



Teen Summer Spanish Language and Culture Immersion  
León, Spain  
June 16th-July 15th



## Location

**Trobajo del Camino** is a small suburban town just outside **León, Spain** on the Way of St. James. It's only about 2 hours from Madrid by train, 1 hour by car from **beaches on the Atlantic Ocean** and 30 minutes by car from the **Mountains of León**. Founded by the Romans in the 1st century B.C. and once a major center of power during medieval times as the Kingdom of León as well as the site of the first ever Parliament in Europe, it boasts **incredible architectural and historical heritage**, one of the most beautiful Gothic cathedrals in the world, a building by Gaudí and numerous **festivals of international interest** (unique Easter processions, its two-week long patron festival in late June, historical medieval recreations in many nearby towns...) not to mention a one-of-a-kind **tapas** culture.



## Program

Students will enjoy **25 hours of communicative Spanish classes every week** with a native Spanish teacher to gain in fluency, practice colloquial language and learn local expressions with **experiential real-life learning and cultural activities** in the afternoons and evenings.



## Accommodation

Program participants stay with carefully selected **local host families**. The families provide at least breakfast and supper. The biggest meal of the day in Spain, lunch is usually eaten as a group at a small, family-run restaurant offering typical Spanish food with a teacher or activity leader from the school just a 5-minute walk away.

## Facilities

The **CMD Languages** academy has a large reception area, four naturally bright classrooms, two bathrooms, Wi-Fi, a student common area and modern learning technology and resources along with a large, peaceful public pedestrian square with benches for relaxation next door during breaks. It's right in the middle of the town, near parks, supermarkets and a beautiful historical building.

## Activities and Excursions

Participants enjoy one **full-day excursion each weekend** accompanied by a teacher/activity leader as well as Spanish teen "buddies".

**Sports and cultural activities** are organized every afternoon/evening, also accompanied by a teacher/activity leader and often by **Spanish teen "buddies"**.



## Example Afternoon/Evening Activities

- Walking tour of León
- Tapas tour
- Spanish regional dance classes
- Basketball/soccer scrimmages with Spanish teens
- Spanish cooking classes
- Tour of the Cathedral of León
- Festivals of León events and activities (concerts, cultural performances, bonfire, food trucks, medieval market, fair...)
- Pottery making classes
- Traditional games
- Spanish films at the local movie theater
- Karaoke

## Example Excursions

- Beach day in Asturias
- Zoo and beach in Santander
- Castle tour and swimming in Valencia de Don Juan
- Castle tour in Ponferrada and tour of Las Medulas UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Medieval festivals with historical recreations
- Valporquero Cave and hiking/swimming in the Mountains of León
- Tours of Segovia, Palencia, Burgos, Medina del Campo...



# Typical Weekly Schedule

## MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Spanish Classes with breaks  
2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Lunch and Free Time  
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Sports and Cultural Activities  
8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Supper with Host Family

## SATURDAY

Full-Day Excursion as a Group

## SUNDAY

Family Day

\*Subject to minor changes.

## Dates and Price

June 16th - July 15th, 2024

€1995 (approx. \$2214)

**Early Bird Price (register before December 31, 2023):**

€1695 (approx. \$1881)

**Price includes:** personal **pick up at Madrid Barajas** airport arrival gate, **transfers** Madrid-León-Madrid, **full room and board, 25 hours of Spanish classes a week**, all **excursions and activities**. Does not include airfare.

Special dietary requirements: €150 extra

A scenic mountain landscape under a clear blue sky. In the foreground, a dirt trail winds through green and brown shrubs. Three hikers are visible: one in a red shirt further ahead, and two in white shirts and caps in the immediate foreground. The background features steep, rocky mountains with patches of snow or light-colored rock. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

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