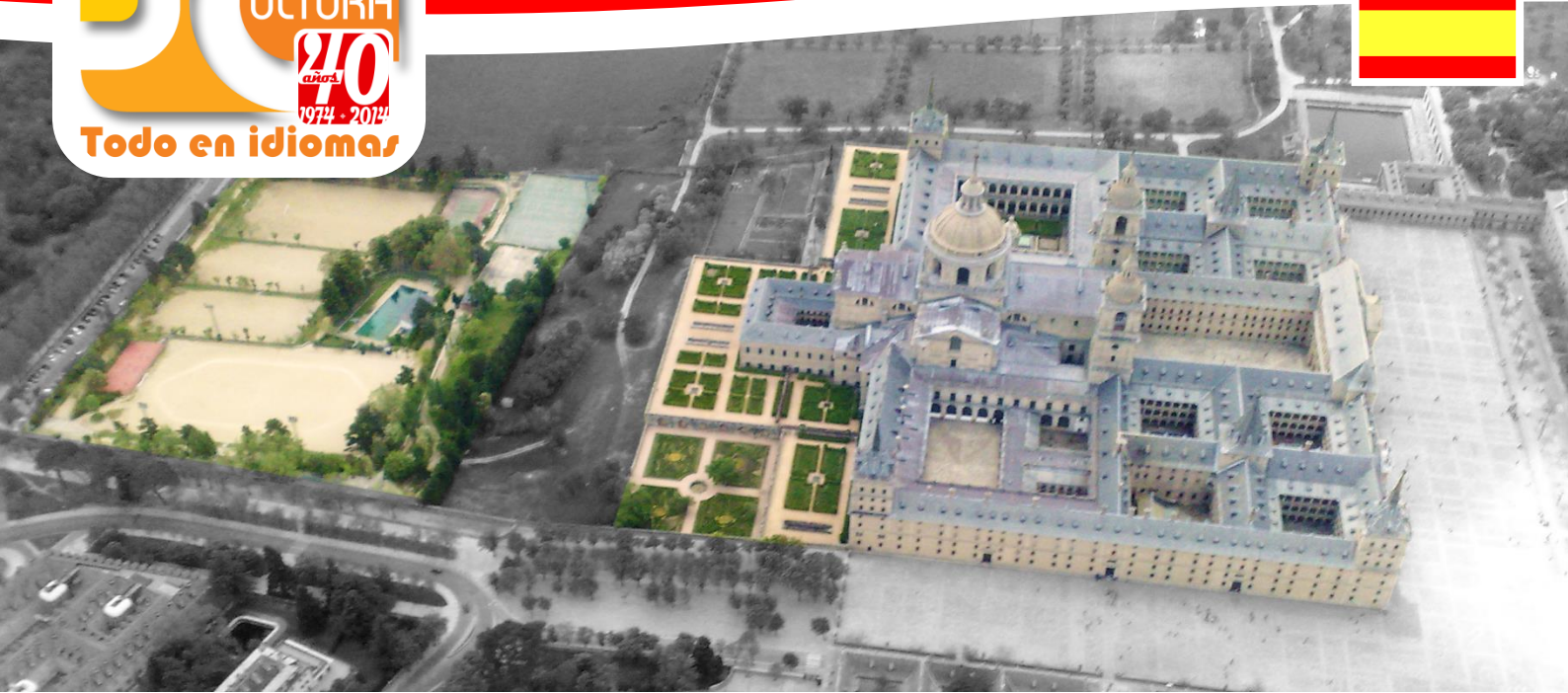


Spain Homestay Program

- Real Colegio Alfonso XII -








In a homestay, you get opportunity to live with (and become part of) a Spanish family. Spend time getting to know your family and enjoying daily life in Spain. Host families welcome foreign students into their homes for a number of reasons. They are often interested in other cultures, they want to have the opportunity to share their lives and interests with someone else, and they feel a strong connection to the people they meet. Students who participate in this program will improve their Spanish skills, learn about a different culture, and experience Spanish lifestyle with their host family.

Location *The historic town of San Lorenzo de El Escorial is nestled in the heart of the Guadarrama mountain range, about thirty miles from Madrid. This town is known for its cultural and historical significance, as well as its rigorous academics. Professors from the most prestigious universities in the world travel here to give lectures at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid Summer Courses. The town has a population of about 50,000 and is located 3,000 feet above sea level. It is a haven for “madrileños” who seek to enjoy the cool temperatures and fresh air far from the summer heat in the city of Madrid.*



The Monastery of El Escorial

An architectural gem and UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Monastery was commissioned by the Emperor Philip II in the 16th century. It is known internationally as the “Eighth Wonder of the World.”

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Arrival in Madrid Transfer to S.L. de El Escorial	 <i>Day to settle down, get to know the area</i>	Introduction to the school system Location of classes, dorms, activities...	First day of school	Regular school day Afternoon Activity/Sports	Regular school day Free afternoon with Host Family	 <i>Trip to SEGOVIA</i>
Free day with Host Family	 <i>Trip to Madrid</i> El Prado Museum	Regular school day Free afternoon with Host Family	Regular school day Afternoon Activity/Sports	Regular school day Free afternoon with Host Family	Regular school day Free afternoon with Host Family	 <i>Trip to TOLEDO</i>
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This schedule is an example and may vary depending on availability, weather conditions or other reasons.

Segovia Getting to see the Roman Aqueduct alone makes a visit to Segovia worthwhile, but once you're in this UNESCO World Heritage City, you will find that the city has much more to offer. You can visit the fairy-tale castle called the Alcázar, the Jewish Quarter, try Segovia's famous cochinitillo (roasted suckling pig) or cordero (lamb), or walk along the green belt in the sunshine.

Toledo The famous "city of three cultures" awaits you nearby Spain's capital city. One of the reasons its historic quarter, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is so impressive is because it still has exactly the same layout it had in the Middle Ages. A tour of its narrow streets will reveal an incredible living monumental site, inside and out.

Madrid Madrid is a vibrant city whose residents really know how to live. The best way to get to know Madrid is by exploring each neighborhood, seeing the distinct personality and history that each "barrio" has to offer. From rocker Malasaña to the center of Spain, Puerta del Sol, the historic Plaza Mayor to the elegant Salamanca, Madrid has something for everyone.

School Schedule

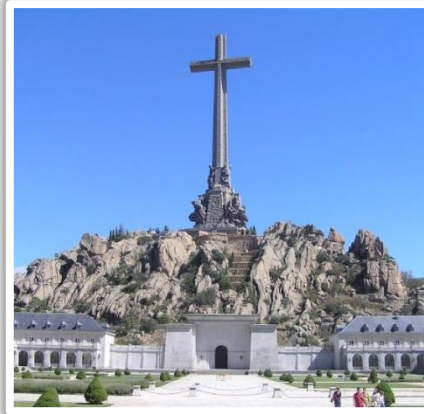
Monday & Thursday		Tuesday & Wednesday		Friday	
9:00 – 10:00	Lesson	9:00 – 10:00	Lesson	9:00 – 9:50	Lesson
10:00 – 11:00	Lesson	10:00 – 11:00	Lesson	9:50 – 10:40	Lesson
11:00 – 11:30	Break	11:00 – 11:30	Break	10:40 – 11:30	Lesson
11:30 – 12:30	Lesson	11:30 – 12:30	Lesson	11:30 – 12:00	Break
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13:30 – 15:00	Lunch	13:30 – 14:45	Lunch	12:50 – 13:40	Lesson
15:00 – 16:00	Lesson	14:45 – 15:35	Lesson	13:40 – 14:30	Lesson
16:00 – 17:00	Lesson	15:35 – 16:25	Lesson		
		16:25 – 17:15	Lesson		

Sight-seeing in El Escorial



La casita del príncipe

This small palace was commissioned by Carlos III for his son, Prince Carlos. Decorated with the signature luxury of the Bourbon Royal Family, it is a palace in miniature containing extraordinary beauty through its floors, furniture, paintings and sculptures.



El valle de los caídos

Francisco Franco founded "The Valley of the Fallen" to honor casualties of the Spanish Civil War (1936-1939). This monument consists of two main attractions: a large Basilica carved into the face of the mountain and a 150-meter granite cross.



La Silla de Felipe II

A short hike away from the school and town, "Philip II's Chair" is a boulder located on a nearby mountain, commissioned by the King so he could supervise construction of the Monastery. Anyone who sits here can enjoy an exceptional panoramic view of the El Escorial complex.



El Monte Abantos



La Herrería



Iglesia de San Bernabé

Program Services

Juventud y Cultura's program includes:

- » Classes, accommodation and full board at Real Colegio Alfonso XII
- » Full-day excursion each week to places of interest
- » Supervision of the program by Juventud y Cultura staff
- » Transportation to and from the Madrid airport



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