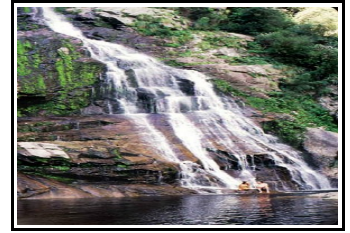




# SPANISH for MATURE ADULTS

## CORDOBA, ARGENTINA

START DATES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

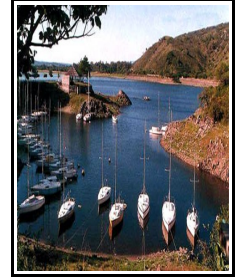


### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

This Spanish for Mature Adults program enables you to enjoy learning Spanish with other individuals above the age of 50. This tailored program offers exciting group lessons, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language experience.

### **CITY AND COUNTRY INFO**

Cordoba is the colonial capital city of Argentina on the edge of the Sierra Chica mountain range with approximately one million inhabitants. Prior to the rise of Buenos Aires, Cordoba was Argentina's center of arts and learning, a place of scholars and priests, churches and universities. Though in terms of national importance the city has fallen behind the capital, it still retains an independent spirit and distinctive grace. Its name comes from the surrounding province, which embraces an unusually scenic section of the Andes, the Sierras de Cordoba.



Located in the geographical center of Argentina, the areas surrounding Cordoba offer opportunities for traditional and adventure tourism as the hills and valleys are filled with springs, crystal clear rivers, artificial lakes, the huge salted lake of Mar Chiquita (heaven of ornithologists), and rupestrian (cave) paintings in Cerro Colorado. The Punilla Valley and Cuchi Corral have exceptional natural atmosphere for aerial activities, such as parachuting and ballooning, as well as windsurfing and yachting on San Roque Lake. There are all types of nautical sports draw people from all over. The Calamuchita Valley has lakes and clear rivers surrounded by mountains, an ideal area for swimming, mountain climbing and trekking, cycling, horse riding, fishing and other types of adventure tourism. In Traslasierra Valley, across the Sierras Grandes, there is Pampa de Achala. On the peak resides the Quebrada de los Condoritos National Park, one of the only places in the world where you may see the highly endangered condor, largest bird on earth, in its natural habitat.

### **HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM**

After participating in this Spanish program in Cordoba for Mature Adults, students will greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for language into one incredible life-changing experience.

## *What's Included*

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 2 week minimum- 20 Spanish group lessons of 45 to 55 minutes per week - 8 students per class.
- **Lodging:** In an shared apartment or Homestay
- **Placement Testing:** first day placement levels for beginner, intermediate, and advanced
- **Age:** over 50
- **5 Organized Activities Weekly\***
- \* Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail:** Free or low cost
- **Arrival Transfer:** Included
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Welcome Package**
- **Telephone and Fax acces:** low cost
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage \*\***
- \*\* See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage**
- **Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world

## **FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

### **STUDY PROGRAM**

The study portion of the program includes 20 Spanish group lessons per week with a 2 week minimum. Maximum number of students per class is 8. Groups are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of Spanish.

All of our teachers are native speakers with university educations and are very experienced teaching Spanish to foreigners. Most have learned a second language themselves and understand the student's perspective.

The method is based on the 4 language skills: listening, grammar, oral and written comprehension. No English will be used in class. Classes are 45 minutes in length.

### **MATURE ADULT PROGRAM**

This course is designed to provide individuals with the opportunity to study the Spanish language and experience the culture of Argentina. There are significant benefits to studying in a program that is designed specifically to fit the skill level and interests of the more mature age group. The courses will be held in Spanish, so language immersion is possible, and will be in intimate groups with other students of the same age.

You might be working alongside other individuals with a range of life-experiences that you can relate to, perhaps having already finished their professional career, maybe still working, or getting out for their first, or fiftieth, time abroad. It is not too late to have a cultural immersion that deeply resonates with you and all of your valuable previous life experience.

## **LODGING OPTIONS**

### **HOMESTAY**

We recommend that students take advantage of the homestay option to practice Spanish and be exposed to local culture. Middle class families are carefully selected and provide each student with a private room. Do not assume that you are too old for a homestay as many of our students are older than their host "parents". For many of our students, their homestay is one of the most rewarding experience.

The host families are carefully selected. The accommodations coordinator of each school, always at the students' disposal, can change your family accommodation if the need arises.

Most families are within 10-20 minutes walking distance to school. In the event that the homestay is farther away, students can use public transportation. Laundry is not included in family accommodations.

### **SHARED APARTMENTS**

One of the most popular housing option is the shared apartment, where you will live with other students. No meal plan is available with the shared apartments, however you have kitchen access to prepare your own meals. The rooms are furnished with bedding provided. The bathroom and kitchen are communal. Students should bring their own towels. Furthermore, cooperation with other students is necessary as the common areas are maintained only once per week. Most of the apartments are 10-20 minutes away by public transportation.

## **PRICE RANGE**

Cost of 2 week of classes, housing, and cultural activities from:

**\$1,208 → \$1,418\*\***

\*\*Prices range according to housing and board options.

## **ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES**

U.S. citizens traveling with regular passports for tourism or business do not need a visa for a stay of 90 days or less. Those planning a longer visit must obtain a visa in advance of arrival.

## **ACTIVITIES**

The school offers a full and varied program of cultural visits, sports, social outings and excursions through the year. Details vary from week to week and from season to season.

Activities include:

- Argentine cooking classes
- Guided tours around the Historical center
- Sight seeing the High Peaks and Volcanoes
- Folk Dance
- Riding horses, fishing
- Visiting Quebrada de los Condoritos National Park
- Seeing villages and gaucho posts

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

To register for the SPANISH for MATURE ADULT in Cordoba, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/on-line/regform.html>

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.