

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

*Malaga*

**Adults 18+**

# 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 Málaga 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 MÁLAGA PROVINCE!

# ABOUT YOUR HOST TEACHER IN MÁLAGA

**I have been working as a teacher for over 20 years now;** the last few years I have been offering online lessons and also working on a project developing learning materials.

As a language teacher, I believe that the best way to learn is with **private tuition** that focuses on the student's needs instead of a whole classroom's.

Most of the time classrooms mix different levels and this is a struggle, not just for the teacher, but especially for the students. **Learning a language while getting to know the culture in situ is the best option to feel motivated.**

## Likes and passions:

- Cooking and baking
- Watching films
- Going for long walks
- Reading
- Playing tennis or badminton

**I love meeting people** from other countries because I learn a lot about other cultures, which I find very interesting.

**I look forward to meeting you soon!**



**GEMA**

**"As a teacher, I like using games that help students develop different language strategies. I focus on the communicative approach because speaking is the best way of learning a language. "**

# 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.

You can study individually or travel with loved ones, with groups of up to 6 of roughly the same fluency level.

## 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 of improvement test, on the final day
- Comprehensive end-of-course report
- Attendance certificate

## Who is this course recommended for?

**Students above the age of 18 are eligible for the Adult SHIP.**

**You are guaranteed to love this experience if you are a/an:**

- **Mature student** looking for a premium and personalised experience to improve their language skills in a short period of time
- **Corporate personnel** who requires higher levels of proficiency at work
- **Adult** wanting to improve their travel experiences whilst immersing themselves in the culture of Spain
- **Student** looking to boost their preparations for higher qualifications such as DELE or SIELE
- **Travel lover** seeking self-improvement on an enjoyable adventure

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

In online lessons prior to departure, a **language level test** determines the student's level, and from this teachers can construct a personalised curriculum.

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

# 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 **ADULTS 18+** have their **own private bedroom**, with a comfortable single or double bed.

**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 talk 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.

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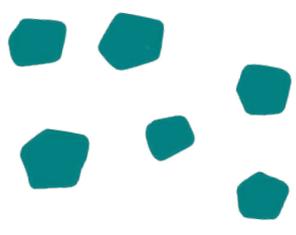
## The house features:

- We can accommodate up to 4 people (there is a double bedroom with 1 double bed and another double bedroom-office with one double sofa-bed)
- Kitchen with new appliances
- Two bathrooms with towels, shower gel, shampoo, hair conditioner, hand soap and hairdryer
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner are provided
- Wi-Fi



Detached house in the **countryside** near Villanueva de Algaidas, Málaga. **Surrounded by olive trees**, this house has two double bedrooms and two bathrooms, an **open kitchen** and a very **spacious living room**.

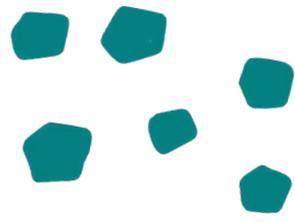
It also has a **large patio area** ideal for relaxing, sunbathing, or doing the lessons, weather permitting. The land has fruit trees, herbs, and a vegetable garden.



# 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...

## Villanueva de Algaidas



The house is located in the town of **Villanueva de Algaidas**, which is small with a few shops, bars, affordable restaurants, and a nice swimming pool nearby.

It is also on the long-distance walking route GR7/ E5 which runs from **Athens** in **Greece** to **Tarifa** in **Southern Spain**.

## Spanish gastronomy

- Visit Spanish restaurants
- Learn to cook *Paella*
- Taste typical sweets, such as *Yemas del Tajo* or *Torta de Algarrobo*
- Try the delicious *ensalada malagueña* and *espetos de sardinas*

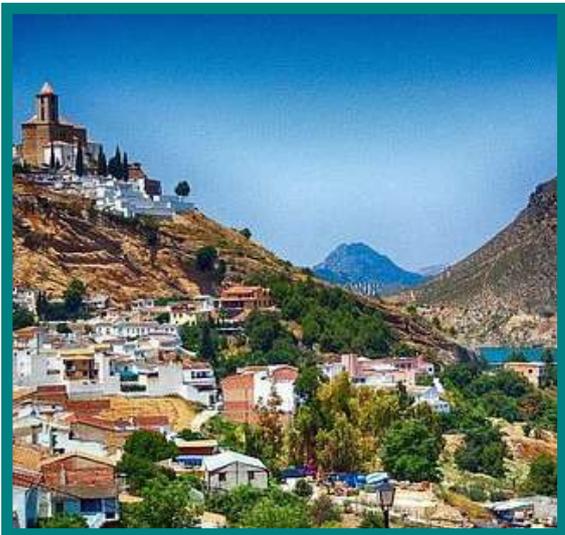


# PLACES YOU WILL BE VISITING

## *Spanish art & history*



- La Malagueta, Málaga
- Centro histórico de Málaga



- Iznájar
- La Torre de San Rafael



- Antequera
- Iglesia del Carmen

# PICTURES FROM PREVIOUS TRIPS



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# STUDENTS' TESTIMONIALS

HEAR WHAT OUR STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY...

## LOURDES



**Staying with Gema has been a very nice experience.** I loved the peace of the countryside, being surrounded by olive trees and trying her homemade organic olive oil.

**I learned a lot about Spanish culture** and I particularly enjoyed practising my Spanish at the restaurant, market, shops... now I am not afraid to travel to Spain on my own. I even learnt how to dance a bit of flamenco!

My experience in Málaga was excellent. I enjoyed the food, the relaxing atmosphere and people's friendliness. **I felt very comfortable at Gema's.** She was always very patient and kind. She is a great teacher and learning Spanish with her was very easy.

**I felt very motivated** because I knew I had to put into practice in real-life situations what I learnt every day. I particularly liked the visit to Antequera because it is a small town but full of history and culture.

## SIMON



## SABRINA



I had a lovely time in Málaga; there is so much to see and do that I felt I needed more time there. **I enjoyed Gema's lessons because they were easy to understand** and the activities were fun and interesting. I always felt welcome and Gema's cooking was very nice.

I learned a lot about how to make your olive oil; how to cook Spanish dishes; and **my level of Spanish improved in only one week!** I recommend it to everybody!

# PRICES

## NUMBER OF PERSONS

1-4

You can share the Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme in the same teacher's home with a maximum of 4 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

\* 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 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 for the United Kingdom, Ireland, Romania, Bulgaria and Cyprus), Switzerland, Norway, Iceland and Lichtenstein.

Citizens of all other countries must own documents that justify the object and the conditions of their stay and have 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 Malaga (AGP)

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

In Villanueva de Algaidas, summers are short, hot, arid and mostly clear, and winters are long, cold and partly cloudy. During the year, the temperature generally varies from 1 °C to 33 °C and rarely drops below -3 °C or rises above 36 °C.

### Tip!

Based on the beach/pool score, the best time of year to visit Villanueva de Algaidas for hot activities is from the end of June to the end of August.

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*in Spanish!*

