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in Mallorca

PREMIUM IMMERSION PROGRAMME

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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.

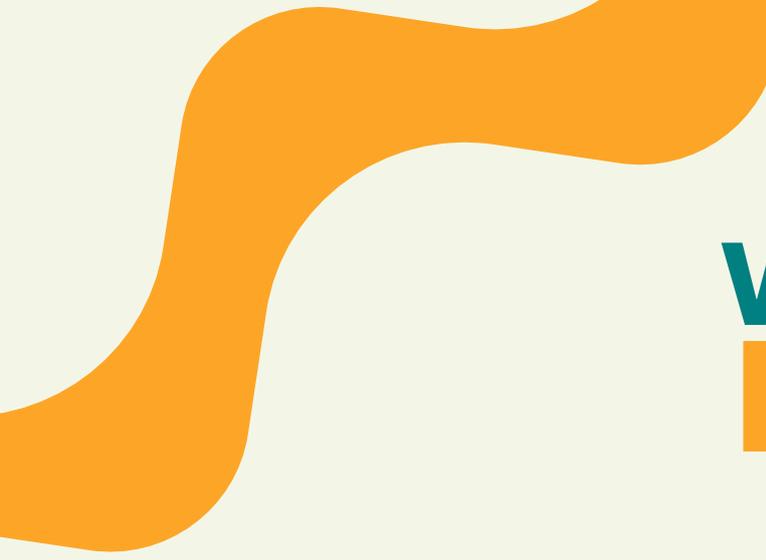
Come to Mallorca for a unique learning experience!



Gema - Málaga

My name is Gema Sánchez Benítez, I was born in Jerez de la Frontera, Cadiz, but I live in Malaga 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 Immersion program in the island of Mallorca!

The Spanish Immersion programme at the hotel is the best alternative to our intensive Spanish courses at the teacher's home.

Live and breathe the Mallorcan lifestyle and immerse yourself in Spanish culture enjoying the comfort and luxury of a wonderful hotel while meeting other students like you.

Spanish Express offers you a unique opportunity to live and study Spanish in MALLORCA!

COURSE IN DETAIL

COURSE PROGRAMME

SHI: SPANISH HOTEL IMMERSION

If you want to live an unforgettable immersion experience on the island of Mallorca, here is our immersion programme in a 4-star hotel.

In this programme there will be an immersion group of a maximum of 8 people in which you can learn and practise your Spanish in the hands of our two teachers: Monica and Pepe.

The course offers classes in the mornings in a luxury hotel located on the beautiful beach of Palma, about 20 minutes from the city centre. In the afternoons we will carry out excursions and workshops in which, alongside having fun, you will continue to practise your Spanish.



Practise your Spanish in real life!

We want to offer you something different and special in your immersion experience and that is why, in addition to the classes, in our excursions on the island you will be able to practise Spanish through previously prepared exercises. We will help you gain confidence when communicating with the natives. We know this is a difficult part of learning a language and interactions with locals are our star dish of the show.

COURSE PROGRAMME

An example, which can be tailored to each student:

Día 1

- Arrivals and transfers from airport to hotel
- Welcome party
- (Breakfast and lunch not included)
- Dinner included

Día 2

- 7:00- 8:30 Breakfast
- 9:00-10:00 Excursion preparation class
- 10:00-10:45 Bus from hotel - La Granja
- 11:00-12:30 Visit La Granja
- 12:45-13:05 Bus from La Granja - Valldemossa
- 13:10-14:00 Lunch in Valldemossa
- 14:00-18:00 Visit Valldemossa + free time
- 18:00-18:45 Bus from Valldemossa - hotel
- 19:00-20:00 Dinner
- 20:00-21:00 Social time + games

Día 3

- 7:00-8:30 Breakfast
- 9:00-12:00 Class
- 12:00-12:30 Lunch
- 14:00-14:40 Bus from hotel to Palma
- 15:00-16:00 Visit Palma (Plaza España, Plaza Mayor, Cort, Cathedral)
- 16:00-19:00 Free time

Each one returns on their own.

Día 4

- 7:00-8:30 Breakfast
- 9:00-12:00 Class
- 12.00-12:30 Lunch
- 16:00-17:30 Workshop
- Free time

COURSE PROGRAMME

An example, which can be tailored to each student:

Día 5

- 7:00–8:30 Breakfast
- 9:00–12:00 Class
- 12:00–12:30 Lunch
- 15:00–19:00 Free time

Día 6

- 7:00–8:30 Breakfast
- 9:00–12:00 Class
- 12:00–12:30 Lunch
- 14:00–14:45 Bus from hotel to Sóller
- 15:00–17:00 Sóller
- 17:00–17:15 Train from Sóller to Puerto de Sóller
- 17:15 – 18:30 Walk through the port of Sóller
- 19:00–20:00 Dinner at the Blondes
- 20:00–21:00 Bus back from Puerto de Sóller to hotel

Día 7

- 7:00–8:30 Breakfast
- 9:00–12:00 Class
- 12:30–12:30 Lunch
- 13:00–14:30 Bus from hotel to Drach
- 15:00–16:00 View of the caves
- 16:15–17:15 Bus from Drach to Palma
- 17:15–19:30 Free time
- 19:30 Farewell dinner
- 21:00–22:00 Bus from Palma to hotel

Día 8

- Departures and transfers from hotel to airport

YOUR STAY

HIPOTELS GRAN PLAYA DE PALMA

Features of the Hotel:

The Playa de Palma hotel is a fabulous and modern 4-star hotel.

It has all the necessary amenities to make your stay unforgettable: gym, spa, sauna, heated pool and is located just 500 metres from Playa de Palma.

In addition, the hotel has free Wi-Fi in all its facilities.

An ideal place to learn Spanish and enjoy an incredible vacation.



Area: The hotel is located in Playa de Palma, which is a tourist area, but depending on the time of year it can be very quiet.

In addition, there is a bus stop 300 metres from the hotel that allows you to reach the city centre in 20 minutes. Playa de Palma has a wide and comfortable promenade that leads to Palma and is perfect for walking, cycling or running.

PHOTOS OF THE HOTEL



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MALLORCA

Some places you will be visiting



Mallorca is a Mediterranean island in which many cultures have lived. The Greeks, the Romans, the Arabs, the Jews and the Christians are the ones who have defined the Mallorcan identity of today. Beyond the unique natural landscapes, such as the beaches and the mountains, Mallorca is a place where you can discover an indigenous culture that has survived and endured over the years. It is the largest island of the Balearic Islands and in it you can enjoy endless activities that range from mountaineering to water sports. Here people take life differently, with a calm that characterizes the locals and that makes the foreigner feel comfortable. The gastronomy will surely surprise the visitor. Typical sweets, such as ensaimada or rubiols, and star dishes such as tumbet and Mallorcan soups, are pleasures for the palate. It is true that Mallorca enjoys a very warm Mediterranean climate in summer and mild in winter, but the warmth of the people is what really makes one feel at home here.

PLACES YOU WILL BE VISITING

Palma

Palma is the capital of the island and has about 400,000 inhabitants. It is a relatively large city for an island, but this does not make it lose the essence and beauty of its historic center full of twisted streets that take you to another era. Palma Cathedral, known as “La Seu” by Majorcans, is an impressive temple of Christian worship on the seashore. In addition, there are historical buildings with exquisite artistic value such as “La Almudaina” or “Bellver Castle”. The streets of Palma breathe history and also the Catalan modernist art on some of the city's facades notably embellishes it. Palma is guarded by the sea, a medium very close to the Mallorcan people and it is very easy to go to the beach from home.

Deià and Valldemossa

The Sierra de Tramuntana is a group of mountains that runs through the western part of the island from north to south. It is such an exceptional place that it is already a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Certainly, it is a majestic mountainous area that allows the visitor to see another side of the island. Among some of its towns, Deià and Valldemossa are two of the most beautiful. In Deià you can enjoy incredible views and the path that goes from the town to the cove, which is a small beach where one feels in paradise. Archduke Luis Salvador of Austria was an aristocrat who fell in love with this town already in the 19th century and since then this place has been the protagonist of paintings and books.

Valldemossa is another town in the Tramuntana mountains where Chopin stayed. It is not surprising that in this place this composer felt happy since the energy that Valldemossa gives off makes any visitor not want to leave. It is really a place that you have to know to understand it.

OTHER VISITS

Places worth visiting

La Granja (The farm)

Part of the immersion program is getting to know the local culture and traditions. La Granja is a typical Mallorcan house that has witnessed the passing of the years in Mallorca. This enclave has been inhabited since the Romans and today it is a museum that collects the Mallorcan traditions and crafts of the countryside throughout the centuries. On this visit you will move to another time and you will get to know life on the island of Mallorca while enjoying a truly unique place on the island.



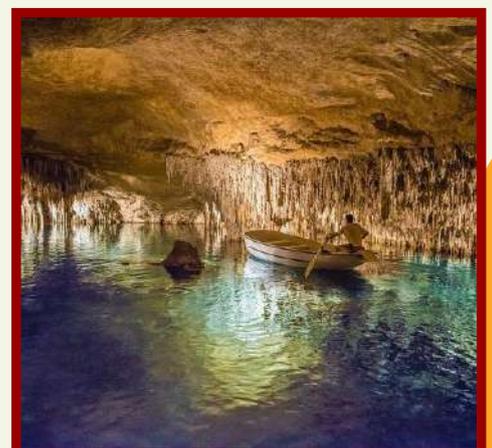
Sóller and port of Sóller

This town located in the Sierra de Tramuntana, a natural enclave declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 2011, is one of the most characteristic of the island. In it is the first train on the island of Mallorca from 1911 as well as the tram that connects the town with the port. The train ride is a delight and the views are not to be missed.



Drach caves

Located on the east coast of Mallorca, specifically in the town of Porto Cristo, these caves are one of the most important on the island, as they are 1,200 meters long and 25 meters deep below the surface. The caves have in their interior a large underground lake, Lake Martel, considered one of the largest underground lakes in the world in which we will live a very special surprise experience. Do you want to discover it?



PICTURES FROM PREVIOUS TRIPS



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PRICES

Prices 2022

Prices may vary depending on season.

For more information contact Spanish Express at information@spanishexpress.co.uk

You can find further contact information on page 21 of this booklet.

* 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

- Half board accommodation (breakfast, lunch or dinner)
- Wi-Fi
- Bus travel to and from excursions
- Tickets to "La Granja" and "Las Cuevas del Drach"
- Transfers to and from the airport
- 10 hours of Spanish classes (possibility of taking extra private classes)
- 24/7 Spanish Conversation
- Study Materials
- Certificate and Report
- Wi-Fi

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

Price does not include:

- Plane tickets
- Alcoholic drinks
- Minibar service
- Room Service
- Insurance

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.

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: Palma de Mallorca (PMI)

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

The climate of Mallorca throughout the year is a Mediterranean climate. This means that the annual average temperature is 18°C with hot summers and mild winters. In winter, the temperature does not usually drop below 12°C.

Mallorca is a tourist island that in summer has a large number of visitors, which makes the island become a multicultural place full of life. In winter, the island is quieter, but it still offers activities and tourist leisure, so any time of the year is good to visit.

Tip!

If you have already visited Mallorca during summer and want to see its other face, I recommend you to come during the months of October, November, March and April.

STUDENTS' TESTIMONIALS

HEAR WHAT OUR STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY...

LINA (SWEDEN)



I have always liked to travel and learn about other cultures and Mallorca is a place that has stolen my heart. I thought it was going to be a tourist place, but Pepe made me know the native culture and took me to incredible places that were less touristy than I expected.

I really liked that Pepe solved my doubts in a very natural and easy to understand way. His way of teaching helped me to use the language in everyday conversations and it was also a lot of fun. We cooked together and had very interesting talks. Doing this program was a different way of traveling and getting to know a place thanks to Pepe.

The classes with Pepe were excellent. From my first lesson I noticed that he is an experienced teacher and he adapted to what he needed to work on. He took me with his boat for a walk on the sea and that was an unforgettable experience.

Mallorca has some formidable beaches! In addition to the classes, we watched series and movies at home and that helped me understand many cultural things that I alone would not have been able to understand about the Spanish-speaking world. I would repeat without a doubt. Thanks!

CHRISTOS (GREECE)



OTTAVIO (ITALY)



I was with Pepe for two weeks at his house and I had an unforgettable time. From the first moment I felt comfortable with him and speaking Spanish. I have felt that these days my Spanish has improved and much more than I expected.

I liked the excursions we did and I was also able to practise Spanish outside of class with the help of Pepe. I met Pepe, his friends and family and that made the experience even better. I would go again for sure.

It was the first time I knew Mallorca and the immersion programme was just what I needed. I was afraid of not being able to communicate well in Spanish because my level was very low, but through this programme I was able to learn in a personalized way and at my own pace. Now I feel more comfortable speaking Spanish and I have also met a lot of people thanks to Pepe. I feel that Mallorca is a special place and I dream of going back soon.

I found the daily classes very entertaining and varied and I think that this study programme is ideal for a person who wants to receive personalized attention.

WEI (TAIWAN)



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