

LIVE AND STUDY

IN YOUR TEACHER'S HOME IN

in Gran Canaria **INGENIO**





MAKE SPAIN YOUR CLASSROOM

With you, every step of the way!

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WE ARE THE EXPERTS

Welcome to our Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP) in the captivating Gran Canaria!

Embark on a transformative journey with our **Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme** (SHIP), a dynamic alternative to traditional Spanish Intensive Courses.

Immerse yourself in the vibrant rhythm of Spanish life and delve deep into its rich culture.

Our programme presents an unparalleled opportunity for you to not only learn Spanish but to truly experience it by residing in the welcoming home of your dedicated teacher in Gran Canaria.

Join us as we venture beyond the conventional paths, guiding you to uncover the authentic essence of the Canary Islands!

ABOUT YOUR HOST TEACHER IN GRAN CANARIA

Miquel, an accredited Spanish teacher offering an immersive language course in Gran Canaria, Spain, is deeply passionate about fostering a multicultural environment where students can truly thrive.

With years of experience in immersive teaching, he believes in the power of language to bridge cultural divides and create meaningful connections. His approach goes beyond traditional classroom methods, immersing students in the rich Spanish culture that surrounds them in Gran Canaria.

Furthermore, Miquel's passion for gastronomy, arts, sports, social justice, and spirituality infuses every aspect of the course. Students not only learn the language but also engage with the vibrant culinary scene, participate in cultural events and sports activities, and delve into discussions about social justice issues and spirituality.

Likes and passions:

- Multiculturalism
- Nature
- Gastronomy
- Arts and sports
- Social justice
- Spirituality



MIQUEL

"I love making learning easy by providing personalised programmes to my students. I will help you improve your Spanish in a creative and fun way, focused on your needs and interests. Even more, all of this right in the middle of the history, nature and the flavours of Gran Canaria. I guarantee you one of the greatest experiences of your life".



What is the Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP) about?

The **Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP)** is one of the most enjoyable methods to learn and improve your Spanish by studying abroad for an intensive period of time. By enrolling in one of our **Spanish homestay immersion programmes**, you will go to some of the most **exciting destinations in Spain (Barcelona, Valencia, Mallorca and Menorca amongst others)** and **live and study Spanish in one of our host teacher's home**, where you will mingle with their friends and family.

Programme lengths can vary. You can arrange a rigorous one or two-week Spanish homestay immersion programme or even stay longer.

Our **Spanish homestay immersion programmes** are ideal because they are **bespoke**, **authentic**, **thrilling** and **customizable**.

Who is the Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP) for?

The **Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP)** is open to anyone! Our students typically range **from being in their 20s to their 70s** and come from various backgrounds and different levels, including **university students** wanting to get ready for their first job in an international company, **adolescents** hoping to improve their Spanish language solely for self-improvement and higher confidence in communication skills, **retirees** with a passion for anything Spanish, small **groups of friends** with similar interests, **families** seeking an educational vacation, and **business executives** looking to improve teamwork.

Which Spanish destinations can you choose from?

There are **several regions in Spain** where our **Spanish homestay immersion programmes** are offered. You can choose from **Barcelona**, **Valencia**, **Mallorca and Menorca** amongst others. Every time we open a new location, we make sure it can provide you with the best travel and holiday opportunities as well as **a place to learn or improve your Spanish**. Keep in mind that this is also **your chance to go to and see wonderful destinations!** In order to provide a wide selection of locations in Spain for immersion homestays, we continually increase our network of host teachers.

Can't find your destination on our network?

At Spanish Express we recognise that every person has distinctive tastes, and as a result, we work to provide programmes that are catered to all types of people with various interests. We can work out a custom plan for you in any Spanish speaking country or region that will help you not only learn the Spanish language, but also gain an understanding of other Spanish-speaking cultures.



Who are the host teachers of the Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP)?

Our **certified Spanish instructors** are **native Spanish speakers** with many years of experience teaching Spanish to **students from all over the world**. Teachers create a **bespoke programme** based on the initial language level test and personal consultation taken with the host teacher in one online session prior to the arrival to the chosen destination in Spain.

Moreover, most of our certified teachers are also **official examiners** for the following **UK exam boards:** AQA, Pearson Edexcel, OCR and WJEC.

In addition, most of our certified teachers are official examiners for the Spanish certifications DELE and SIELE.

Would you like to prepare and/or take an official exam while participating in the Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP)?

You can prepare for the **Spanish GCSE, IGCSE or A level** exam with us for the following UK exam boards: **AQA, Pearson Edexcel, OCR and WJEC.** You can also take your exam with us!

Spanish Express is a branch of **David Game College**. David Game College has been a recognised examination centre since 1974.

You can also prepare with us for the following official Spanish qualifications:

- The Diploma of Spanish as a Foreign Language (DELE)
- The International Spanish Language Evaluation Service (SIELE)

Is Spanish Express an accredited centre for Spanish official exams?

Yes, Spanish Express is one of the seven accredited Spanish SIELE Exam Centres in the UK, and we can also organise remote exams for SIELE from Spain as long as you are enrolled in any of our courses or immersion programmes.

For the **DELE exam** you need to go to the **DELE Exam Centre**. We can help you with the enrolment once you have finished the exam preparation course with us.







What are the benefits of our Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP) * Live & Study Spanish in your teacher's home*?

Living and studying a language in your teacher's home can offer a number of benefits, including:

- 1. **Immersion:** Living with your teacher provides an immersive experience, allowing you to be constantly surrounded by the language and culture you are studying. This can accelerate your learning and help you to develop natural speaking and listening skills.
- 2. **Personalized learning:** Living with your teacher allows for personalized and tailored instruction. Your teacher can focus on your individual needs and work with you to improve your weaknesses.
- 3. **Cultural experience:** Living with your teacher provides a unique opportunity to experience the culture firsthand. You can learn about customs, traditions, and ways of life that are not easily learned in a classroom.
- 4. **Practice outside of class:** Living with your teacher provides ample opportunity to practice the language outside of class time. This can include informal conversations at meal times or while doing activities together.
- 5. **Convenience:** Living with your teacher eliminates the need for commuting to and from classes, allowing you to spend more time studying and practicing the language.

Overall, living and studying a language in your teacher's home can be a highly effective way to learn a language, as it offers an immersive and personalized learning experience, as well as a unique cultural experience.

Our Spanish Homestay Immersion Programme (SHIP)

Live & Study Spanish in your teacher's home

it's more than just a peek through a window. It's discovering a new life, a new you!



YOUR STAY

ACCOMMODATION

This host teacher only accepts **one or two students at a time**, ensuring that each student has their own **private bedroom** with a **double bed** and a **shared bathroom**.

It's important to make sure that the accommodation meets the needs of our guests and that everyone is comfortable. If there are any specific requirements or preferences, it's a good idea to discuss them with us to see if they can be accommodated.

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
- Shared guest bathroom
- Breakfast, a snack/packed lunch, and a prepared evening meal are included with full board (only meals at home)
- Bedding and towels are provided
- Dietary restrictions (see supplements)
- Toiletries
- Wi-Fi, TV & Netflix

EXCURSIONS

The **SHIP** has a large array of **excursions and exciting activities** available within each programme. During the **online session before arrival**, 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 student before they arrive.

In addition to the excursions included in the programme they choose, students can request additional excursions, either alone or with their host teacher (extra fees apply).

YOUR ACCOMMODATION

The house features:

Nestled in the heart of Ingenio, Gran Canaria, our language immersion center is not just a place to learn Spanish; it's a gateway to a magical world teeming with nature's wonders. Imagine stepping into your Spanish home, a typical traditional Canarian house exuding charm and character.

With its two floors and a terrace offering panoramic views of the surrounding landscape, it's not just a dwelling but a sanctuary where learning intertwines with leisure.





Step outside onto the terrace, and you're greeted by a symphony of sights and sounds that only nature can orchestrate. The gentle rustle of palm leaves in the breeze, the melodious chirping of birdsong, and the distant murmur of waves crashing against the shore—all come together to create a sensory feast for the soul. Here, you can bask in the warm embrace of the sun, recline on a comfortable lounger, or simply lose yourself in the tranquility of the moment.



PHOTOS OF THE HOUSE









PLACES YOU WILL BE VISITING



Blending learning with culture

Our SHIP will take you on a journey to discover...

Gran Canaria



Gran Canaria is a top pick for a holiday getaway any time of the year, and it's easy to see why. With its unbeatable climate and stunning beaches, it's a paradise waiting to be explored. But beyond the sun and sand, this island offers so much more, boasting incredible natural beauty and a haven for water sports enthusiasts.

The landscape diversity on Gran Canaria is truly remarkable, stretching across its 236 kilometers of coastline.

Ingenio

Ingenio, a municipal town, sits 27 kilometers from the island's capital and 14 kilometers from Telde. Its altitude ranges from 310 to 1,200 meters above sea level, with the peak of Los Marteles Crater marking its highest point.

In the historical quarter of Ingenio, you'll find La Candelaria Square, home to both the Town Hall and the church of the same name. The church, dating back to 1901, was erected on the site of the former hermitage of La Candelaria. Notably, its bells were crafted and gifted by Canarians living in Cuba in 1820.



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Ingenio town centre

The Plaza Mayor de Santa Ana is one of the most emblematic places in the city of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, located on the island of Gran Canaria, in the neighborhood of Vegueta alongside the most important building of Canary Islands religious architecture, the Cathedral of Santa Ana.

The historic quarter of Ingenio boasts a treasure trove of architectural wonders, including quaint streets lined with traditional Canarian houses adorned with colorful facades. Plaza de La Candelaria, as mentioned earlier, serves as the heart of the historic district, offering a glimpse into the town's past.

Waterfalls

Discovering the hidden waterfalls of Gran Canaria is a true gem for those seeking off-the-beaten-path adventures. Often tucked away and elusive, these cascades reveal their splendor mainly during the island's rainiest season, from October to March. But for avid hikers and nature enthusiasts, these months offer prime opportunities to explore.

Don't miss the chance to witness the majestic rivers and waterfalls that emerge in the canals and ravines of Gran Canaria—an experience that promises to immerse you in the island's natural beauty like never before.



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Caves in the Guayadeque ravine



Nestled in the southeast of Gran Canaria, the Guayadeque Ravine (or Barranco) is a captivating natural treasure shared by the municipalities of Agüimes and Ingenio. This picturesque gorge offers an array of enchanting experiences for visitors seeking adventure and wonder.

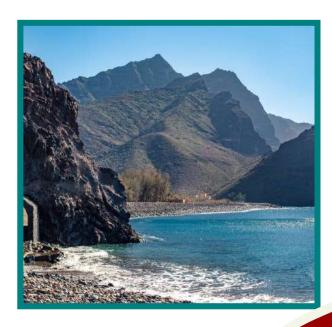
Delve into the rich archaeological heritage of Guayadeque as you uncover traces of its ancient past. From archaeological sites to artifacts, the ravine holds secrets waiting to be unearthed, offering insight into its storied history.

El Burrero beach

Set against the coastline, this picturesque beach boasts crystal-clear waters and soft, goldenbrown sands. Offering stunning vistas and ideal conditions for swimming and sunbathing, it's a serene escape.

In the summer, the beach becomes a hub for water sports enthusiasts, with perfect conditions for windsurfing and funboarding.

A leisurely stroll along the promenade reveals charming restaurants serving delectable cuisine, enhancing the coastal experience. Nearby lies the bustling port of Taliarte, providing easy access to further maritime adventures.



PRICES

PRICE PER WEEK PER PERSON FROM *(€)

STANDARD

*FROM 1.450€ 15h Spanish lessons 4 activities/excursions

NUMBER OF PERSONS

1-2

Embark on a cultural and linguistic journey by immersing yourself in a shared experience at the teacher's home. Create lasting memories with your host teacher, their family, and friends in a dynamic and collaborative environment.

PLEASE NOTE

- Payment in full is required upon receipt of the invoice.
- Additional charges apply per person during July, August, School Half Term, Easter, and Christmas holidays.
- A supplementary fee is applicable for a single student.
- An extra charge is incurred for single occupancy of a double room.
- A supplement is applicable for special dietary requirements.

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)

SPANISH TUTION FOR EXAM PREPARATION (IGCSE, A LEVEL, DELE & SIELE)*

* PLEASE ASK FOR A QUOTE

PREMIUM

*FROM 1.650€ 20h Spanish lessons 5 activities/excursions

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Online session prior to arrival
- Spanish level test
- 15 or 20 hours of general Spanish lessons
- Around 20 hours of Spanish conversation during meals and activities
- Activities and excursions with guided conversations
- Full-board accommodation (only meals at home)
- Study materials
- Wi-Fi in your teacher's home
- Certificate and report
- Video souvenir

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Flights/trains to/from Spain
- Airport transfers
- Travel & medical insurance
- Optional excursions*
- Extra tuition*
- Alcoholic drinks *
- Meals outside the house*

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Please check our **Terms & Conditions** when booking your programme.

^{*}Can be arranged at an extra cost



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We have the right Spanish homestay immersion programme to make your dream a reality!

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