



Escuela Internacional de Español



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Spanish Courses in Andalusia
Cádiz ♦ Spain



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Qualified by the University of Alcalá

the school

GADIR is a medium-sized school (of 50-60 students) in which pupils, teachers and organisers all know each other and call each other by their first name from the very beginning. Our main aim is to ensure that during your stay you learn how to speak, think and feel in Spanish.



GADIR is situated in an independent building in the district of the "Bahía Blanca", only a few minutes away from the historic city centre and the beach. Our school has seven teaching rooms, a lounge, a library, a video-library, a garden and a patio, all for use by our students.

the teaching method and the teaching staff

Our teaching method combines the usual study of grammar with debates, talks, role-playing situations, practical classes, etc. The classes, with a maximum of seven students each, are conducted entirely in Spanish from the very first day and guarantee not only an increased command of the Spanish language but also happiness and cordiality. We believe that a friendly atmosphere and teaching with a smile have as big a part to play in the classroom as the exercise books the students use.

To help us to attain our objectives, we employ a group of young teachers who have, nonetheless many years teaching experience in our school and who use our very own teaching methods which are constantly being revised. This is to ensure that our pupils are always taught in accordance with the most recent developments concerning the Spanish language and the practical aspects related to it.



our courses

On the first day, all students registered at GADIR sit a test to help us determine the appropriate group and level of each student. The students who register through our web (www.gadir.net) can take the level test on line.

Our school runs courses of six different levels:

Beginner
Elementary
Upper Elementary
Intermediate
Upper Intermediate
Advanced

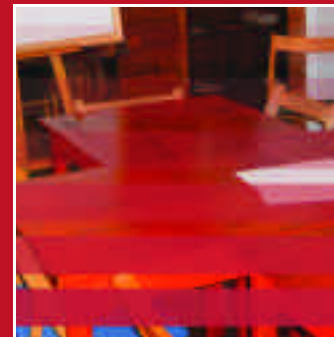
Before deciding upon the type of course you wish to follow, it should be noted that:

- 1 The description, dates, duration and prices of the courses offered by GADIR, Escuela Internacional de Español are in the "Enrolment Form" enclosed to this booklet.
- 2 All classes are 45 minutes long and are held from Monday to Friday, except for public holidays.



- 3 The average number of pupils to form a group in GADIR is five. The maximum number of pupils in a class is seven while the minimum is three. In cases where this minimum number of pupils is not attained, those concerned will be personally notified and other alternatives offered.
- 4 Teaching material used in class and the attendance certificate given at the end of the course are included in the course fees.
- 5 It is possible to complete several of the courses at the same time. For further information, please contact cursos@gadir.net
- 6 The School office is open from Monday to Friday between 09:00 and 14:00.
- 7 GADIR also offers linguistic exchanges with Spaniards.
- 8 If you would like further information about any of our courses, a detailed programme for each of them is available for those who are interested and can be requested at the following address:

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official acknowledgements

The quality of teaching at GADIR, Escuela Internacional de Español, is guaranteed not only by our years of experience but also by the controls of leading Language Teaching organisations and associations in the European Union, such as:



CERVANTES INSTITUTE: Since July 2003 GADIR has formed a part of the Network of Cervantes Institute Accredited Centres. An accredited centre is a teaching institution which the Cervantes Institute has expressly recognised as a centre which offers a high level of quality in all the services it provides, in accordance with the requirements and conditions established by the Cervantes Institute itself. The student who chooses a Cervantes Institute Accredited Centre in which to study a Spanish course in Spain has the guarantee that he has made the right choice because the centre has been subject to an independent, professional and objective inspection.

CEELE: Quality Certificate in the Teaching of Spanish as a Foreign Language, awarded by the University of Alcalá de Henares. This is the sign of quality guarantee for the Spanish Schools of Spain. GADIR, International School of Spanish, has had this certificate since it was established in 1998.



CSN (Sweden): GADIR, Escuela Internacional de Español is accredited by the Swedish body CSN (www.csn.se), and our students can obtain grants in order to study at GADIR, International School of Spanish.

BILDUNGSURLAUB: GADIR, International School of Spanish, is recognised as "Bildungsurlaub" by the Federal State of Hamburg.



AEEA: GADIR is a founding member of the Association of Spanish Schools of Andalusia, whose main aim is to encourage and guarantee the quality of teaching in the associated schools. All the member schools of AEEA are periodically subject to a pedagogical and professional inspection, which guarantees that the teaching offered by AEEA centres is always of the highest quality.

FEDELE: GADIR, International School of Spanish, is also a founding member of the National Federation of Spanish Schools. Its main objective is to represent the member schools in dealings with the Spanish Government and defend the professional interests of its members.



ELITE: GADIR is also a member of ELITE, a supranational federation which comprises more than 300 schools in the European Union dedicated to language teaching.

extracurricular activities

To complement our courses and to help our students acquaint themselves with Cádiz and Andalusia, the school offers an activities programme which includes;

in-school activities

Concerts and Spanish cinema, cultural documentaries and Spanish music are just some of the cultural activities we organise on a regular basis. In addition, barbecues and parties held in the patio at GADIR enable our pupils to get to know each other and to enjoy themselves out of hours.



activities in the city of Cádiz

We believe it is essential that our pupils get to know the city they are studying in and for this reason we organise regular guided tours to the historic city centre, museums, churches and other places of interest. Cádiz, with a population of 150000, is a city with a very active and appealing cultural life: flamenco dancing and singing, theatre festivals, cinema, folklore and opera and theatre seasons, etc. All such activities are accessible to our pupils who are promptly informed of the events which take place in Cádiz so that they can take part in them. What is more, together we can discover the local gastronomy and nightlife by eating and drinking out, something we often do with our pupils.



extracurricular activities

excursions, sports and other activities

Both the city and its surrounding province are ideal places to practice sports of every type: from "traditional" sports such as swimming, canoeing, sailing, horse-riding, scuba diving, windsurfing etc. to the more "adventurous" such as bungee-jumping, rock climbing, rafting, delta-wing or potholing.



As far as travelling and excursions are concerned, GADIR regularly organises trips around the province of Cádiz. Such trips include El Puerto de Santa María and Jerez de la Frontera (world-famous for their wine cellars), the "White Villages" (such as Arcos de la Frontera, Vejer de la Frontera, Medina Sidonia, Zahara de la Sierra etc.), the "Costa de la Luz" (from Cádiz to Tarifa and Gibraltar), the "Parque Natural de Grazalema" (with its pinsapos, the only Spanish firtrees in Europe) or the "Parque Nacional de Doñana" (the nature reserve of southern Europe).



What is more, from Cádiz it is very easy to visit the main Andalusian cities (such as Seville, Córdoba and Granada) as well as neighbouring countries: Morocco and Portugal.



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the city of Cádiz

The name of our school, GADIR, was given to the city of Cádiz by the Phoenicians when it was founded more than 3000 years ago. For this reason, the name of our school is closely linked to the city, in which we have been operating since 1989. It is difficult to say in only a few lines what the city of Cádiz has to offer its visitors but nevertheless we ought to mention several things...

its history and art

Founded by the Phoenicians more than three thousand years ago, Cádiz is the oldest surviving city in the west. It was home to the Carthaginians, Romans and Arabs until it was finally conquered by the Christians in the thirteenth century. The eighteenth century were years of splendour for the city and have given present-day Cádiz the most well preserved city centre in the whole of Spain, with its beautiful squares, narrow streets, small palaces, stately buildings and an atmosphere which invites you to relax and enjoy yourself. Traces of its historical past can be found throughout the city. In this respect, the Roman amphitheatre, the remains of the medieval city walls, the many stone towers of the city and the Oratory of San Felipe Neri (where the first Spanish Constitution was drawn up in 1812), remind us that Cádiz, just like good Andalusian wines has a style all of its own.



the city of Cádiz

its geographical location

Situated near to Seville and Málaga and serving as a bridge between Spain and Africa, Cádiz, it would seem, is an island surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean.



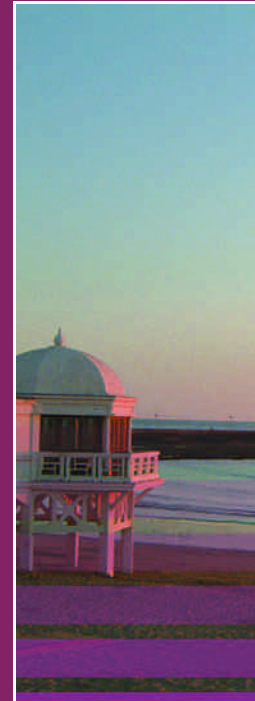
its climate

The city of Cádiz enjoys pleasant temperatures all-year round, with clear blue skies and an average of 3200 hours of sun annually.



its beaches

The people of Cádiz are proud of the 10 kms. of fine sand which lie at their very door-step. Beaches such as "La Victoria" and "La Caleta" form part of the scenery of the city and of the very lives of its people.



its people and its "fiestas"

The "gaditanos" are known throughout Spain for their friendliness and sense of humour. They are always ready to welcome visitors to the city and to invite them to take part in the many fiestas which take place in it. Only if you come to Cádiz and live like one of the city's own will you be able to enjoy its famous Carnivals in February, its Holy Week in April and the Latin American Theatre Festival in October.



the province of Cádiz



Cádiz is one of the most interesting and complex provinces in Spain. Although it is far from being a province of mass tourism, Cádiz has almost everything. Magnificent, deserted beaches of fine white sand, small, picturesque White Villages in the mountains, pretty towns and cities such as Jerez and El Puerto de Santa María and nature reserves in a class of their own such as the “Sierra de Grazalema” or the “Parque Natural de los Alcornocales”.

In the province of Cádiz, one can experience authentic Andalusian folklore in the many shows featuring flamenco dancing and singing, in the many ferias and of course, in the famous Cádiz city carnivals, which every year transform the city into one big party. At the same time, one just has to try the famous wines of Jerez and Sanlúcar to accompany one of the many traditional dishes of the area, their excellent fish and seafood being particularly noteworthy.



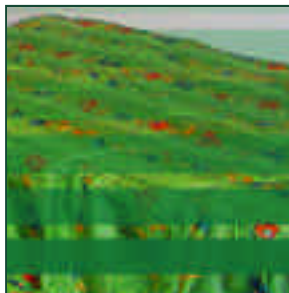
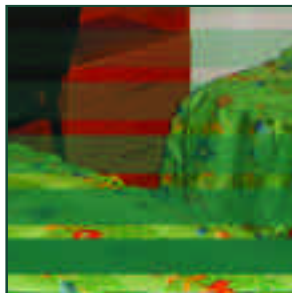
The province of Cádiz promotes many different sporting activities, such as sailing, rock climbing and riding in the countryside or along the beaches, or learning flamenco dancing. We cater for the most demanding of tastes. If we add to all of this the magnificent climate which the area enjoys, one soon realises that there is much to be discovered in Cádiz and its surrounding province.



||| accomodation

GADIR's pupils can choose between different forms of accommodation:

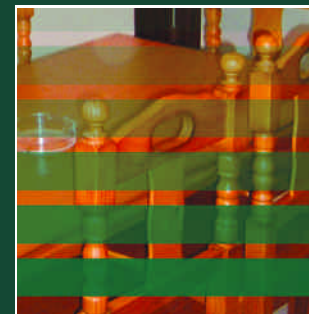
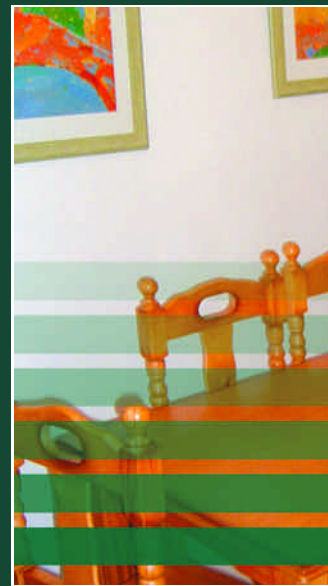
Our school offers the possibility to find accommodation with Spanish families, since the school has a series of selected families who rent out rooms to our pupils either half-board (includes breakfast and evening meal) or full-board (includes breakfast, lunch and evening meal). Students who choose this option will be treated like any other member of the family.



We also help our pupils to find single and double rooms to rent in shared flats with other students of the school.

The flats have a lounge, a bathroom, kitchen and washing machine and are situated in the historic city centre or near the beaches.

To book a room in one of the hotels or hostals in the city of Cádiz, GADIR will provide information about variations and prices.



how to get to Cádiz?

arrival at the airport of Madrid

Option 1: By underground train or taxi from the airport of Madrid to the bus station (Estación Sur) and then by bus from Madrid to Cádiz.

Option 2: By underground train or taxi from the airport of Madrid to the train station (Estación de Atocha) and then by train from Madrid to Cádiz.

arrival at the airport of Málaga

Option 1: By city bus or taxi from the airport of Seville to the bus station (Estación del Prado de San Sebastián) and then by bus from Seville to Cádiz.

Option 2: By city bus or taxi from the airport of Seville to the train station (Estación de Santa Justa) and then by train from Seville to Cádiz.

arrival at the airport of Sevilla

Option 1: By city bus or taxi from the airport of Seville to the bus station (Estación del Prado de San Sebastián) and then by bus from Seville to Cádiz.

Option 2: By city bus or taxi from the airport of Seville to the train station (Estación de Santa Justa) and then by train from Seville to Cádiz.

arrival at the airport of Jerez de la Frontera

Option 1: By taxi from the airport of Jerez de la Frontera to the bus station and then by bus from Jerez de la Frontera to Cádiz.

Option 2: By taxi from the airport of Jerez de la Frontera to the train station and then by train from Jerez de la Frontera to Cádiz.

Option 3: By taxi directly from the airport of Jerez de la Frontera to Cádiz (40 kilometres).



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(Spanish Railways): www.renfe.es
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