

MÁLAGA

COSTA DEL SOL



Mediterráneo
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Learn Spanish with sun and culture



MÁLAGA IS THE CITY OF PARADISE, as said Vincente Alexandre, winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1977. It's certainly a very vibrant, Spanish, capital city on Spain's southern coast renowned for its pleasant temperatures throughout the year and the warmth and hospitality of its people. Wide leafy boulevards contrast with the historic centre's tight network of streets; its dramatic hilly backdrop is the counterpoint to long stretches of beach and open Mediterranean waters. Málaga was founded over 3000 years ago, is the birth place of Picasso and, as it seeks to be the European city of culture in 2016, there's always some cultural event or feria to take advantage of. Moreover, it's a well situated and connected base from which to explore Granada, Córdoba, Seville, Gibraltar and Morocco as well as the intriguing villages and towns of its province.



Why Málaga? Many students who choose Málaga ask themselves this question. The answer is simple. In Málaga you can learn Spanish with a climate, culture, beaches, services, entertainment and transport links that are the envy of other cities. All of this has made our home one of the most preferred destinations for students of Spanish and we invite you to enjoy it with us. You will have a good time in our school whilst deepening your understanding and enjoyment of the Andalusian way of life. www.malagaturismo.com tells you more about Málaga.

THE SCHOOL

ESCUELA MEDITERRANEO, since the beginning of January we have been working in our new rooms. Thanks to this new location we can offer our students even more magnificent conditions in our school, as there are for example: Reception desk, 8 class rooms, WLAN, cafeteria area, office, multifunction room, 3 bathrooms, air conditioning and central heating and a lot more.

The new address is:

C/. San Nicolás, 11º - I, oficinas I - J 29016 Málaga

The phone and the fax number are still the same.

The school is situated in the quarter "la Malagueta", at only 150m from the beach and at 7 minutes walking from the "Plaza de la Merced". You can see this looking on the map.

Mediterraneo School is a member of ACEM (Asociación de Centros de Español de Málaga), having passed all the quality tests of this association. It is also an accredited centre of the "Instituto Hispánico de la Rioja".

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Our methodology is progressive, in accordance with the European Reference Guide recommendations, and the parameters for foreign language teaching. You will start according to your level and will consistently acquire new grammar and communicative structures that will enable you to improve your level day by day.





We believe, however, that you can't really learn a language just by sitting in the classroom and learning grammar constructions. You need to get to know Spanish people and their culture. Our ambition is that students return home feeling the same enthusiasm for this country and its way of life as we do. To achieve this, our teachers offer a programme in which you will experience the Spanish, and in particular the Andalusian, way of life. We put an emphasis on direct contact with the culture (monuments, flamenco, art, markets, concerts, movies, poetry, story telling and exhibitions) inside and outside the classroom through classes 'medio ambiente'.

Mediterraneo strives to be an open school, with a welcoming environment and a friendly atmosphere in which everyone, teachers and students, can suggest ideas for the best development of the courses. Here your teacher is not a director but your guide through the learning process.

COURSES

Our courses deal with all the aspects of the language: oral and written comprehension, grammar, vocabulary and conversation. We offer general language courses (Curso 20, curso 20+5, curso 20 +10, curso 30, D.E.L.E.) and special courses (e.g. Business Spanish, Spanish for the Tourist Industry).

In each class, student numbers are limited to 8, with an average of 4-5 students per class. This allows the teacher to follow the progress of each individual student. Course material consists of textbooks and material developed by the school's teaching staff.

General Courses

General courses are organized into five levels. Each level takes approximately four weeks, depending on the student's pace. You start at the level appropriate to your prior knowledge and choose the number of weeks you wish to study with us.

Classes take place from Monday through Friday, normally in the morning, although, depending on the number of students and on the capacity of the school, some classes may be held in the afternoon.

Each group lesson lasts 50 minutes and each private lesson lasts 45 minutes.

Curso 20

This course consists of 20 group classes per week: 4 classes per day. The first two classes focus on learning the grammar and the last two concentrate on communication.

Curso 30

This course consists of 30 group classes per week: 6 classes per day. The first two classes focus on grammar, the next two on communication and two more enable you to practice and further amplify that learning.

Curso 20 + 5

This course consists of 20 group classes plus 5 private classes per week. The day will start with a private class - its content determined by your needs. After that, there will be four group classes: two focus on grammar, two on communication.

Curso 20 + 10 (D.E.L.E., E.C.C.O.)

This course consists of 20 groups classes plus 10 private classes per week. The organisation of these classes is the same as for curso 20+5 but with an extra private lesson at the end of each day. The course is geared towards the student who wants to prepare for the DELE (The Diploma of Spanish as a Foreign Language) and E.C.C.O (Instituto Hispánico de la Rioja) exams.

Private lessons

Private lessons focus on meeting your individual learning needs and goals.

Special courses

These courses are designed to help you meet your professional goals in a particular field. We have divided these into 4 types:

- 1. Spanish for work: business, tourism, science, law; and Hispanic studies...** The normal organization of these courses is of 4 standard group classes a day and a number, established by the student, of special classes. These special classes can be private or in a group and will be taught by a professionally accredited teacher in that field. You will need to get in touch with us in advance (2-to-4 weeks before starting the course) to agree price and schedule.
- 2. Forum for Teachers of Spanish as a Foreign Language:** This is a discussion forum for professional teachers of Spanish as a Foreign Language, in which, under the guidance of a qualified Hispanic Linguist, teachers will analyze the methods and literature for teaching Spanish.
- 3. Active Spanish:** It's a general language course combined with sport activities (golf, skiing, scuba diving, rock climbing, sailing ...), ideal for sports lovers.
- 4. Courses for schools.** We like to call these, "Cursos a la Carte". That is to say that we plan and organize the course according to your aims and schedule. We also offer your students cultural visits and entertainment in Málaga and its surrounding cities. We're open most of the year, so come for half-term break, Easter or during term-time.



ACTIVITIES

Mediterraneo organizes a whole host of activities for you to participate in so that you can put to use what you learn in class and learn from us 'the art of life' Spanish style:

- *Our famous parties, where you can meet other students and Spaniards in a relaxed environment.*
- *International Dinners, where, if you want, you can learn how to make our famous dishes - paella and tortilla - and try the national dishes of other students' countries.*
- *Dining out in the restaurants of Málaga and its province to taste modern Andalusian cuisine.*
- *Free, weekly, guided visits of Málaga's museums, monuments and Botanical Garden.*
- *Guided, weekend excursions to the surrounding attractions (Granada, Seville, Cordoba, Ronda, Gibraltar, Morocco ...).*
- *Outings to concerts, theatres, movies, flamenco, exhibitions ...*
- *Spanish film screenings in the school, with discussion afterwards.*
- *Sports: in combination with a course (Active Spanish) or individually.*
- *Flamenco dance course or flamenco guitar course: the school offers two hours a week of free "sevillanas" lessons during the summer.*

... and, every week, we provide you with information about activities and events in Málaga that you can take part in.

LEVELS

Level A (for students with no knowledge of Spanish).

Introduction to the basic Spanish grammatical structures, pronunciation, vocabulary and its application in daily situations.

Level B (for students with some previous knowledge of Spanish).

Improves on prior knowledge of Spanish or what has been acquired in the Level A course by introducing grammatical structures and vocabulary that enable you to deal with more complex social and personal situations.

Level C (for students with basic knowledge of Spanish).

In this level we work on learning and practicing past tenses (imperfect and indefinite) and their application in written and oral expressions. In addition, we briefly introduce the subjunctive tense and its application in social situations.

Level D (for students with a good knowledge of Spanish).

Perfect oral and written production is the objective of this level. For this reason, in addition to a review of all the indicative tenses, the level focuses on learning and using the subjunctive tense and mastering set phrases and Spanish idioms.

Level E (for students with a very good knowledge of Spanish).

The content of this level is the acquisition of lexicon and the total improvement of grammar knowledge. Ideal for students who are preparing for exams or want to work in a Spanish business.



CERTIFICATES AND DIPLOMAS

In our center, at the end of each course, we give two types of certificates: a certificate of attendance (number of hours, levels etc.) without any final test; and a certificate of aptitude in which the result of the assessment test is included. This is a two-hour test, sat in the last two hours of the course; it is then corrected and the accredited diploma awarded.

Students also have the opportunity to return home with an officially recognized qualification in Spanish because we are approved to prepare students for, and examine them in, E.C.C.O. (basico, medio, superior). You can decide to take the exam at the end of a general course or choose an E.C.C.O specific course from the outset. Learn more about E.C.C.O. from www.ihlr.com

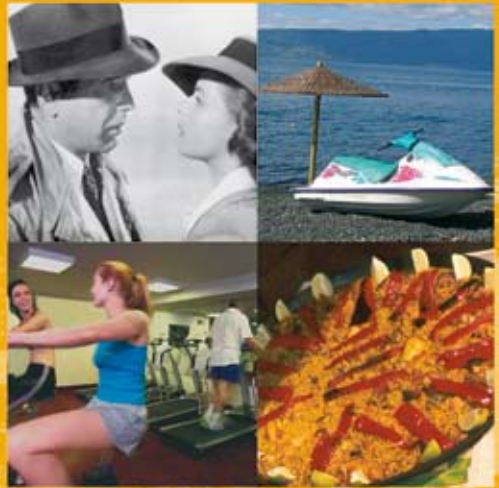
At the same time, we certify courses associated with the German "Bildungsurlaub" program and can accept Swedish CSN students.

OTHER SERVICES

The school can help you to hire bikes, motorbikes and cars. We can organize any type of course or activity you want, from cookery, salsa, ballroom dancing or horseback riding to snorkelling, an extreme sport or even a track to practice your favourite sport. We can help organise childcare or enrolment in a gym as well as help you reserve tickets for the theatre or a movie.

We can assist with transfer to and from the airport, doctor visits, hospitals and private insurance (in addition to the insurance provided by the school against Accidents and of Civil Responsibility). Just ask us!

To sum up, we offer everything necessary for a perfect stay, not forgetting our speciality: **EFFECTIVE TEACHING IN A PLEASANT ENVIRONMENT.**



ACCOMMODATION



We can find accommodation for you. Accommodation is near the school and includes:

- **Apartment shared with other students:** Independent living with other students (Spanish or students from the schools). All the apartments have a bathroom, kitchen and living room. You can choose between a twin or a single room.
- **Studio apartments:** For total independence or if you are accompanied by someone else, the school can rent an apartment for one or two people.
- **Spanish family:** Students that like good cooking should choose this option, as families offer accommodation in a twin or single room with half board.
- **Residence:** This option is only possible during the summer season. Full or half board is available. Ideal for groups.
- **Hotels, Pensions:** It's also possible to get a reservation in a hotel or pension.

Important: whatever type of accommodation you choose, you will need to bring your own sheets and towels.

MEETING POINT



Students can pick up the keys to their accommodation and information pack on Sunday at school from 12 to 15 and from 17h to 22h.

From the airport: bus n. 19 (last bus at about midnight) to "Plaza del general Torrijos" (last stop, at the end of "Paseo del Parque").

estimated time: 45 minutes. Price: 1 €.

By taxi: ask for the agreed meeting point.

estimated time: 30 minutes. Price: from 15 € to 20 €.

From the train station: bus n. 3 to "Plaza general Torrijos" (at the end of "Paseo del Parque").

estimated time: 25 minutes. Price 1 €.

By taxi: ask for the agreed meeting point.

estimated time: 10 minutes. Price: 7 €.

From the bus station: bus n. 3 or n. 14 to "Plaza general Torrijos" (at the end of "Paseo del Parque").

estimated time: 25 minutes. Price 1 €.

By taxi: ask for the agreed meeting point.

estimated time: 10 minutes. Price: 7 €.

You also can book a transfer (25 €).

From "Plaza del general Torrijos" you keep walking up to the end of the park and cross the street to the right at the traffic lights. Then you will arrive in front of the store "open cor" that you leave right hand before you go downstairs. You will be in calle San Nicolás where at the left side you can find our school in the building N 11 on the first floor.





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