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# LIVE AND STUDY SPANISH IN YOUR TEACHER'S HOME IN

*Valencia*



DELUXE IMMERSION PROGRAMME

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SPANISH HOMESTAY  Y IMMERSION

# MAKE SPAIN YOUR CLASSROOM

*With you, every step of the way!*

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# OUR NETWORK OF TEACHERS/HOSTS

## Mónica - Barcelona

My name is Mónica Romero Camps. I am the founder and director of **Spanish Homestay Immersion**, a division of **Spanish Express**. I am Spanish of Argentinian descent, but was lucky enough to grow up in the most amazing island on Earth, Menorca.

I also lived in one of the most amazing and artistic cities in the world, Barcelona, where part of my family is from. Moreover, I lived in London for 27 years, the city which I fell in love with on my first visit when I was only 14 years old. I currently live between Spain and the UK, where I get the best of both worlds.



## Pilar - Valencia

My name is Pilar Martínez López. I was born in Spain, Alicante, but I have been living in Valencia for more than thirty years. Currently, I live and work between two countries, England and Spain, so I have to travel a lot, but that is not a problem because I love travelling.

## Pepe - Mallorca



Hi there! My name is José, but everybody calls me Pepe. I am a certified Spanish teacher as well as an examiner of the Cervantes Institute. I have lived and taught Spanish in Greece, Japan and Spain. After some years of teaching in schools I decided to join the Spanish Express team as a teacher of the immersion programme, since I consider that this way any student can learn in a fun way while getting to know the local culture first hand. I have seen that this is the best way to learn a language.

Come to Mallorca for a unique learning experience!

## Gema - Málaga

My name is Gema Sánchez Benítez, I was born in Jerez de la Frontera, Cadiz, but I live in Málaga province now, although I travel to the UK on a regular basis. I have travelled to many different places and have also lived in countries such as England, Germany, China and India.



# WE ARE THE EXPERTS

Welcome to our **Spanish Homestay Immersion Experience** in Valencia province!

The **Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme** is our hands-on alternative to Spanish Intensive Courses. Live and breathe the Spanish way of life and immerse yourself in Spanish culture.

Spanish Homestay Immersion is offering you the truly unique opportunity to live and learn Spanish in your **TEACHER'S HOME** in Valencia **PROVINCE!**

# ABOUT YOUR TEACHER/HOST IN VALENCIA

As a language teacher, I have learned to make the most of my time, the right tools for each learning stage and the right techniques for each student, because not all students are the same.

In my personal experience, the Immersion Course is an extraordinary tool, especially to gain fluency in the target language and tackle the lack of confidence that we feel at times. This type of experience helps a lot to overcome all the obstacles related to lack of fluency and lack of confidence.

Apart from language, I would like to tell you about me. I am really into psychology and personal development. In fact, one of the reasons why I love teaching and being a teacher is because I can see different points of view from my students from different cultures and countries. It is something I am really passionate about.

Also, I have to mention my passion for Art, Cinema and Sports, especially cycling, swimming and watching football if the match is exciting! I am interested in themes about health, food and environment. So I try to share my own hobbies with my students if they are willing to have new experiences in a beautiful city like Valencia.

You will be welcome if you wish to start your adventure with SPANISH EXPRESS in our immersion course in Valencia, whether you know a little bit of Spanish, or you already know some Spanish and you would like to take it to the next level.

I would love to be your “journey partner” teaching you Spanish language and Spanish culture in situ.

Undoubtedly, this is the best way to learn to SPEAK SPANISH.

¡HASTA PRONTO!

PILAR



# COURSE IN DETAIL

*Practise Spanish by speaking Spanish!*

It's the best thing you can do to improve your Spanish level. With this fabulous course you will be able to speak Spanish more confidently, you will learn customs and traditions of Spanish culture and you will have the opportunity to share social activities with Spanish people and live in a completely Spanish environment.

Our course gives you the chance of a full immersion experience, living and being taught by your private teacher during one week or longer.

The students have 10 hours or more of Spanish lessons that we can do outdoors on the terraces, overlooking the mountains or inside the house near the library.

The programme is adapted to the level of the students and based on their needs.

All lessons are practical and hands-on with students having to put into practice what they have learned in their classes with the teacher.

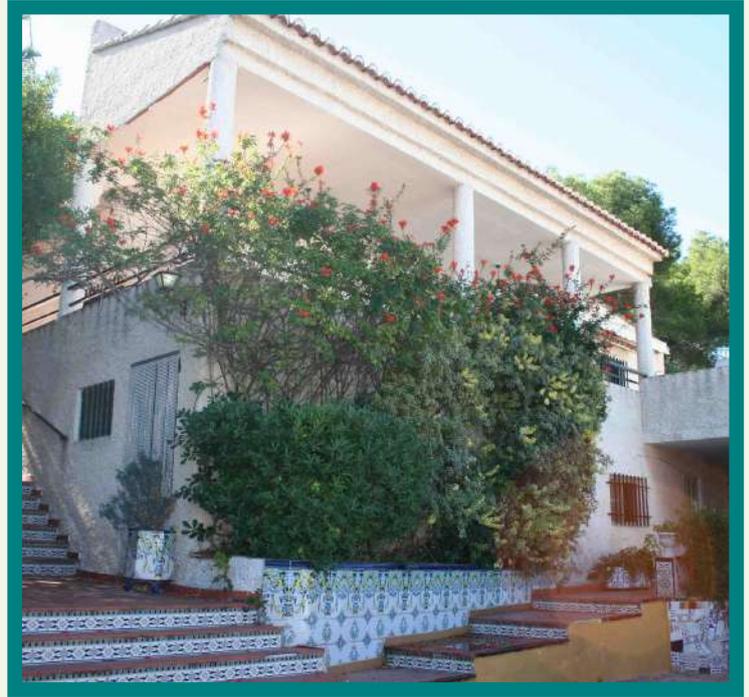
## **PRACTISE SPANISH IN REAL LIFE!**

You will be tasked to speak in different everyday situations which may occur in life. For example, your teacher may take you to the market where you will talk to the stallholders, or ask questions of the tour guide about places visited during your stay. You will have the chance to meet and talk with Spaniards about different and interesting topics, either at home with your teacher or when out on a trip.

# YOUR STAY

## The house features:

- three bedrooms: 1 double, 1 twin, 1 single
- We accommodate up to 6 people
- kitchen with all new appliances where you will cook some Spanish recipes with your host
- bathroom with clean towels, bath gel, shampoo and hair dryer
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner
- Wi-Fi



Your Spanish home is a big house with large open spaces, gardens and a small pool. It features two huge terraces, from which you can view the majesty of the Sierra Caldero.

Students can also enjoy the beauty of nature by enjoying a walk through the forest that is just behind the house.

# PHOTOS OF YOUR TEACHER'S HOME...



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# Gilet & Sagunto

## *Places you will be visiting*



### Gilet

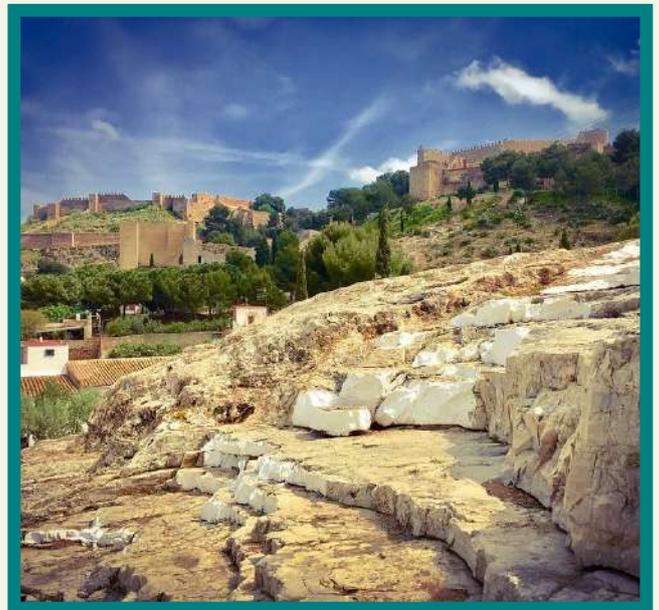
Gilet has many points of interest such as the beautiful Monastery of Sancti Spiritu, the majestic peaks of the Sierra Calderona and the nearby Estivella Park.

The views from the house are spectacular with a pleasant feeling of peace and relaxation.

### Sagunto

Sagunto is an ancient city steeped in history. In the past it has been controlled by the Romans, Carthaginians and Moors. The remnants of this rich history are viewable up to this day. The Roman Amphitheatre is one of the main sights to see in Sagunto.

Sagunto Archaeological Museum and Sagunto Castle are the two more important sights to visit when in Sagunto. After exploring the history of the area, you can relax and unwind on the Mediterranean coast, at the nearby Sagunto Beach.



# OTHER VISITS

## *Places worth visiting*

### **La Marina**

Valencia has an idyllic coastal location, offering the best of both worlds with the historic culture of the city and the beauty of the sea. The Port and La Marina are filled with Tapas bars and shops, and makes it a great place to spend an evening. Without fail, we will make a stop here for welcome drinks!



### **The Historic Centre & The Old Town**

The Old Town is a popular location in Valencia for tourists and residents alike. It is home to some of Valencia's most beautiful architecture, cobbled streets and intimate terraces. Valencia was occupied by the Romans and the Moors amongst others, each leaving their cultural mark in the Old Town. Points of interest include the Cathedral, the Silk Market and the Water Tribunal - a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



### **Castillo del Papa Luna**

El Castillo del Papa Luna is situated in the north of Valencia. Antipope Benedict XIII owned this Castle, which was built from the ruins of the old Arabic fortress in 1307, during the time of the Moors' rule in Spain. Nowadays, it is a popular site amongst tourists as it has been so well preserved and looked after. It offers amazing panoramic views of Valencia from the tower, so have your camera ready!



# VALENCIA

*Some places you will be visiting*



Valencia, on the east coast of Spain, is one of the most beautiful cities on the Mediterranean. Cobble maze-like streets lined with artisan shops, bars and restaurants welcome you to this city.



The city offers both an urban core with classical and modern architectural masterpieces, as well as a beautiful coastal beach. Events this region is famous for include the historic King Jaime I Festival and 'La Tomatina'; the largest food fight in the world!



# PICTURES FROM PREVIOUS TRIPS



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# PRICES

## Prices 2022

NUMBER OF PERSONS	PRICE PER WEEK PER PERSON FROM *(£)
1	1,100.00
2	1,000.00
3	900.00
4-6	800.00

### REGISTRATION FEE: £100 \*

\* FREE IF YOU BOOK A MINIMUM OF 3 MONTHS IN ADVANCE.

### DURATION: FROM 1 WEEK ONWARDS\*

\* FROM SUNDAY TO SATURDAY (OTHER ARRANGEMENTS BY REQUEST)

\* During July, August, Easter and Christmas holidays there is a supplement of 10% per person.

Full payment needs to be made upon receipt of invoice

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

Spanish Level Test  
24/7 Spanish Conversation  
10 Hours of Spanish Lessons  
Full-Board Accommodation  
Study Materials  
Basic Excursions  
Wi-Fi in your Teacher's Home  
Certificate and Report

## WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

Flights to/from Spain  
Travel & Medical Insurance  
Airport Transfers\*  
Optional Excursions\*

\*Can be arranged at extra cost

## CANCELLATIONS

Should any cancellations be made more than 30 days before the programme abroad starts, Spanish Express will refund the student 50% of the cost of the programme.

***Please check our Terms & Conditions when booking online.***

# OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## HEALTHCARE

EU residents are entitled to free health care while in Spain for holidays or for the first three months of their stay, so long as they can provide an EHIC (European Health Insurance Card). This will cover any immediate treatments needed. Medical conditions that do not require immediate treatment might incur charges. The EHIC card is not valid for health care in Spain if the holder is a Spanish resident.

The card only covers you for publicly-funded health care in Spain, not private, so make sure that the clinic or surgery you attend is aware of this, especially if both public and private services are on offer. Also, should you need an ambulance, make sure that it takes you to a hospital that offers treatment that the EHIC card will cover.

## ENGLISH-SPEAKING DOCTORS & NURSES

It is possible, but not guaranteed, that you will find an English-speaking nurse or doctor in most hospitals. If an English-speaker is not available, most health services, particularly those in touristy areas, will provide an interpreter at a cost. In some regions, doctors refuse to treat patients who cannot speak Spanish unless they have an interpreter, as it can double diagnosis time. Finding an English-speaking doctor in a private hospital is almost guaranteed.

## DENTISTS

Visits to the dentist must be paid for in Spain and are not available under the state system except in certain circumstances. Children aged 6 to 15 years old have the right to a free dental health programme. In popular expat areas along the coast, there are several dental practices that cater to English speakers. Private dental work in Spain tends to be cheaper than private dentistry in the UK.

## PHARMACIES

Pharmacies are everywhere in Spain, even in the smallest villages, indicated by an illuminated green cross. The prescription service is much more relaxed than in the UK, with many items that would require prescriptions in the UK available over the counter. These include antibiotics and asthma inhalers, as just two examples.

## CONTACTS

The Department of Health has two offices in Spain, which can deal with health care enquiries from British nationals either visiting or living in Spain. You can find more details at [healthcareinspain.eu](http://healthcareinspain.eu).

## VISAS

What documentation is required to travel to Spain?

The documentation required to travel to Spain varies according to the country of origin.

If you are a citizen of an EU country, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Lichtenstein, you will need a valid passport or ID card. Additionally, in the case of a minor travelling with an ID document, this must be accompanied by written permission from the parents.

If you come from another country:

The maximum stay in Spain is 90 days.

There are a number of countries whose citizens are required to have a valid current visa in order to enter Spain.

You can check them on this list:

<http://www.exteriores.gob.es/Portal/es/ServiciosAlCiudadano/InformacionParaExtranjeros/Documents/listapaisesvisado.pdf>

Citizens of these countries can also travel to Spain if they have a residence permit or a long-term visa issued by another country in the European Union (with the exception of the United Kingdom, Ireland, Romania, Bulgaria and Cyprus), Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Lichtenstein.

Citizens of all other countries must be in possession of documents which justify the object and the conditions of their stay, and be in possession of sufficient economic resources for their maintenance throughout the period they are intending to remain in Spain. The documents they are required to present will vary according to the motive for the trip.

Nearest airport: Aeropuerto de Valencia (VLC)

It is advisable to take out travel insurance for your trip.

Given that conditions may vary, we suggest you contact the Spanish Embassy or Consulate to verify these requirements before you start your trip

## WEATHER

Valencia has a Mediterranean climate with mild winters and hot summers. Its average annual temperature is 22.8 °C during the day and 13.8 °C at night. In the coldest month - January, the temperature ranges from 14 to 20 °C during the day and 4 to 10 °C at night. In the warmest month - August, the temperature ranges from 28 to 32 °C during the day and from 21 to 22 °C at night.

### Tip!

The weather is pleasant for most of the year. However, you'll experience the absolute best weather from April to the end of June making these months particularly attractive for a visit to the city.

# STUDENTS' TESTIMONIALS

HEAR WHAT OUR STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY...

## THILA



The course was very good and well planned. The lessons were well taught, very comprehensive and easily understood. Always very happy to come to my lesson because it is a very happy atmosphere. The teachers, Mónica and Pilar, have an excellent approach and made our lessons enjoyable, easy to understand and made us feel special. I highly recommend to take this opportunity to have this experience.

I have been learning with Spanish Express for 18 months now. I had no prior knowledge of the language but now I know I would be able to go to Spain, find my way around and have everyday conversations with people.

I have learned in a group situation and individually and enjoyed both. Our group trip to Valencia was my highlight of last summer. Pilar is a very patient teacher and explains the use of the language very well. Spanish Express has been a great learning experience.

## ADELINA



Overall, this was a great way to experience Spanish culture and to practise my Spanish. The trip was packed full of activities and places to visit and the trip itinerary was pre-planned and run by the teacher which allowed me to fully enjoy the experience stress-free. Interacting with the locals in Spanish and being fully immersed in the culture for a week enabled me to speak Spanish confidently, which helped me make substantial progress in mastering the language.

## RENÉE



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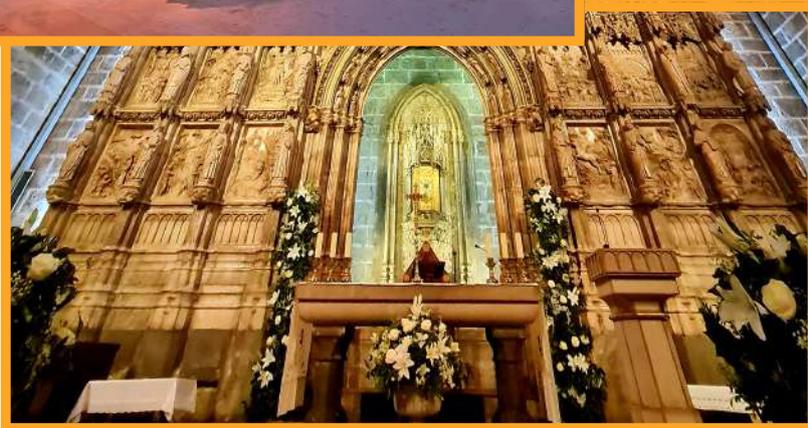
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*in Spanish!*