [Lisa](#)

27) Baggot Court Townhouse

92 Lower Baggot Street

(353-1) 661-2819

[www.baggotcourt.com](http://www.baggotcourt.com)

69 euros

I was visiting Dublin and didn't want to stay in Temple Bar, as it's a little wild for me, but after a few mishaps with lodgings on Gardner Street, I went to the area where there are Georgian houses and found a large B & B called Baggot Townhouse. It's such a lovely place — very warm and friendly, and they do a great breakfast. — [Helen Moore](#)

28) Fitzwilliam Townhouse

41 Upper Fitzwilliam Street

(353-1) 662-5155

[www.fitzwilliamtownhouse.com](http://www.fitzwilliamtownhouse.com)

89 euros

29) Paramount Hotel

Parliament Street and Essex Gate

(353-1) 417-9900

[www.paramounthotel.ie](http://www.paramounthotel.ie)

94 euros

30) O'Callaghan Stephen's Green

Stephen's Green

(353-1) 607-3600

[www.ocallaghanhotels.com](http://www.ocallaghanhotels.com)

89 euros

31) Harcourt Hotel

60 Harcourt Street

(353-1) 478-3677

[www.harcourthotel.com](http://www.harcourthotel.com)

89 euros

## Edinburgh

32) York House Hotel

27 York Place

(44-131) 557-6222

[www.yorkhouseedinburgh.co.uk](http://www.yorkhouseedinburgh.co.uk)

£74

We just stayed at the York House Hotel, which is an 18th-century town house in New Town that has been

converted into a bed-and-breakfast. It is not fancy, but it is clean, modern and conveniently located to everything we wanted to do. I would stay there again. — [ebf9q](#)

33) MW Townhouse

11 Spence Street

(44-131) 655-1530

[www.mwtownhouse.co.uk](http://www.mwtownhouse.co.uk)

£79

The MW Townhouse is owned by a young, enthusiastic couple. Modern, pristine, welcoming. Faultless. — [Kathleen Brooke](#)

34) [The George Hotel](#)

19-21 George Street

(44-131) 225-1251

[www.edinburghgeorgehotel.co.uk](http://www.edinburghgeorgehotel.co.uk)

£89

35) [The Walton Guest House](#)

79 Dundas Street

(44-131) 556-1137

[www.waltonhotel.com](http://www.waltonhotel.com)

£85

36) Glenora Guest House

14 Rosebery Crescent

(44-131) 337-1186

[www.glenorahotel.co.uk](http://www.glenorahotel.co.uk)

£89

37) The Salisbury Hotel

43-45 Salisbury Road

(44-131) 667-1264

[www.the-salisbury.co.uk](http://www.the-salisbury.co.uk)

£85

I recommend the Salisbury. Great place for walkers. Near the University. Good food of all nations all around. — [henson1b](#)

## Florence

38) Hotel Colomba

Via Cavour, 21

(39-055) 289-139

[www.hotelcolomba.com](http://www.hotelcolomba.com)

80 euros



We stayed for just one night in a quad room at Hotel Colomba. The room was spacious (huge), immaculately clean and comfortable. If you're looking for a reasonably priced hotel close to everything, then this is the place to book. The breakfast was just great. Internet was free. — [Mike Reds](#)

39) Residenza Proconsolo

Via del Proconsolo, 18

(39-335) 657-4840

[www.proconsolo.com](http://www.proconsolo.com)

85 euros

We found a lovely B & B, the Residenza Proconsolo, located at the corner of the Piazza Duomo and the Via del Proconsolo. It was a perfect place to start walking everyday and was close enough to the train station and to bus stops to go further afield. — [Anonymous](#)

40) Hotel Cestelli

Borgo Santissimi

Apostoli, 25

(39-055) 214-213

[www.hotelcestelli.com](http://www.hotelcestelli.com)

80 euros (private bath)

The Cestelli is a wonderful little hotel a stone's throw from the [Ponte Vecchio](#) and the Uffizi, run by a lovely young couple. A double with shared bath cost us only 75 euros. Think Renaissance meets Zen inside. — [Jane P](#)

41) Hotel Globus

Via Sant'Antonino, 24

(39-055) 211-062

[www.hotelglobus.com](http://www.hotelglobus.com)

76 euros

42) Il Bargellino

Via Guelfa, 87

(39-055) 238-2658

[www.ilbargellino.com](http://www.ilbargellino.com)

85 euros

43) Locanda Orchidea

Borgo degli Albizi, 11

(39-055) 248-0346

[www.hotelorchideaflorence.it](http://www.hotelorchideaflorence.it)

50 euros

Locanda Orchidea is small, friendly, comfortable, helpful, inexpensive. The owner saved our vacation when my wife became ill by calling her doctor, who had us come into her office on her day off and treated the problem. Viva Italia! — [mikeoregon](#)

**44) Pensione Perseo**

Via Cerretani, 1

(39-055) 212-504

[www.hotelperseo.it](http://www.hotelperseo.it)

99 euros

## Lisbon

**45) [York House Lisbon](#)**

Rua das Janelas Verdes, 32

(351-21) 396-2435

[www.yorkhouselisboa.com](http://www.yorkhouselisboa.com)

90 euros

The York House is a small boutique hotel in a charming old building. Very near the Tagus — views of the water. Superb. — [celiaf](#)

**46) Evidência Tejo**

Rua dos Condes de Monsanto, 2

(351-21) 886-6182

[www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com)

85 euros

**47) Vincci Baixa**

Rua do Comércio, 32 and 38

(351-21) 880-3190

[www.vinccihoteles.com](http://www.vinccihoteles.com)

88 euros (nonrefundable)

**48) Albergaria Residencial Insulana**

Rua da Assunção, 52

(351-21) 342-7625

[www.insulana.net](http://www.insulana.net)

50 euros

The Albergaria Insulana is very cheap, clean, close to Praça do Comércio and Bairro Alto. It was very simple, but had a '50s understated vibe to it. We loved it! — [Anonymous](#)

**49) Hotel Borges**

Rua Garret, 108

(351-21) 346-1951

[www.lisbonhotelborges.com](http://www.lisbonhotelborges.com)

76 euros

The Hotel Borges, located in the heart of the Largo do Chiado, is in a beautiful area right next to the unforgettable Bairro Alto. Step out of the door and you have a beautifully constructed subway station by the

famous local architect Álvaro Siza. — [Maegen](#)

## London

50) Derby Hotel Kensington

155-157 Cromwell Road SW5

(44-207) 244-1199

[www.lth-hotels.com](http://www.lth-hotels.com)

£84

I was visiting London for the first time, and was looking for a safe place, in a central location. I stayed at Derby Hotel in Kensington, a small hotel with homely atmosphere. If you are traveling on tight budget, check rates of this hotel out. — [Shilpi](#)

51) [Base2Stay](#)

25 Courtfield Gardens SW5

(44-207) 244-2255

[www.base2stay.com](http://www.base2stay.com)

£86

I found everything I wanted, and none of the things I don't but usually end up paying for anyway, at Base2Stay in Kensington. The rooms are air-conditioned, clean and modern. Great location for transport and restaurants as well as close to all the tourist spots. — [Sydney Perlman](#)

52) La Gaffe

107-111 Heath Street NW3

(44-207) 435-8965

[www.lagaffe.co.uk](http://www.lagaffe.co.uk)

£85

La Gaffe is small but great value for money. Conveniently located near Hampstead Heath (my wife and I love taking long walks!) and not 5 minutes from the Tube. Lorenzo, the manager is the second generation managing the place and is a very pleasing, helpful person. — [Kartik Varma](#)

53) Jurys Inn Chelsea

Imperial Road, Imperial Wharf SW6

(44-207) 411-2200

[www.jurysinns.com](http://www.jurysinns.com)

£79

54) Meliá White House

Albany Street NW1

(44-207) 391-3000

[www.melia-whitehouse.com](http://www.melia-whitehouse.com)

£86

## 55) Balmoral House Hotel

156 Sussex Gardens W2

(44-207) 723-7445

[www.balmoralhousehotel.co.uk](http://www.balmoralhousehotel.co.uk)

£85

Over the last 13 years we have stayed at Balmoral House Hotel. Small but immaculate rooms. Around the corner from Paddington and a few blocks from Lancaster Gate Tube Station. — [Bachjsb](#)

## 56) Luna Simone

47-49 Belgrave Road SW1V

(44-207) 834-5897

[www.lunasimonehotel.com](http://www.lunasimonehotel.com)

£85

The Luna Simone is clean, beautiful, and the hotel staff there is absolutely charming. The beds are great, and the bathrooms are very cool. I really do suggest this hotel — it's awesome! — [Lizzie](#)

## 57) Ridgemount Hotel

65-67 Gower Street WC1E

(44-207) 636-1141

[www.ridgemounthotel.co.uk](http://www.ridgemounthotel.co.uk)

£78

The Ridgemount Hotel in Bloomsbury is a delightful family-owned hotel. Steps away from the [British Museum](#) and Russell Square. Rooms can be a bit small. But with a wonderful breakfast and all the tea you can hold included, the price is right. — [Kevin](#)

## 58) Novotel London Tower Bridge

10 Pepys Street EC3N

(44-207) 265-6000

[www.novotel.com](http://www.novotel.com)

£89

## 59) Hilton London Canary Wharf

South Quay Marsh Wall E14

(44-20) 3002-2300;

[www.hilton.co.uk/canarywharf](http://www.hilton.co.uk/canarywharf)

£79

60) [Regency Hotel](#)

100 Queen's Gate SW7

(44-207) 373-7878

[www.regency-london.co.uk](http://www.regency-london.co.uk)

£86

## Madrid

### 61) [Room Mate Alicia](#)

Calle Prado, 2

(34-91) 389-6095

[www.room-matehotels.com](http://www.room-matehotels.com)

96 euros

Room Mate has several nice design hotels at reasonable prices with free Wi-Fi, including Laura, Mario, Alicia and Oscar. — [arnonk](#)

### 62) Room Mate Mario

Calle Campomanes, 4

(34-91) 548-8548

[www.room-matehotels.com](http://www.room-matehotels.com)

84 euros

We have enjoyed Room Mate Mario. It's quaint and welcoming, near the Royal Opera House and not far from the Royal Palace and gardens. Rooms were comfortable, well-appointed and clean. We also enjoyed the fresh fruit in the room. The hotel is within walking distance of several metro stations and close to Sol. —

[Isidro Rivera](#)

### 63) Hostal Acapulco

Calle de la Salud, 13

(34-91) 531-1945

54 euros

If you are looking for a great cheap hostel (different than a hotel), make a reservation at Hostal Acapulco. It is a great location, just steps away from Puerta del Sol yet very quiet. Most rooms face a small quiet square and get lots of morning sun. It's small (after all it's a hostel) but clean, nice bathrooms. Free internet.

— [orlie228](#)

### 64) Hotel Agumar

Paseo Reina Cristina, 7

(34-91) 552-6900

[www.hotelmadridagumar.com](http://www.hotelmadridagumar.com)

92 euros

### 65) Petit Palace Londres

Calle Galdo, 2

(34-91) 531-4105

[www.petitpalacehotellondres.com](http://www.petitpalacehotellondres.com)

79 euros

### 66) Hostal Alaska

Calle Espoz y Mina, 7

[www.hostalalaska.com](http://www.hostalalaska.com)

(34-91) 521-1845

52 euros

I would greatly recommend the Hostal Alaska. We stayed here twice. The rooms were nice and clean and there were baths/showers in each room. They were also warm, which is not always so easy to find in Spain in Dec/Jan! The hostel is located on the fourth floor of the building (with no elevator), but is only one block from the Plaza del Sol. — [Rob Stolzer](#)

67) [Hotel Liabeny](#)

Calle de la Salud, 3

(34-91) 531-9000

[www.liabeny.es](http://www.liabeny.es)

88 euros (nonrefundable)

## Paris

68) [Les Chansonniers](#)

113, boulevard de

Ménilmontant 75011

(33-1) 43-57-00-58

59 euros

I stayed at the Hôtel les Chansonniers in Paris last year, and it offers excellent value. If you are visiting the usual sights, it is quite far out of the way; but that whole neighborhood (except for Père-Lachaise) is quite undiscovered by the tourist world, and there are many excellent-value (and excellent-quality) restaurants to be found there. — Notworthwords

69) Hôtel Jeanne d'Arc

3, rue de Jarente 75004

(33- 1) 48-87-62-11

[www.hoteljeannedarc.com](http://www.hoteljeannedarc.com)

70 euros

The best hotel, dollar for dollar, in Paris is the Hotel Jeanne d'Arc in the Marais district. Last time I stayed there in 2007 it was \$90 a night with an en suite bath. Great location, on a lovely side street, charming and clean rooms, nice staff. It's been the same price since I started going there 20 years ago. — Cathy

70) Hotel Ibis Paris Montmartre 18ème

5, rue Caulaincourt 75018

(33-1) 55-30-18-18

[www.ibishotel.com](http://www.ibishotel.com)

61 euros

I'm always a bit surprised I never read about the Ibis hotels. If you can reserve in advance, rooms are as cheap as \$60 and these are nice, functional, clean hotels and usually near all kinds of transport. It's our

hotel of choice when we travel. — Dave Ferre

71) Etap Hotel Paris La Villette 19ème

57-63, Avenue Jean Jaurès 75019

(33-8) 92-68-08-91

[www.etaphotel.com](http://www.etaphotel.com)

58 euros

If you really wish to stay at low cost (60 euros and less) do look for the Etap Hotel. They are usually just outside city limits but there is an invaluable one on the rue Jean Jaurès in Paris 19th Arrondissement, not far from Gare du Nord and easily reached by Métro (Jaurès) in a wonderful area far from tourist traps. — Manon

72) Hôtel Tiquetonne

6, rue Tiquetonne 75002

(33-1) 42-36-94-58

55 euros

At the risk of giving up the quintessential secret for the one of the most inexpensive places in Paris, I want to recommend the Hotel Tiquetonne. (Directions: Metro: Etienne Marcel or Réaumur-Sébastopol) The hotel is simple but clean, on a quiet street, near les Halles & Rue Montorgueil. — Richard Hess

73) Hôtel Claret

44, boulevard de Bercy 75012

(33-1) 46-28-41-31

[www.hotel-claret.com](http://www.hotel-claret.com)

94 euros

74) [Mama Shelter](http://www.mamashelter.com)

109, rue de Bagnolet 75020

(33-1) 43-48-48-48

[www.mamashelter.com](http://www.mamashelter.com)

97 euros

75) [Hôtel des Arts Bastille](http://www.paris-hotel-desarts.com)

2, rue Godefroy Cavaignac 75011

(33-1) 43-79-72-57

[www.paris-hotel-desarts.com](http://www.paris-hotel-desarts.com)

59 euros

76) [Hôtel Du 7e Art](http://www.paris-hotel-7art.com)

20, rue St.-Paul 75004

(33-1) 44-54-85-00

[www.paris-hotel-7art.com](http://www.paris-hotel-7art.com)

95 euros

I always stay at the Hotel du 7th Art. A wonderful small hotel in the Marais area and near the Seine on St. Paul. Pictures of Frank Sinatra and other great movies greats all over the place. A friendly and helpful staff. Very nice. — [edwalterslv](#)

77) Hôtel de la Porte Dorée  
273, avenue Daumesnil 75012  
(33-1) 43-07-56-97  
[www.hotelportedoree.com](http://www.hotelportedoree.com)  
80 euros

A friend and I found the lovely Hôtel de la Porte Dorée in a quiet corner of Paris called Porte Dorée. We enjoyed their many fine shops and huge public park in that neighborhood, and were able to get into the city very quickly by Métro. I believe our room was less than 90 euros. They have beautiful furnishings and friendly staff. — [Nancy Welsh](#)

## Prague

78) Hotel Aureus Clavis  
Nerudova 27  
(420- 257) 534-569  
[www.aureusclavis.com](http://www.aureusclavis.com)  
55 euros

I recommend the Hotel Aureus Clavis — a small, pleasant, reasonably priced hotel well-situated on one of the main streets in the Mala Strana. Very short walking distance to Prague Castle, Charles Bridge, Old Town Square, old Jewish quarter. Helpful, friendly staff. Breakfast included. — [Harperfm](#)

79) Arcadia Residence  
Hostivitova 3  
(420-224) 922-040  
[www.arcadiaresidence.com](http://www.arcadiaresidence.com)  
75 euros

The best place we've ever stayed in all our years of travel was the Arcadia Residence in Prague. Fantastic location, excellent apartments, amazing hosts, huge memorable breakfasts. You get the spaciousness and freedom of an apartment, the luxury of having someone else make breakfast, and the services of Pasquale, the best host ever. And it's a bargain. It sounds too good to be true, but it is true. — [Barbara Stuart](#)

80) Hotel Monastery  
Strahovske nadvori 13  
(420-233) 090-200  
[www.hotelmonastery.cz](http://www.hotelmonastery.cz)  
1,950 koruny (about \$111 at 17.6 koruny to the dollar)

81) Pension Rosa  
Mezi Potoky 6



(420-271) 751-263

[www.rosapension.cz](http://www.rosapension.cz)

53 euros

82) The House at the Big Boot

Vlasska 30/333

(420-257) 532-088

[www.dumuvelkeboty.cz](http://www.dumuvelkeboty.cz)

2,000 koruny (shared bath; cash only)

The Big Boot is a wonderful family-run hotel in Mala Strana. It's small and yet very modern and clean. I enjoyed chatting with the Rippl family who runs the hotel. They were very generous with local suggestions and were eager to talk about Prague's history. — [lullah75](#)

83) K+K Hotel Central

Hybernska 10

(420-225) 022-000

[www.kkhotels.com](http://www.kkhotels.com)

88 euros (nonrefundable)

84) Hotel Salvator

Truhlarska 10

(420-222) 312-234

[www.salvator.cz](http://www.salvator.cz)

73 euros

85) Hotel Anna

Budecska 17

(420-222) 513-111

[www.hotelanna.cz](http://www.hotelanna.cz)

45 euros

There are lots of hotels and pensions under 90 euro in Prague. Try the Hotel Anna, in the middle of one of the most beautiful areas of Prague - Vinohrady. To save even more money, visit [www.pension.cz](http://www.pension.cz) and run a search there. — [Julia](#)

86) Claris Hotel

Slezska 26

(420-242) 446-111

[www.hotel-claris.cz](http://www.hotel-claris.cz)

39 euros (nonrefundable)

## Rome

87) Le Finestre sul Vaticano

Via Angelo Emo, 130

(39-347) 7563811  
[www.romabandb.it](http://www.romabandb.it)  
90 euro

88) Matisse B & B  
Via Nazionale, 243  
(39-389) 9787112  
[www.matissebb.com](http://www.matissebb.com)  
72 euros

89) Hotel Felice  
Via Tiburtina, 30  
(39-06) 4453347  
[www.hotelfelice.com](http://www.hotelfelice.com)  
72 euros

I loved the Hotel Felice. The management was so helpful. They gave us maps to Rome and suggested places to go and see. They were very helpful with the buses. Great location! — [Carl](#)

90) Le Real de Luxe  
Via Cavour, 58  
(39-06) 4823566  
[www.lerealdeluxe.com](http://www.lerealdeluxe.com)  
85 euros

I looked long and hard to find a place acceptable to my very mixed group of friends, some wanting the cheapest place in town and some wanting the best. This turned out to be a good choice: Le Real de Luxe. They adopt a low-cost airline model of charging for various extras so as to keep the basic price down. However, the staff are very friendly and helpful, and as long you read the rules when you arrive it's really not a problem. — [John](#)

91) Accommodation Delia Bed & Breakfast  
Via Gaeta, 64  
(39-06) 97277089  
[www.deliabb.com](http://www.deliabb.com)  
70 euros

I recommend the Delia B & B. Great location! 5 mins walk from tube/train station. Rooms fantastic — modern, and cleaned every day (possibly the cleanest room I've ever stayed in anywhere — either hotel or b & b). Great value for money. — [Kok](#)

92) Arco del Lauro  
Via dell'Arco De Tolomei, 29/27  
(39-06) 97840350  
[www.arcodellauro.it](http://www.arcodellauro.it)  
85 euros

**93) Hotel Paba**

Via Cavour, 266

(39-06) 47824902

[www.hotelpaba.com](http://www.hotelpaba.com)

88 euros

## Venice

**94) Ca'delle Acque**

San Marco 4991

(39-041) 241-1277

[www.locandadelleacque.it](http://www.locandadelleacque.it)

80 euros

I can suggest a budget yet inviting bed-and-breakfast called Ca' delle Acque. Very central, just between St. Mark's Square and Rialto Bridge. The room was clean and private (there is just one room per floor), and the service helpful. No special services like Wi-Fi or telephone, but we really didn't miss them because we were all the time discovering the city. — [Christin](#)

**95) Bed & Breakfast Venezia**

Santa Elena-Calle Bainsizza, 3

(39-041) 520-0529

[www.bbvenezia.com](http://www.bbvenezia.com)

80 euros

The B&B Venezia is a small and charming family-run hotel in the quiet Santa Elena neighborhood, a 20-minute walk from San Marco Square. The owner, Roberto, made us very comfortable, even upgrading our room when we experienced a slight problem with the shower. We also loved the roof deck overlooking a park on the lagoon. The double room with A/C was 75 euros with breakfast and included Wi-Fi (a rare amenity in Italy!). — [tharned](#)

**96) Faronhof B & B**

Via Seriola Veneta

Sinistra, 51, Mira

(39-041) 428-363

[www.faronhof.com](http://www.faronhof.com)

45 euros

We stayed at a lovely B & B called Faronhof, situated on the mainland not far from the center of Venice. The owners were really friendly even helping us make phone calls for a stolen bag! Fully recommend. — [Ian Wilson](#)

**97) [Ca' Arco Antico](#)**

San Polo 1451

(39-041) 241-1227

[www.arcoanticovenice.com](http://www.arcoanticovenice.com)

60 euros

98) Hotel Gorizia “A La Valigia”

Calle dei Fabbri 4696/A

(39-041) 522-3737

[www.hotelgoriziavenezia.it](http://www.hotelgoriziavenezia.it)

97 euros (nonrefundable)

99) [Hotel Bernardi](#)

Calle de l'Oca

(39-041) 522-7257

[www.hotelbernardi.com](http://www.hotelbernardi.com)

70 euros

The staff at the Hotel Bernardi was very friendly and the rooms were neat and clean. This little hotel is over 100 years old and hidden from the main streets near Cà D'oro. If you are looking for a respite from the hubbub of the streets, this place is fabulous. — [Amanda J](#)

100) Antica Locanda Montin

Fondamenta di Borgo

(39-041) 522-7151

[www.locandamontin.com](http://www.locandamontin.com)

75 euros (shared bath); 100 euros (private bath)

We stayed at Locanda Montin in Dorsoduro for E80 a night — double room, pvt bath, breakfast included. Quiet and excellent location. There are plenty of choices in good locations around E80-90 but you have to do your homework online. — [Michael Weiss](#)

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