



SPANISH & WINE

VITORIA, SPAIN

PROGRAMS IN JUNE AND SEPTEMBER



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Spanish & Wine program enables you to combine a Spanish course with wine lessons. This unique program offers exciting hands-on wine classes, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.

CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

The capital of the Basque Autonomous Community in northwestern Spain, Vitoria is situated on a wide plain surrounded by mountains and 60 km from the coast. An old town because of its history, a young town because of its development, Vitoria provides ample cultural, environmental and social services enjoyed by its some 220,000 inhabitants.

Within the old quarter of town, which has been declared a Monumental Complex, lie the Gothic churches of Santa Maria, San Vicente, San Pedro and San Miguel, and the Renaissance palaces of Montehermoso and Villa Suso, all of which are well worth a visit. Vitoria is also rich with museums and cultural centers, gardens and pedestrian streets, making it a destination of distinction.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Spanish & Wine Program in Vitoria, students will receive a well rounded wine education. Through specific programs, students will greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for wine into one incredible life-changing experience.



What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 20 hrs/week for 1 week minimum.
- **Wine Lessons:** Afternoon classes and trips after morning language classes.
- **Lodging:** In a Student Residence or Homestay
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
- **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.

FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

STUDY PROGRAM

The study portion of the program includes 20 hours per week of Group Spanish classes, and will last the duration of 1 to 2 weeks depending on participants choice. Maximum number of students per class is 5, with the average being 2 students. 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.

WINE LESSONS

Our wine program has a one week minimum. There will be 4 Spanish lessons per week, that will take place in the morning. The rest of the program will be made up of guided tours, half and full day excursions visiting wine cellars and tasting wine in La Rioja.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

Since most inhabitants of Vitoria live in the urban area, the majority of homestays are flats. Only a small percentages (less than 5%) are in single-family homes outside the city. Students are provided with a private bedroom, bed linens, bath towels and their own key to the flat. The distance from homestay to school is a maximum of 20-30 minutes walk or 10-15 minutes by bus. City buses run every 10-15 minutes. Students with special dietary requirements or allergies should indicate this upon registration through NRCSA.

SHARED FLAT

Each student is provided with a private bedroom with desk and a key to the flat. The kitchen, bathroom and other living spaces are shared. Students should bring their own bath towels and bed linen. Since no meals are included, students are expected to shop for and prepare their own meals. Students should keep their own room neat and tidy, while the cleaning of common rooms will be shared by all. Most flats are located in the city center and very close to the school. With a few exceptions, the average walking distance from the flat to the school is 15 minutes.

RESIDENCES

Single and double room residences, similar to dormitory rooms, are available on a vary limited basis. Students are provided with a private bedroom and 2 meals daily (cold meals), but should bring their own bath towels and bed linen. Bathrooms are shared. Upon arrival, students are supplied with an information form which includes the rules and timetable of the residence. A deposit, payable upon arrival, is required (approximately \$100USD, but varies from residence to residence) and is refundable upon departure if no damage has been done to the residence. Distances to the school vary, but should be no more than 15-20 minutes by bus, with some closer residences being 10-15 minutes on foot.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of 1 week of classes, wine lessons for 1 week, and 1 week of housing ranges from:

\$1,289 → \$1,694**

**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.

Minimum age of 18 unless accompanied by an adult.

ACTIVITIES

The school offers leisure activities on a regular basis such as:

- Spanish cinema series
- Tapas dinners
- Guided tour of Alicante
- Spanish museums and monastaries

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the SPANISH & WINE program in Vitoria, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

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

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