



Educational Tours



Live the language

To learn Spanish, it helps to fall in love with Spain. Our Language Immersion Tours make both happen by combining interactive lessons at our EF International Language School in Málaga with authentic cultural experiences. Each day has a theme—like art, history, or food—that connects the day's lesson to hands-on activities and conversations with locals. Your fluency expands along with your confidence and your passion for language. And through it all, your Language Immersion Program Director is by your side, supporting your language learning and highlighting every breakthrough moment.

LANGUAGE IMMERSION IN MÁLAGA

11 days / Málaga / Madrid

What you'll experience on your tour

Each day in Málaga is built around a **daily theme** that explores topics you can relate to—like food, art, and family life. You'll improve your Spanish skills and confidence as you discover a new appreciation for the local culture.

LANGUAGE LESSONS

You'll learn and practice vocabulary relevant to each day's theme during an accredited lesson at the EF International Language School in Málaga. Taught by local language instructors, your classes are a chance to have conversations with fellow students as you prepare for each day's interactive activities.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Learning how to paint like Picasso—in his hometown—or dance flamenco adds authentic cultural richness to your language development. And your specially trained Language Immersion Program Director will be by your side, helping and encouraging the beginning learners while challenging the more advanced students.

INTERACTIONS WITH LOCALS

Conversing with locals over a home-cooked meal or during a pickup soccer game offers you an opportunity to put your new skills to use while learning more about the culture. With each conversation in Spanish, you will gain more confidence in your speaking and listening abilities.

> For a true taste of Andalusian cuisine, be sure to try the sardines



Get in tune with Málaga's music on day 7



Practice Picasso's techniques in a painting class led by a local artist



On day 5, buy the freshest ingredients for your market challenge



^ Spain has almost 5,000 km of coastline and some of the world's best beaches

DAY 1: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SPAIN

DAY 2: MÁLAGA

Welcome to Málaga, a city with a history spanning almost 3,000 years. You're greeted at the airport by your specially trained Language Immersion Program Director, who will be with you throughout your tour. Get acquainted with the city's main attractions on a walking tour from the historic city center to the harbor and down to the Mediterranean beaches. Continue to the hilltop castle of Gibralfaro, where you can take in panoramic views of the city and the Costa del Sol.

DAY 3: GRANADA | MÁLAGA

- Travel to Granada, a Spanish city with Moorish origins and an Andalusian Islamic legacy.
- Visit the Alhambra, a magnificent complex that was originally built as a fortress in 889 and later converted into a royal palace in 1333 by Yusuf I, Sultan of Granada. The theme of the Alhambra is "paradise on earth," and the geometrical patterns typical of Muslim art are found in and throughout its arabesque tiles.

DAY 4: MÁLAGA

Today's Theme: Spanish Art and Artists—Like its culture, Spanish art has long been influenced by artists and movements from outside the country's borders. Pablo Picasso was born in Málaga, but he spent much of his life in France, working alongside artists such as Georges Braque, Gertrude Stein, and André Breton. Today you'll learn more about Picasso's work and his importance to Spain's artistic culture.

- Master art-related terms and learn about one of Spain's most renowned artists, Pablo Picasso, in an interactive language lesson.
- Visit the Museo Picasso Málaga, home to more than 200 Picasso originals.
- Explore Málaga's art scene during an interactive art workshop with a local artist.

DAY 5: MÁLAGA

Today's Theme: Spanish Culinary Traditions—Spanish food has influences from many different regions and cultures, as you'll taste for yourself today. Traditional Spanish cuisine consists of dishes ranging from full plates of fresh seafood to small tapas shared with friends. Most dishes use fresh, local, and inexpensive ingredients. Naturally, Málaga's cuisine features fish and sardines from the surrounding waters, often considered Spain's best.

- Practice food-related vocabulary in an interactive language lesson.
- Prior to 1879, Mercado Central de Atarazanas served as a shipyard, a convent, and a military hospital. Recent renovations have added gorgeous stained glass windows that overlook the many stands below. This afternoon you'll interact with local vendors, practice food-related vocabulary, and try traditional Spanish foods during a market challenge.

- Try your hand at preparing authentic Spanish foods during a cooking class.

DAY 6: MÁLAGA

Today's Theme: Daily Life in Spain—Picture a world where you don't sit down for dinner until after 9pm, where the word "awkward" doesn't exist, and you have to pay 1,000 euros to get your driver's license. Welcome to the life of a typical Spanish citizen. Today, you'll learn more about their experiences and compare them to your own.

- Practice your Spanish while you learn about life in Spain during an interactive language lesson.
- Interact with locals during a city-wide scavenger hunt.
- Enjoy a homemade dinner with locals, the perfect opportunity to gain unique insight into daily life in Spain.

DAY 7: MÁLAGA

Today's Theme: Spanish Culture, Past and Present— The Spanish language is actually a mixture of Latin, Celtic, Arabic, and several other languages. It's just one vestige of the variety of historical influences on the country and its culture. Other distinctly Spanish traditions are afternoon siestas and dinners that don't start until 9 p.m.

- Learn about traditional and contemporary Spanish culture during an interactive language lesson.
- Participate in a cultural exchange activity with locals. Whether it's a pickup soccer game or student-guided walking tour, this is your chance to hear about life in Málaga.
- Discover the soul of Spain during a flamenco dance lesson and show. Flamenco is a unique art form combining guitar playing, singing, chanting, dancing, and handclapping.

DAY 8: MÁLAGA

Today's Theme: Spanish History—Málaga has been home to many different groups throughout its history. Founded by the Phoenicians in 770 BC, the settlement was originally named Málaga, likely deriving from the Phoenician word for salt for the practice of salting fish in the harbor. A lengthy Muslim rule in the region, followed by Málaga's more recent battles in the past few hundred years, prove that this harbor city has long been a coveted location for many rulers and their people.

- Practice your Spanish while learning about the history and heritage of Málaga during an interactive language lesson.
- Explore the Nerja Caves for which the town is best known.

DAY 9: MÁLAGA | MADRID

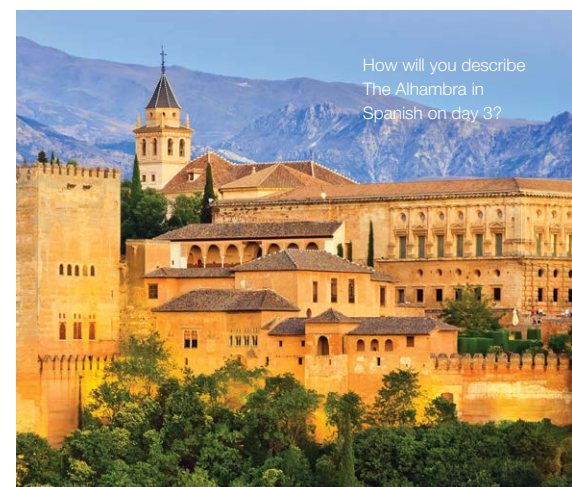
- Travel by AVE, Spain's high-speed train, to the capital city of Madrid.
- Visit la Puerta del Sol, Madrid's bustling central square.
- Admire elegant architecture and vibrant street life at Plaza Mayor.

DAY 10: MADRID

- Take a guided tour of Spain's official royal residence, el Palacio Real.
- Explore Spain's national art museum, the Prado.
- Embark on an optional excursion to Toledo, where you'll see St. Mary's Synagogue, the Church of Santo Tome, and a Damascene workshop with an expert local guide.

DAY 11: DEPART FOR HOME

Your tour may be coming to an end, but your lifelong love of the Spanish language is only beginning.



How will you describe
The Alhambra in
Spanish on day 3?



Enjoy a traditional paella dinner

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INSIGHT

We believe in experiential learning at the most important sites. Your Program Director is with you at every step, providing their own perspective and local tips.



On day 7, try your hand at flamenco, a traditional Spanish dance.

THE LANGUAGE IMMERSION EXPERIENCE

Program price includes

FULL-TIME LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Your bilingual, specially trained Language Immersion Program Director stays with you 24/7 to handle all on-tour logistics and provide knowledgeable insights everywhere you go.

Aa EF INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE SCHOOL

15 hours of language learning with a local language instructor.

💡 EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Art workshop; market challenge; cooking class; Flamenco lesson; city-wide scavenger hunt; activity with locals; dinner with locals.

📄 ENTRANCES

Alhambra; Cueva de Nerja; Museo Picasso Málaga; Royal Palace; Prado Museum.

🧠 WESHARE

Our online platform for a deeper learning experience.

ALL THE DETAILS ARE COVERED

Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 9 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; breakfast and dinner daily.