

'Golden Age' Course in Tenerife

Want to study Spanish, meet people your age and get to know and enjoy the Spanish way of life? You can do it with our Golden Age program on the beautiful island of Tenerife.



The Program

The aim of this course is to give you the chance to practice your Spanish in a relaxed environment and alongside people who share your love of the Spanish culture.

You will have daily Spanish classes from 9am till 1pm which integrate a variety of skills into the classroom, combining reading, listening, writing and grammar but taught as much as possible using practical situations, with the emphasis on conversation. Chatting to the teachers whilst having a coffee, strolling through the botanical gardens or along the beach; these are some of the most enjoyable aspects of the course and its informal nature.

A successful implementation of our interactive method depends completely on the personal attention the teacher is able to give to you. We determine the make-up of the group according to your abilities. There will never be more than 8 people in your class and they will have the same level of Spanish as you. In addition, throughout the course you will receive all the textbooks and other didactic materials needed.

Learning a language is more than simply learning its formal structure. It is also learning when to use colloquial expressions and to become adept at this, you have to understand the culture of the people who speak the language. Therefore as well as the language course, cultural classes are offered in the afternoon. Please note that classes in the morning are likely to be with a mixture of students of different nationalities and ages, however the cultural classes in the afternoon will be made up of only students taking part in the Golden Age program.

Golden Age Excursions

In addition to your Spanish language course, the Golden Age program consists of a number of cultural excursions and activities that you can take part in. One of the most popular excursions is to climb the Teide Volcano, either on foot or in the cable car which reaches 3,555m and offers stunning views. Other examples of activities and excursions include visits to the Taoro and Camino de las Sortijas, historical city tours, Spanish cooking and even salsa and meringue dancing classes; there's something to suit everyone's tastes!

Accommodation

For the duration of your course you can choose between:

- accommodation with a host family

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GENERAL

Duration:

Spanish course: 2 weeks minimum
Golden Age (during Spanish course): 2 weeks

Destination:

Tenerife

Accommodation:

Homestay
Student shared apartment
Premium accommodation
Hotel

Spanish level:

All levels

Frequency:

Spanish course: 20 classes a week
5 cultural classes a week
Golden Age program: 2 weeks

Participants:

Maximum of 8 students per group

Minimum age:

50 years of age

Start dates in 2010:

1st February
1st March
20th September
18th October
Contact us if you would prefer to do the course outside of these dates.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 2-week Intensive Spanish course
- Golden Age cultural program and excursions
- Welcome dinner
- Guided cultural city tour
- Study materials
- 24-hour emergency number
- Certificate of attendance and level

Although our courses begin every Monday, the Golden Age course will only take place if there are 3 or more students taking part. We recommend the following dates when the course will definitely take place: **1st February, 1st March, 20th September and 18th October.** If you would like to do the course outside these dates and there are fewer than 3 students, it may be possible to substitute the afternoon activities with a two-hour conversation class, and you would be able to organize and undertake the excursions yourself.

"I learnt a great deal in two weeks - and Tenerife was the ideal place for relax and study" - Maggie, 52 (UK)

- shared student apartment
- premium accommodation (shared or private apartments)
- hotel accommodation

Please bear in mind that shared apartments are likely to be shared with students of different ages, not necessarily others participating in the Golden Age program. For this reason most of our Golden Age clients choose the Homestay accommodation option and on a half board basis.

For more information on these accommodation options please refer to our specific brochure and don't hesitate to get in contact with us for any guidance or questions you may have!

Where can I do this Program?

The Golden Age program is available in Puerto de la Cruz, located in the north part of the island of Tenerife in Spain's lush Canary Islands, and is the perfect place to study Spanish at any time of year. Puerto de la Cruz will welcome you with pleasant temperatures no matter what time of year you choose to visit. This tiny paradise also offers excellent tourist services. In Tenerife you'll have plenty to see: the beaches, the Teide volcano, the famous Martiánez lakes, Parque Loro, plus much more.

For more information on the city and the island of Tenerife, please take a look at the following link:

<http://www.sprachschulen-spanien.com/sprachschule-teneriffa.html>



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The school in Tenerife



Puerto de la Cruz