

Spanish Language and Culture Courses for Groups in Granada

Since 1993 Instituto Mediterráneo Sol has been organizing language stays for young people. The minimum duration is one week and courses are available during the whole year. It's a personalized program, as the Spanish intensive courses are organized according to the school levels and fit for the teachers' needs or the group guide.

Granada

Granada is a town situated at the foot of the Sierra Nevada. It has a population of 280.000 and it is an ideal site for winter sports being 36 km away from the winter resort of Sierra Nevada (3.480 m). Moreover, Granada is only 75 km far away from the famous Tropical Coast.



Course

Classes run in the morning from Monday to Friday, except on bank holidays and it's possible to start every Monday. In case a bank holiday falls on the chosen period, classes will be made up.

- Classes program: it can fit with the school program, according to the students level, or it can be decided by the groups guide: grammar classes or conversation about different subjects

- Classes per week: 15, 20 or 25, according to the organizers' needs

- Students per group: 10

- The Imsol teachers coordinator with the students guide will organize the groups on the basis of the Imsol Level Test that the students will do before the beginning of the course.

Certificate*

At the end of the course, participants will receive an Imsol Attendance Certificate specifying the achieved level

- The groups guide will get an Academic Report dealing with the contents of the classes and the background material

- If required, participants could also receive an Imsol Aptitude Certificate.

In this case, students have to pass an exam that Imsol will elaborate and evaluate

Accommodation

The week's stay begins on the Sunday before the start of the course and ends on the Saturday just after the end of it. It's necessary to pay extra nights coming or leaving on different days. We suggest to choose the Spanish homestay accommodation in case the group is under age: in a double room, with half/full board. It's possible to stay in a single room by paying an extra charge.

People we choose as family are totally reliable and with experience in it. Their relationship with the students is really homely to help the student to feel integrated in the Spanish life. Families will keep in touch with the groups guide and the school in case of problems.

The student has to respect the family's uses, the mealtime and the time to go back home in the night (the school decides). This time can't be change for any reason except for the organization of activities by the school; in this case the school will inform the families.

If the students went back home in late, he/she will have to inform the families and justify his/her late.

The students organization in the different families will be done according to their special needs, like allergies, feed uses and any other information given to the school. The group coordinator will get the families address in advance and a brief description about it. The Spanish families will receive all the information about the students they will give hospitality to too.



Activities Program

To enhance the learning experience we also offer daily activities. The program is customized to the group and it can be decided by the groups guide or by Imsol (see the examples). The activities run during the afternoon and they'll be followed by a teacher of Imsol or by a professional guide.

Imsol proposes an interesting program of daily activities. Some of them are:

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Workshop on Spanish and Latin-american **literature, history, art...**; Discussion about **current events** in the Spanish reality, also with videos and pictures; Workshop on poetry. Study of different poets and their works; Workshop on **Latin-american and Spanish music**; Spanish movies session. Daily showings of the most recent movies of contemporary directors such as Pedro Almodóvar, Carlos Saura, Alejandro Amenabar; Classes about South America, with videos and discussions; Visit to the Arab quarter, the **Albayzín**, with readings about its history and its features; Visit to **Sacromonte**; Visit to Granada centre and **Realejo**; Visit to **Carmen de los Mártires**; Different shows and cultural activities that occur in the stay period.






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The price for these activities will be low and it's for the transports, the tickets to churches or museums and for eventual material needed: Visit to **House-Museum Garcia Lorca** in Huerta de San Vicente; Visit to House-Museum Garcia Lorca in Fuente Vaqueros; Visit to **Cartuja Monastery**; Visit to the **Cathedral**; **Tapas** tour; Tapas tasting; Visit to **Manuel de Falla Museum**; Visit to the **Archeological Museum**; Visit to the **Royal Chapel**; La Zambra Museum, in **Sacromonte** way; Visit to the **Alhambra and Generalife**; Visit to the **Science Park**.







Excursions

Every week we organize excursions to places of tourist and cultural interest, such as:

-  **Sevilla**
-  **Córdoba**
-  **Ronda**
-  **Costa Tropical**
-  Granadian **Alpujarra** (typical Andalusian villages with white houses situated in the South part of Sierra Nevada).



The organization of these trips is made by Imsol in collaboration with a professional agency (since 1994), specialized in this kind of activities (excursions and cultural tours). The price includes:

-  **Guide:** as in the classes, the guide explications will be done in Spanish, in a simple and easy to understand language. Our guides have a lot of experience with foreigners
-  **Transport:** by bus or minibus, according to the number of students
-  **Individual insurance**
-  Entrance **tickets**

Students who stay in a family with full board will receive a packed lunch



Transfer

Instituto Mediterráneo Sol can organize a transfer service from the airport to Granada, if it's required. This service will be done as follow:



- **Transfer from the airport to Granada:** a person of the school will welcome the group in the airport and take them to Granada where all the families will be waiting for the students assigned.




- **Transfer from Granada to the airport:** a person of the school will check that all the students are at the meeting point to leave to the airport. The person of the school will not take them to the airport

Further services (included in the price)

- **24 h telephone**, for any emergency
- **A person of the school** collaborating with the groups guides. This person will be the point of reference for any problems (school, medical or personal problems) and he will be a kind of complement of the groups guide
- **Internet** (by pc in the school or laptop thanks to the WIFI connection), library and video library during the school office time.

Teachers guides

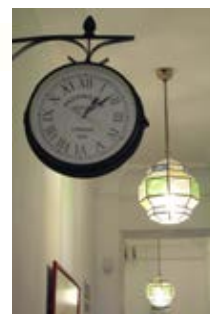
Every 15 students, one teacher is free. It includes:

-  **Accommodation** in a spanish family, full board, single room.
-  Participation to the **activities and excursions programme**.
-  **Attendance to one of the courses** that the school is carrying on in that moment, only when there are available places in the suitable level group.



To make a quotation the following information is required:

- Number of weeks (date of arrival and departure, if it's possible)
- Number of students
- Number of guide teachers
- Type of course and number of classes per week
- Type of accommodation in the Spanish family, chosen by the students and the teachers (half/full board)
- Activities and excursions the group would like to do
- Arrival and departure Airport



After the acceptance of the quotation, these details will be required:

1. A signed **parental authorisation form** (attached) for a minor, with:
 - **Student's name**
 - Parent or guardian **sign** (the name of the responsible person, in case that a parent is not available during the stay)
 - **Address**
 - **E-mail** address
 - **Telephone number**
 - **Fax number**

- Important **details** about the children such as allergies, feed uses...
- The **time** parents want their children to go back home in the evening (From Monday to Friday, not later than 24 h)

In case the student doesn't respect the school, the teacher guide or the parents rules explained in the form, the school will inform immediately the responsible teacher and take the adequate measures.

2. **Organization by couples** of the students
3. **Flight details** for arranging the **transfer** service: airport, arrival day and time, flight number
4. A **telephone number** to contact the guide teacher, in case of mishaps
5. "Purpose Sheet"



How to pay

Once the quotation has been accepted:

- A **25%** payment (on the total amount of the stay) has to be done. After the receipt, during the next three days, Inmsol will send the information about the families
- The rest of the payment (**75%**) must be done the week before the group departure.

*Legal information about Private Schools

"Not regulated teaching Agreement"

As all the private schools whose rules aren't imposed by the government, Instituto Mediterráneo Sol has its own certificates (attendance and aptitude), that means that they neither are issued nor recognised by any official organization. Instituto Mediterráneo Sol is a centre not owned by Consejería de Educación and Ciencia de la Junta de Andalucía or any other public organization. Even so: The levels in our Attendance and Aptitude Certificates, as the course programme and the general and specific goals per level that we want to achieve through the same, fit the European Common Reference Framework for the Languages and the Curricula Plan of Instituto Cervantes.



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