

AmeriSpan

TEEN STUDY ABROAD

Summer Camps & Junior Immersion



AmeriSpan Study Abroad
The Bridge Between Cultures

Spanish

Spain, Costa Rica, Mexico, Ecuador

Arabic

Morocco

Chinese

China

French

Canada, France, Monaco, Switzerland

German

Austria, Germany

Italian

Italy

Japanese

Japan

Portuguese

Brazil



18+ years experience • All language levels accepted • 13-18 year-olds accepted
International student mix • Flexible start dates • All-inclusive programs • Pre-departure assistance
Travel insurance included • Emergency message service • All major credit cards accepted

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"My host family was very accommodating and wonderful. They were very open to the fact that I was from a different country and was not used to some of the things that they did. I was really happy to have done the trip. I would like to travel again somewhere next year and I would definitely go through AmeriSpan again. I think it is a good organization."

- Nicola P, Student, Costa Rica Teenager Program

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PROGRAM TYPES

Summer Camps

These programs are specifically designed for teenagers with a special campus, separate from the adult campus. Most of these camps have a special residence/dormitory where participants eat and sleep. Normally, these programs have the most supervision.

Junior Immersion

Designed for teenagers but the program may share the same campus/facilities as the adult program. If the campus is shared, all classes are separate from adult classes, otherwise the language classes for teen participants will be held at a special teen-specific campus nearby. Housing and meals are with host families. The families are chosen based on their willingness to enforce a curfew and provide some supervision. These programs are supervised but it should be noted that transportation to/from school and any free time between dinner and curfew is unsupervised. These programs are best for older, more mature teenagers.

Independent Teen (16-18 years only)

These programs allow 16-18 year olds to participate in our standard adult program at select locations. There is no supervision, no curfew and no special activities for teenage participants. Although we set specific dates for teenagers, there may be no other teenagers attending at the same time. These programs are best for friends, groups or even families traveling together. Only mature, independent and well-traveled teenagers should participate in these programs.

FINDING THE RIGHT PROGRAM

AmeriSpan's teenager programs have been carefully selected to offer a wide variety of locations, levels of supervision and program intensity levels. Throughout this catalog we compare programs in a variety of ways including: overall program intensity, program facilities, included activities and excursions, optional excursions, levels of supervision and AmeriSpan's proprietary Fun Rank.

The amount of supervision at an overseas program for teenagers is an important consideration. In each individual program listing, we give more specific information about supervision at each program including information about curfews, transportation to/from school, unsupervised free-time and the staff to student ratio.

WHO IS AMERISPAN?

AmeriSpan specializes in language immersion programs, college study abroad, volunteer/internship placements and other educational travel experiences.

AmeriSpan started in 1993 in a small apartment with only one phone line and one computer. Since 1993, AmeriSpan has grown tremendously, sending more than 28,000 people abroad to participate in our programs. We are constantly working to improve our existing programs, add new programs and help you select a program that best fits your needs.

All of our programs are designed around the basic purpose of helping you understand and communicate in another language with different people in a pleasant and fast way. Our 'formula' for accomplishing this consists of three ingredients for your success: intensive language instruction, cultural immersion and leisure. Many programs such as our volunteer/internship and SALUD programs include a service learning component as well. With AmeriSpan, you have the opportunity of choosing between different countries, target languages, housing, lifestyles and methods of instruction from our various programs.



WHY AMERISPAN?

It's a Fun Way to Learn

With AmeriSpan Teenager Programs, the learning is not just in the classroom. Participants are exposed to another language and culture 24 hours a day whether they are playing sports, shopping with a friend, eating a meal, watching local TV, going to a beach, or participating in an activity. Most of the time you don't even realize that you are learning because you are having fun.

Combined Travel and Linguistic Knowledge

Studying and traveling abroad can be one of the most valuable, enriching experiences of your life... IF you choose the right program. To help you and your parents/guardians through this sometimes confusing and overwhelming process, talk to the experts at AmeriSpan. We understand your questions and concerns because we have personally dealt with the same issues. We have gone to great lengths to make the process of choosing and applying for a quality teenager program abroad easier than ever.

All of AmeriSpan's staff members have studied and/or lived abroad for extended periods of time. Collectively we have traveled to more than 65 countries-every continent except Antarctica-and speak 10 languages. Since the early 90's, we have used our expertise and experience to help more than 28,000 people study abroad.

Unbiased Study Abroad Specialist

AmeriSpan has evaluated hundreds of program providers, language schools and volunteer projects to determine which programs to offer. Our independence allows us to give you unbiased evaluations of the programs and help you decide which program would be the best solution for your needs and wishes.

No Headaches, No Hassles

Aside from assisting you with which program to choose, we work hard to make the whole process as simple as possible. AmeriSpan pre-arranges your school, lodging, airport pick-up and other services. With AmeriSpan, you will not have to worry about international wire transfers, international phone calls or dozens of other possible complications with arrangements and money. We accept personal checks, Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. AmeriSpan accepts applications by mail, by fax or online.

Parents/legal guardians please carefully read the Terms & Conditions and Summer Teen Program Waiver and the Teenager Program Checklist. Complete and sign all application/waiver forms. Mail or fax your teen's completed application packet.

Comprehensive Program & Support Services

Specifics vary with each program and location, but all of our programs for teenagers offer: language classes, housing (type of housing varies with location), complete pre-departure packet, travel insurance, airport pick-up & drop-off, emergency message service and on-site support staff.



Travel Insurance Included

AmeriSpan enrolls each teenager in a comprehensive travel assistance program when you register at least 4 weeks prior to your start date. Benefits include: emergency medical evacuation up to \$ 250,000, medical expense up to \$25,000, travel medical assistance, worldwide travel assistance, 24-hour telephone access, medical/legal referral and inoculation information. Complete information on benefits and coverage is available on our website.

Emergency Message Service

If your family can't contact you during an emergency, they may call us 24 hours/day, dictate the message and we will relay the message to you. Conversely, if you cannot reach your family and it is an emergency, call us collect from anywhere and we will relay the message.

☆ WHAT IS AMERISPAN'S FUN RANK? ☆

AmeriSpan assigns each program a Fun Rank of 0- to 4-stars. A higher number means that the program is very active with lots of other participants your age while a lower number indicates that you will likely be required to manage most of your time independently. Program intensity related to homework required or not required is NOT a factor of the Fun Rank, since we look at the type of homework involved in the program. For example, if a program assigns dynamic, interactive and fun homework while another program assigns no homework, the program with homework would receive a higher Fun Rank.

What is the secret formula for our Fun Rank? Well, we use a combination of a proprietary algorithm, our past experience with the program, on-site evaluations and past participant's feedback. We look at a whole variety of factors including the number of teenagers attending, range of nationalities, student/faculty ratio, number & variety of activities, included excursions, optional excursions, teaching methodology and the program's facilities & location. As you browse our catalog, you will note that AmeriSpan does not include any programs with Fun Ranks of 0- or 1-star. There are many programs out there that we rank as 0- or 1-star, but we choose to only offer programs of 2-4 stars.



Why Form A Group?

By forming a group program for 8 or more teenagers, AmeriSpan is able to customize excursions and activities to meet the specific requirements of your groups' participants. We will happily arrange airfare and other services that are unavailable to individual participants. Finally, groups offer an extra level of supervision and a central point of contact for parents and students because all groups are accompanied by one or more chaperones.

Why Lead A Group?

Leading a group is a great way to open the door to studying abroad to many teenagers who are unlikely to participate on their own. Furthermore, it is a great way to travel on a budget since group leaders/chaperones travel at a reduced cost or many times at no cost. Since many of our teenager programs are associated with adult programs, chaperones have the option to take language classes while the teenagers are in their own classes.

Can I Lead A Group?

If you are a responsible adult, you can lead a group. Educators, parents, church leaders, youth group organizers and travel guides are our most typical group leaders and chaperones. AmeriSpan will work with you to help prepare you for your experience.

Where Can We Go?

Most of the Summer Teenager Programs in this catalog can be offered throughout the year if you have a group of 8-10 students. In addition, AmeriSpan offers year round Ready Made Group travel opportunities for groups of 8 or more. Our Ready Made Group programs are offered in various program locations and languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese and of course Spanish!

How AmeriSpan Makes It Easy

AmeriSpan provides comprehensive leader support, acting as your partner throughout the planning process. From day one, we are involved in every step of the way. AmeriSpan's group programs allow for great flexibility, giving you the opportunity to customize the program any way you wish. Each group will receive a detailed schedule of classes and activities. AmeriSpan will work with leaders to choose the most convenient payment plan for their group. AmeriSpan's Group Teenager Programs also come with all the great services included in the individual Teenager Programs, including a Travel Assistance Plan and Message Service.

How Can I Build A Group?

The key is to start early. Decide where you want to go, what you want to do and when. AmeriSpan will calculate the cost and give you a group itinerary. Then it is up to you to get the word out at school, church, family reunions, soccer games or anywhere where you think people will be interested. Upon request, AmeriSpan will list your group on our website so people around the country can join your group as well.

To get a successful start, we recommend planning 8 months before you travel. This gives both the group leaders and AmeriSpan time to get every detail perfect. Leaders should cover all the bases when planning. Get permission if needed. Know your specific dates and locations in advance. Outline your objectives to ensure all your goals are accomplished. Know your limitations, as well as the participants. Consider budget, time limits, educational requirements, and parental concerns. Set deadlines, both for yourself and the participants. Finally, make sure your teens know as much information as possible about the program to get them excited to participate.



8 MONTHS

- Choose dates & location
- Outline objectives
- Get permission

7 MONTHS

- Get quote & sample schedule
- Call AmeriSpan
- Review & revise schedule

6 MONTHS

- Hold parent's meeting
- Start marketing
- Collect applications

5 MONTHS

- Send in applications
- Receive initial confirmation

4 MONTHS

- Meet with the parents & students
- Hand out confirmations

3 MONTHS

- Send in final airfare payment

2 MONTHS

- Send in final payment
- Receive final confirmation & schedule

1 MONTH

- Give out homestay & school info
- Hold final meeting

0 MONTHS

- Enjoy your program!

TEEN PROGRAM Q & A

PARENTS WANT TO KNOW

Who is in charge?

Each Teenager Program has a dedicated director and staff responsible for your child and the other participants. The program staff can include language instructors, activities coordinators, counselors, chaperones, residential camp monitors and host families. Our catalog and website gives you the average student/staff ratio for each program.

What if my child is homesick?

Whenever someone studies abroad, everyone (even adults) will experience some cultural adjustment. This cultural adjustment can be a little more difficult for younger participants as they are less experienced travelers, at that awkward age and their expectations may be a bit more unrealistic (i.e. standard of living and lifestyle differences). Usually, cultural shock/homesickness occurs within the first week and disappears as your child gets used to the differences. If homesickness occurs, we ask parents to encourage the child to stay for at least a week. If you decide to pull your child from the program, we will work with you to make the process as quick and simple as possible but no refunds are available.

Can my child leave the program to travel independently?

At some programs this is possible but not at all programs. If possible, the program may require a special signed waiver form. Even with this waiver form, each program has different rules (ex. age limits, curfews).

How will I know my child has arrived safely?

Parents may call the participants at the homestay to make sure they have arrived. Keep in mind that flights are rarely on time, immigration lines are usually long and your child needs to get from the airport to their lodging. These factors may cause a delay with your child communicating with you. Also, you may contact AmeriSpan during regular business hours and we can follow-up with the program staff to confirm your child's safe arrival.

How can I communicate with my child? And vice versa?

The best way to keep in touch is to purchase a pre-paid phone card or a cell phone that works overseas. Participants may not make phone calls from their homestays, however parents may call the participants at the homestay. It is customary to keep calls brief. Most teen program locations have access to the Internet as well.

If we apply and change our minds, can we get our money back?

First, you'll need to decide ahead that this will be the right program for your child and that your child is mature enough to participate. The registration fee for Teenager programs is non-refundable. AmeriSpan Teenager Refund policy is as follows: You are entitled to a full refund (excluding registration fee) when you cancel more than four weeks before your start date. If you cancel with less than 4 weeks notice you will be billed for 25% of the program cost and registration fee. If you cancel less than 2 weeks notice you will be billed for 50% of the program cost and registration fee. ONCE THE PROGRAM HAS BEGUN THERE ARE NO REFUNDS.

What arrangements are needed since my child is flying on their own?

Usually, no additional arrangements should be necessary. However, if your child needs to change flights, some airlines may not allow an unaccompanied minor to board an airplane. You can arrange for "Unaccompanied Minor Assistance" with most airlines.

What if there's a problem with my child's airport pick-up upon arrival?

Your child will be met by a representative of the camp or school in the arrivals hall, after picking up luggage and going through customs. This person will be holding a placard with your child's name on it. In the unusual event that there is a problem with the pick-up, be sure that your child has a copy of their Confirmation with the Emergency Contact Numbers highlighted so that they will know whom to call. Also be sure they know how to dial the numbers, knowing which is the country code, which is the city code and how to use them. We'll be happy to explain this... just ask!

What type of spending money should my child bring?

We recommend a combination of debit/credit card, cash and travelers checks. Your child should have at least \$100-\$200 US cash when traveling in case of an emergency. In most program locations, there are ATM machines where your child can withdraw cash with a credit card. If there are no ATMs, Visa/Mastercard cash advances are available at local banks. Although travelers checks can be more difficult to use, we still recommend some travelers checks just in case your child loses their purse or wallet.

Tip #1: Visa offers prepaid Visa cards for teenagers.

Tip #2: Keep a copy of the numbers of your child's travelers checks.

What if my child's luggage is lost?

Your child will have to go and report it to the airline upon arrival, but BE SURE THEY KNOW THEY MUST MEET THEIR AIRPORT PICK-UP PERSON FIRST!! It's best to pack two or three days changes of clothing in carry-on luggage...just in case!

What paperwork does my child need?

All participants will need a valid passport and some countries will need a notarized letter from one or all legal guardians granting permission for the child to travel. Some countries change requirements often so it is best to contact the country's embassy or consulate and find out exactly what is needed.

How can I prepare my child for traveling and arrival?

Make sure your child has a copy of their flight itinerary, a copy of their program confirmation with emergency contact numbers highlighted, copies of all of your telephone numbers and a copy of the signed waiver form allowing for independent travel if you have elected to approve that. Also, be sure that this information goes with your child in their carry-on luggage... NOT in checked luggage!





TEENS WANT TO KNOW

Am I just in class all day?

No! Sure you have some language classes, but all the programs offer many activities and excursions (either included in the cost of tuition or at an additional cost depending on location). In fact, several programs require participation in activities but don't assign any homework.

Is there homework?

Each program is different. Some require homework while others have no homework. However, the term "homework" is used loosely and might not mean lots of handwritten exercises. For example, your homework might be for you to watch a specific TV show, interview a member of your host family, or read an article in the local paper. Since you are exposed to another language and culture 24 hours/day, you will learn a great deal even with no homework.

How can I find out about the activities and excursions?

Review this catalog or go to our website for even more information. Most of our program web pages have a link called "Sample Activities and Excursions" where you can see a sample of the schedule.

Will I meet people?

Yes! All programs have atmospheres that encourage lots of interaction between participants, as well, as between participants and local people. However, only extremely mature and well-traveled teenagers should participate in our Independent Teen as there will likely be few or no other teenagers.

Is it fun?

Yes! But you need to pick a program that sounds like a match for you. AmeriSpan's staff assigns a fun rank of 1-star to 4-stars. A higher number means that the program is very active while a lower number indicates that you will likely be required to manage most of your time independently. The rating specifically looks at on-site evaluations, experience with the program, past participants' feedback, number of other teenagers, range of nationalities, number and variety of activities.

Will I be speaking the target language 24/7?

You will be surrounded by your target language, but you will likely have plenty of opportunity to speak both English and the target language. How much depends on who will be in the program at the time you are attending. For example, if there are a lot of American students, of course you'll speak English with each other. It's also possible that there will be many students from other countries who don't speak English so you'll speak the target language more often. Finally, remember that you can really build your language skills by practicing at every opportunity... so take advantage of being in another country to use your target language whenever possible.

Can I stay out late?

Residential Camp and Supervised Programs have curfews. No exceptions/extensions are made to the curfew even if your parents request it. AmeriSpan does not tolerate teenage participants skipping school, missing scheduled activities, breaking curfew, drinking alcohol, using drugs or engaging in sexual activities. Breaking the rules will result in your expulsion and early departure at the cost of your family.

Can I leave the program to travel on my own?

This varies by program and by your age. If your program allows you to travel or go out on your own, the school dictates the rules as to how late you can stay out. If you plan to do some traveling or leaving the campus, you must have the permission of your parent and a signed waiver form.

What are the accommodations like and what about laundry?

Accommodations vary by program. In our Camp programs, accommodations are usually dorm-style, with 6-12 students per dorm room. They are grouped according to age and sex... just like a 'bunk' at camp! All accommodations have some arrangement for laundry. In most cases, laundry can be done about once a week. However, it's always better to pack for two weeks without laundry if possible.

Can I get AP or college credit?

Yes, many times you can obtain credit for participation in an AmeriSpan Teenager Program Abroad from your local high school. This usually involves meeting with faculty from your high school (for example: your foreign language teacher or guidance counselor). Sometimes your faculty will request a course syllabus or other information. Just let us know what information you need and we will be happy to assist you.

What will I do if I have a problem?

Traveling abroad is a big experience for everyone and unexpected developments can always arise. You'll have the best experience if you are willing to act on your own behalf! There is always a counselor, mentor, host parent or program director to go and speak with if you are having any kind of problem. The sooner you speak up, the sooner your problem can be solved. If you call your parent to tell them about a problem and then they call us and then we call the program, it takes a lot longer to deal with something that could be fixed if you speak directly to an adult in your program. Remember, between the time difference and our office hours, sometimes it can take two days to fix something that could be fixed in two hours if you ask for help directly! Yes, sometimes you have to be a bit brave, but that's what will make you a successful international traveler in the future!



SPAIN PROGRAMS



From its dazzling beaches to its ancient castles, **SPAIN** is a country as diverse as the cultures which have influenced its art, architecture, music and lifestyle. It is a land where cathedrals and castles are interspersed with skyscrapers, where modern rock mixes with flamenco guitar and night clubs compete with cozy tapas bars. Spain offers some of the world's most famous museums, resorts and festivals, making it a unique and enchanting destination.

Why Is Spain Our Most Popular Teen Destination?

Spain is AmeriSpan's most popular destination for summer programs for teenagers. The country offers students the chance to learn and use Spanish, the most popular foreign language, without the hassles or extra worries of traveling to Latin America. As an important part of the fully-developed world, Spain offers participants the least amount of culture shock of any AmeriSpan Spanish teenager program because things work more like they do at home, the Spaniards are well-educated, pop-culture overlaps and poverty isn't the norm like it is in many countries in Latin America.

What Teen Programs Are Offered?

Spain has something for nearly every teenager and parent. We offer destinations from beaches to big cities to everything in between. We offer highly structured and supervised Summer Camps to Independent Teen programs with lots of free time to pursue your own interests. Of course, the Junior Immersion programs tend to be the most popular because they offer some structure and supervision yet allow a bit more freedom for the older, more mature participants.

This catalog includes information about Spain's Summer Camps and Junior Immersion Programs in this catalog but in each of these locations there is also an Adult School which accepts anyone 16 years or older.

Recreational Activities

Spain Summer Camp & Junior Immersion programs are designed to offer a wide variety of activities so there is never a dull moment. After morning Spanish classes, after lunch or even in the evening participants can choose from a myriad of different recreational, cultural and sports activities. Activities may include, but are not limited to:

- Cultural Workshops
- Trips & Excursions
- Afternoon Sports Activities (included in the program)
- Optional Sports Activities (extra cost)
- Traditional camp games, contests and treasure hunts
- Nighttime shows: music, theater, talent
- Theme nights: Cowboys and Indians, 60's, Medieval Times
- Discos and dances

More About Cultural Workshops

Cultural workshops are participatory and each student may select those workshops they enjoy and are interested in. Cultural workshops are arranged for on-site. Workshops will vary based on camp location, facilities and age groups. Workshops could include: Outdoors & Environment, Journalism, Music & Percussion, Theater, Juggling & Circus, Lifesaving Techniques/CPR, Arts & Crafts, Cooking, Flamenco & Sevillanas Dance, and Other Dance Workshops.

Camp Trips/Excursions

Each two-week session includes at least one full day and two half-day excursions to nearby sites of interest in the vicinity of the camp. These trips introduce students to the great diversity of Spanish culture, food and geography and aim to take full advantage of the special attractions around each summer language camp.

Some of the possible excursions may include:

- Sitges and Tibidabo Amusement Park if attending Barcelona camp
- Sevilla and the Alhambra if attending Granada camp
- Toledo and the Prado Museum if attending Madrid camp
- Granada and Puerto Banus if attending Marbella camp
- Avila and the Casa de las Conchas if attending Salamanca camp
- Alicante and the City of Art and Sciences if attending Valencia camp

More About Sports Activities

AmeriSpan's Summer Camps and Junior Immersion programs in Spain offer a huge selection of sports activities. Sports will vary based on camp location, facilities and age groups. Two types of sports are offered: 'afternoon sports' which are included in the program and open to all participants, and 'optional sports' that students may book in advance (additional cost) if they have a special interest in working on specific athletic skills.

Afternoon Sports (included in the program)

The daily afternoon summer camp sports include: Aerobics, archery, badminton, baseball, basketball, bowling, capoeira, darts, frisbee, handball, hockey, rock climbing, soccer, volleyball, and water polo.

Optional Sports (extra cost)

Optional sports activities of golf, horseback riding, paddleball, tennis and swimming are offered in our camp locations in Barcelona, Granada, Madrid and Marbella for an extra cost. Participants may choose only 1 optional sport activity per every 2-week session.



SPAIN

Barcelona

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-18 years

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework

BARCELONA offers the best of both worlds: beach-side fun and all the cultural attractions of one of Europe's most admired cities. A hub for fashion, design, music, cuisine and the arts. It also provides a great opportunity for young people to discover the peculiarities of Catalonia and Catalan culture, gaining a unique understanding of Spain's regional differences.



Program Overview & Supervision

This summer camp program is a very structured program with many activities. Free time each day is built into the camp schedule. However, most participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. There will be a camp counselor available for every group of 10 to 12 students. The counselor will remain with the group on a 24 hour a day basis and will take care of any individual needs each participant may have.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Barcelona summer camp is located just outside of the city center in a privileged area of Barcelona where you'll find lovely chalets and the lush and verdant Labering Park. It boasts easy access to the city, thanks to its proximity to the metro (FGC) stop Mundet. The camp consists of a modern residence where students will both stay and attend their language classes. The camp facilities include a spacious garden/terrace, sports facilities, a dining hall and numerous common areas: game room, TV room, computer room, study room, etc.

Participants will stay in the residence dormitories, which consist of 3- and 4-person rooms, all of which have a private bathroom. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from. These include: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30-9:15: Breakfast
 9:30-11:00: Spanish classes
 11:00-11:30: Break
 11:30-1:00: Spanish classes
 2:00-3:15: Lunch
 3:15-4:00: Free time
 4:00-6:00: Cultural workshops, sport activities, games
 6:00-6:30: Snack time
 8:00-9:00: Showers, clean-up for dinner
 9:00-9:45: Dinner
 10:00-11:00: Evening activities

SPAIN

Granada



GRANADA, an Andalusian city of 260,000 inhabitants, is situated in southern Spain among the snow-covered mountains of the Sierra Nevadas, the desert landscape of Tabernes and the beautiful beaches of the Costa del Sol. It is also the third largest university city and exudes a lively atmosphere, from Flamenco in the streets to year-round cultural programs in music, dance, theater and film. The Alhambra is located in Granada. It was once the residence of the Muslim kings of Granada and their court, and is currently a museum exhibiting exquisite Islamic architecture. The city's southern-style Spanish architecture is as heavily influenced by the Moors as its way of life is influenced by Andalusian Flamenco and dance traditions.

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 14-18 years

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:10

LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: 11 pm

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language ability. During class time participants are monitored by their language instructor and an administrative staff is always available for the students while at school. Organized activities are available everyday for all program participants. Staff members are always present during all activities and excursions. The ratio of students to instructor/monitor is 1 to 10 during activities and 1 to 24 during excursions (full or half day). Each day teens will have free time for activities like shopping, meeting with friends, sports, etc. All teen participants are responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day. Outside of the school and homestay, teen participants are independent and responsible for making curfew (11:00pm for AmeriSpan participants). The school director will be contacted if curfew is broken by teen participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Located in a safe, quiet area in the city center, just a stone's throw from the cathedral and within walking distance of the Alhambra, our school in Granada occupies an entire five-story, air-conditioned building. The school is light and airy, with lots of windows and balconies overlooking the street. The atmosphere at the school is intimate and relaxed. In addition, there is a recreational area to relax with TV, newspapers and coffee. Capacity is 180 students. Students stay in a homestay with all meals included.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities can include: dance classes, swimming, trips to museums and sports. Speaking Spanish during the activities is encouraged. Excursions are offered every weekend and will contain both educational and fun elements (examples: Alpujarras, Costa Tropical, Camino de Aqua).



TYPICAL DAY

8:30-9:15	Breakfast w/ host family
9:30-1:00	Spanish classes
1:00-2:00	Free time
2:00-3:15	Lunch w/ host family
4:00-7:00	Organized activities
7:00-9:00	Study or free time
9:00-9:45	Dinner w/ host family
10:00-11:00	Free time



Madrid

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework

The famed capital of Spain is a cosmopolitan city of unequalled culture and nightlife. With everything from world-famous museums to high fashion shopping, you will never run out of things to do in **MADRID**. Conveniently located just 5 hours by train or bus to any other city in Spain, its central location makes it an ideal home base for language travelers.



Program Overview & Supervision

This summer camp is a very structured program with many activities. Free time each day is built into the camp schedule. However, most participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. There will be a camp counselor available for every group of 10 to 12 students. The counselor will remain with the group on a 24-hour a day basis and will take care of any individual needs each participant may have.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Madrid Summer Camp is offered on the campus of the Francisco de Vitoria University, one of the most prestigious universities in Spain. The campus, which is spacious and characterized by trees and green spaces, is located just outside of Madrid on the Carretera Pozuelo - Majadahonda. The residence where the Madrid camp is held offers superb facilities to program participants, including student lounges, a common TV room, study rooms, a gym, a dining hall and a computer lab, where students can use the computers, go online and check their email. Furthermore, the university campus boasts excellent athletic facilities used during the camp sessions; highlights include a football field as well as tennis, paddle, basketball and multi-purpose courts.

Participants will stay in comfortable double rooms, all of which have private bathrooms. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from, including: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program. Optional tennis and swimming activities/lessons are available at an additional charge.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30-9:15:	Breakfast
9:30-11:00:	Spanish classes
11:00-11:30:	Break
11:30-1:00:	Spanish classes
2:00-3:15:	Lunch
3:15-4:00:	Free time
4:00-6:00:	Cultural workshops, sport activities, games
6:00-6:30:	Snack time
8:00-9:00:	Showers, clean-up for dinner
9:00-9:45:	Dinner
10:00-11:00:	Evening activities

SPAIN



Marbella



Known as the jewel of the Costa del Sol, this resort town is located about an hour south of Malaga on the Mediterranean coast. The small curvy streets and white washed colonial-style buildings make **MARBELLA** a picturesque vacation spot. There are many boutiques, shops and restaurants in town as well as along the beach.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30-9:15:	Breakfast
9:30-11:00:	Spanish classes
11:00-11:30:	Break
11:30-1:00:	Spanish classes
2:00-3:15:	Lunch
3:15-4:00:	Free time
4:00-6:00:	Cultural workshops, sport activities, games
6:00-6:30:	Snack time
8:00-9:00:	Showers, clean-up for dinner
9:00-9:45:	Dinner
10:00-11:00:	Evening activities

Program Overview & Supervision

This summer camp program is a very structured program with many activities. Each day, free time is built into the camp schedule. However, most participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. There will be a camp counselor available for every group of 10 to 12 students. The counselor will remain with the group on a 24-hour a day basis and will take care of any individual needs each participant may have. There are three different camp options in Marbella. Campers are grouped by age. Daily schedule is about the same; facilities and locations vary.

Marbella I (Aleman)

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

MARBELLA ALEMAN SUMMER CAMP is set in one of Marbella's nicest residential areas and is located on a hilltop, facing the renowned Hotel Don Carlos. The beach is just a 15-minute walk away. The facilities include: an indoor/outdoor multi purpose activities center, swimming pool, gardens and sports fields (soccer, basketball & handball). The campus has several buildings. The main building houses the student residences, dining hall, conference room, a canteen, infirmary and various common areas. Classrooms are located in a separate building adjacent to the sports center. Participants are housed in dormitory rooms shared with 5 to 6 students. Each room has its own toilet and shower. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from, including: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program. Optional tennis, horseback riding, paddleball, golf and swimming activities/lessons are available at an additional charge.



PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp for families traveling with their children

AGE RANGE: 5-12

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework





Marbella II (Alboran)

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

MARBELLA ALBORAN SUMMER CAMP is located on a beautiful finca. The camp is 13 miles from the center of Marbella and a short ride from the Hotel Don Carlos and the city's General Hospital. It is also just a short 15-minute walk to the beach. The camp's central building houses the dormitory rooms, a dining hall and a residential area for counselors and coaches. Sports facilities include: a large swimming pool, multi-purpose sports area, 2 soccer fields, paddleball court, handball court and two stables. There is also a newsstand, game hall and large farmhouse that accommodates a variety of activities.

Participants are housed in dormitory rooms shared with 8 to 12 students. At least one counselor sleeps in each bedroom. The shower house is set apart from the residence hall. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from including: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program. Activities available for an additional charge include tennis, horseback riding, paddleball, golf and swimming lessons.



Marbella III (Albergue)

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 16-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

MARBELLA ALBERGUE SUMMER CAMP is only a 5-minute walk from the old quarter of Marbella, characterized by small, picturesque streets, whitewashed buildings and lively plazas. This campus is ideal for older, independent teenagers. It is a large, fenced-in complex in a peaceful neighborhood. The main building includes: 24-hour reception desk, vending machines, public phone, dining room, TV/video room and several conference rooms. Outside students enjoy a large swimming pool, 3 multi-purpose sports fields, tennis courts, expansive gardens and an open-air terrace. Participants are housed in a residence hall consisting of: double, triple, quad and six-person rooms. The majority of the rooms share bathrooms located in the hallways. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from, including: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program. Activities available for an additional charge include tennis, horseback riding, paddleball, and golf lessons.



SPAIN

Salamanca



Known as "La Dorada," or the Golden City, for the unique glow of its sandstone buildings, **SALAMANCA** is one of the five Spanish cities declared by UNESCO as a Mankind Heritage site. The world's second oldest university is here, with a student population of 30,000 (5,000 of whom are foreigners) that provides a lively atmosphere throughout the city. The famous Plaza Mayor is the central gathering place for locals and visitors alike. The plaza, regarded as one of the finest squares in Europe, is currently used primarily for concerts. Next to the main square is the Central Market of Salamanca with typical fresh products of Spain available for purchase.

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp
AGE RANGE: 13-18
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12
LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day
CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30
FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆
INTENSITY: No Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

This summer camp is a very structured program with many activities. Free time each day is built into the camp schedule. However, most participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. There will be a camp counselor available for every group of 10 to 12 students. The counselor will remain with the group on a 24-hour a day basis and will take care of any individual needs each participant may have.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Salamanca Summer Camp is located in the old walled part of the city, the heart of the historic center. The facilities include: classrooms, large conference room, a video room, a computer room, student residences, a dining hall and infirmary. The building is typical Salmantino in design and is U-shaped surrounding its own courtyard. Also on campus are the walled sports facilities, which include: a soccer field, basketball court, handball and volleyball courts and in-line skating rink. Participants can enjoy the swimming pool, outdoor cafe and sunbathing areas at a nearby swim club.

Participants are housed in dormitory rooms, each fully furnished with beds, study desks, a wardrobe and shelves for each student. A washstand is located in each room with shared bathroom/showers. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from including: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30-9:15:	Breakfast
9:30-11:00:	Spanish classes
11:00-11:30:	Break
11:30-1:00:	Spanish classes
2:00-3:15:	Lunch
3:15-4:00:	Free time
4:00-6:00:	Cultural workshops, sport activities, games
6:00-6:30:	Snack time
8:00-9:00:	Showers, clean-up for dinner
9:00-9:45:	Dinner
10:00-11:00:	Evening activities



Sevilla

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 14-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:10

LODGING: Homestay with 3 meals/day

CURFEW: 11:30 pm (Su-Th), 12:30 am (Fr-Sa)

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework

SEVILLA, the capital of Andalusia, has a population of about 700,000. The historical influence of the Moors is still present in old Sevillian architecture. This is seen most clearly in the cathedral which is one of the most spectacular in all of Spain. The famous customs and traditions of bullfighting and flamenco make Sevilla an exciting and spectacular city for the language traveler.



Program Overview & Supervision

Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language level. The language instructors and administrative staff are always available for the students while at school, with a ratio of 1:10. Each day teens will have free time for activities like shopping, meeting with friends, sports, etc. All teen participants are independent and responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day. Outside of the school and homestay, teen participants are independent and responsible for making curfew. Curfew is 11:30 pm from Sunday to Thursday and 12:30 am on Friday and Saturday. The school directors will be contacted if teen participants break curfew.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Located in the Santa Cruz neighborhood, right in the heart of the old part of the town and near the Cathedral, Alcázar, the City Hall and more. Modern facilities are in a building from the early 20th century, containing 12 air-conditioned classrooms, a roof deck, a meeting room and a multimedia classroom. Capacity is 180 students/day. Participants will share a room with another teen in a host family. The host family will provide all meals and enforce the nightly curfew.

TYPICAL DAY

8:00-9:00: Breakfast w/homestay
 9:30-1:30: Spanish classes
 2:00-3:15: Lunch w/homestay
 3:15-4:00: Free time
 4:00-6:00: Cultural workshops, sport activities, games
 6:00-8:00: Free time, homework
 9:00-9:45: Dinner w/homestay
 10:00-11:30: Free time

Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from. These may include: many sports activities, dance & cooking classes, Spanish movies or lectures, trips to museums & sites of interest, and a welcome fiesta. A day excursion is offered every Saturday and is also included in the program.





Valencia



VALENCIA is Spain's third largest city and has experienced a cultural renaissance in recent years. Situated along the Mediterranean coast, Valencia boasts miles of gorgeous beaches, beautiful seaside promenades, fascinating architecture and a mild, sunny climate.

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30 pm

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

This summer camp is a very structured program with many activities. Free time each day is built into the camp schedule. However, most participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. There will be a camp counselor available for every group of 10 to 12 students. The counselor will remain with the group on a 24-hour a day basis and will take care of any individual needs each participant may have.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Valencia Summer Camp is located in Valencia's lively university neighborhood. The camp is also within walking distance to the beach, not far from the city center. The facilities include: a room for internet, music, TV, video and games, a conference room and extensive sports facilities. Classes are held in a building nearby. The residence hall is composed of triple rooms, each with a full bathroom. The dormitories also have internet access and air conditioning. All meals are provided in the school's dining halls and/or cafeteria.



Activities & Excursions

Participants will have a range of afternoon and evening activities free of charge to choose from including: many sports activities (soccer, basketball, volleyball), recreational activities (treasure hunts, camp discos, music shows) and cultural workshops (cooking, theatre, dance & journalism). Weekend excursions are also included in the program.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30-9:15:	Breakfast
9:30-11:00:	Spanish classes
11:00-11:30:	Break
11:30-1:00:	Spanish classes
2:00-3:15:	Lunch
3:15-4:00:	Free time
4:00-6:00:	Cultural workshops, sport activities, games
6:00-6:30:	Snack time
8:00-9:00:	Showers, clean-up for dinner
9:00-9:45:	Dinner
10:00-11:00:	Evening activities

COSTA RICA

Alajuela

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 14-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:4 (in class)

LODGING: Homestay, 2 meals/day

CURFEW: 6 pm

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework

ALAJUELA, a sizeable city with a population of around 100,000, is Costa Rica's third largest city. However, Alajuela offers language travelers of all ages a relaxed and more traditional "tico" (native Costa Rican) way of life. The combination of pleasant temperatures (average of 74-80 degrees), a more rural setting with a lush backdrop of citrus trees and flora and easy access to San Jose, Costa Rica's capital (15 miles east of Alajuela) makes Alajuela a wonderful destination.



Program Overview & Supervision

Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language ability. During class time, participants are monitored by their language instructor and both the administration and academic directors of the language school. An administrative staff is always available for the students while at school. Each day teens will have free time. During this time teen participants may use email at school, explore Alajuela, go to the mall, participate in sports with friends, or spend time with their host family. All teen participants are responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day. Outside of the school and homestay teen participants are independent and responsible for making curfew. Curfew is 10:00pm on both weekdays and weekends and is strictly enforced by the host family. The school directors will be contacted if curfew is broken by teen participants. A key to the home will not be given to teen participants. Students who do not abide by school or host family rules will be dismissed from the program.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school campus is located a short bus ride outside the city of Alajuela and is contained on a large property on a hill surrounded by tropical flowers and fruit trees. The school has mainly outdoor and semi-outdoor classrooms, an auditorium and cafeteria. Although teens participating in this program will share the same facilities as adult participants, all language classes are grouped by age and language ability. Capacity is 160 students/day. Students stay in a homestay with 2 meals/day included.

Activities & Excursions

Organized morning/afternoon activities are available for all program participants (adult and teens). A staff member is always present during organized activities which may include: dance or cooking classes, Spanish movies or lectures, trips to museums, theatres, the bird zoo, snake farm, and to Los Chorrros Waterfalls as some examples. All activities are conducted in Spanish. Weekend excursions are available at an additional cost. **SPECIAL NOTE:** In order for teens to participate in weekend excursions (arranged and purchased for on-site only) parents must grant permission for teens to travel on weekends.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30	Breakfast w/homestay
8:00-12:00	Spanish classes
12:00-1:00	Lunch on your own
1:00-6:00	Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study or free time

COSTA RICA



Coronado

CORONADO (pop. 60,000) is a sunny suburb of San Jose, located about 6 miles from the hustle and bustle of the city. This little town resembles the foggy cities described in fairy tales and is known for "Las Nubes" (the clouds). It has a beautiful forest, mountains and dairy farms. Be sure to try the tasty Coronado cheese while in Coronado. The beautiful Braulio Carrillo National Park is also easy to get to.

PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen

AGE RANGE: 14-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:6 (in class)

LODGING: Homestay, 2 meals/day

CURFEW: None

FUN RANK: ☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

Please note, although this program will accept teenagers from 14-18 this is an **UNSUPERVISED PROGRAM**. This program is for mature, independent teens who understand along with their parents/guardians that little supervision will be provided and that all teens will be treated like mature, independent adults by school staff and host families.

In our opinion, Coronado is an ideal location to offer an independent teen program. First, it is a small town with a very typical Tico atmosphere, including a center square featuring a cathedral, civic buildings and several important shops. The town is home to only one language school and is almost completely surrounded by a national park. This gives the feeling of being "sealed off" from the hustle and bustle of San Jose, even though it is close enough to see the city lights at night. This also ensures a high level of immersion in the language and culture. All of the locals know who the students are and keep an eye out for them. They enjoy helping others learn Spanish and can often be seen chatting with students in the large central park. Students who enjoy nature will love the proximity of the trails, farms and forests of the national park. Coronado is small enough for all homestays to be a short walk or bike-ride from the school. It is a very safe and secure location in which teens can study and experience all that Costa Rica has to offer.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school is located on the site of an old farm, surrounded by tropical gardens. The building has 9 classrooms, reception area, multimedia lab with computers and Internet access, a resource library for students and a cafeteria. The school is located only about 10 blocks from the main bus terminal in town. Students stay in a homestay with 2 meals/day included.

Activities & Excursions

Some organized activities are included. Weekend excursions are available at an additional cost.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30	Breakfast w/homestay
8:00-12:00	Spanish classes
12:00-1:00	Lunch on your own
1:00-6:00	Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study or free time



Heredia

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 13-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Students are not permitted to be out on their own

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Homework & Exams

HEREDIA (pop 50,000) is located 6 miles north of San Jose. The city and its surrounding areas provide all the conveniences of a medium-sized city in an environment which has escaped, to a large extent, the normal urban problems affecting the capital. The city has a surprisingly youthful and active feeling despite its small size. This is due to the presence of many young Costa Ricans attending the National University. Costa Rica's famous coffee plantations surround Heredia where one can still see ox carts loaded with coffee beans.



Program Overview & Supervision

This is a very structured program with many activities. Outside of class time, students are always supervised. When they are not participating in program activities, they stay with the host family. A member of the school staff accompanies the students on their activities and excursions. Normally there is one staff member for every eight participants outside of class.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school facilities are located in a local high school and include indoor classrooms, large gardens, a swimming pool, a soccer field, and basketball and volleyball courts. Students stay with a host family and breakfast and dinner are provided daily. Lunch is also included and will be at various local restaurants in the afternoon.

Activities & Excursions

Daily morning activities and weekend excursions are included. Examples include: dance classes, cooking class, and visits to local areas of interest. In addition students have the opportunity to volunteer in public schools, national parks, an orphanage for girls, a nursing home or they can help in a recycling project via once a week service learning projects.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30	Breakfast w/homestay
8:00-12:00	Spanish classes
12:00-1:00	Supervised lunch
1:00-6:00	Mandatory supervised social & cultural activities and service learning
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study or free time

ECUADOR

Quito



Located in a beautiful valley and surrounded by snow-capped peaks of the Andes, **QUITO** is surprisingly friendlier and safer feeling than other large Latin American cities. Furthermore, Quito has kept its colonial charm in spite of growing to a size of 1.4 million. Situated at 9,000 feet above sea level, the temperature averages 60-70 degrees during the day and 40-50 degrees during the night. It is easy to reach most parts of the country in less than a day from Quito. With excellent facilities and a staff that is both friendly and professional, our Quito program offers a great value for language students.

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 14-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:4 (in class)

LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: 10 pm

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Homework & Exams



Program Overview & Supervision

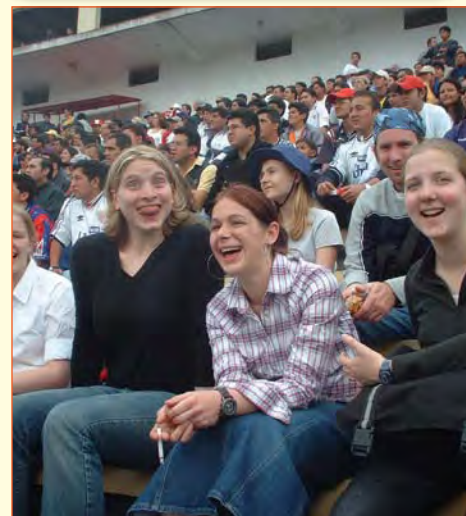
Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language ability. During class time, participants are monitored by their language instructor (ratio 1:4) and both the administration and academic directors of the language school. This is a structured program with scheduled activities and excursions. All teen participants will need to keep a daily journal. Students will also have unsupervised free time. During this time teen participants may use email at school, explore Quito, participate in sports with friends, or spend time with their host family. All teen participants are responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day. Outside of the school and homestay teen participants are independent and responsible for making curfew. Curfew is 10:00pm on both weekdays and weekends and is strictly enforced by the host family. The school directors will be contacted if curfew is broken by teen participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

A big, brand new building with about 20 bright class rooms, a patio with fountain, small business center, audiovisual room, entertainment room for students, indoor basketball court, a cafeteria selling snacks and small meals and a huge terrace overlooking Quito and the mountains. The school is located on the north side of the city in a quiet residential area very close to various public transportation lines. Capacity is 80 Students/day.

Activities & Excursions

Activities during this four week program will be spent in Quito and the surrounding area. Activities may include: visit to the Andean Zoo, cooking class, soccer match, swimming, bowling, visit to the Basilica, a tour of Quito and a visit to the Equatorial Monument to name a few. All activities and excursions will be lead by Spanish/English-speaking guides. Weekend excursions are planned to Otavalo, Cotopaxi National Park, and the Cloud Forest Reserve. While at Cotopaxi National Park, those who are able will have the opportunity to climb part way up Cotopaxi Volcano and go horseback riding high in the Andes on the volcano's slopes. At the Cloud Forest Reserve, morning and afternoon nature hikes are planned with naturalist guides.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30	Breakfast w/homestay
8:30-1:00	Spanish classes
1:00-2:30	Lunch at school
3:00-6:00	Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study, free time or evening activity



MEXICO

La Manzanilla

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion
AGE RANGE: 14-17
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:8
LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day
CURFEW: 10 pm
FUN RANK: ☆☆☆
INTENSITY: Some Homework

A charming Mexican village, **LA MANZANILLA** is located in the state of Jalisco. La Manzanilla is a small beach town of just over 1,200 Mexican residents. The village is nestled between gently sloping mountains covered with dense tropical foliage on one side and a beautiful beach with lofty palms on the other. The warm climate, beautiful beaches and friendly Mexican people make La Manzanilla a real tropical paradise! La Manzanilla is approximately three and a half hours south of Puerto Vallarta and is a tight-knit and caring community, providing the ideal setting for high school students to come and study and participate in the village life.



Program Overview & Supervision

Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language ability. During class time participants are monitored by their language instructor and an administrative staff is always available for the students while at school. Organized activities are available everyday for all program participants. Staff members are always present during all activities and excursions. The ratio of students to instructor/monitor is 1 to 8 during activities and excursions (full or half day). Each day teens have a full daily schedule with classes, volunteer work and program sponsored activities. There will be some free time for activities such as meeting with friends, going to the beach, etc. All teen participants are responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day. Outside of the school and homestay teen participants are independent and responsible for making curfew (10:00pm for AmeriSpan participants). The school director will be contacted if curfew is broken by teen participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Centrally located and easily accessible from all parts of town, the campus is in the beautiful Multi-Cultural Center of La Manzanilla. This three-leveled facility also houses classes and workshops in pottery, painting, dance and healing arts. Beautiful outdoor classrooms offer striking views of La Manzanilla's picturesque beach and oceanfront. Students stay in a homestay with all meals included.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities can include: swimming at the beach, group hikes and sports with locals. Speaking Spanish during the activities is encouraged. Excursions are offered every weekend (half day, full day and overnight) and will contain both educational and fun elements (examples: Barra de Navidad, Sea Kayaking, Colima). Students also participate in a volunteer work program. Starting during the second week of the program, each student will be placed in a volunteer position for approximately 6-10 hours per week. Participation in the volunteer program allows students to become involved in the local community and gain a deeper cultural understanding and appreciation of the workings of Mexican society.



TYPICAL DAY

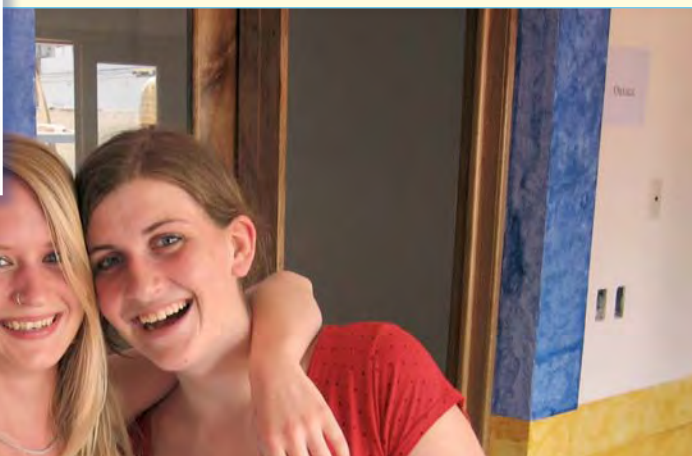
8:30 - 9:00	Breakfast w/homestay
9:00 - 10:30	Volunteer Work
11:00 - 1:00	Spanish Classes
1:00 - 2:00	Cultural Class
2:30	Lunch w/homestay
4:00 - 5:00	Cultural Study Project
5:00 - 7:00	Group Activity Time
7:30	Dinner w/homestay
8:00 - 9:00	Social Activity
10:00	Weekday curfew



Morelia



Located about 4 hours from Mexico City or Guadalajara, **MORELIA** is a university city with about 80,000 students studying at one of the four universities. Despite its size, the city is fairly compact, with everything of interest within walking distance of the central plaza. A climate of perpetual spring makes Morelia a welcoming destination.



PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen

AGE RANGE: 16-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:6 (in class)

LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: None

FUN RANK: ☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework

Program Overview & Supervision

Please note this is an **UNSUPERVISED PROGRAM**. Morelia is an adult program that will accept teenagers between the ages of 16-18. This program is for mature, independent teens who understand, along with their parents/guardians, that supervision will not be provided and that they will be treated like adults by school staff and host families. In our opinion, Morelia is an excellent destination for an Independent Teen program. What we like the most about this program is that there is only one student assigned to a host family unless otherwise requested. This means the teen is truly part of the family and that even though there is no formal curfew, the family's focus is on their only guest. In addition, the on-site staff is extremely responsive to their students' needs and concerns. Morelia is a college town. This means two things in Mexico, a much broader middle class and many resources for free or low cost activities such as art shows and dancing.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school is a remodeled colonial house with 13 classrooms. There are outdoor patios where students take classes and socialize. It is located near downtown just a few blocks from the main plaza, a large park, a post office, banks and various businesses and cafes. Capacity is 80 students/day. Students will have a private room with 3 meals daily provided by the host family.

Activities & Excursions

During the summertime the school offers about 2 activities per week. These activities can include but are not limited to: a walking tour of Morelia, visits to historic sites, theater performances, discos and a night out with other participants to a local restaurant. Students will be responsible for paying their own entrance fees and meals during outings. Every day the conversation club (Intercambio) is offered free of charge and is an excellent way to improve language skills and meet locals. Weekend excursions are offered approximately 2 times per month for an extra cost. The most common destinations can include: Patzcuaro, Tzintzuntzan, Quiroga (an indigenous craft village), Guanajuato, Mexico City and the Mayan pyramids.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30	Breakfast w/homestay
8:00-12:00	Spanish classes
12:00-1:00	Lunch w/homestay
1:00-6:00	Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study or free time





MOROCCO

Rabat

PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen

AGE RANGE: 16-18

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:10

LODGING: Homestay, 2 meals/day

CURFEW: Enforced by host family

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework

RABAT is the capital of the Kingdom of Morocco. The society of Rabat is comprised of Sunni Muslims of Arab, Berber decent, and a mixed group of Arab-Berber groups. Rabat has been loyal to its age-old traditions and cultures, not only in lifestyles, but also in its architectural style. Rabat has managed to modernize without losing the richness and beauty of the past and is a quiet and safe city without the hustle of the larger cities. Rabat's central location allows students to explore other great Moroccan cities. Casablanca and the Imperial Moroccan capitals of Meknes, Marrakesh, and Fez are within easy reach by bus or train.



Program Overview & Supervision

This program is designed for mature, independent thinking teenagers. The program offers students the experience of living & studying in a foreign country, meeting other students of the same age, studying with older students during class time, experiencing and adapting to the local culture (very different from back home) and given the independence to explore. An experienced staff is present during language classes, activities and excursions. Overall students will have independence and little supervision; however, there are strict school & accommodation rules and curfews to obey. **IMPORTANT:** A dress code is required for both males and females at school: shirts should have sleeves, no exposed midriffs or undergarments, knees should be covered.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Located in the prestigious residential area of Souissi, the neighborhood streets around the school are wide, with large private gardens. There are shopping areas, restaurants, teahouses, many foreign embassies and a gym within a 5-10 minute walk of the school. In addition, the Royal Palace, Royal Dar es Salaam Golf Club, equestrian clubs, the beach and a large western style shopping mall only a short distance away.

The air-conditioned school building combines new architectural style with old and is enclosed within its own tranquil garden, away from the every day hustle and bustle of city life in Morocco. The front entrance offers traditional style architecture with a beautiful reception area decorated by mosaics. The 7 large and well-lit classrooms are a mix of traditionally decorated ceilings and modern furniture, all with large windows over looking the garden. Students have access to a small library, cafeteria, large student kitchen, patio and computers with high speed internet access. Participants are mixed nationalities mainly from the US and Europe. Students will stay with a host family and be provided 2 meals/day, lunch will be provided at the school for additional cost, approximately \$3-\$8/day.

Activities & Excursions

Two course excursions are offered per week, in addition to academic clubs and activities each week that are conducted in both Arabic and English and supervised by school staff. Activities could include: Lectures on Moroccan or Arab culture, video showings of Arabic films, barbecue in school garden, bowling, visits to Maamore forest, madina souks, the Oudaya, Hasaan Tower, the Royal Palace, Museum of Art, Medina and perhaps a boat trip on the Bou regreg (river). Weekend excursions guided by school staff will be offered within Rabat and other popular destinations such as: the historic city of Fez, Meknes, Kenitra, the famous city of Volubilis with its Roman ruins and Casablanca to name a few. These are available for an extra cost.



TYPICAL DAY

- 8:00-8:30 Breakfast w/homestay
- 9:00-10:30 Arabic classes
- 10:00-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:30 Arabic classes
- 12:30-2:00 Lunch at school
- 2:00-3:00 Arabic classes
- 3:00-6:00 Organized activities or free time
- 6:00-8:00 Dinner w/homestay
- 8:00-curfew: Study or free time

CHINA

Beijing



An ancient capital of six dynasties, **BEIJING** is one of the most famous historical and cultural cities in the world. Temples, parks and historic sites all speak wonderfully and powerfully of the dream that was Old Cathay, but today there's a new Beijing taking shape... Just outside the exquisite walls of Beijing's monuments, steel and concrete are steadily replacing silk and carved wood.

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-16

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dorm, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: 9:30pm(Su-M); 10pm(F-Sa)

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Homework & Exams



Program Overview & Supervision

This is a structured program with daily activities and weekend excursions. Summer Camp participants receive full supervision by school monitors 24 hours a day. The program director is responsible for students' safety and comfort, along with the head coordinator. A team of dedicated professionals including activity coordinators, language teachers and monitors assists all teen participants. The monitors coordinate the activities and excursions, and they remain with the full camp groups during evenings and weekends. Teachers use a teaching method which combines all aspects and skills of language in an interactive way that makes language learning productive and interesting.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school has 22 classrooms, an internet cafe, and student lounge area. Students are lodged in a residential complex, which is within twenty minutes via public transportation or walking distance from the school. The area is full of convenient stores and restaurants. The apartments are simple, but are furnished and equipped, all have a kitchen with a fridge, microwave, stove, pans and cutlery. Washing machine, TV and air-conditioning. Students will room by themselves or with one or two others close in age and of the same gender. A monitor stays in the apartment with the students during evenings and weekends. Three meals daily plus snacks are included.

Special Note: Homestay may be available to participants. Please contact AmeriSpan for details. Important note this location only accepts 17-18 years old into the adult program.

Activities & Excursions

Activities include soccer, ping-pong, badminton, swimming, traditional paper-cutting, Chinese calligraphy, making Chinese dumplings, Chinese Martial Arts, watching an acrobatic show, and tours to local sites of young people's interest. Excursions include trips to the Science and Technology Museum, Zoo, Canal Village, Water Park, and to cities or towns nearby. A one-day excursion and four afternoon activities are included weekly.



TYPICAL DAY

7:30-8:00	Start the day
8:00-8:30	Breakfast
8:30-9:00	Arrive at school
9:00-10:40	Chinese classes
10:40-11:00	Snack
11:00-12:40	Chinese classes
12:40-1:30	Lunch
1:30-4:30	Cultural enrichment
4:30-4:50	Snack
4:50-5:30	Homework
5:30-6:30	Break
6:30-8:00	Dinner
8:00-9:30	Relax, games, socialize
9:30-10:30	Get ready for bed
10:30	Bedtime



CANADA

Montreal

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 13-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:15

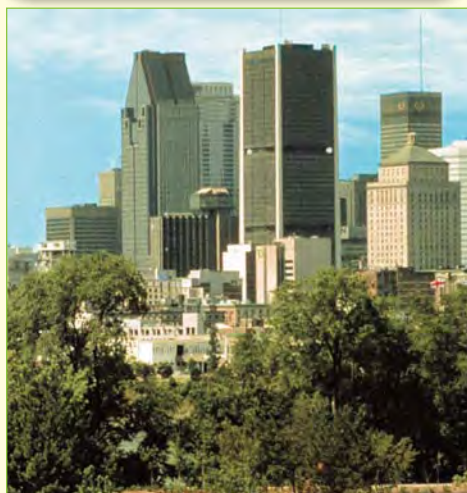
LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: 10 pm (M-F), 11 pm (Sa-Su)

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework

The second-largest French-speaking city in the world, **MONTREAL** carries on the European tradition of keeping culture within the reach of the people. The main downtown part of Montreal lies between Mont Royal and Old Montreal and is the heart of the business and shopping districts. A short walk out of the bustling downtown will take visitors back in time to the cobblestone streets, churches and unique buildings of Old Montreal, which was the heart of the city until the end of the nineteenth century. Today, its charming buildings are filled with boutiques, shops and restaurants.



Program Overview & Supervision

The teen program coordinator and campus supervisor are available during class time to provide a liaison between the teen campus and the school's main campus. Monitors will accompany teens on all afternoon activities. The ratio between monitors and teens is 1 to 15. The monitors are chosen for their experience working with or leading young people in group settings. The activity monitors will return the students to the main campus and at the end of the program each day teens will have about 1-2 hours of free time. During this time teen participants may use the Internet or email at school or have time to explore the city with friends. All teen participants are responsible for getting themselves to and from school/evening activities to their homestay each day. Evenings may be spent with the host family, participating in optional teen evening program (additional cost) or participating in the evening activities offered at the school's main campus for adult participants. Curfew is typically set by the teen participants' host family and is supported by the school. As a general guideline, standard curfew on weekdays is 10:00 pm and 11:00 pm on weekends.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Dawson College is located in the heart of city on 12 acres of green space. The College is connected to an underground shopping center and food court and is steps away from one of Montreal's largest entertainment complexes, the Pepsi Forum. The facilities include: modern, air-conditioned classrooms, cafeteria and snack bar. The teen summer program campus is a 15-minute walk from the main campus (adult language program). Homestay with 3 meals/day. The host family will provide participants with a packed lunch for their supervised lunch on campus.

Activities & Excursions

Daily organized afternoon activities designed for teenagers are included. The afternoon teen activities are chosen to ensure that students are offered a balance of sports with a variety of cultural outings. **SPECIAL NOTE:** In order for teens to participate in weekend excursions (arranged and purchased for on-site only) parents must grant permission for teens to travel on weekends.



TYPICAL DAY

7:30-8:00	Breakfast w/homestay
9:00-12:00	French classes
12:00-12:30	Supervised lunch
12:30-4:00	Mandatory, supervised cultural excursions and/or activities
4:00-7:00	Free time
7:00-8:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study, free time or evening activities



FRANCE

Paris I (Independent)



Nicknamed "the City of Lights," **PARIS** is truly one of the world's most beautiful cities. The Seine River runs through this capital city, which is made up of 20 districts or "*Arrondissements*". Each *Arrondissement* has its own character and meaning for Parisians. The art, music, theatre, fashion, literature and architecture of Paris make this location a mecca for travelers from all over the world.



PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen
AGE RANGE: 17-18
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:14 (in class)
LODGING: Homestay, 2 meals/day
CURFEW: None
FUN RANK: ☆☆
INTENSITY: No Homework

Program Overview & Supervision

Please note although this program will accept teenagers ages 17-18 this is an **UNSUPERVISED** program. This program is for mature, independent teens that understand along with their parents/guardians that little supervision is provided and that all teens will be treated like mature, independent adults by school staff and host families. In our opinion, Paris is the best location for an independent teenager to learn French. It is Paris after all, with lots of fun things to do and great cultural opportunities for mature teenagers.



Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school occupies the whole second floor of a typical Parisian building, located in the heart of Paris, near the Opera, the Louvre museum, the Pompidou Center, Notre-Dame Cathedral and the famous Parisian shops. It has 20 sunny and spacious classrooms, a cyber-café with free Internet access and a cafeteria. Students will have a shared room with two meals/day provided by the host family.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities are offered a couple times per week for an additional cost and may include a visit to the Louvre or a boat trip down the Seine. All activities are conducted in French. Weekend excursion may be offered about once a month to destinations like the Loire Valley and Disneyland for an additional cost.



TYPICAL DAY

7:30-8:00 Breakfast w/homestay
 9:00-1:00 French classes
 1:00-2:00 Lunch on your own
 2:15-5:15 Organized activities & workshops
 6:00-8:00 Free time
 8:00-9:00 Dinner w/homestay



Paris II (Saint-Nicolas)

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp
 AGE RANGE: 13-17
 STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:4
 LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals /day
 CURFEW: Lights out at 11:30 pm
 FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆
 INTENSITY: No Homework

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Program Overview & Supervision

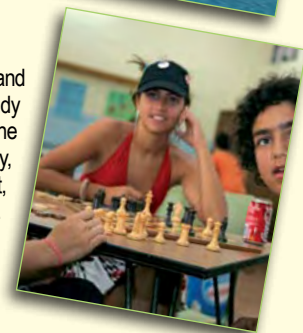
This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. An entire team of camp employees including the language teachers will oversee the day-to-day care, activity and learning for each participant. Camp counselors coordinate the sports and activities that camp participants register for upon arrival and participate in. Additionally, the French instructors assist the camp counselors. Their participation in extra-curricular activities allows them to spend more time with the camp participants. The counselors and teachers will always accompany participants (ratio 1:4) on the excursions organized by the camp off of campus grounds. The Director of the summer camp is present daily to supervise the camp staff and ensure a safe and active learning environment for all camp participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The **Saint-Nicolas** residential campus is conveniently located in southern Paris, in the quiet and charming district of Issy Les Moulineaux. The urban campus offers a comfortable lodging and study environment while allowing easy access to the most famous sites of Paris: the Louvre Museum, the Eiffel Tower, Montmartre, Notre Dame, etc. Participants are mixed, mainly from the US, Germany, Japan, Italy, Spain and Korea. The facilities include: about 20 classrooms with audio-video equipment, a cafeteria, self-serving restaurant, sport facilities (for volleyball, basketball, etc) and a swimming pool. Participants will room in a dormitory located on the camp premise. Dormitory rooms are assigned according to age and sex and will have about 3-4 students per room. Accommodations are 4 beds to a room with shower and toilets located on each floor. 3 meals/day and a snack are included.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities, excursions and sports are included. On arrival, participants register for a variety of activities of their choice. Activities may include but are not limited to: games, singing, acting, tennis, table tennis, volleyball, football, swimming pool, mini-golf, etc. The instructors and workshop leaders are all very qualified and run the activities in French, thus reinforcing the material covered during formal French lessons. The excursions offered are an opportunity to discover most of the important sights of Paris and the surrounding area, and participants are accompanied by instructors, teachers and often also by guides. One full day and 3 half-day excursions per week are offered and may include: Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Louvre museum, the Museum of Science and Industry "La Villette", The Eiffel Tower, and more. An excursion to Disneyland Paris or Astrix park is also offered.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30	Breakfast
9:30-12:30	French classes
12:30-2:00	Lunch
2:00-6:00	Organized activities, sports & workshops OR Excursion
6:00-7:00	Free time, games & relax
7:00-9:00	Dinner
9:00-11:00	Evening activities

MONACO

Monte Carlo



Our **MONTE CARLO** camp is located in the small village of Cap d'Ail (pop 5,000), not far from both Nice and Italy at the heart of the French Riviera known as the Cote d'Azur. The Cote d'Azur is one of the most visited parts of France, famous for its sun-drenched beaches and warm waters of the Mediterranean. Also nearby is Monaco, which is second only to the Vatican as the smallest independent state in Europe. The country is a narrow ribbon of coastline backed by the Alpes-Maritimes foothills, creating a natural amphitheater overlooking the sea.

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:12

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: 7 pm

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

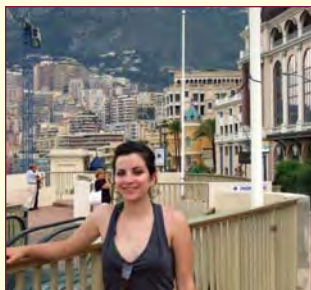
This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. Both the director of the school and the camp monitors hold qualifications from France's Ministry of Youth Sports. They will oversee the day-to-day care, activity and learning for each participant. French language classes are taught by young native teachers and they use the communicative method of teaching which combines all aspects and skills of language in an interactive way that makes language learning interesting. After classes *NOTE: Students may only leave the school premises with the written permission of parents or legal guardians. All students will have a curfew of 7 pm. In this particular case the camp is not responsible for the participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The campus overlooks the Mediterranean Sea and the closest beaches are only a 10-15 minute walk away! It offers a picturesque park and an Amphitheater conceived and decorated by the celebrated artist and poet, Jean Cocteau to reflect classical Greek themes. The Amphitheater is an integral part of the campus, providing an artistic backdrop to the cultural and educational activities. Students stay in simple 2, 3 or 4 bedroom dormitories with bathrooms in the school residence, which is directly on the campus. Students of the same age and sex room together. Meals are provided at the school cafeteria. The capacity of the camp is approximately 400 residential students. Participants are mixed nationalities mainly from Europe but also North America, Asia, Australia and South America. Students stay in a dormitory/residence with 3 meals/day included. **NOTE:** The school must be informed of any health conditions requiring special attention or special diets at time of enrollment.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities and sports are included. Examples include: cooking, films, folk dancing, barbecues, tournaments, magic performances, circus, concerts at the amphitheater, art workshops, mini-sporting tournaments and a disco to end the evening. One excursion per week is also included.



TYPICAL DAY

8:30	Breakfast
9:30-12:30	French classes
12:30-2:00	Lunch
2:00-3:30	Organized activities, sports and workshops
4:00-5:30	Free time or games
8:00-9:00	Dinner
9:00-11:00	Evening activities

SWITZERLAND

Leysin

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 13-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:10

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at assigned time

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework

LEYSIN, Switzerland is located high in the Alpes Vaudoises and is close to Lake Geneva, the Swiss Riviera (Montreux & Vevey) and Lausanne. Leysin is only twenty minutes from the European Motorway Network and ninety minutes from Geneva International Airport. The combination of long hours of sunshine and traditional charm make this location an ideal spot for summer vacation, fun and learning.



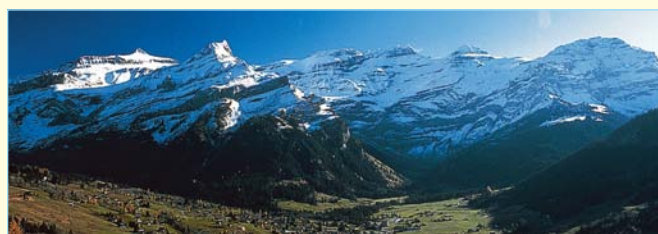
Program Overview & Supervision

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. ****EXCEPTION:** During excursions students 14 years of age and older are given free time to walk and explore around for a time on their own, OR with special written authorization given by parent/legal guardian, participants will be able to leave campus grounds.

An entire team of teachers/camp employees will oversee the day-to-day care, activity and learning for each participant. Camp teachers will coordinate the basic program, sports and activities for the participants. The teachers will always accompany participants on the excursions organized by the camp off of campus grounds. The Director of the camp center is present daily to supervise the staff and ensure a safe and active learning environment for all camp participants. The camp teachers room on the same floor as the students and provide 24-hour/day supervision. A night supervisor is also present to ensure a quiet nighttime atmosphere.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Leysin Residential Summer Camp center offers unrestricted views of the Alps. The facilities at the center include: comfortable classrooms, a recreation room, cinema, private disco and large dining hall. The center is close to shops, a swimming pool, tennis & squash courts, fitness center and many other amenities for camp activities. About 45% of the students are from German or Italian speaking areas of Switzerland; other participants are from other countries in Europe and North America. Participants will room in a dormitory located on the camp premise. Dormitory rooms are assigned according to age and sex. Camp participants will be placed in rooms with two or three beds with a private bathroom. 3 meals/day included.



Activities & Excursions

Organized activities and sports are included. A one day excursion and one half-day excursion per week are also included. Optional activities offered at an additional cost (horseback riding, tennis, etc).



TYPICAL DAY

8:30	Breakfast
9:30-12:30	French classes
12:30-2:00	Lunch
2:00-3:30	Organized activities, sports and workshops
4:00-5:30	Free time or games
8:00-9:00	Dinner
9:00-11:00	Evening activities



Montreux



Located on the east end of the Lake of Geneva, **MONTREUX**, the most visited Swiss Riviera resort, has long been an oasis for expatriates because of its spectacular views of the Dents-du-Midi mountain peaks, a profusion of Mediterranean vegetation and lakeside parks. Most densely populated during the summer months, this resort is favored year-round. The best way to discover the charms of this city is on foot where you can visit the old quarter with its zigzagging streets, hillside terraces and old houses. On the lake, only 2 miles south of Montreux, is the most impressive castle in the country, called the *Chateau of Chillon*.



PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 14-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:14

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: By age - 8pm or 10pm

FUN RANK: ★★★★★

INTENSITY: Some Homework

Program Overview & Supervision

Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language ability. During class time, participants are monitored by their language instructor and an administrative staff is always available for the students while at school. Organized activities are available everyday for all program participants. Staff members are always present during all activities and excursions. When they are not participating in program activities, they stay with the host family. ****EXCEPTION:** With special written authorization given by parent/legal guardian, participants will be able to go out unsupervised in the evenings. Teens with permission to go out at night, must notify the host family of their whereabouts and what time they will return home. There is a curfew of 8 PM for students ages 13-15 and 10 PM for students 16-17. Teen participants are responsible for making curfew and it is strictly enforced by the host family. The school directors will be contacted if curfew is broken by teen participants.

All teen participants are responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Centrally located next to Lake Geneva and on the most lively and bustling street in Montreux, the language school offers an excellent base for teens. Facilities include casual and relaxed classrooms, 2 balconies overlooking Lake Geneva, a terrace on the North side, Internet and computers for student use, and a cafeteria offering snacks and drinks. Capacity is 70 students/day. Students will stay in a homestay, with 3 meals daily. Lunch will be provided in the school cafeteria Monday - Friday (drinks not included.) Host family will provide lunch on weekends.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities, workshops and sports are included each afternoon and evening. In addition, one full day excursion is included each weekend. Optional activities are also offered at an additional cost.



TYPICAL DAY

8:00-8:45	Breakfast
9:20-10:50	French classes
10:50-11:00	Break
11:00-12:30	French classes
12:30-2:15	Lunch at school
2:15-5:30	Afternoon activities
6:00-7:30	Dinner
7:30-9:30	Evening activities



AUSTRIA

Vienna

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp
AGE RANGE: 13-17
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:15
LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day
CURFEW: By Age – 6 pm, 9 pm & 10 pm
FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆
INTENSITY: Some Homework

During the 18th to 20th centuries, **VIENNA** was known as the musical capital of the world and home to the musical geniuses of Mozart, Beethoven, Haydn and Brahms, just to name a few. Today it remains a city of strong musical heritage because of the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra, the Vienna State Opera and the Music Conservatory. It is also known for its outstanding cultural and educational institutions, which is evident in its numerous museums and art galleries. Vienna is a relaxed and safe city with sidewalk cafes and beautiful parks.



Program Overview & Supervision

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. Those participants whose parents have given written permission in advance to AmeriSpan will be permitted to leave camp grounds unescorted. If such permission is granted, students may leave the campus alone in the afternoons (until 6pm) and/or in the evenings (until 9pm – for those under 16 years of age and 10pm- for those over the age of 16).

An entire team of camp employees including the language teachers (ratio: 1:15) will oversee the day-to-day care, activity and learning for each participant. The Director of the summer camp is present daily to supervise the camp staff and ensure a safe and active learning environment for all camp participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The Vienna Summer Residential program is offered at a prestigious private school, which was founded by Empress Maria Theresia. The school is centrally located in Vienna, within close walking distance to many sites of interest and public transportation. The residential facilities, which will be the center for language classes and recreational activities, have a large park in the middle of campus which has several sport facilities that include football fields, sports grounds, beach-volleyball and tennis courts all of which are available for use after language classes. Accommodations offered are dormitory style shared bedrooms (2-6 students of the same age from different countries) with shared bathrooms located in the hallways. Participants are mixed nationalities mainly from the Europe, with many also from North and South America, Asia, Australia and Africa. 3 meals/day are included.

Activities & Excursions

Organized day/evening activities and sports are included. Optional activities and excursions (Tennis, concert or musical, Vienna Special) can be purchased on-site.



TYPICAL DAY

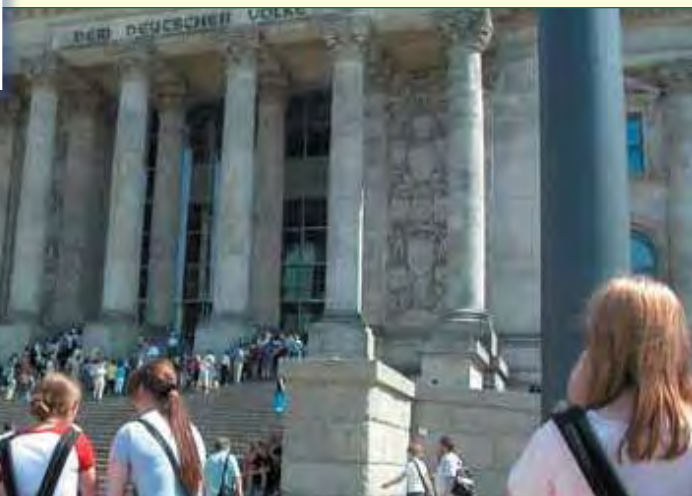
8:30 Breakfast
9:30-12:30 German classes
12:30-2:00 Lunch, break
2:00-3:30 Organized activities, sports and workshops
4:00-5:30 Free time or games
8:00-9:00 Break, Dinner
9:00-11:00 Evening activities

GERMANY

Berlin



BERLIN is laden with historical charm, a vast sprawling city with pockets of attractions dotted all over, from the old streets of East Berlin where little has changed in fifty years to the grand architecture of Museum-sinsel and Unter den Linden. Visitors will be pleasantly surprised by Berlin today, where one may find everything from authentic beer halls and old Soviet era haunts, to buzzing style bars and Latino nightclubs. Today's quintessential Berlin experience is to laze through a summer day in the Tiergarten with the rabble of construction just out of earshot, witnessing a city reinventing itself as one of the great European capitals.



PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp

AGE RANGE: 14-17

STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:15

LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: Lights out at assigned time

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: No Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. An entire team of teachers/camp employees will oversee the day-to-day care, activity and learning for each participant. Camp teachers will coordinate the basic program sports and activities for the participants. The teachers will always accompany participants on the excursions organized by the camp off campus grounds. The Director of the camp center is present daily to supervise the staff and ensure a safe and active learning environment for all camp participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The Berlin Summer Residential program is conveniently located in Berlin's most central district, Berlin-Mitte. School facilities include bright classrooms, a large garden, and a roof top terrace. Participants are mainly from Europe, but a large number of North Americans also attend.

Accommodations are offered in a dormitory-style student residence. Each bedroom sleeps 4 students of the same gender. Rooms include bathroom with shower and toilet and a private wardrobe closet. Lines and bath towels are included and changed every 4 days. In the residence, students can also enjoy shared living rooms, an Internet café, and a large space for activities.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities, workshops and sports are included daily. Examples include: sightseeing throughout Berlin, films, bicycle tours, barbecues, dances, concerts, workshops, soccer, ping-pong, volleyball, and other sports tournaments. One full-day excursion each weekend is also included.



TYPICAL DAY

8:00 - 8:45	Breakfast
9:00-10:30	German classes
10:30-11:00	Break
11:00-12:30	German classes
1:00-2:00	Lunch
2:00-7:00	Afternoon activities
7:00-8:00	Dinner
8:00-10:00	Evening activities



Cologne or Nuremberg

PROGRAM TYPE: Junior Immersion

AGE RANGE: 14-17

STAFF/STUDENT: 1:15

LODGING: Homestay, 3 meals/day

CURFEW: By age, 10 pm - midnight

FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆

INTENSITY: Some Homework

COLOGNE, Germany's 4th largest city and located on the Rhine River, is a wonderful mix of contemporary and classic Germany. The centerpiece of the city is the Gothic Cathedral of Cologne, which begun in the 13th century. Along with the Cathedral, the city hosts centuries old castles, ruins, and monasteries. Mixed in with the old, Modern Cologne offers world-famous museums, an active modern art scene, elegant shops, and sophisticated restaurants.

Once one of Europe's most beautiful and richest commercial centers, **NUREMBERG** endured hard times and is once again thriving as Bavaria's 2nd largest city. The great historical importance of the town can be seen in the magnificent aristocratic buildings, palaces and churches that remain. Alongside the past, one will see modern soccer stadiums, museums, and movie theaters that decorate the streets of this vibrant and modern metropolis.



Program Overview & Supervision

Teen participants will receive group language classes with other teens only. All teens are placed in group classes according to their language level. The language instructors and administrative staff are always available for the students while at school, with a ratio of no more than 1:15. Each day teens will have an organized activity as well as free time for activities like shopping, meeting with friends, sports, etc. All teen participants are independent and responsible for getting themselves to and from school/activities to their homestay each day. Outside of the school and homestay teen participants are independent and responsible for making curfew. According to German law, curfew is 10:00 pm for students 14-15 and 12:00 am for students 16-18. Host families may set an earlier curfew for students according to personal family rules. The school directors will be contacted if teen participants break curfew.

To/From School: On the first day, a member of the host family will explain to each participant the best way to get to school. Participants will travel unaccompanied, no more that 45 minutes by public transportation. Transportation cards are provided to students on Monday at school.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Cologne: The school is located in a quiet neighborhood in the northwestern section of Cologne. From here, students have easy access to the city and its most popular tourist attractions, shopping destinations, and restaurants via the interurban train. School facilities include 7 classrooms, a student lounge with vending machines, computer facilities, and wireless Internet. Students stay in a homestay with 3 meals/day included. Breakfast and dinner with be with the host family. Lunch will be a packed lunch eaten at school with the other teens.



Nuremberg: The school is conveniently located in the city center with easy access to the city and its most popular tourist attractions, shopping destinations, and restaurants via subway system. School facilities include 5 classrooms, a common area with vending machines, and computer facilities. Students stay in a homestay with 3 meals/day included. Breakfast and dinner with be with the host family. Lunch will be a packed lunch eaten at school with the other teens.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities, site-visits, workshops and sports are included four afternoons each week. In addition, one full day excursion is included each Saturday.

TYPICAL DAY

8:00 - 8:45 Breakfast with family
9:00-10:30 German classes
10:30-11:00 Break
11:00-12:30 German classes
12:30-1:00 Packed lunch
1:00-4:30 Afternoon activities
6:00 Dinner & evening with host family

ITALY



Lignano

LIGNANO is a peninsula south of Friuli situated between Venice and Trieste. This popular resort destination offers over 8 km of fine sandy beaches and large shady pine woods. The peninsula is divided into three distinct areas: Lignano Sabbiadoro, Lignano Pineta and Lignano Riviera. Lignano Sabbiadoro is a lively center that is the heart of everyday entertainment with fine shops, hotels/villas, apartments, restaurants and more. Lignano Pineta, in contrast, is peaceful and a place where one will find villas and hotels almost hidden amidst the vegetation of the pine woods and the sand dunes. Lastly, Lignano Riviera, with a new boat marina offers peaceful holiday spas, the Zoo Park Punta Verde and an 18 hole golf course. Lignano's mild climate, golden stretch of beach, tranquil pinewoods and active, safe city center makes this an excellent environment for teens to learn and have fun!

PROGRAM TYPE: Summer Camp
AGE RANGE: 13-18
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:10-15
LODGING: Dormitory, 3 meals/day
CURFEW: By Age – 10:30 or 11 pm
FUN RANK: ☆☆☆☆
INTENSITY: Some Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

This is a very structured program with many activities. Free time each day is built into the camp schedule, however most participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. There will be a camp counselor available for every group of 10 to 15 students. The counselor will remain with the group on a twenty-four hour a day basis and will take care of any individual needs each participant may have. Each counselor will coordinate the sports and activities for the group. The counselor will always accompany their assigned group on the excursions organized by the camp off campus grounds. An entire team of camp employees consisting of group coordinators, head counselors, their staff and teachers will oversee the day-to-day care, activity and learning for each participant. The Director and Head Coordinator of the summer camp are present daily and supervise the camp staff to ensure a safe and active learning environment for all camp participants.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

Lignano Residential Summer Camp is offered at Villaggio Adriatico. This secure village situated in the pinewoods along the deep blue sea of the Adriatic is a pleasant setting for juniors. The campus has an extensive pinewood park where outdoor classes are held. It also has its own private beach along with a cafeteria, recreation rooms for leisure activities, TV room and numerous sport facilities such as a swimming pool, basketball, beach volleyball and tennis courts. About 50% of the students are Italian (English and Italian are taught at the campus), other participants are from: USA, Canada, England, Germany, and France. Capacity is approximately 150 residential students. Participants will room on the camp premise. Students will be placed in triple rooms with private bathroom. All dormitory rooms are assigned according to age and sex. 3 meals/day and a snack are included.

Activities & Excursions

Organized activities and sports are included. In addition, one full day excursion per week is included.



TYPICAL DAY

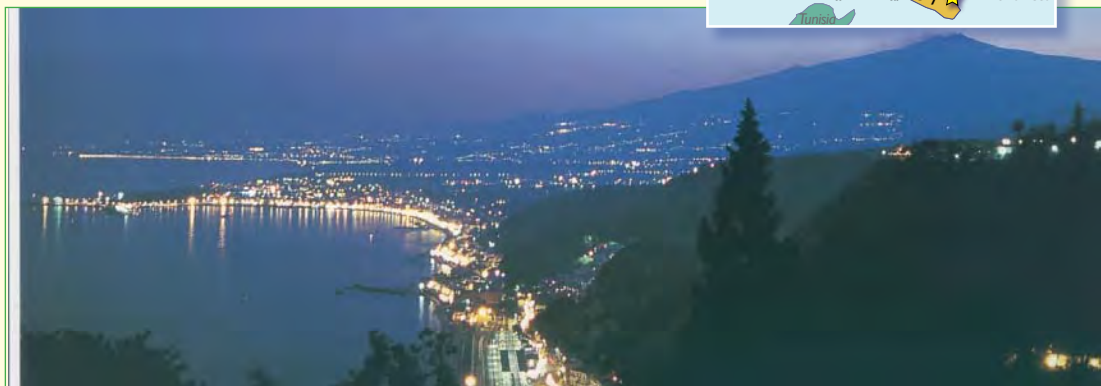
8:00-8:50	Breakfast
9:00-10:30	Italian classes
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-12:15	Italian classes
12:15-1:15	Lunch
1:15-3:00	Rest, free time
3:00-6:00	Organized activities, beach time
6:00-7:15	Showers, clean up for dinner
7:15-8:15	Dinner



Taormina - Sicily

PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen
AGE RANGE: 16-18
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:10 (in class)
LODGING: Homestay with breakfast
CURFEW: None
FUN RANK: ☆☆
INTENSITY: Some Homework

TAORMINA is perfectly situated to offer students easy access to the beautiful and historically important treasures of Sicily. With many visitors, Taormina offers shops, hotels, restaurants, and a variety of entertainment and sports (windsurfing, scuba diving, mountain-biking, mountain-climbing, rafting, tennis and golf). For walkers the surroundings of Taormina are a beautiful paradise. There are several trails leading down to the sea and up to the picturesque village of Castelmola. You can also climb to the top of the highest mountain in the area, Monte Venere, where one of the three Greek Venus temples is rumored to have been. The entire region is also known worldwide for its traditional food and Mount Etna, which is the largest active volcano in Europe.



Program Overview & Supervision

Please note this is an **UNSUPERVISED PROGRAM**. Taormina is an adult program that will accept teens age 16-18. This program is for mature, independent teens who understand along with their parents/guardians that supervision will not be provided and they will be treated like mature, independent adults by school staff and host families.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school is housed in a recently renovated Villa, Casa Silva. Facilities include spacious classrooms, a botanical garden, a new kitchen, snack bar, and cafeteria, and WIFI and Internet access. In addition to the language school, the building serves as a Cultural Center open both to the local community and to students with rooms built to host exhibitions, concerts, and theater.

Activities & Excursions

On weekdays the school arranges activities onsite such as movies, lectures, and music. Guided tours, theater trips, dinners and live music are also arranged, but may involve an extra cost for transportation or entrance fees. Weekend excursions are offered to the following locations: Syracuse, Mount Volcano Etna, Catania, Piazza Armerina, Noto, Messina, Morgantina, Palermo and Agrigento. Western Sicily is a bit longer of a trip but still it is possible to visit over a weekend.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30 Breakfast w/homestay
8:00-12:00 Italian classes
12:00-1:00 Lunch on your own
1:00-6:00 Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00 Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30 Study or free time



JAPAN

Kanazawa



KANAZAWA is located on the coast of Honshu, Japan's main island. Not only is Kanazawa's natural scenery a colorful delight year-round, but every seasonal change is so carefully celebrated in traditional cuisine, decor and yearly events, that one comes to feel as if there are many more than four seasons. It is a modern city, even though it was built in the 15th century and is one of Japan's foremost castle towns. The city boasts many places of interest, such as the splendid Kenrokuen, known as one of the three most beautiful gardens in Japan and Ishikawa a-mon, the commanding gate to the old castle grounds.

PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen
AGE RANGE: 16-18
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:14 (in class)
LODGING: Homestay, 2 meals/day
CURFEW: None
FUN RANK: ☆☆
INTENSITY: Some Homework



Program Overview & Supervision

Please note this is an **UNSUPERVISED PROGRAM**. Kanazawa is an adult program that will accept teens age 16-18. This program is for mature, independent teens who understand along with their parents/guardians that supervision will not be provided and they will be treated like mature, independent adults by school staff and host families.

We chose Kanazawa as the location for our Japanese Independent Teen program because we felt that it offers travelers of all ages a great opportunity to really experience traditional Japan and avoid the overwhelming nature of many of the larger Japanese cities. Kanazawa is a popular vacation destination for Japanese people. The city is quieter than many other cities because many people are there to relax and because of its size (pop. 450,000). Additionally, the city is extremely safe, like much of Japan.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school is housed in the modern International Exchange Center. Located in the city center, it is a few minutes walk to the main train station, the Yokoyasue-Cho shopping area and the Omicho Market. There are 5 classrooms, a lecture room, a quiet study room and a student leisure area. Public library access is available in the International Exchange Center. Students stay in a homestay with 2 meals/day included.

Activities & Excursions

During the classes, activities are held twice per week. They are conducted in both Japanese and English. Students get hands-on experience in Japanese cultural activities. These may involve cooking, celebrating a tea ceremony, gold leaf chopstick making, seal making in Japanese characters, kimono dressing and other activities. Visits are conducted to local sites such as walking tours to a castle, the geisha quarter and Nagamachi Samurai Street. Students also visit local points of interest such as museums, police stations and public schools for lectures on the Japanese writing system. Weekday social activities are held at the school. One on one exchanges with locals learning English can be arranged upon request.

Once a month there is a weekend excursion to the Noto Peninsula. This includes a beach drive, visit to a Shinto shrine, views of the rocky coast, a visit to the hot springs, a lacquerware workshop, and a visit to a Buddhist zen temple. School staff goes along. The tour is conducted in English.



TYPICAL DAY

8:00-8:30	Breakfast w/homestay
9:00-1:00	Japanese classes
1:00-2:30	Lunch on your own
2:30-6:00	Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study or free time

BRAZIL

Maceio

PROGRAM TYPE: Independent Teen
AGE RANGE: 16-18
STAFF TO STUDENT RATIO: 1:6 (in class)
LODGING: Homestay, 2 meals/day
CURFEW: None
FUN RANK: ☆☆
INTENSITY: Some Homework

MACEIO is a port city located on the east coast of Brazil and is about a 2-hour flight north from Rio de Janeiro. It is the state capital of Alagoas and is best known for its tropical lagoons and beaches. Because Maceio is largely undiscovered by foreign tourists, it is a great destination for language students seeking an authentic immersion experience.



Program Overview & Supervision

Please note this is an **UNSUPERVISED PROGRAM**. Maceio is an adult program that will accept teens age 16-18. This program is for mature, independent teens who understand along with their parents/guardians that supervision will not be provided and they will be treated like mature, independent adults by school staff and host families.

Facilities, Lodging & Meals

The school, located a 5-minute walk from the beach, consists of two buildings separated by a lush garden with 6 classrooms, a kitchen and common area. Capacity is 50 students/day. Students stay in a homestay with breakfast and dinner included daily.



TYPICAL DAY

7:00-7:30	Breakfast w/homestay
8:00-12:00	Portuguese classes
12:00-1:00	Lunch on your own
1:00-6:00	Participatory cultural excursions, activities or free time
6:00-7:00	Dinner w/homestay
7:00-9:30	Study or free time

Activities & Excursions

Available at additional cost.



PROGRAM PARTICULARS

ENROLLMENT & PAYMENT

To insure space at any AmeriSpan Teenager program, it is important to register as far in advance from your desired start date as possible, especially for summer programs. Registration consists of:

1. Submitting a completed and signed Teenager Application Packet, Summer Teen Program Waiver, and a \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee OR
2. Submitting a completed and signed Teenager Application Packet, Summer Teen Program Waiver, \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee and full payment. The cost of the program is due 4 weeks prior to the start date. Applications and full payments received less than four weeks prior to the start date will be subject to an additional \$35 late fee.

All payments may be made with personal check (preferred method!), money order, VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Within 2-3 weeks of receiving your application, AmeriSpan will send you the "Need-To-Know" country fact sheets and a confirmation letter. The fact sheets contain some tips about things to bring, getting there, climate, cultural differences, money, visas, etc. The confirmation letter will include school particulars, summary of charges, accomodation details, and any other important information.

Your final confirmation is only sent after AmeriSpan receives your full payment and all other necessary information, such as airline arrival particulars. Check these confirmations carefully to make sure that everything is correct. If there is an error, call us immediately. NEVER purchase a non-refundable or non-cancelable airline ticket before you have been confirmed by AmeriSpan.

MAKING CHANGES

You may change your start date at any time. All changes within 2 weeks of the scheduled start date are subject to an additional \$50 fee. If you have begun a multi-country/city program, you may NOT cancel or substitute locations but you may be able to change the start dates for a \$50 fee.

LOCAL HOLIDAYS

Classes canceled in honor local holidays will not be made up and are not subject to any refund.

REFUND POLICIES

The \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee is non-refundable for any reason unless arrangements cannot be made for the dates you wish to attend. You are entitled to a full refund, excluding \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee, when you cancel more than four weeks before your start date. If you cancel less than 4 weeks notice you will be billed for 25% of the program cost and registration fee. If you cancel with less than 2 weeks notice you will be billed for 50% of the program cost and registration fee.

Once any AmeriSpan program has begun no refund will be issued. If you cancel a program due to a personal emergency and you notify AmeriSpan in writing, we will review your claim and may issue a partial refund.

TEXTBOOKS & MATERIALS

Each school handles this differently and policies change frequently. At some programs you will be required to purchase all your books. At other programs you are not required to purchase the books but may be required to make a deposit that will be refunded when the textbook is returned. In some cases, participants studying for a month or longer may finish their first book and need to buy an additional book on-site.

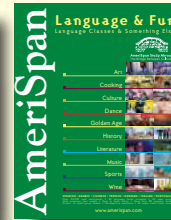
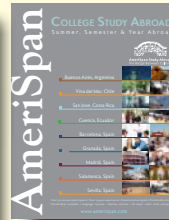
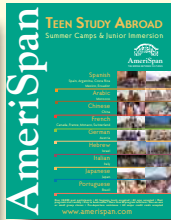
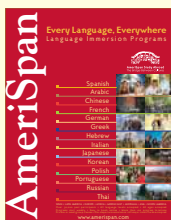
DEPOSITS & ON-SITE CHARGES

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BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS

Participants are expected to be courteous and respectful guests. Illegal drug use, abusive behavior at any age, or alcoholic consumption by minors cannot be tolerated. AmeriSpan reserves the right to refuse to serve, to cancel and/or terminate participation for any person who fails to comply with the policies of the program provider (e.g. school, tour operator, program organizer), or for any other reason deemed necessary, in the sole discretion of AmeriSpan. AmeriSpan further reserves the right, without escort and without refund, to send home any participant who violates the rules stated above. The return trip will be at the expense of the participant or the participant's family.

REQUEST CATALOGS TODAY!



Name: _____

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Philadelphia, PA 19102-8129 USA
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Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ - Teen's Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Country: _____

Home Phone: _____ Parent's Work/Cell: _____ Fax: _____

Teen's E-mail Address: _____

Parent's E-mail Address (if OK to contact): _____

Emergency contact name & telephone (if different than above): _____

Birth date: ____/____/____ Sex: ☐ Male ☐ Female Nationality: _____ Passport No.: _____

School: _____ How you heard about us: _____

Please List the Name(s) of Any Especially Helpful AmeriSpan Staff Member(s): _____

Target Language? _____ Level: ☐ Zero ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced - ☐ Low ☐ Mid ☐ High (www.amerispan.com/level)

Target Language Level Comments: _____

Any knowledge of other languages?: _____

Study Location: _____ # of Weeks: _____ Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Airport Pick-up Information: Arrival Date/Time/Airline & Flight # (if available): _____

Airport Drop-off Information: Departure Date/Time/Airline & Flight # (if available): _____

Would you like a study abroad airfare specialist to send you an airfare quote? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Companion?: ☐ Yes ☐ No (name: _____) Same Lodging? ☐ Yes ☐ No Same Room?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

HOMESTAY/DORMITORY REQUESTS

Rank	Host Family Requests	Yes	No	Either
	Children			
	Smokers			

Please note that we do our best with homestay/residential camp requests but we can't guarantee anything.
Please rank your requests in the order of importance.

	Special Dietary Needs:
	Allergies:
	Anything Else:

PROGRAM COSTS

Non-Refundable Registration Fee (in addition to program cost) - Please note \$200 due if registering for Alajuela, Costa Rica.	\$100 or \$200
Program (separate applications if combining different programs)	
Other (late fee, extra homestay days, excursions, private room upgrade, etc)	
TOTAL COST	

Check/Visa/MC/AMEX/Discover # _____ Exp. Date: _____ CCV/CCV2: _____ Amount: _____

Cardholder's Name (if different than above): _____

Billing Address (if different than above): _____

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SIGN THE BOTTOM OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Registration and Payment

To insure a space at any AmeriSpan program, it is important to register as far in advance from your desired start date as possible (especially for summer programs). Registration consists of: 1. Submitting a completed application and a \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee OR 2. Submitting a completed application, \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee and full payment. The total cost for the program is due 4 weeks prior to the start date. Applications and full payments received less than four weeks prior to the start date will be subject to a \$35 late fee. Payments can be paid with personal check (preferred method), money order, VISA, Mastercard, American Express or Discover.

Within 2-3 weeks of receiving your application, AmeriSpan will mail you the "Need-To-Know" factsheets and a confirmation letter. After full payment and other missing information (such as airline arrival particulars) are received, a final confirmation will be mailed.

Refund Policies

The \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee is non-refundable for any reason unless arrangements cannot be made for the dates you wish to attend. You are entitled to a full refund, excluding \$100 (\$200 for Alajuela) registration fee, when you cancel more than four weeks before your start date. If you cancel less than 4 weeks notice you will be billed for 25% of the program cost and registration fee. If you cancel with less than 2 weeks notice you will be billed for 50% of the program cost and registration fee.

Once any AmeriSpan program has begun no refund will be issued. If you cancel a program due to a personal emergency and you notify AmeriSpan in writing, we will review your claim and may issue a partial refund.

The above refund policy is exactly the same in cases of cancellation due to war, terrorism or similar cases. Programs can get canceled and/or changed, AmeriSpan is not responsible for these changes. AmeriSpan reserves the right to substitute comparable programs or refund tuition. AmeriSpan's liability is limited to all money paid for the program. Classes canceled in honor of local holidays will not be made up and are not subject to any refund.

Refund Policy for Alajuela, Costa Rica

The one-time registration fee (\$200) is not refundable for any reason. Please note application will not be processed unless \$200 non-refundable fee is paid in full with registration. If you cancel with less than 4 weeks notice you will receive a refund (excluding \$200 registration fee) less a 25% penalty. You will be entitled to no refund after the program starts.

Making changes

You may change your start date at anytime. All changes within two weeks of the scheduled start date are subject to an additional \$50 fee. If you have begun a multi-site program, you may NOT cancel or substitute locations, but you may be able to change the start dates for a \$50 fee.

Arrival & Departure

For most programs, you should plan to arrive to your program on the day before classes begin and depart on the day after classes are completed. Usually, you can extend the lodging a few days before or after classes for an additional fee. For airport pick-ups, AmeriSpan must receive your arrival information at least 2 weeks prior to your start date.

Travel Assistance Program

If you register at least 4 weeks prior to your start date, AmeriSpan will enroll you in a Travel Assistance Program which includes Emergency Medical Evacuation services, Accident & Sickness medical expenses and other services. AmeriSpan offers an optional travel insurance upgrade package. Companions of students have the option of purchasing the travel insurance upgrade package through AmeriSpan. Coverage is limited to that outlined in the relevant policies. In no way is AmeriSpan responsible for providing any of the services offered through the policy. Depending on your preferences, additional insurance may be desired and is your responsibility. Neither AmeriSpan, don Quijote USA Inc., the school or the host family is responsible for any part of any medical bills.

Liability

While participating in this program, you may be exposed to certain risks. These exposures include, but are not limited to accident and/or sickness without readily available medical facilities, the forces of nature, travel in the air, travel on the ground, terrorism and war. By signing this form you are assuming all these risks and agreeing to indemnify AmeriSpan Unlimited, their officers, directors and employees harmless for any and all liability that may arise in connection with your participation in AmeriSpan programs. AmeriSpan cannot take responsibility for participants' behavior and potential consequences.

Deposits & On-Site Charges

While participating in this program, you may be responsible for paying additional funds related to your own actions while on-site. Some schools will collect deposits upon your arrival while others will collect only if you incur these charges. Typical extra charges include: lost keys, property damage, overstay in your lodging, hosting overnight guests in your lodging and lost books.

Behavioral Expectations

AmeriSpan's programs are geared toward adults. AmeriSpan cannot be responsible for providing supervision of any kind either through the schools or through the homestay families. Although many programs have options for students under the age of 16, no one under the age of 16, will be accepted into the program unless accompanied by an adult (exceptions made for special, supervised Teen Programs and Camps during the summer). In addition to the parent's signature on the front of the application, additional waivers may apply.

Participants are expected to be courteous and respectful guests and to obey all local laws. Illegal drug use or abusive behavior at any age or alcoholic consumption by minors cannot be tolerated. AmeriSpan reserves the right to refuse to serve, to cancel and/or terminate participation for any person who fails to comply with the policies of the program provider (e.g. school, tour operator, program organizer), or for any other reason deemed necessary, in the sole discretion of AmeriSpan. AmeriSpan further reserves the right, without escort and without refund to send home any participant who violates the rules stated above. The return trip will be at the expense of the participant or the participant's family.

I have read and agree with all the Terms & Conditions on this application:

Signature*: _____ Legal Guardian: _____ Date: _____

* If under 18, legal guardian must sign this application



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Please read both sides, sign and return to AmeriSpan along with Teenager Application

General Rules and Guidelines

1. There are no second chances or probationary periods. If a participant breaks any of the following rules, they will be sent home. In addition, AmeriSpan reserves the right to refuse to serve, cancel and/or terminate participation for any person who fails to comply with the policies of the program, or for any other reason deemed necessary at the sole discretion of AmeriSpan or the school/camp. We reserve the right without escort or refund to send home any participant who violates the rules stated above at the expense of the participant or his/her family.
2. The student is expected to attend and arrive on time to all planned events, unless there is good reason. The on-site staff must be contacted, if the student is unable to participate.
3. Participants are expected to be home by the appointed curfew time, follow all house rules and abide by the assigned lights out time (exceptions made only if it's a school organized activity).
4. Participants planning to travel independently during the weekends MUST have parental consent below and parents may still need to complete additional program-specific release forms.
5. All lodging is for participants only; guests are not permitted. No exceptions will be made.
6. Participants may not make phone calls from their homestays. They should plan to use a pay phone or bring/purchase a cellular phone that functions in the country where they will be living.
7. Parents may call the participants at the homestay. It is customary to keep calls brief.
8. Participants are expected to be courteous & respectful guests and should obey all local laws. Illegal drug use or abusive behavior at any age or alcoholic consumption by minor participants will not be tolerated. Extra lodging days are usually not available so participants should plan to arrive and depart on the specific start dates. In some cases, and with advanced notice, an extra day may be available for an extra charge.

Specific Program Information

Additional Release Forms

Several programs require additional medical release and other forms. These can be downloaded at www.amerispan.com/downloadpdf.asp

Alajuela, Costa Rica

- Classes start promptly at 8am until noon or 1 pm until 5 pm. Placement exam, orientation (**but no language classes**) on 1st day.
- Students purchase snacks/lunch at on-site cafeteria or a local restaurant for about \$4-\$6/day, not included in program cost.
- There is collect and credit card service provided at school to make phone calls home.
- The host family will meet you at the airport upon arrival. Saturday arrival and Saturday departure to/from homestay.
- Teen participants are NOT given a copy of the house keys.
- Students need to save approximately \$26 to pay the departure tax, which may be paid at the school or the airport.
- Teen excursions are available to purchase onsite. Please see AmeriSpan website for additional details & price. In Costa Rica it is illegal for teenagers to make purchases with parents credit cards. Please provide your teen with sufficient funds, we recommend a prepaid card such as the Visa Buxx card: www.visabuxx.com

Beijing, China

- Main gate locks daily at 10:00pm, this is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

Granada, Spain

- Generally, curfew time set at 11:00pm on weekdays and midnight on weekends.
- Participants are required to participate in all sport/cultural activities and full-day excursions.

Heredia, Costa Rica

- This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

Leysin, Switzerland (Extra nights NOT available)

- This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

Lignano, Italy (Extra nights NOT available)

- This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.
- Sunday arrival and Sunday departure to/from camp. Transfer service to/from airport or train station included in tuition for the above mentioned arrival/departure dates only.
- ****EXCEPTION:** If studying until last day of camp, departure is on Saturday.
- All participants must complete the medical release form and return to AmeriSpan at least 2 weeks before starting.
- If parents wish to call their child, the best time to contact the students to avoid disruption to the program is at the following times: 8:00-9:00am, 12:30-2:30pm and 6:30-8:30pm local time.

La Manzanilla, Mexico

- Generally, curfew time set at 10:00pm on weekdays and on weekends.
- Participants are required to participate in all activities, excursions and volunteer work.



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Please read both sides, sign and return to AmeriSpan along with Teenager Application

Montreal, Canada

- Participants must have a completed airport release form. All participants must complete code of conduct form.
- The following will be needed to gain entry into Canada if not traveling with your parent or legal guardian: A valid passport. U.S. citizens not yet age 19 must present a letter from their parents giving permission to enter Canada.
- Students must bring their passport and flight ticket to school the first day.
- Students will be given a metro pass on their first day, please do not purchase metro passes on arrival weekend.
- All afternoon activities are mandatory; monitors will take attendance and inform the office of absentee students.
- Curfew is set by the homestay and is supported by the school. Generally, curfew is 10:00pm on weekdays and 11:00pm on weekends.

Paris, France (Paris II) (Extra nights NOT available)

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules & regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc.

- Bed linens are provided and changed once a week. Participants should bring their own towels for bathing. Coin-operated laundry facilities are available for self-service. Coins for laundry can be bought on campus.

Quito, Ecuador

This is a very structured program with many activities. Participants must abide by staff rules & regulations pertaining to curfew, policies and procedures, etc.

Rabat, Morocco

Participants must abide by staff and host family rules & regulations pertaining to curfew, policies and procedures, etc. **IMPORTANT:** A dress code is required for both males and females at school: shirts should have sleeves, no exposed midriffs or undergarments, knees should be covered.

Spain Summer Camps (Barcelona, Madrid, Marbella, Salamanca & Valencia)

AmeriSpan program participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. ****EXCEPTION:** Only those students 15 and older and whose parents have given advanced, written permission to AmeriSpan will be permitted to leave camp grounds, unescorted. The camp personnel is aware that older, senior students may have a certain level of freedom and independence and for this reason will permit **THREE** unescorted off-campus trips per student during each **two-week session**. The hours permitted are from the afternoon snack time until 11:30pm. The specific days that the unescorted, off-campus trips are permitted are established by each camp's director.

Vienna, Austria

AmeriSpan program participants are not able to leave the camp premises unaccompanied and must abide by camp staff rules and regulations pertaining to lights out, policies and procedures, etc. ****EXCEPTION:** those participants whose parents have given advanced, written permission to AmeriSpan will be permitted to leave camp grounds, unescorted. If such permission is granted, students may leave the campus alone in the afternoons (until 6pm) and/or in the evenings (until 9pm if under 16 years or 10pm if older).

- If parents wish to call their child, the best time is at meal times: Breakfast (8:00-8:45am) Lunch: (12:30-1:00pm), Dinner (6:30-7:00pm). There are a number of pay phones for participants to use, some are coin operated and other are phone card operated. Phone cards may be purchased on-site from the camp staff (denominations of 3,36 euros and 7,70 euros).
- Every student must pay a security deposit of 25 euros on the first day of the program, which is returned at the end of the program provide that no damage has been caused.

Independent Teen Programs (Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, France, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Morocco, Spain)

These programs are ideal for families traveling together as they allow 16-18 year olds to participate in their standard adult program. **There is no supervision, no curfew and no special activities for teenage participants.** Only extremely mature and well-traveled teenagers should participate on these programs.

Guardian/Parent(s) Agreement to Terms:

1. I/We have read and fully understand the general guidelines as explained in this waiver.
2. I/We have read the information pertaining to our son/daughter's program in _____ (location).
3. My child may _____ travel independently on weekends (i.e. other than trips organized through program).

Important!! If you approve, put a check in above space. If not, insert "NOT"

Guardian/Parent signature (1) _____ Printed name _____

Guardian/Parent signature (2) _____ Printed name _____

Participant Agreement to Terms:

I have read and agree to abide by the general guidelines as explained in this waiver. Further, I agree to follow all school rules, curfews and policies which may be conveyed to me while participating in the program.

Participant Signature _____ Printed name _____

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PAST PARTICIPANTS SAY IT BEST:

"My host family was very accommodating and wonderful. They were very open to the fact that I was from a different country and was not used to some of the things that they did. I was really happy to have done the trip. I would like to travel again somewhere next year and I would definitely go through AmeriSpan again. I think it is a good organization."

-Nicola P., Student, Costa Rica

"I learned quite a lot of vocabulary, dialogue (in a restaurant, at an airport, introducing myself), and my handwriting increased dramatically."

-Sarah P., Student, Morocco

"There is a very good balance between classes and free time. The activities coordinators also seem to find activities that they now the current students would like to do. They also incorporate history or culture into whatever they do even if it is just a trip to the beach. The program was incredibly fun. I mean I have gone twice to the same city just because I had so much fun. I learned everything from the subjunctive to Spanish slang. I also learned how life was like in Sevilla and the culture both at night and during the day. The staff was incredible, whenever I had an issue I could talk to someone about it. They also handled everything very well, and with discretion."

-Axelle F., Student, Spain

"Our kid loved it and wants to go back. He loved his host family. We chose the program because it was the right amount of time, right location, and right amount of structured language instruction."

-Erica D., Parent, Costa Rica

"This program was one of the best experiences that I have ever had in my life. I learned more on this trip, about the country, language, and even myself than ever before. I also learned many valuable language skills, and not to fear making a mistake, that is part of learning anything. The best part of this trip was getting the opportunity to meet new people from all over the world whom I am still in contact with today. The staff was VERY easy to approach and accommodating during my program."

-Myles L., Student, Spain

"Our expectations of the program, in the end- better. Lauren learned a huge amount of Spanish, made lots of friends, and grew up a great deal by virtue of being away from home and "on her own" for four weeks. Lauren's quote: I had an amazing time in Marbella. The dormitory was so much fun. I loved getting to know people from all over the world. Everyone was so friendly, we got really close and I am still in contact with some of them."

-Stan S., Parent, Spain




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