



LANGUAGE & CULTURE IMMERSION PROGRAMS





OUR
FOUNDER



DR. MARTA ALFARO

A pediatrician and Ridgefield resident and devoted mother of two boys who grew up in San Sebastian, Spain.

Dr. Alfaro attended medical school at the University of Navarra and completed her pediatric residency in the United Kingdom. In 2004, she came to the U.S. with her husband, Dr. Sanjay Gupta, who was completing a fellowship in joint replacement at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. They were drawn to the welcoming nature and hospitality of the States and became American citizens. They made their home in Ridgefield, Connecticut.

Marta and her bilingual sons spend their summer in Spain. She knows the importance of learning a second language...and the benefits of introducing children to another culture. This led her to start Camp Sol Spain, a full Spanish language and cultural immersion program in San Sebastian, soon followed by another French language program in Biarritz, France.



OUR MISSION

1. FULL LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IMMERSION

We provide a full immersion in Language and Culture in Spain and France through a fantastic combination of conversation-based classes, fun supervised activities and day-to-day living experiences.

Full immersion is not just about the language taught in the classroom. It is the whole experience. It is about our teachers, the student body, the curriculum, and the outside world experience - AND how the students are transitioned into the experience.

Most programs that maintain existence have decent teachers and curriculum. With Camp Sol Spain, the transition for the students into the experience is our strength. Our biggest edge on our competitors.

We understand the local culture, and we strive to know what type of culture your students have experienced, and we try to understand the desired expectations of your students and their parents.





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By spending their vacation time learning and improving their Spanish or French, your children will develop outstanding language skills while building memories that will last them a lifetime.

2. TOP QUALITY COURSES

Our international schools are a center of reference for the training and teaching of Spanish and French and their associated cultures, with a standard of excellence in terms of results and for their leadership in teaching faculties and communication.

Both Specialized in teaching French and Spanish as a foreign language. They can boast more than 30 years of experience.

Both are renowned for the quality of their teaching as well as their innovative approach in terms of educational research and development.

Both are members of the IH (International House) world organization, widely respected in the field of language teaching and teacher training. All of IH schools are committed to delivering the very highest standards in teaching, facilities, and customer care. You could find more information about International House school in www.ihworld.com.



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We have academic programs and content that are adapted for each age group, each different level as well as the class's own requirements as per the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).



3. HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS

All the teachers have at least one University degree. They are especially trained, very experienced and extremely passionate about what they do.

All the teachers participate in in-house training and attend external training sessions. They are the selected best teachers that have completed the International House Teacher Training Course.

Our teachers are culturally aware because they are nationals of Spain and France respectively.

Their retention rate is very high compared to other summer programs that often hire with each season.



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Our teachers match our students in their curiosity and desire for a positive learning experience, constantly interacting with them in a written and oral dynamic created to actively develop their language skills and help the students to adapt themselves to different types of real life situations.

4. SAFE ENVIRONMENT AND SUPERVISION

Merging the two cultures and making a fun experience can be challenging. What if a child is homesick? What if a child is having difficulty picking up the language? What if a child wants to learn to surf but realizes they are afraid of the water?

There are so many areas of a camp experience that need to be bridged to make it a positive and fun. Our counselors and chaperones are there to handle each situation on a case by case basis. We know the language of both parties, we know the culture of both parties and can find a customized solution that works for all involved.

When I introduce myself, despite of being a Pediatric doctor and the founder and owner of Camp Sol, I always start saying that I am a devoted mother of two wonderful boys. There is a reason for it, being a mother has been and will always be the role of my life. I try to apply that role and become the advocate for my students. I take a really active hands on role and I provide direct and personalized attention. I will be on site and 24 hours available, supervising everything and making sure we have academic programs and content that are adapted for each age group, each different level as well as the class's own requirements as per the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) making sure that every single student's needs are met.





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Camp sol is not a big company that just put you in touch with providers while abroad.

Camp sol will be there for the students, helping in every possible way, making sure that everyone is safe, happy and enjoying great experiences, helping students grow academically and personally.



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**SPANISH
LANGUAGE
PROGRAM**

**SAN
SEBASTIAN
SPAIN**

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SAN SEBASTIAN (SPAIN)

San Sebastián is a resort town in Spain's mountainous Basque Country, a cultural and natural paradise with sandy beaches framed by a picturesque bay front promenade, and world-renowned restaurants helmed by innovative chefs.

Students will immerse themselves in the Spanish lifestyle while living in a historic city, full of rich cultural activities, international events and world-class cuisine.

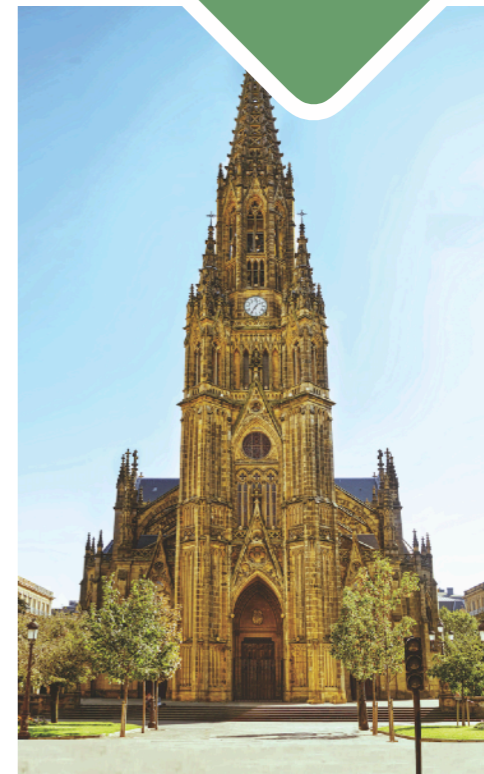
European Capital of Culture 2016 (Designated by the European Union)

Home of the Best Beach in Europe (Travelers Choice Awards 2018)

Awarded Best City Beach in the World (TripAdvisor)



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OUR PROGRAM

CUSTOMIZED SPANISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Class hours per week	15-20 hours per week
Class timetable	Classes are held from Monday to Friday as follows: Class 1: 09:30-11:00 Break: 11:00-11:30 Class 2: 11:30-13:00
Group details	20 students + 2 group leaders
Age of students	13-19
Materials Included	Course materials & Course completion certificate
All Spanish levels accepted	





OUR
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LACUNZA INTERNATIONAL HOUSE

Lacunza International House is an accredited quality language school, member of the International House World Organization since 1976.

International House (IH) is an international organization that consists of 159 independent language schools in 52 countries and is committed to excellence in language teaching and teacher training.

Our methodology is focused on the practice and action of using the Spanish language for communication from day one.

This model of teaching and learning guarantees the satisfaction and good results of students in all areas of communication.



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International House

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IALC

Members of International Association of Language Centers (IALC) since 2015. IALC is an international organization of independent language schools that is made up of high quality schools teaching their country's official language to foreign students.



Instituto Cervantes

In 2002, "Accredited Centre" by the Instituto Cervantes. This is a unique global accreditation.



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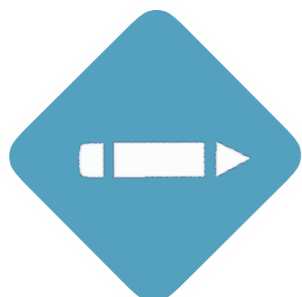
The school has been a federated member of the statewide organization FEDELE since 2006. As such we have a vested interest in improving the teaching of Spanish in Spain. This is reflected in our commitment to teacher training, collaborative work and participation in official Industry Studies.



IH Spain

In 1998, we joined together with seven other International House Spanish schools in Spain to create IH SPAIN. The network of school promises the same guarantees and uses the same teaching methodology for an effective and flexible educational experience.

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The classes are educational and entertaining. This promotes class participation and cooperation for a safe learning environment. The teachers and staff all have experience and ensure that the teens gain confidence with their language skills as well as new vocabulary.

Classes are fun, interactive and practical with Spanish used constantly in the classroom.

Emphasis on comprehension, conversation and interaction ALL in Spanish.

Classes are engaging and use visual materials.

Internet and educational games.

The 5th class each day is a practical experience dedicated to devising a project in Spanish (song, dramatization, advert, interview) which is presented on Friday afternoon.





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Teachers are university graduates and have been trained to teach Spanish as a foreign language to younger learners using the IH methodology.

Teachers are experienced and native Spanish speakers. The Director of Studies, in consultation with the Senior Teacher Trainers, develops the academic study program.



Language Assessment Exam.

Your language level is evaluated upon arrival at the program location. We measure your ability by a written placement exam and/or an oral exam with local professors. The language assessment is intended to ensure you get the best training possible while attending our program. A written placement exam may be given prior to your departure overseas also.



Course completion certificate stating Spanish level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.



OUR ACCOMODATIONS

DOWNTOWN RIVER HOSTEL

(Or similar depending on availability at the moment of booking)

Student housing Full room and board
Shared rooms

Group leaders Full room and board
Single occupancy





This activities & excursions program has been developed by our Program Coordinator with the feedback from our students. Our program includes favourite student activities while still ensuring a good mix of recreational, cultural, social and sporting activities. It is also an opportunity to discover the heart, soul and language of Spain, the Basque Country and San Sebastian.



ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS PROGRAM

Day 1	City Tour + churros with hot chocolate
Day 2	Hike across the Spanish / French border
Day 3	Trip to Bilbao and visit to the Guggenheim Museum
Day 4	Visit the EUREKA Science Museum participating in different workshops: Electricity, Anatomy, Genetics, Physics of Movement, etc.
Day 5	Educational Workshop about the Ocean and societal pollution (Surf School)
Day 6	Workshop "Pelota Vasca"



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Day 7 Visit to Hondarribia and Hendaye

Day 8 EUREKA Science Museum & Workshops

Day 9 Excursion to France

Day 10 Excursion to Vizcaya with a visit to Guernica,
the Peace Museum and San Juan de Gaztelugatxe

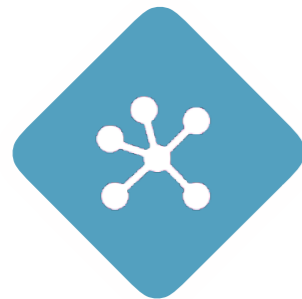
Day 11 EUREKA Science Museum & Workshops

Day 12 Surf lesson or latin dancing class

Excursions and activities are subject to change due to availability and weather



EUREKA SCIENCE MUSEUM WORKSHOPS (50 min)



Our students will have the opportunity to visit the Eureka Science Museum and participate in several Workshop that will allow them to learn about Cellular World, Electricity, Anatomy, Universe and Planet Earth, Chemistry, Genetics or Physics of Movement, among other topics.



OUR
ACTIVITIES &
EXCURSIONS

Planet Hearth in the Universe.

After learning about the structure of the Solar System and the celestial bodies that make it up, we will build and learn how to use a planisphere, which will help us observe the sky.

The Colours of Chemistry.

When lights illuminates our surroundings the world fills with colors. But, what is their origin? And how are these colours produced? Through various chemical experiments we will answer these questions.

Look, look...It's a cell!

Once you know the rules to follow in the laboratory and have received some basic notions about the use of the microscope, we will take a close look at cells, preparing and observing different animal and plant samples.

Electricity.

In this spectacular workshop, we will experiment with the fundamentals of electricity, with the help of the plasma ball, the Van Der Graaf generator, Faraday's cage and Tesla's generator.



Action Reaction!

Acid and bases, redox reactions, catalysis. We will learn to prepare various chemical reactions and we will learn about the importance of the chemical ingredients that we will use in each one of them.

Practical genetics.

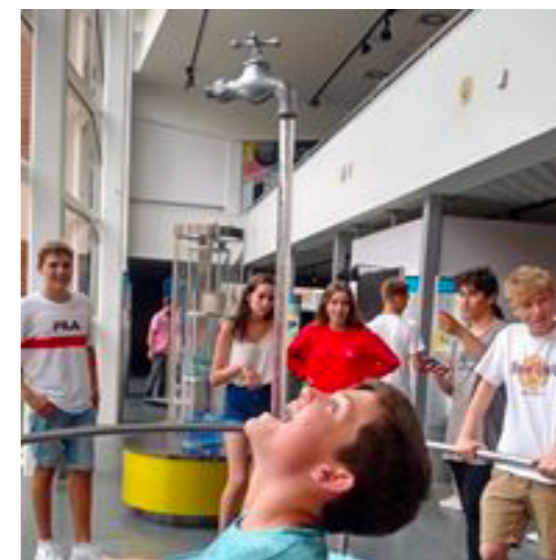
We will extract and visualize human DNA and carry out an electrophoretic analysis of samples in criminal and health cases taken from fiction.

Physics of Movement.

We will experiment with physics to learn the fundamental laws of Newtonian mechanics or circular motion: free fall, centre of masses, gyroscope...

Anatomy.

Through the dissection of a sheep's entrails, we will learn to recognize different organs, paying special attention to the heart and blood circulation. We will complete the workshop with a guided tour of the Plastination Hall.



Math Mystery Box.

Students, through mathematical knowledge and collaborative work, will have to overcome some challenges that will allow them to open a set of closed boxes with locks, keys, etc.

There's Chemistry here!

Why do atoms join with each other? And, how do they do it? What is the difference between an ionic bond and a covalent bond? Working in groups, and through experimentation, we will gain an understanding of the properties of different chemical structures.

Cellular world.

We will review how cells are classified and, using the microscope, we will prepare and observe different cell samples.





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**FRENCH
LANGUAGE
PROGRAM**

**BIARRITZ
FRANCE**

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BIARRITZ (FRANCE)

Biarritz, an elegant seaside town on southwestern France's Basque coast, has been a popular resort since European royalty began visiting in the 1800s.

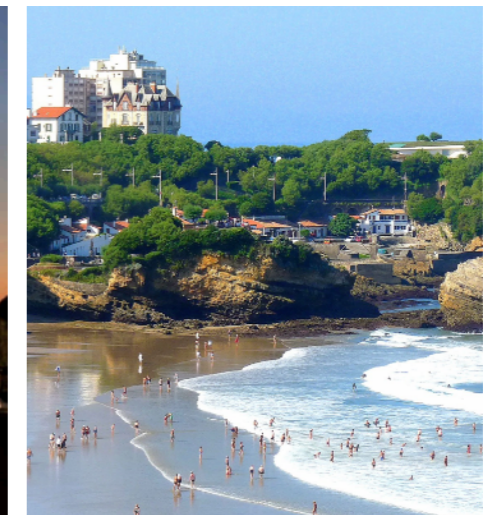
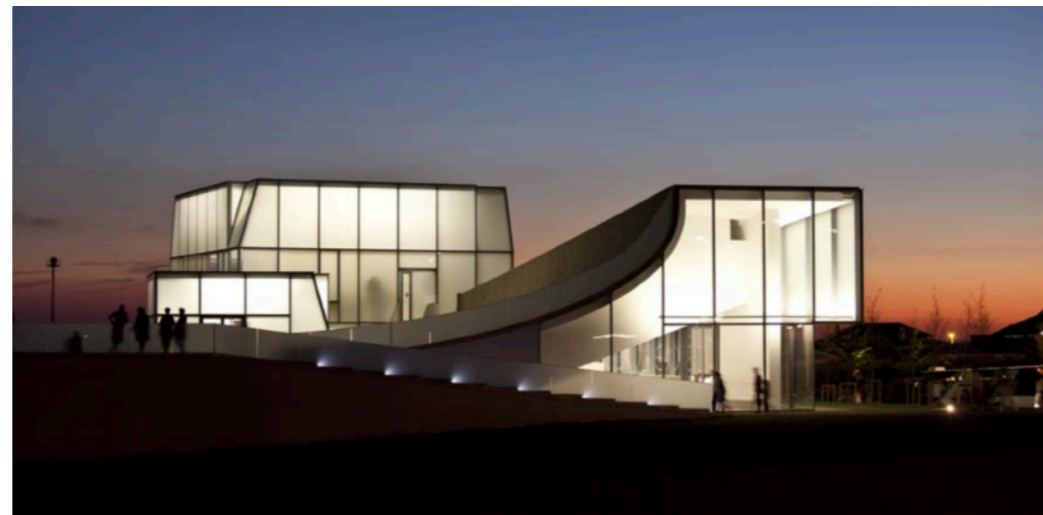
Known for its famous beaches and therapeutic water, Biarritz offers visitors a unique atmosphere. The town is comprised mainly of grand houses used by the wealthy as summer retreats. It has an upscale feel to it that is balanced off nicely with a more relaxed and easy-going surf culture that has a long history here.

This is a place where fine restaurants and spas live harmoniously side-by-side with laid-back pizza joints and surf shops.





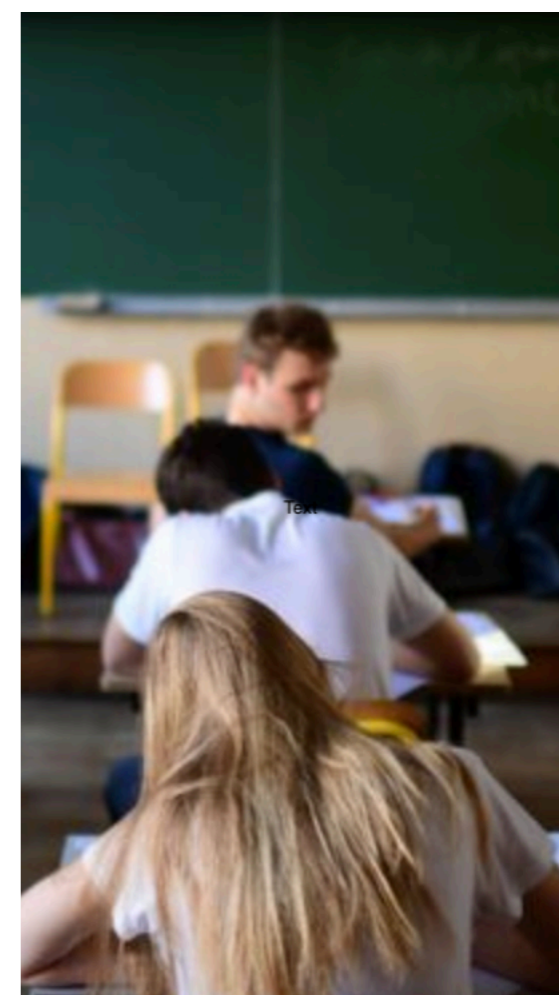
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CUSTOMIZED FRENCH LANGUAGE PROGRAM FOR THE RAHA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Class hours per week	15-20 hours per week
Class timetable	Classes are held from Monday to Friday as follows: Class 1: 09:30-11:00 Break: 11:00-11:30 Class 2: 11:30-13:00
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OUR
SCHOOL**FRANCE LANGUE**

Specialized in teaching French as a foreign language, France Langue can boast more than 40 years of experience.

France Langue schools are renowned for the quality of their teaching as well as their innovative approach in terms of educational research and development.

France Langue schools have been awarded the « Qualité Français Langue Etrangère » label, which guarantees the quality of the teaching, of facilities and student services.

8000 students trained every year

More than 100 nationalities welcomed

80 permanent teachers and professors



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France Langue is actively involved in all bodies and major international events concerning French as a Foreign Language.

France Langue is a member of **CAMPUS FRANCE** (public institution in charge of promoting French higher education abroad), **IALC** (International Association of Language Centres) and **ATOUT** France (agency for the development of French tourism abroad).





Personalized student's course and stay in France.

France Langue has created an academic monitoring process for its students with dedicated teachers. The aim is to ensure the effectiveness of each training course and the progress of each student according to their individual goal. France Langue also offers numerous activities that tie into lesson content in order to enrich and adapt programs according to the needs of each student.



Innovative teaching methods and content.

France Langue has created a modern and innovative academic syllabus run by a team of 80 teachers including 30 permanent professors who, in addition to their courses, develop educational programs.



Communication dynamic that creates a unique student experience.

France Langue aims to create a special atmosphere within its schools to facilitate and promote sharing. Students, teaching and administrative staff, host families, all strive to make each stay a memorable one. Sharing experiences, exhibitions, outings, sports, excursions, ... More than just a language course, France Langue offers a real human and cultural adventure!





Language Assessment Exam.

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Course completion certificate stating French level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.



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The school is located in the centre of Biarritz, 5 minutes' walk from markets, restaurants, cafés and boutiques in the lively Halles district and only 10 minutes from the world-famous surf spot at the Côte des Basques beach.

Set in a typically Basque town house dating from 1850, with a terrace garden and a private swimming pool, Corinne and her team are on hand to welcome you for an unforgettable stay tailored to suit your requirements whether you are young, sporty, senior, a couple or looking for something different!



OUR ACCOMODATIONS

DOMAINE DU PIGNADA

(Or similar depending on availability at the moment of booking)

Student housing Full room and board
Shared rooms

Group leaders Full room and board
Single occupancy



OUR
ACTIVITIES &
EXCURSIONS



Our program is designed to provide a good mix of recreational, cultural, social and sporting activities that allow students to practice French together, along with excursions organized to visit the city's landmarks and discover the beautiful Spanish and French Basque Country.



ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS PROGRAM

Day 1	Visit to the “City of the Ocean” + scientific workshop (meteorology/climate/ocean study)
Day 2	Hike across the Spanish / French border
Day 3	Trip to Bilbao and visit to the Guggenheim Museum
Day 4	Visit to the Aquarium + scientific workshop : study of the ocean and marine species
Day 5	Golf lesson
Day 6	Visit to the “Surf Rider Foundation” + scientific workshop (waste and plastics management in the oceans)



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Day 7 Electric biking tour along the Biarritz Coastline

Day 8 Visit to the “Izaldia Ecological Park” + scientific workshop
(discovery of the environment, ecosystem and coastal ecology)

Day 9 Full day excursion to the “villages basques”

Day 10 Full-day excursion to San Sebastian

Day 11 Surf lessons + scientific workshop: (reading oceans and waves /
understanding tides and currents)

Day 12 Introduction to the “Pelote Basque “

Excursions and activities are subject to change due to availability and weather



Thank You



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**OPTIONAL
ACTIVITIES**

**SPRING
2020**

A panoramic tour of the beautiful city of San Sebastian. You do not want to miss it!



**PANORAMIC
TOUR
OF
SAN SEBASTIAN**



Spend the afternoon exploring the aquarium. There's plenty of time to see all the sea creatures and you can even find Nemo.



**AQUARIUM &
LA CONCHA
BEACH**



The kayak course takes place in La Concha Bay, twice a week, and is given by a qualified instructor.



KAYAK

We will visit the City history museum after a short hiking, and then enjoy delicious churros with hot chocolate.



**MONT URGULL
+ HOT CHOCOLATE
WITH CHURROS**

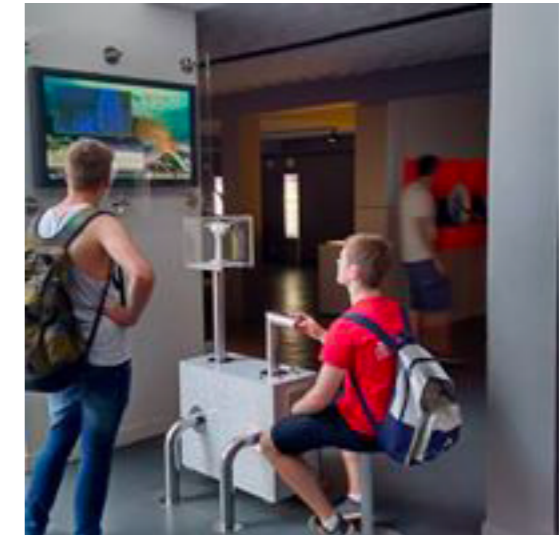
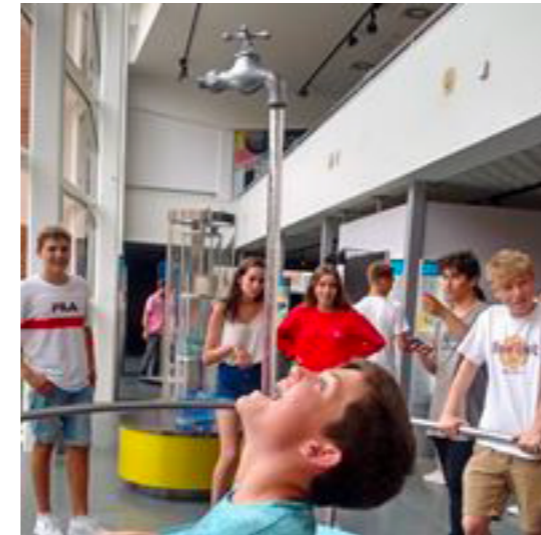
We'll visit the Museum San Telmo to learn more about the history, culture and language of the Basque Country. Afterwards we'll climb up to the top of Monte Urgull to see the beautiful view of La Concha Bay.

SAN TELMO MUSEUM

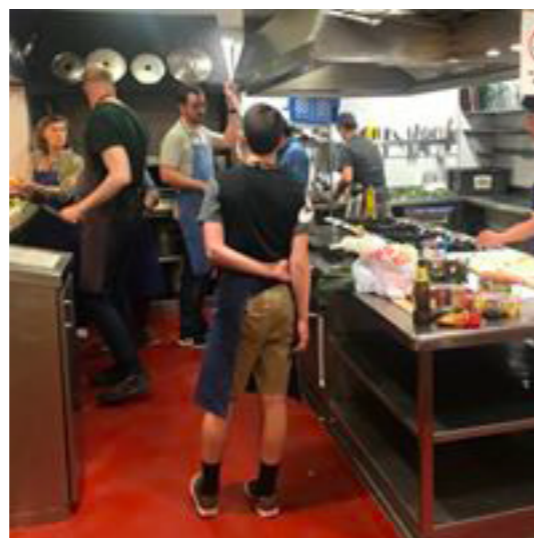


Visit the science museum for a hands-on afternoon of experiments and exploration!

PLANETARIUM & SCIENCE MUSEUM



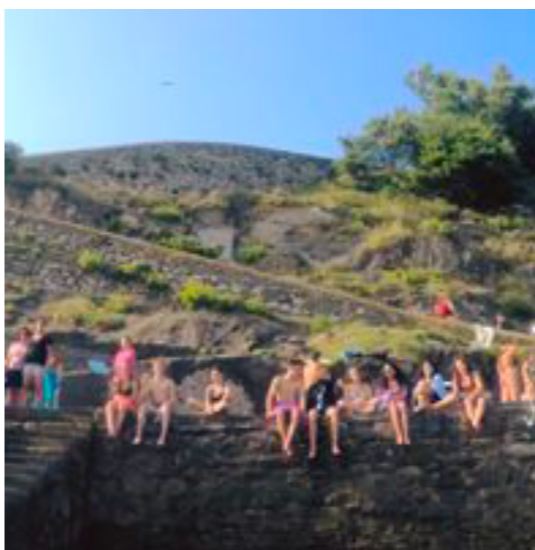
Learn how to cook a typical Spanish menu in a traditional gastronomic society. The 3 hour course is held on Wednesday after the juniors' activity.



**COOKING
COURSE**

A short boat ride to Santa Clara island, followed by swimming and/or exploring the island.

SANTA CLARA ISLAND



Visit one of the oldest Amusement Parks in Spain and check out the beautiful views of San Sebastian.

IGUELDO



We'll visit the French Basque Country & stop at the lake of Senpere to get fun in the wipeout aquazone. Then we'll move on to Biarritz and visit its beautiful coastal walkways, impressive buildings and mini castles.

WIPEOUT IN BIARRITZ (FRANCE)



We will row in the Urumea river and we will have a party in Cristina Enea Park.

ROWING IN THE RIVER



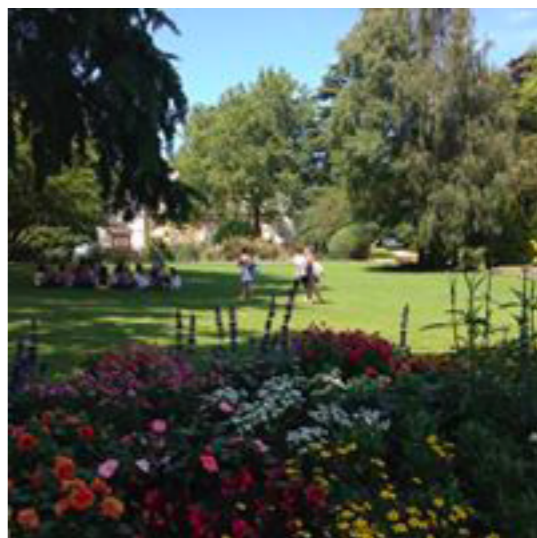
Explore & discover San Sebastian with a fun group activity!
Who will win the final prize?

SCAVENGER HUNT



An entertaining afternoon in Cristina Enea park to learn Acrosport (acrobatic moves in teams) and Capoeira (Brazilian martial arts).

ACROSPORT & CAPOEIRA



A fun bike tour around the city is the best way to get to know San Sebastian.

BIKE TOUR



Let's go to the cinema & watch a new release movie, in Spanish, of course!

CINEMA



Spend the afternoon at the beach playing sports and enjoying the waves. Could you imagine a better way to practice your Spanish together and have a great time?



**SPORTS
&
BEACH**

The course is held on Tuesday and Thursday with a maximum of 6 students per instructor. Surfboard and wetsuit hire are included in the price and the course takes place at Zurriola Beach (the surf beach in San Sebastián).

SURF LESSONS



The stand up paddle course takes place in La Concha bay, and is held on Tuesday and Thursday. The course includes all the necessary equipment.

STAND UP PADDLE





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EXCURSIONS

SPRING
2020

Visit this architecturally important city with a tour of the Guggenheim Museum then afterwards we'll head to the "Casco Viejo". We'll go for a stroll along the river. Visit to San Juan de Gaztelugatxe, where the "Game of Thrones" was shot.

GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM + SAN JUAN DE GAZTELUGATXE



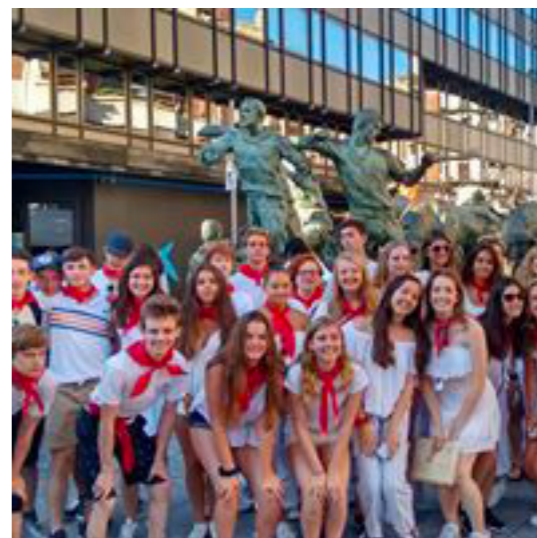
Let's hike across the Spanish / French border! A hike from the Spanish town Irun to the French town Hendaya.

HIKE FROM SPAIN TO FRANCE



Visit the historical city of Pamplona. We will visit the Old City, the historical remnants of the city walls and fortress and walk along the famous route of the “Running of the Bulls”.

**PAMPLONA
EXCURSION**



An easy 2.5 hour hike over Mount Ulia to end up at San Pedro. From there we will catch a small boat across the pass way to San Juan where we will enjoy dinner overlooking the mountains and water.

**MOUNT ULIA
HIKE**



In Biarritz we'll tour the city to see its most famous sites and monuments. Afterwards we'll head to the city center for shopping, having lunch in a restaurant or having a picnic on the beach. Afterwards we'll head to St Jean de Luz to do a walking tour of the port, bay and the city center.

**FRANCE
EXCURSION**



A short bus ride to the fishing town of Pasaia. Enjoy a boat ride with views of amazing scenery and Jaizkibel mountain.

PASAIA



We will visit the famous flysch of Zumaia, where the Game of Thrones was shot, and spend the afternoon in this beautiful Basque beach town.



ZUMAIA
&
THE FLYSCH

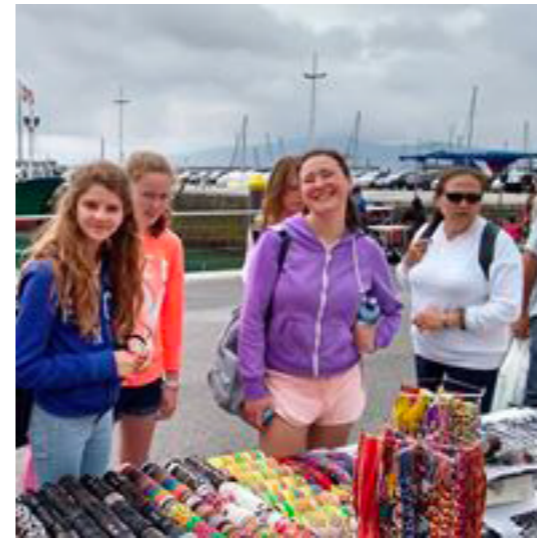
A visit the sleepy coastal town of Orio and kayaking in the Oria River. Spend the afternoon in Getaria, a quaint fishing town! We'll visit the town, take a short walk up to the lighthouse and maybe even go for a swim!

ORIO & GETARIA FISHING VILLAGES



We will visit the medieval town Hondarribia, the ancient old quarter with walls and the colorful port with fisher houses. We can even finish having a swim in the beach!

HONDARRIBIA MEDIEVAL TOWN



We will walk along Leitzaran green way and we will enjoy the waterholes and the river.



LEITZARAN WATERHOLES



A short hiking to San Marcos Fort. We will explore the fort and we will enjoy the panoramic view of San Sebastian metropolitan area. .



SAN MARCOS FORT





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