

# BENALMADENA FOR EDUCATORS BENALMADENA, SPAIN PROGRAMS AVAILABLE IN JULY



#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our intensive Spanish for Educators program in Benalmadena, Spain combines the regular Spanish immersion program with specific Spanish and cultural training for educators. This is a great way to learn both general and specialized Spanish. Educators at all levels benefit from this immersion experience.



#### CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Lying on the south end of the Iberian Peninsula, bathed by the waters of the Mediterranean and with mountains rising steeply behind the town, the Costa del Sol offers a cosmopolitan atmosphere, magnificent beaches, starkly contrasting colors, simple and primitive fishing villages, luxuriant subtropical valleys and high mountains that protect the coast from the chill of the hinterland. Benalmadena is a small town with approximately 30,000 inhabitants. It sits on a hill at the foot of the Mijas mountain range in the Malaga province. Originally a sleepy Andalucian fishing village with beautiful white washed houses, Benalmadena has developed into a small but lively town which retains it old charm and character.

The choice of a language course in Benalmadena offers two advantage. The first is that the town is small enough to provide a peaceful and secure environment, while large enough to offer good shops, restaurants, an open-air cinema, etc.. The second is the town's cultural richness and its close proximity to other fascinating cities. Those really worth visiting include Granada, with its Alhambra, surely one of the great wonders of the world, dated 1238; Cordoba, the center of Andalucian culture; and Sevilla, with its monumental cathedrals and churches.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

In this Spanish for Educators program, students will improve their communicative ability in both speaking and listening. They will discuss different methods of teaching with the instructors and the other students in the program, review grammar and other technical aspects of the language, and broaden their understanding of the culture and region of Benalmadena.

# What's Included

- Tuition and Class Materials: 2 week
- minimum 20 lessons per week
- Lodging: Homestay, Apartment, or Hostel
- Placement Testing
- 1-2 Organized Activities Weekly\*
- \* Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- Access to E-mail
- University credit: Options available
- Access to Multimedia Learning Center

- Certificate of Completion
- Pre-Departure Information
- Planning Guide
- 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

This course aims at teachers of Spanish, whose native tongue is not Spanish. If you teach Spanish in your home country and want to update your language and teaching skills and discuss cultural topics, this course is perfect for you.

The course is an opportunity for you to update your language skills and exchange your experiences in using various teaching methods with international colleagues and teaching staff of the language school. Up-to-date information on Spanish language and culture is part of the program. The course is designed to provide you with suggestions and new ideas which you can then put into practice after returning home.

The Study Program includes 20 hours per week of Group Spanish classes for a minimum 2 weeks. Maximum number of students per class is 10. Group's are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of Spanish. The method is based on the 4 language skills: listening, grammar, oral and written comprehension. No English will be used in class.

## **LODGING OPTIONS**

#### **HOMESTAY**

Staying with a host-family is an interesting alternative to a stay in an apartment or a hotel and offers, moreover, an excellent opportunity to get to know the Spanish lifestyle. Most of our host-families live within walking distance of the school, others live at 10 to 15 minutes train / bus ride.

#### SHARED APARTMENT

Self catering apartments with 1 or 2 bedrooms, bathroom, living room, complete kitchen, for 2 / 3 students. Weekly cleaning.

#### STUDENT RESIDENCE

Single and double bedrooms, shared bathrooms and common areas: living room, fully furnished kitchen etc.

#### STUDIO APARTMENT

Options: Studio - 2 pax, Large apartment. The prices are subject to availability. The NRCSA school provides accommodation in apartments situated in a complex 10 minutes walking from the school, close to the beaches and to the town center: Independent mini-apartments, furnished, with fully equipped kitchen, bathroom, terrace, cleaning service, reception 24 hours, telephone and swimming-pool. Bed linen is provided but you should bring your own towels. Double or single room. (Double rooms are only available for 2 friends or 2 students wishing to share).

#### **HOSTEL**

The hostel is situated in the center of Arroyo de la Miel, Benalmadena (Malaga), and is just 5 minutes walk to the school and 10 minutes walk to the beach. The Hostel has 40 rooms with bathroom / shower, air conditioning, and TV. Some rooms have a little terrace. There is a lovely bar / lounge area open 24 hours.

## **PRICE RANGE**

Cost of minimum 2 weeks of Spanish language classes, teacher training, culture classes, and housing ranges from:

 $\$1,491 \rightarrow \$1,727**$ 

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

# <u>ELIGIBILITY AND</u> GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling on 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.

Participants must have an intermediate level of Spanish to participate in the Spanish for Educators program.

# <u>ACTIVITIES AND</u> EXCURSIONS

All activities are organized by the local coordinator and may include:

- City walks
- Special interest lectures
- Sports
- Films
- Museum visits
- Social events

One day excursions are also available at an additional cost. Excursion locations can include:

- Seville
- Granada
- Ronda
- Cordoba

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

To register for the SPANISH FOR EDUCATORS PROGRAM in Benalmadena, 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.