



# LIVE AND STUDY SPANISH

IN YOUR TEACHER'S HOME IN

*Barcelona*

16-19 YRS



# MAKE SPAIN YOUR CLASSROOM

*With you, every step of the way!*

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# OUR NETWORK OF HOST TEACHERS & DESTINATIONS



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# WE ARE THE EXPERTS

Welcome to our **Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP)** in Barcelona province!

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

This programme is offering you the truly unique opportunity to **live** and **learn Spanish** in your TEACHER'S HOME in BARCELONA PROVINCE!

# ABOUT YOUR HOST TEACHER IN BARCELONA

As a teacher, I have experienced over the last two decades the joy of achievement, by measuring the **success of the many students** I have taught from young ones to young-at-heart.

In my teaching practice, I place a huge emphasis on the importance of **immersion in the language and culture**, through games, sports, films, music, books and simple but rich conversations.

I strongly believe that **culture and language are inextricably linked** and that a complete understanding of a language cannot be achieved without a thorough knowledge of the culture from which it springs.

## Likes and passions:

- Walking my two Golden retrievers Rumba and Samba
- Photography
- Travel and tourism
- Art, cinema and theatre
- Spending time with my family and friends

I seek to instil in my students a keen grasp and appreciation of Spanish-speaking countries and cultures.

So if you're ready to immerse in the Spanish culture, I wait for you here in Barcelona!



## MÓNICA

**"This educational immersion programme is not only my job but also my passion, as I love making new friends from all corners of the world".**

# ABOUT YOUR HOSTS IN BARCELONA



## Woof! My name is Samba...



I am wild at heart and very active. I love running; in fact, I can run for miles. Yes, I know, I am a **Golden Retriever**, but that's the way it is.

I am **in charge of guarding** the house because I love protecting my family. My sister, Rumba, does the barking, I do the staring.

One of the things I enjoy the most is playing with my Mummy. Sometimes we play with the tennis ball, hide and seek or with the ropes.

## Woof! My name is Rumba...

I am the happy tail, especially when food is involved. Oh, yes, **I am a proper Golden Retriever**, very greedy, especially when my Daddy opens the tuna tin... I dribble big time!

**I love taking naps** on the bed, on the chair, on the sofa, anywhere really, and if I can manage to fit on someone's lap, even better... but the best part is sleeping on the pillow, next to my Mummy!



# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

With this course, you will be able to:

- **Speak Spanish** more confidently
- Learn **customs and traditions** of Spanish culture
- Share **social activities** with Spanish people
- 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 for one week or longer.

The students have **10 hours or more of Spanish lessons** that we can do outdoors on the terraces or inside the house.

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.

Throughout the course, students **live with their Spanish teachers** in Spain, gaining natural exposure to the language through everyday **conversations with natives, Spanish cultural trips** and **social outings**.

## PRACTISE SPANISH IN REAL LIFE!

This Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme focuses on the **four core skills** of language (reading, writing, listening, and speaking), as well as pronunciation and intonation.

Our Spanish instructors are **native Spanish speakers** with many years of experience teaching Spanish to English pupils. The teacher creates a **bespoke programme** based on the initial **language level test** taken with the teacher in **two online sessions** before arrival.

# ADOLESCENTS 16-19

## What the programme includes:

- 2 initial introduction lessons online with your Spanish teacher, including a level test, and preparations for the trip before departure
- 10 hours one-to-one tuition per week
- Study materials
- Assessment improvement test, on the final day
- Comprehensive end-of-course report
- Attendance certificate

We have vetted all of our teachers and require that they have a DBS (**police check**) as well as a **safeguarding children certificate**. Students are loved and welcomed as part of the family at Spanish homestays for kids, where daily speaking practise is provided.

If specialised instruction is required, we have teachers that are qualified to teach dyslexic students. On request, we may also arrange a themed homestay focused on a specific activity.

## Who is this course recommended for?

**Students between the ages of 16 and 19 are eligible for the 16+ SHIP.**

We recommend this course for:

- **Sixth - Form students** looking to boost their Spanish AS and A-Level grades
- Those looking to advance their Spanish proficiency before work or starting university, for qualifications such as **DELE** and **SIELE**
- **Adolescents hoping to improve their Spanish** language solely for self-improvement and higher confidence in communication skills
- **Young travel lovers** seeking safe and enjoyable adventure overseas

# ADOLESCENTS

## 16-19

We recognise that children have a shorter attention span than adults, and therefore we try to make **learning enjoyable** through various exciting activities and field trips.

We provide a **course that is specifically tailored to your exam**. The exam in question is relevant to all course preparation and implementation.

On our teamwork, we have **A-level specialists** who have a high success percentage with their pupils.

This **curriculum is flexible** and appropriate for any adolescent at any level of Spanish fluency, from beginner to advanced/proficiency.

We determine the student's level with a language proficiency test through two online lessons **prior to departure**, and, from this, teachers can construct a personalised curriculum.

This course provides pupils with many opportunities for conversation at mealtimes, in the evenings, and on excursions.

### OTHER AVAILABLE PROGRAMMES:

- **ADULTS 18+**
- **FAMILY**

# YOUR STAY

## ACCOMMODATION

Unless they are on a 2:1 programme, in which case a twin room is shared, students in our private Spanish classes for the **16-19YRS** have their **own private bedroom**.

A comfortable **single or double bed, with a TV in the bedroom**.

**We must be told ahead of time if there are any special dietary requirements.**

**The following items are included in the programme:**

- Private guest room
- Private guest bathroom
- Breakfast, a snack/packed lunch, and a prepared evening meal are included with full board
- Bedding and towels are provided
- Dietary restrictions (see supplements)
- Free WI-FI
- Toiletries

## EXCURSIONS

The **SHIP** has a large array of **excursions and exciting activities** available within each programme. During the first two online sessions before departure, teachers will discuss with students about their interests.

Teachers are then able to incorporate this into the student's bespoke personalised schedule, which is organised and approved by the pupil before they fly.

Further to the outings included in their programme, students can request that additional excursions be arranged, either alone or accompanied by their teacher.

# YOUR ACCOMMODATION

## The house features:

- Two Ensuite Bedrooms: One double and one twin and two sofa beds in a large living area
- We accommodate up to 6 people
- A kitchen with all new appliances where you will cook some Spanish recipes with your host teacher
- A bathroom with clean towels, bath gel, shampoo and hairdryer
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner
- Wi-Fi & Netflix

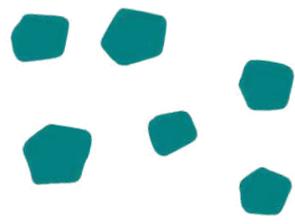


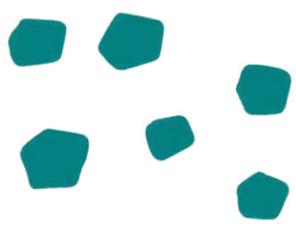
It features **various terraces**, from which you can view the majesty of El Corredor National Park.

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

Your Spanish home is a **big house with large open spaces and gardens**, within a **5-minute drive from a swimming pool** and with a **20-minute drive from the beach**.

# PHOTOS OF YOUR TEACHER'S HOME...





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# PLACES YOU WILL BE VISITING

*Blending learning with culture*

Our **SHIP** will take you on a journey to discover...

## Dosrius



**Dosrius** belongs to the **Maresme** region and is located at the confluence of the **Far and Canyamars** streams.

Its original name means "**Two Rivers**" and refers to the 2 rivers that join to form the **Argentona Riera**.

**Dosrius** offers the visitor quiet walks to enjoy nature and discover the **Montnegre-Corredor**.

## Spanish gastronomy

- Taste the famous *Fideuà* of Barcelona
- Enjoy a great Crema Catalana
- Don't miss the delicious Pa amb Tomàquet



# PLACES YOU WILL BE VISITING

## *Spanish art & history*



- The Montseny, a natural park and a biosphere reserve
- The Donkey Reserve full of lovely friendly donkeys

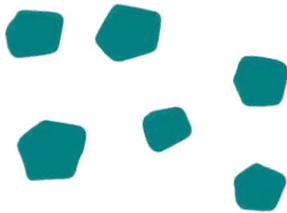


- The Enchanted Forest filled with mysterious stone carvings
- The Museu del Càntir with a collection of more than 4.500 receptacles for water.



- Visit **La Sagrada Família**
- Tour the **Gothic Quarter of Barcelona**
  - a. Gaudi's very first project
  - b. Gothic Cathedral
  - c. La Boquería market
  - d. El bosc de les fades
  - e. Jewish quarter

# PICTURES FROM PREVIOUS TRIPS



# PRICES

## NUMBER OF PERSONS

2-6

You can share the Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme in the same teacher's home with a maximum of 6 people of the same Spanish level. If your level is different, please, ask us.

**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)

## PRICE PER WEEK PER PERSON FROM \*(£)

1,200.00

(minimum 2 students)

\* 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 cancellation 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.

## ENGLISH-SPEAKING 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 ex-pat areas along the coast, several dental practices 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 several countries whose citizens are required to have a valid current visa 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 (except the United Kingdom, Ireland, Romania, Bulgaria and Cyprus), Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Lichtenstein.

Citizens of all other countries must have documents that justify the object and the conditions of their stay and own 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: Barcelona (BCN)

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

Barcelona has a Mediterranean climate with mild winters and hot summers. Its average annual temperature is 21.2 °C during the day and 15.1 °C at night. In the coldest month - January, the temperature ranges from 12 to 18 °C during the day and 6 to 12 °C at night. In the warmest month - August, the temperature ranges from 28 to 32 °C during the day and from 20 to 24 °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.

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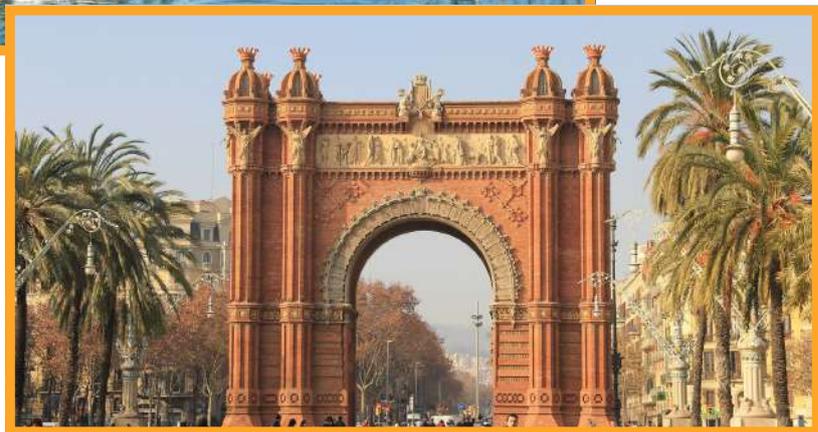
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