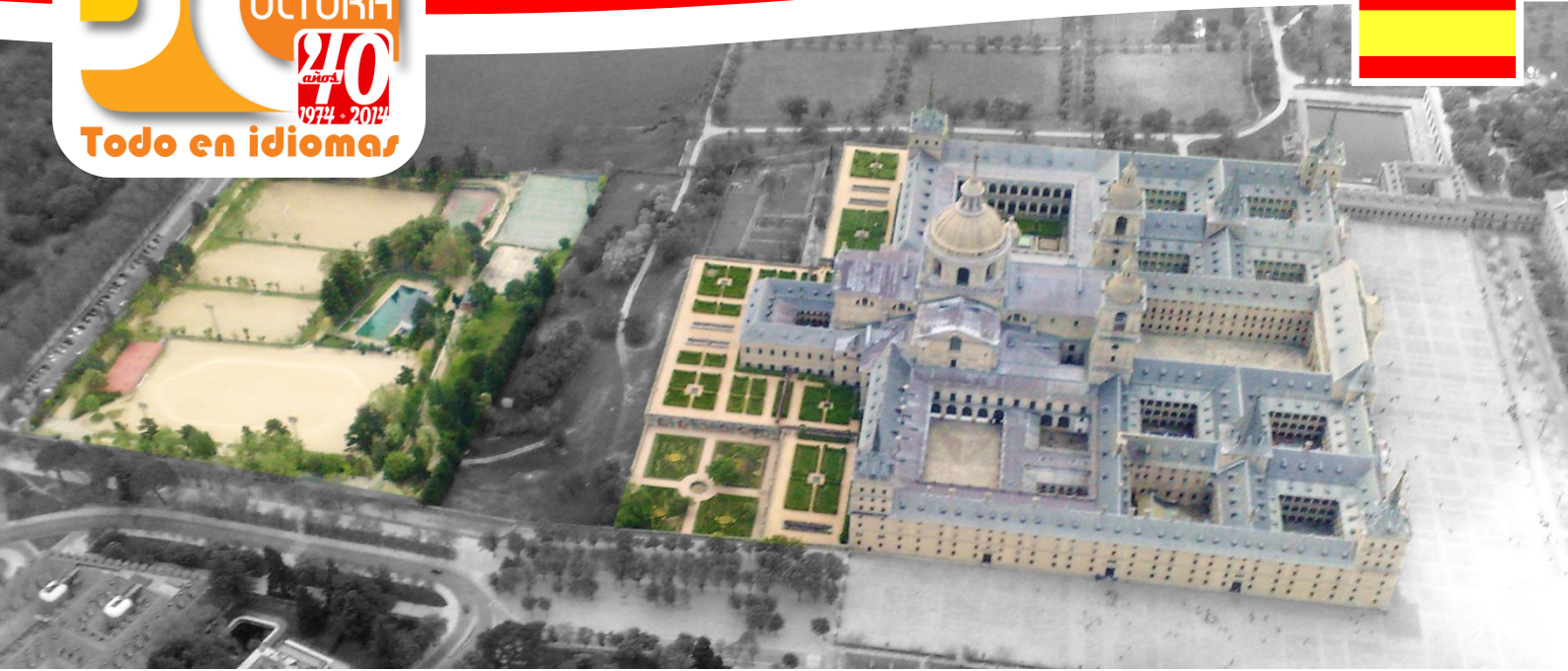




# Spain Residential Program

## Real Colegio Alfonso XII



Our residential program is a dynamic and diverse experience where students from all over the world live and study with Spanish students at one of the most culturally and historically significant schools in Spain. The Real Colegio Alfonso XII is one of the most prestigious boarding schools in Spain, located within the UNESCO World Heritage Site the Monastery of El Escorial. This historical monument has completely renovated facilities alongside wonders such as the Royal Palace, the Pantheon of Kings, the Royal Library, Basilica, and priceless art and artifacts. Students reside in the northern wing of the Monastery as they build community and exploring new and exciting challenges.






**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 three thousand 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
						<b>Arrival in Madrid</b> Transfer to S.L. de El Escorial
	<b>Introduction to the school system</b> Location of classes, dorms, activities...	<b>First day of school</b>	Regular school day Afternoon Activity or Sports	Regular school day <b>Cultural activity</b> in the afternoon	Regular school day Free afternoon	
<b>Explore interesting sites in the area</b>	Trip to Madrid 	Regular school day <b>Cultural activity</b> in the afternoon	Regular school day Afternoon Activity or Sports	Regular school day <b>Cultural activity</b> in the afternoon	Regular school day Free afternoon	
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<b>Explore interesting sites in the area</b>	Regular school day Afternoon Activity or Sports	Regular school day <b>Cultural activity</b> in the afternoon	<b>Last school day</b>	Time to pack <b>Farewell party</b>	<b>Student departure</b>	

*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
12:30 – 13:30	Lesson	12:30 – 13:30	Lesson	12:00 – 12:50	Lesson
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*

## Included

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

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