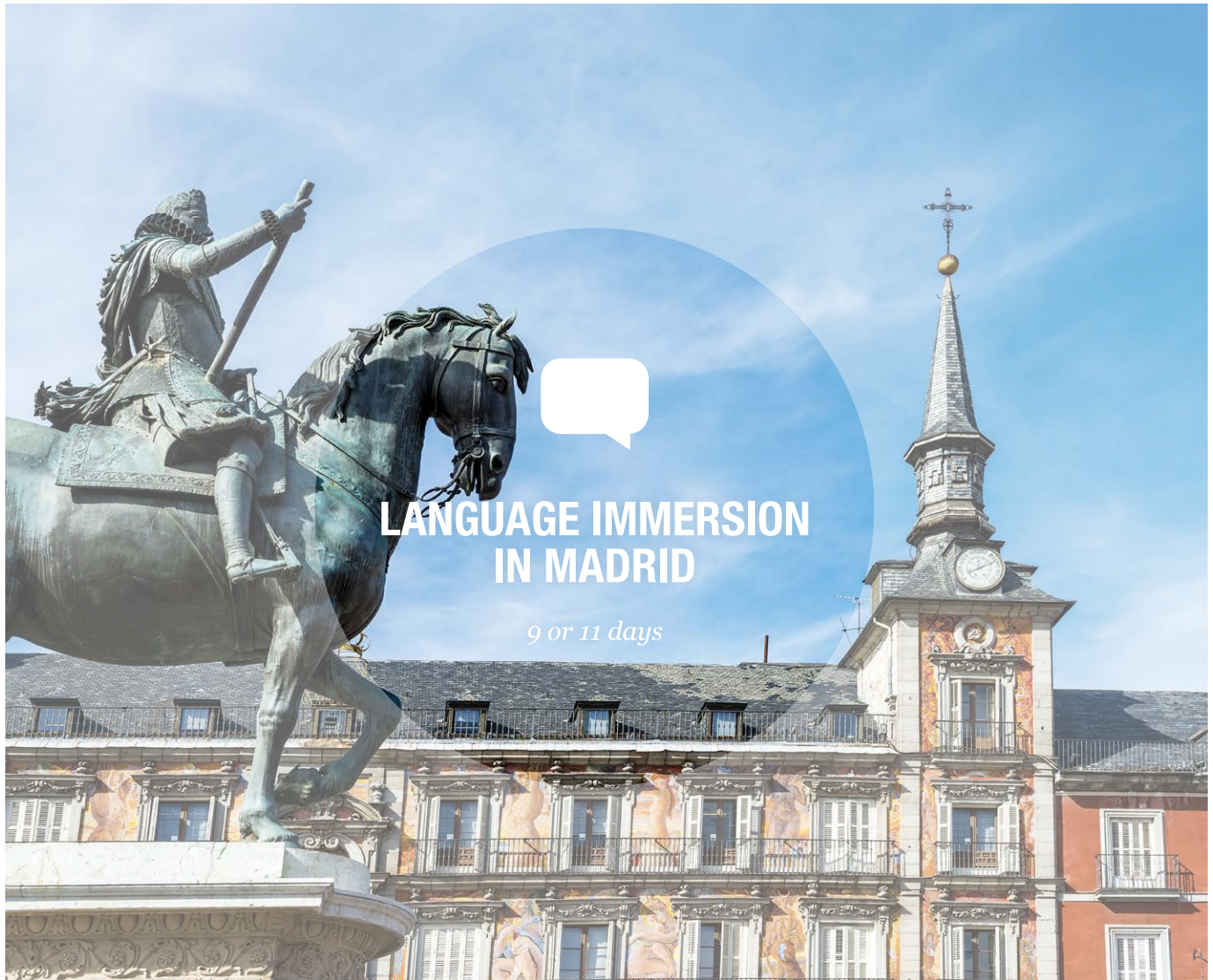




## ***Educational Tours***



### ***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 Madrid with authentic cultural experiences. Each day has a theme—like culture, 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 MADRID

9 or 11 days / Madrid / Extension to Barcelona

## *What you'll experience on your Language Immersion Tour*

Each day in Madrid is built around a **daily theme** that explores topics you can relate to—like food, sports, and history. 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 Madrid. 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 dance flamenco or cooking a traditional meal with a local chef 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 while playing a pickup game of soccer 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.

> Be sure to try the mouth-watering olives, a local specialty



Interact with locals at a flower stand as you explore Madrid



Prepare dinner at a traditional Spanish cooking class on day 5



^ Take a boat ride around el Parque del Buen Retiro during free time



## DAY 1: FLY OVERNIGHT TO SPAIN

### DAY 2: MADRID

Welcome to Spain's vibrant capital city of Madrid, a mecca for art lovers. You're greeted at the airport by your specially trained Language Immersion Program Director, who will be with you throughout your tour. Begin your adventure at the true center of Spain, la Puerta del Sol, the bustling square where the country's radial network of roads begins. Continue on to Plaza Mayor, infamous for executions during the Spanish Inquisition.

### DAY 3: TOLEDO | MADRID

- Take a tour of Toledo with an expert local guide. You'll see St. Mary's Synagogue and the Church of Santo Tomé, and observe a Damascene workshop.

### DAY 4: MADRID

*Today's Theme: Spanish History*—Early settlers made their home on the Spanish peninsula over 6,000 years ago. That was followed by waves of Roman rule, strong Arab influence, and the construction of the Spanish Empire, creating a unique culture and heritage that persists today. The development of Madrid as the political capital of Spain began when Philip II moved his court here from Toledo in the 1500s.

- Learn history-related terms and practice your conversational Spanish in an interactive language lesson.
- Take a tour of Spain's official royal residence, el Palacio Real.
- Explore Spain's national art museum, the Prado.

### DAY 5: MADRID

*Today's Theme: Spanish Culinary Traditions*—Spanish food has influences from many different geographies and cultures. Traditional Spanish cuisine consists of dishes ranging from full plates of fresh seafood from the surrounding waters, to small *tapas* shared with friends. Madrid's culinary scene is a blend of dishes from across the country, including *patatas bravas*, *huevos rotos*, and *tortillas de patatas*.

- Review and practice food-related vocabulary in an interactive language lesson.
- Located in the heart of Old Madrid, the historic Mercado San Miguel is famous for its fresh seasonal produce. You'll interact with local vendors during a market challenge and try traditional Spanish foods.
- Try your hand at preparing authentic Spanish foods during a cooking class.

## DAY 6: MADRID

*Today's Theme: Sports in Spain*—What many Americans call soccer is known as football, or *fútbol*, to a Spaniard—and to many Spaniards, football is life. Children learn to play the sport almost as soon as they can walk, and nearly every town in Spain has a football pitch and team. It's Spain's national sport for a reason: their fans and players are among the most devoted in the world.

- Practice your Spanish and discuss the influence of sports on Spain's culture during an interactive language lesson.
- Enjoy free time to explore the famous Parque del Buen Retiro or local flea markets.
- Take a tour of Santiago Bernabeu Stadium, current home of the Real Madrid Club de Fútbol.
- Enjoy a homemade dinner with locals, the perfect opportunity to gain insight into life in Spain (and to ask what teams they root for).

## DAY 7: MADRID

*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 where 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 conversational Spanish in an interactive language lesson that focuses on daily life in Spain.
- Participate in a cultural exchange activity with locals. Whether it's a trivia night, pick-up soccer game, a student-guided walking tour, or a community project, you'll hear about life in Madrid and what it's like to call Spain home. Of course, Spanish locals will want to learn about life in the U.S., so be ready to answer their questions, too!

## DAY 8: MADRID

*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. Another is flamenco, a traditional form of Spanish folk music and dance that grew out of Andalusian and Romani music styles. You will tie the two together today during your lessons and activities.

- Learn about traditional and contemporary Spanish culture during an interactive language lesson.
- Interact with locals as you compete in a citywide scavenger hunt.
- Discover the soul of Spain during a dance lesson and flamenco show.

## DAY 9: DEPART FOR HOME

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

### 2-day tour extension

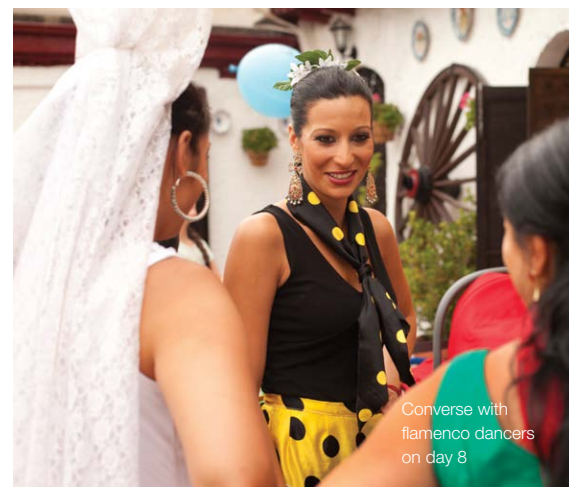
### DAY 9: MADRID | BARCELONA

- Travel by AVE, Spain's high-speed train, to Barcelona.
- Take a tour of Barcelona. Start at Las Ramblas, a mile-long treelined pedestrian boulevard which begins at the vibrant Plaza de Catalunya. Continue on to the oldest surviving part of the city, Barrio Gótico, with many buildings dating back to medieval times.

### DAY 10: BARCELONA

- Step inside La Sagrada Família, Antoni Gaudí's masterpiece of twisting spires and colorful mosaics. Construction has continued since 1882, yet no one knows if the finished product will be what Gaudí intended. Explore this bizarre masterpiece as you wander around the base and marvel at the enormous statues of saints.
- Visit Park Güell, Antoni Gaudí's playful garden masterpiece.

## DAY 11: DEPART FOR HOME



Converse with flamenco dancers on day 8



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### START PLANNING

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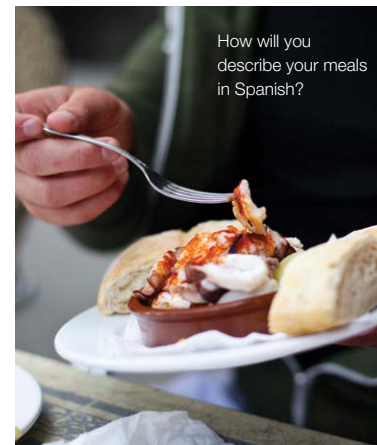
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### INSIGHT

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.



## 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.



### EF INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE SCHOOL

15 hours of language learning with a local language instructor.



### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Mercado San Miguel challenge; cooking class; dinner with locals; interactive activity with local students; city-wide scavenger hunt; Flamenco lesson and show.



### ENTRANCES

Church of Santo Tomé; Synagogue; Prado Museum; Royal Palace; Santiago Bernabeu Stadium; *with extension: La Sagrada Familia; Park Güell.*



### WESHARE

Our online platform for a deeper learning experience.

## ALL THE DETAILS ARE COVERED

Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (*9 with extension*); breakfast and dinner daily.