

# Antoni Gaudi 1852—1926

- ◇ Gaudi was a famous Spanish architect.
- ◇ He spent a lot of his childhood outside and was fascinated by nature. This influenced his work throughout his life.
- ◇ He became more and more interested in religion as he grew older and he became known as 'God's architect'.
- ◇ In 1878 he went to the Barcelona School of Architecture.
- ◇ Some of the first things he designed were lamp posts. His lamp posts can be seen today in Placa Reial in Barcelona.
- ◇ He rarely drew plans for his buildings. Instead he created 3D scaled models and moulded the details as he thought of them.
- ◇ Many of his buildings can be seen in Barcelona, Spain and 7 of them are World Heritage sites.
- ◇ Gaudi started work on La Sagrada Familia , a cathedral in Barcelona in 1883. It will not be completed until 2026!



**La Sagrada Familia**

Casa Mila (La Pedre-



Here are some of Gaudi's famous buildings in Barcelona.



Parc Guell

Casa Batllo



- ◇ Gaudi mixed ceramics, stained glass, wrought iron, stone and tiles and liked to use geometric designs.
- ◇ His work is part of the modernist movement.

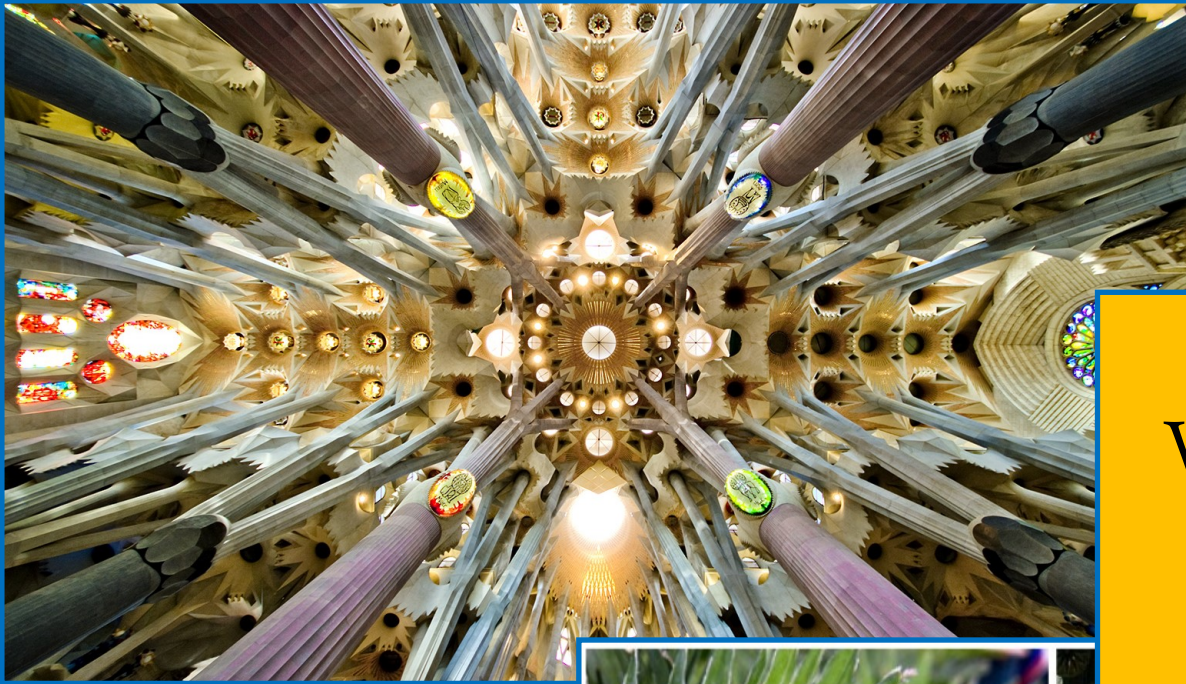
## KEY VOCABULARY

- architect a person who designs buildings and sometimes supervises their construction
- ceramics pots and other things made from clay and hardened by heat
- geometric regular lines and shapes
- modernist a type of art that went against more traditional forms from the past



AMAZING GAUDI  
ROOFTOPS

Gaudi's designs often show his love of nature.



What can you see?

