

# LANGUAGE HOMESTAY IN MALAGA

**ITINERARY NIGHTS:** Madrid (2), Malaga Homestay (6)

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Madrid City Tour • Prado Museum • Málaga City Tour • Five-Day Intensive Language Program • Scheduled Activities and Excursions



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*This program provides a unique opportunity in one visit to Spain: The excitement and history of Madrid, the beauty of Málaga and the experience of everyday life on the Costa del Sol. During the homestay portion of the itinerary, in which you actually live with a Spanish family, you will participate in an intensive structured conversational Spanish and Cultural Orientation Program each morning, with additional activities and excursions planned on specific afternoons. Together they equal a unique chance to experience España!*

**DAY 1** Depart for Madrid, Spain.

**DAY 2 MADRID** ¡Bienvenido a España! You'll arrive in the capital city of Madrid. Your TSA Tours courier will meet you at the airport and take you to your hotel.

**DAY 3 MADRID** Your Madrid City Tour includes

the Plaza de España, Royal Palace, Gardens of Sabatini, Plaza de Oriente, the Royal Church of San Francisco El Grande, and the Plaza Mayor. Later, tour the palatial **Prado Museum**. While at the Prado be sure to see Goya's *Majas* and Spain's favorite painting, *Las Meninas* by Velázquez.

**DAY 4 MALAGA** Transfer by train to the fabulous Costa

del Sol and meet your host family for the next week. Málaga, a vibrant seaside city, was founded by Phoenicians in the 12th century BC and was at various times a Carthaginian, Roman, and Moorish colony. Málaga is famous for its raisins! Of course the great beaches are what have made Málaga one of the most visited regions of Spain.

**DAYS 5-9 MALAGA** Enjoy a five day Intensive Language Program featuring small, personal classes that meet the needs of all levels of Spanish speakers. The classes provide each student ample opportunity to participate and practice. Classes meet Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Afternoons are



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left open for activities such as Spanish films and videos. Each evening you'll return to your *familia* and participate in their home experiences. One of Malaga's most famous recipes is a variation of those cold soups or *Gazpachos*, typical for all Andalusia. The sweets of the region show a Moorish influence and are often prepared with almonds and honey.

Additional activities throughout the week include welcome and farewell parties, sports activities, and a **Málaga City Tour**. The Kings' Palace, *Alcazaba*, which was built starting in 11<sup>th</sup> century, is Malaga's most important building of the Moorish epoch. In its interior you may visit the very interesting Archaeological Museum. Other field trips may include the caves of Nerja, a visit to Frigiliana and trips to the beach.

**DAY 10 DEPART** Say "adios" to Málaga and "gracias" to your host family! Pack your souvenirs and return home with an improved ability to speak Spanish and fond memories of your friends and family in Spain.



*For more information, please contact:*