



Spanish in Spain

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Leir Education: A Journey of Growth and Excellence: Founded in 2013 by husband-and-wife duo Peter Donnelly and Rosa Terrassa, Leir Education began with summer language programs designed for Spanish children and adults to experience immersive learning in Ireland. Over the years, these initiatives' success and organic growth led to the establishment of the Leir Language Academy, expanding the organization's offerings to include the teaching of Spanish and English (ESL) alongside other educational pursuits.

Today, Leir Education offers a wide array of programs, including summer camps, year-round educational initiatives, Erasmus opportunities, work-experience placements, school stays, and homestay arrangements. All programs are underpinned by Leir Education's core values of exceptional service, quality, safety, and care, ensuring enriching and transformative experiences for participants and partners alike.

Leir Education Launches 'Spanish in Spain' Programs: As 2024 came to an end, Leir Education proudly unveiled its highly anticipated Spanish in Spain program. This new initiative continues the tradition of immersive language education, but now providing Irish students with the opportunity to enhance their Spanish proficiency in vibrant, activity-based native locations. In its dedication to excellence, Leir Education has also secured full membership of the Irish Aviation Authority (IAA), becoming a fully bonded and licensed travel agent. This accreditation meets the stringent Department of Education requirements for school tours and group travel, guaranteeing participants comprehensive financial and safety protections.

The Spanish in Spain program reflects Leir Education's commitment to delivering engaging, high-quality, and culturally enriching educational experiences. We are excited to introduce this exclusive offering and invite you to join us on this remarkable new journey!



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Albergue Olocau, Valencia

Our Albergue Olocau residence is thoughtfully equipped with modern amenities and facilities to ensure a comfortable and secure stay for all participants. Spacious, well-appointed accommodation provides a welcoming and relaxing home away from home. In the dining area, students enjoy nutritious and delicious meals, with a variety of options to cater to all dietary requirements.

Fully equipped classrooms offer the perfect setting for seamless and engaging learning sessions, while our highly trained and approachable staff are always on hand to provide support and answer any questions. Every detail has been considered to create an environment where students can thrive, both academically and socially.

Offering an extensive range of sports and adventure activities to suit every interest, such as canoeing, cycling, football, mini-golf, and much more and for those with a curiosity for the natural world, activities like astronomy and botany provide unique opportunities for exploration and discovery.

Just 20 minutes away, the historic and vibrant city of Valencia awaits, offering incredible attractions such as the iconic City of Arts and Sciences, the immersive Bioparc, and idyllic sandy beaches. This prime location provides the perfect balance of campus excitement and cultural exploration, ensuring an enriching and unforgettable experience for all participants!

A 50,000 M2 self contained Campus offering:

- Complete full-board residential stay
- Two Swimming pools
- Wide open spaces and recreation areas.
- Rotating observatory
- Two open-air multi-sport courts.
- 7-a-side natural grass Football pitch
- Full complement of Male and Female Facilities
- Zip Line, Rope Bridge, Climbing tower and all adventure activities on Campus
- Purpose built 14,000 m2 canoeing lake
- 24-hour on-call, on-campus nurse
- 24-hour fully allocated monitor supervision
- Accompanying teachers with each group. Ratio of 1:15





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Albergue Olocau, Valencia : Inclusions & Exclusions

Inclusions:

- Cost, Booking and Management of Flights. Note: Late bookings will incur an extra fee of €40 per person
- Travel Insurance, 10kg bag plus backpack (carry-on)
- The complete management & planning of the program including liaising with teachers.
- Final parent, teacher & student meeting six weeks before departure date.
- Airport transfers from the Airport to the Final destination in Spain.
- Return transfers to and from all locations as shown in the final program itinerary.
- Shared residential en-suite accommodation for students.
- Private on-campus Teachers' accommodation.
- Meals included are as per the program: Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks and Dinner.
- Entry fees for all additional attractions (if any) will be shown on the final program itinerary.
- On-campus 24/7 support and supervision.
- Fully trained and experienced on-campus supervisors who have a good level of English.
- On-campus medical centre and nurse.
- Fully supervised on-campus activities.
- **A Senior Leir representative may travel with the group as additional support** (TBC)
- **A subsidised centre inspection visit for two adults representing your school** (TBC)

Exclusions:

- Transfers to and or from Dublin airport
- Medical Insurance (Students must have a valid E111)
- Cancellation insurance
- Pocket / Spending Money
- Food and refreshments while on excursions

PROGRAMS: We currently have two offerings under our 'Spanish in Spain' programs specially suited to secondary school groups.

- **Active Bilingual Immersion** contains a Spanish language element which includes fun Language Exchange activities with a local Spanish school, giving the students a good opportunity to improve their language skills
- **Activity-based school tour** contains all the fun activities but without the need to use Spanish. All our mentors speak good English, so the lack of the language will not impede in any way the fun or experience for anybody.





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RATES, SCHEDULE EXAMPLES & OPTIONAL EXTRAS

SCHEDULE EXAMPLE: The schedule shown is standard. We are aware that one size does not fit all, so alternatives are possible. The schedule will give a good indication of the program activities and of course, every effort will be made to accommodate each group's requirements if alternatives are sought.

NOTE: Rates are based on a group of forty students with a free-teacher ratio of approximately 1:10. Leir may also send an accompanying assistant as additional support. For groups less than forty, please contact us for a quote.

PROGRAM DURATION OPTIONS:

- 4 Days / 3 Nights
- 5 Days / 4 Nights (example provided below)
- 6 Days / 5 Nights

We specialize in creating tailored bespoke experiences. If you have specific requirements or would like a custom quote, don't hesitate to contact us. We pride ourselves on our versatility and are here to bring your vision to life.

SPANISH IN SPAIN - VALANCIA EXAMPLE ITENARY

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
1	Arrival - Valencia Airport	On Campus Adventure Activities	Night Games
2	Excursion to Valencia	Malvarrosa beach Valencia	Fun contests / Open night
3	Adventure Activities	Science Museum	Competitions
4	Oceanographic	Gulliver Parc	Farewell party
5	Farewell activities	Departure - Valencia Airport	
Prices	4-day / 3-night stay € 890	5-day / 4-night stay € 970	6-day / 5-night stay € 1,050

For schools that have an interest in and teach the Spanish Language, we can introduce an on-campus 'Language Exchange' element, for this and other bespoke options don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

SPANISH IN SPAIN - VALANCIA OPTIONAL EXTRAS

Skiing	€ 145.00	Boat trip to Albufera Park	€ 7.50
Paddle boarding, Surfing School	€ 55.00	Port Aventura Park	€ 65.00
Sleeping with Sharks	€ 55.00	Bioparc	€ 30.00

Note: Rates are per group and subject to minimim numbers.



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OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

OCEANOGRÁFIC VALENCIA:

The largest aquarium in Europe is located in the avant-garde architectural complex of the City of Arts and Sciences in Valencia, the aquarium is a true tribute to the oceans of the planet with aquariums which faithfully reproduce the most important marine ecosystems. One of the highlights of this activity must be **'SLEEPING WITH SHARKS'** a special limited opportunity to spend a night in a glass dome surrounded by sharks and other ocean inhabitants... an amazing experience!



THE MEDITERRANEAN SURF SCHOOL:

For those interested in water sports and the sea, for those who would like to familiarise themselves with Surfing, Paddleboarding, or windsurfing our friends at the Mediterranean Surf School Valencia can organise the activity best suited for almost any group.

BIOPARC VALENCIA: Bioparc Foundation is a non-profit organisation that emerged from the conservation philosophy of Bioparc Fuengirola, Bioparc Valencia and Bioparc Acuario de Gijón. The three parks focus on protecting and conserving nature and wildlife through awareness, education, art and international programs of conservation both in the parks themselves (ex-situ) and in the original ecosystems of the different species (in situ).

At a time when nature is giving clear signals that global warming is causing dramatic changes in the global ecology of our planet and with the human population approaching eight billion, education and awareness have become the last hope to achieve the changes necessary to correct the devastating footprint of our species.





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Mas Pagés, Girona, A Spanish Immersion Experience

Our Costa Brava program offers an immersive Spanish learning experience at a renovated 17th-century farmhouse in 120 acres of protected countryside. Located just 22 minutes from Girona and 1 hour 25 minutes from Barcelona, this picturesque setting blends on-site adventure activities with cultural visits to Girona and Barcelona.

Set against the Pyrenees Mountains, the location provides a peaceful retreat, yet remains within easy reach of vibrant cities. Each student also receives a workbook to deepen their language learning, making the Costa Brava program an unforgettable blend of adventure, culture, and education.

Spanish-native Monitors lead all activities in Spanish, encouraging students to practice in real-time during both structured activities and casual interactions. The program includes high ropes, zip-lining, and team-building exercises, as well as fun, language-focused tasks like market missions. Excursions to local towns offer further opportunities to engage with Spanish culture and language.

With tailored workbooks reinforcing their learning and activities conducted in Castilian Spanish for consistency, students embark on an enriching journey to speak, learn, and grow in a dynamic and unforgettable setting.



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SCHEDULE EXAMPLE: The schedule shown is an example and as we all know one size does not fit all, so alternatives are welcomed the below will give a good idea of the program activities, but of course, every effort will be made to accommodate each group's requirements if alternatives are sought.

PROGRAM DURATION OPTIONS:

- 4 Days / 3 Nights (example provided below)
- 5 Days / 4 Nights: Add *** or it can be an alternative for another midweek day (Supplement applies)

We specialize in creating tailored bespoke experiences. If you have specific requirements or would like a custom quote please contact us. We pride ourselves on our versatility and are here to bring your vision to life.

A Spanish Immersion Experience - Schedule example

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
1	Arrival (Barcelona / Girona)	Check-in, meet Monitors, Spanish presentation/orientation games	Evening Activities with Monitors
2	Spanish Vocabulary & Treasure Hunt with Team building activities	Spanish Cooking Workshop, Outdoor games (Football / Basketball)	Evening Activities with Monitors
3	Excursion to Barcelona visit Segrada Familia	Transfer to Las Ramblas, La Boqueria Market & Gothic Quarter	Evening Activities with Monitors
4	Spanish Vocabulary	Games & Activities with Monitors and pack before departing by coach to Barcelona Airport	Arrival in Dublin Airport
***	Spanish Vocabulary, Excursion to Empuries	Visit to Greek-Roman Village	Packed lunch on Beech & Games, swim (weather dependent)

Night activities choice includes: Quizzes, Games, disco, songs, talent show, flashlight game, Zumba, Gowing Away Party

Note: The swimming pool is open from June to September. (Cost of Life-Guard Excluded)

Market Days: Banyoles: Wed / L'Escala: Thurs, Sat & Sun / Girona: Tues & Sat / Figueres: Tue, Thurs & Sat.

Low Season Nov, Dec, Jan and Feb	Mid Season Mar, Apr, Sep & Oct	High Season May, Jun, Jul & Easter
€ 925 (4 days / 3 nights)	€ 995 (4 days / 3 nights)	€ 1,085 (4 days / 3 nights)



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Inclusions:

- Cost, Booking and Management of Flights. Note: Late bookings will incur an extra fee of €40 each
- Travel Insurance, 10kg bag plus backpack (carry-on)
- The complete management & planning of the program including liaising with teachers.
- Final parent, teacher & student meeting six weeks before departure date.
- Airport transfers in Spain.
- A fun program of student activities led in Spanish by a trained team of Spanish-native monitors
- All centre-based adventure activities: high ropes, team games & evening entertainment in Spanish
- All instruction and teaching materials
- Return transfers to and from all locations as shown in the final program itinerary.
- Shared residential en-suite accommodation.
- On-campus Teachers' accommodation.
- The meals included in the program are: Breakfast, Packed Lunch and Dinner.
- Entry fees for all additional attractions (if any) will be shown on the final program itinerary.
- 24-hour emergency support
- Fully supervised on-campus activities.
- **A Senior Leir representative may travel with the group as additional support** (TBC)
- **A subsidised centre inspection visit for two adults representing your school** (TBC)

Exclusions:

- Transfers to and or from Dublin airport
- Medical Insurance (Students must have a valid E111)
- Cancellation insurance
- Pocket / Spending Money
- Food and refreshments while on excursions
- All participants must bring their towels
- While the pool is available, a lifeguard is excluded

Note:

- Check-in is from 3 pm and check at 10 am
- Please allow small additional sums in your tour funds to tip drivers/guides/restaurants etc.
- A refundable deposit of €600 will be required to cover any damage, assuming no damage has occurred it will be refunded on the final day





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OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

BANYOLES is a great excursion to complement the programme. From the street market to the lake, it offers an abundance of different activities and things to do, such as water sports (kayaking, taking a ride on the tourist train, etc.) even if it is just a walk along by the lake, our monitors can also set up organised activities and games such as a gymkhana (treasure hunt race).

The chocolate factory is also a great place to visit as is the town of Banyoles itself. Almost anything is possible, so please feel free to contact us with thoughts, ideas or suggestions, we'll be only too glad to help you. We have put below a small selection of websites which might get the creative juices flowing.

- Banyoles tourist website: <https://turisme.banyoles.cat/en-us/What-to-do/Activities>
- Empuries Empuries tourist website site: <https://www.visitlescala.com/en>
- Girona tourist website: <https://www.girona.cat/turisme/eng/index.php>

With a treasure trove of wonders in this fabulous corner of Spain, we can't fit it all in! But here's a sprinkle of extra gems we think you'll absolutely adore!

- Picasso Museum
- Park Guell
- Camp Nou (Barcelona Football Club)
- Ruines d'Empuries (Greek- Roman old village) L'Escala
- Beach of Empuries / visit l'Escala
- Glass bottom Cruise (l'Escala)
- Banyoles lake and city
- Banyoles lake sports (tourist train, boats, kayaks, etc.)
- Chocolate Factory (Banyoles)
- Visit to goat's farm and cheese-tasting (Girona province)
- Dalí Museum – (Figueres)
- Girona old town (Game of thrones/photo Gimkhana)



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Booking & Reservation information Summary

Please note that the below information is bullet points only and not a representation of our full terms and conditions. It is highly recommended to view our webpage below for more detail & information.

<https://leireducation.com/spanish-in-spain-booking-terms-and-conditions>

• **Deposits/Payment**

- The full deposit is generally €350 per student and is non-refundable.
- Full payment is required eight (8) weeks before the departure date.
- Higher or lower deposits may be required depending on the destination, overall cost of the tour, and airline seat cost. You will be advised of deposit amounts in your quotation.
- Deposits are non-refundable (unless the cancellation is covered by insurance).
- Payments can be paid by direct bank transfer to the account provided on your invoice card payments are also accepted but please note these will incur an additional 2.2% transaction fee.

• **Cancellations**

- The group leader must advise the Company by email as soon as they receive a cancellation.
 - Our cancellation charges are as follows:
 - 35 – 50 days before departure – 80% of the total price.
 - 25 or less before departure – 100% of the total price.
- Reasons for cancellation (other than a disinclination to travel) are covered by insurance cover, please check in advance. If the reason is insurable, a cancellation invoice will be sent to the insurance company and full money will be refunded minus the premium and excess charge. Please note that cancellations could increase the tour price if as a result, it alters the student/teacher ratio.

• **Code of Conduct**

- Behavioural Expectations: Students are expected to behave responsibly and respectfully during the tour. Leir Education Limited reserves the right to send any student who poses a safety or behavioural risk.
- Alcohol and or Drugs: The consumption of alcohol and or drugs is strictly prohibited.
- All participants must adhere to Leir Education Limited's and the school's code of conduct as well as any additional rules as required or set by Leir Education Limited and or the Campus during the tour.

• **Irish Total Payment Protection (topp) Policy cover**

- In compliance with The Package Holidays and Travel Trade Act 1995 (Republic of Ireland), an insurance policy has been arranged with Arcus Solutions, to protect the Republic of Ireland prepayments in the unlikely event of our financial failure, and paid in respect of:
 - Non-travel packages in Ireland are sold to customers in the EU. for a refund of such prepayments if customers have not yet travelled, or making arrangements to enable the holiday to continue if customers have already travelled repatriation of customers as may be applicable, subject to the terms of the insurance policy.
- In the unlikely event of financial failure please contact the claims helpline on +44 (0) 1702 811397. A copy of the policy is available on request.

Group Bookings: <https://leireducation.com/spanish-in-spain-school-booking-form/>

Individual Bookings: <https://leireducation.com/spanish-in-spain-individual-registration>





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