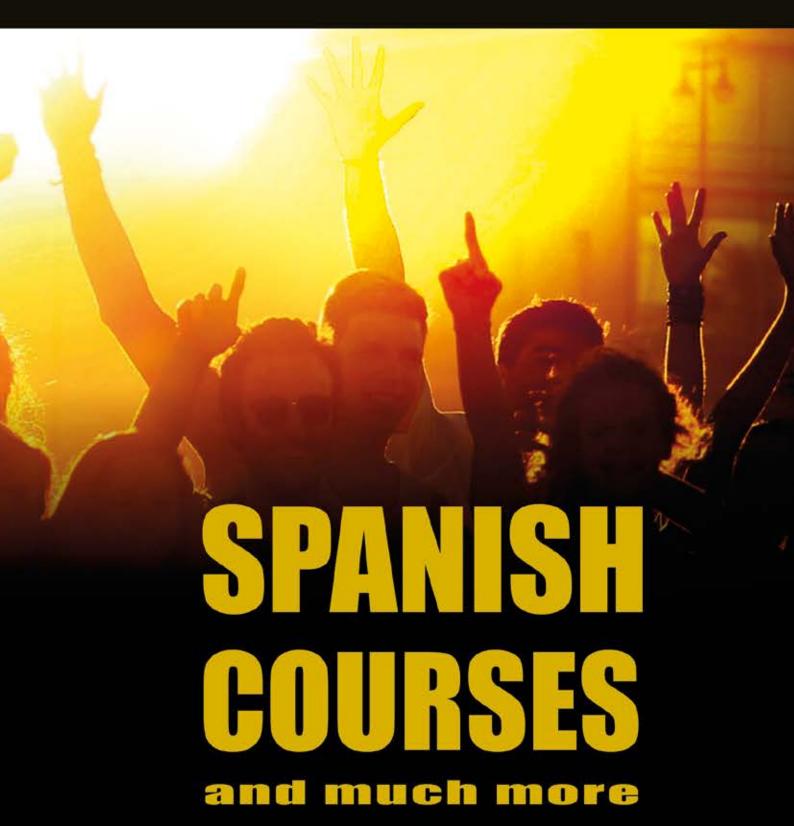
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## 01 WELCOME

#### TODAY IS YOUR LUCKY DAY

What kind of person do you feel you are? Would you sing really loud in the shower even if your neighbours could hear you? Would you like to win the first prize in a 'most ridiculous hat' tournament? When you see a cake, do you feel the urgent need to stick your finger in it?

Great! THEN YOU'RE ONE OF US!

If you're reading this then today is your lucky day: You've found TARONJA, your soul mate!

In 2004 Eva, Fernando and Maxi (childhood friends) decided to start a business that would be a reflection of themselves: A very professional school that would be, at the same time, very fun, happy and a little crazy. After several years, TARONJA has become their passion, their life and their own daughter. That's the way you'll feel here, as if you were at home, (or even better)!

TARONJA is a place meant for young people, but we are NOT talking about age, we are talking about people that feel YOUNG IN SPIRIT! Do you have a soundtrack for every day of your life? When you go to bed at night, do you get excited about the new adventures that tomorrow will bring you? Do you feel like a kid or do you have an old soul?

At TARONJA we all feel like kids, and we love to have fun. Are you ready to join us?

#### **INSTITUTO CERVANTES**

In September 2006, our school signed an agreement which recognizes TARONJA as accredited by the "Instituto Cervantes". This acknowledgement implies that the school goes through rigorous quality control of their academic program and facilities, administrative procedures, accommodation, etc. Every day we strive to guarantee our students, provision of high quality services and high standards of Spanish teaching. We aim to deliver the necessary conditions to be accredited by the Cervantes Institute.

www.cervantes.es



#### IAI (

The International Association of Language Schools (IALC) was established in 1983. The aim of the association was to bring together schools which could ensure a high standard of quality in their education systems. Currently, there are over 140 IALC language schools (worldwide). The schools teach their native language to international students independently and at a very high standard. TARONJA is a member of this association a fact which acknowledges the quality in language teaching.

www.ialc.org





#### WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE VALENCIA?

- Its ideal size. Valencia has a population of 1 million. It has the same amount of tourist attractions, transportation availability, (metro, bus, tram, bike hire, etc...) as that of larger cities, but all in the confinement of a smaller one. This means that everything is within close proximity. Easy and comfortable to live in.
- It has a wonderful beach inside the city, only 15 minutes away from the city centre.
- Valencia is one of the most beautiful and cultural cities in Spain. It is clean, rich and VERY SAFE.
- The living expenses here are not expensive compared to other cities.
- Valencia is conveniently placed between popular places to visit, eg, Madrid, Barcelona and Ibiza, which makes travelling to them easy.
- Everybody in Valencia city speaks the traditional SPANISH, (with a Castilian accent), not Catalan.



#### WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE TARONJA?

- We are located in the best area of Valencia: A super central, pedestrian street full of shops and cafés.
- Your course will include 5 extra DIDACTIC ACTIVITIES per week!
- We are a highly professional Spanish school accredited by the INSTITUTO CERVANTES.
- Best activity program in Spain: No other school puts more effort, time, resources and heart into it!
- The school is unique, colourful, special and DIFFERENT.
- You will become part of our FAMILY forever.
- You will eat Chef NANDO's paella!!

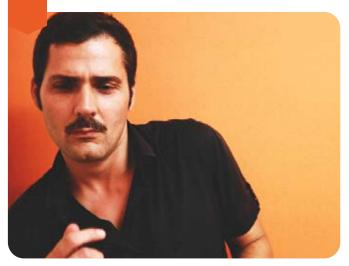


# 02 WHO IS WHO

**EVA** is the managing director. She is in charge of making the school run perfectly. She has a Master Degree in Fine Arts and that is why our school is so beautiful and artistic.



MAXI is the school's third Director. He has a degree in Hispanic Philology and is in charge of supervising our study programs. He also manages Taronja's online universe.



JENNY is our Head of Studies. She has extensive experience teaching Spanish, and a Master in Advanced Hispanic Studies, focused on Spanish as a foreign language. ANDRÉS is our second head of studies and also has great experience and training in ELE. Both of them coordinate our fantastic teachers team and take care of the proper functioning of classes, schedules, groups and levels.



**FERNANDO** is another of the school's directors. He has a degree in English and Italian Philology, deals with the schools international relations and plans the schools weekly activities. He's also known as the Great Chef Nando.



THE ADMINSTRATION TEAM of Taronja school is cheerful, dynamic and very professional. All its members have higher education and perfectly dominate both Spanish and English. They will be in touch with you from the very first moment to solve any doubts before your arrival. Once here, they will greet you with a very big smile and will always be available to solve any problem you have.



## THE SCHOOL



#### THE SCHOOL AND ITS FACILITIES

Our school is located in a pedestrian street in the historic centre of the city, in a beautiful building surrounded by the Serrano towers, the Turia river garden and many emblematic sites.

Inside you will discover that **each corner has been neatly decorated by young Valencian artists**. It is an authentic piece of art!

The classrooms are equipped with modern facilities which create a nice and comfortable learning atmosphere.

Within walking distance, you can visit some of the most interesting touristic places in Valencia historic city center, such as The Lonja building, The Central Market, the Bullring, Barrio del Carmen, and much more!

#### SPANISH LANGUAGE TEACHING

Our Spanish teachers have a degree in Spanish Philology. They have practical experience and professional teacher training for Spanish as a foreign language.

Yet, at the same time, **they are dynamic, young and friendly**, and always ready to help you with your doubts, questions and problems.

Our Spanish courses, **regularly supervised and contro-lled**, are qualified with the Cervantes Institute accreditation.

We guarantee a fast and effective learning of the Spanish language.

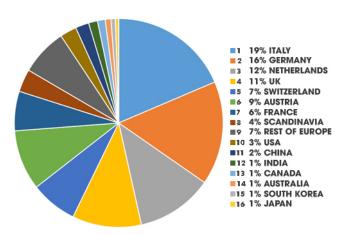
#### SOCIAL & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

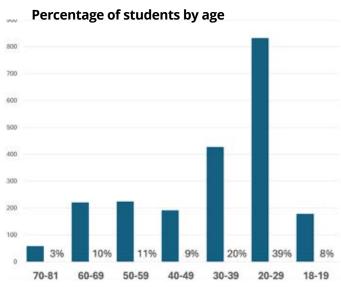
Travelling abroad is always a great experience. That is why apart from the Spanish classes we offer you a complete variety of cultural and leisure activities to enjoy during the week.

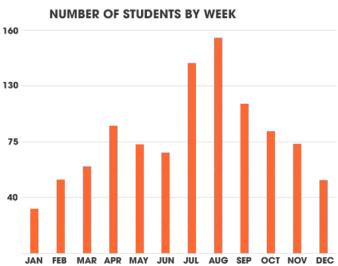
Welcome Paella Party, "Walk & Learning" Route, Languages Exchanges, Spanish Cooking, Flamenco, parties, concerts, museums and sports are an important part of our cultural programme. We guarantee you an incredible time, ensuring that you make the most of it.

We would like to offer you more than a Spanish course: an experience you will never forget!

#### PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS BY COUNTRY







## BEAUTIFUL BOUTIQUE SCHOOL



















#### VIRTUAL RESOURCES

Our virtual classroom is an extension of classroom learning, providing students access to videos, music, grammar, vocabulary, self-correcting exercises, DELE models, etc. After class, students can continue practising and reinforcing their knowledge through all these resources designed to improve their comprehension and fluency in Spanish. This interactive platform is available anytime, allowing students to study at their own pace and convenience.

#### TARONIA LIBRARY

Taronja offers a lending service of books and readings adapted to different levels so that all students can enjoy the library and deepen both the language and the Spanish and Latin American culture. Students can consult and use these resources, free of charge, during their stay at the school, enriching their educational experience.

#### INSTITUTO CERVANTES LIBRARY

In addition to the school library, students can subscribe to the Instituto Cervantes library catalogue for an annual fee of 14 €. This subscription provides access to a vast collection of digital resources, including e-books, audiobooks, magazines or online newspapers.

These resources complement learning in Taronja, offering additional content covering a wide range of topics: art, literature, science, technology, personal development, environment, health, leisure and free time, humanities, among others. Subscribing to the Instituto Cervantes Library is an excellent way to expand access to high quality resources and continue learning outside of the classroom and to pursue a passion for reading.

nstituto Cervantes Library Price: Annual subscription: 14 € This combination of tools and resources ensures that Taronja students have everything they need for a complete immersion in the Spanish language, both inside and outside the classroom.

#### tutoriai plan

Our tutorial plan is designed to accompany the student throughout their stay and learning process through:

- A pre-arrival test to know the level, profile and needs of the student.
- A welcome meeting to learn about the school, staff, methodology, schedules and activities.
- A book lending service to encourage reading in Spanish.
- A virtual classroom to continue studying after classes with videos, exercises, music and access to the library catalogue.
- Personalized meetings with our academic coordinators to discuss culture shock, class level, extra material and recommendations, etc.
- A program of socio-cultural activities, including language exchanges.



## 04 courses

TARONJA offers a wide variety of courses. All the programs are designed carefully, and pass intensive quality controls. Our teachers approach to preparing lessons is based on the students needs, goals and interests, as well as on their own learning abilities.

We keep the number of students per class low (minimum 4, maximum 10), so that the teachers can meet the needs of each and every one of them, individually.

The class materials (texts, articles, videos, songs) are always tailored to the level of the Spanish class. Once a student finishes the course, they will receive a certificate with the number of hours attended and the level reached in the Spanish language. To obtain this certificate, the student must attend 80% of classes.



#### METHODOLOGY

Our goal is that students learn the Spanish language and culture through a total immersion (inside and outside

the classroom) through the development of intercultural communicative competence in a fun and motivating environment.

In our classes we work to integrate language skills as a necessary condition to learn a language in all its dimensions. That means that you will be practicing all language skills: speaking, listening, writing and reading. To achieve this, we follow a contents timing on each level using a wide range of educational resources and our own teaching materials.

Our teaching team selects and uses exercise cards, activities, short films, videos, songs, presentations on-line, Google +, social networks, etc. **As you can see, our school uses its own materials; we do not follow a book.** In this way we can better adapt to the needs of each group and, as a result, students can join our open courses and follow the programmed contents to their level.

Our teachers put a lot of work and dedication into preparing the lesson's materials in order to suit the pace of the students learning. Teachers always select what is most appropriate for the group to maximize their communication skills in Spanish.

It is important to point out that, for students with high levels, for those who already express theirselves well indifferent fields in Spanish, who need to consolidate and perfect their speaking skills, we combine our material and

resources with a book especially selected for said intention in a way that the student can make good use of his stay in our school and benefit the best way possible of his course

#### OUR TEACHERS

All our Spanish teachers are university graduates and have experience and training in teaching Spanish as a foreign language. As well as this, they are also energetic and full of life, working within a very close -knit team. They are always at hand to address any concerns or needs you may have.

Our teaching team undergo strict quality control tests and class inspections. An important aspect of their preparation lies in their knowledge and use of the new classroom technologies and teaching programs through videoconferencing and virtual environments.

Once the Spanish course has finished, students are able to continue studying with us through our on-line programs



#### **GENERAL COURSES**

#### Intensive course 20 lessons

The course is designed for students wanting to learn Spanish and to combine language study with other activities that allow you to see the city surroundings and its famous beaches. The 4 skills will be worked on within a comunicative environment. We guarantee a fast and effective learning of the Spanish language.

The course consists of 20 lessons of Spanish + 5 social lessons per week.

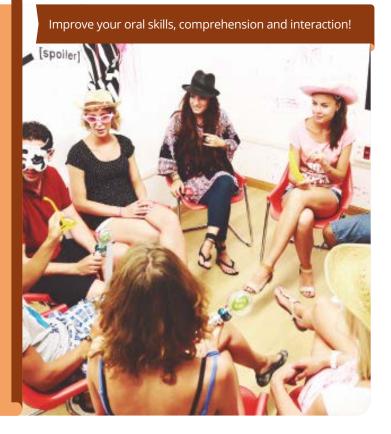


### Conversation workshop 5 lessons

Improve your oral, comprehension and interaction skills with our multi-level conversation class! Only when taking an Intensive Course.

**MULTI-LEVEL** Thanks to this method, students of different levels interact and collaborate together. Students will practice the structures they know, guided by an expert teacher, working at their own pace to improve their fluency.

This conversation workshop is focused on discussing and learning Spanish topical issues with an intercultural approach, while working at the same time the opinion structures, expanding vocabulary and improving oral expression and interaction in a practical and interactive way. The Spanish teacher steers the conversation, encourages the group and corrects the errors of each student



#### Private lessons

One-to-one classes tailor-made to suit the individual needs of the students, whatever their level may be. The lessons are ideal for those looking to deepen their knowledge, to practice any specific aspect of the Spanish language, or to use Spanish in specific situations, such as business, tourism, hospitality, education, fashion, etc. Our teaching teams adapt to the needs and professional or educational objectives of each student.



### General three-month online Spanish courses

General online courses from Beginners to Advanced. Adapted to all levels, where you can learn Spanish quickly, flexibly, effectively and with all the technologies at your fingertips.

The duration of each course is 12 weeks You will have classes 2 days per week.



#### **EXAMINATION CENTER**





Taronja school is an accredited centre by the Instituto Cervantes. This accreditation certifies that we meet the high standards of quality in the teaching of Spanish as a foreign language.

In addition, students have the opportunity to take the DELE and SIELE exams directly at our school. These certifications are internationally recognized and can be fundamental for the academic and professional development of our students.

#### DELE (Diplomas de Español como Lengua Extranjera):

- \* Official certification from the Cervantes Institute.
- \* Recognized worldwide.
- \* Evaluation of competencies in Spanish at different levels (A1-C2).

#### SIELE (Servicio Internacional de Evaluación de la Lengua Española):

- \* Digital and flexible certification.
- \* Evaluates Spanish proficiency through four tests: reading comprehension, listening comprehension, written expression and interaction, and oral expression and interaction.
- \* Fast results and global recognition.

At the school you can find out about these exams during the informative meetings we offer.

We also have staff responsible for managing and organizing the tests, with whom you can meet. Of course, you can also prepare for these exams with us.

## Preparation for the "DELE" exam and "SIELE" accreditation.

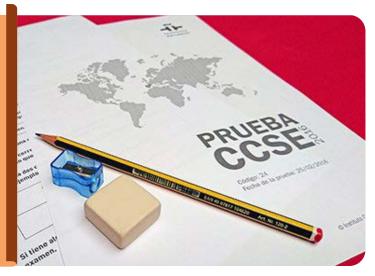
If you want to prepare for both the DELE and the SIELE, we recommend you to take an intensive Spanish course and combine it with private classes focused on the preparation of these tests.



#### CCSE exam

The CCSE exam (Conocimientos Constitucionales y Socioculturales de España) is an official test of the Instituto Cervantes that evaluates the knowledge about the Constitution and the social and cultural reality of Spain.

In Taronja we offer you the possibility to take the CCSE exam in our facilities.



#### SPECIAL COURSES

#### Spanish teacher training

This course is aimed at graduate Spanish teachers or people interested in teaching Spanish as a foreign language. The focus of the course is very practical, centered on critical analysis and discussion. The key points of the teaching-learning process in the Spanish as a Foreing Language environment will be stressed in order to understand how to manage a motivated and appropriate class.

The course is 6 lessons a day during two weeks. If you are not a native Spanish speaker you need to have at least C1 level.



#### Internship or volunteer work

The internship program is designed for students with an advanced knowledge of Spanish, at a minimum level of B2

The program consists of two parts: 1) Three weeks of Intensive Spanish classes, 2) Interning for a minimum of four weeks in a Spanish business (non-paid)



#### LEISURE & CULTURAL PACK

Combine your Spanish course with music or art lessons

#### Salsa

Would you like to learn the Salsa and the Bachata whilst doing a Spanish course? Valencia has a deep cultural connection with Hispano-America. This, together with the great love of Valencian's harbour for dancing, makes Valencia one of the best European cities for learning the Salsa. Don't doubt it: this is your chance!



#### Flamenco

In the flamenco initiation classes you will learn the hand and foot movements to dance flamenco at any party. Discover the richness of Flamenco, its variants and history, and enjoy its duende!



#### Spanish guitar

The Flamenco guitar is a fusion between a Spanish guitar and mandora (or "morisca" a kind of Arab guitar). Your teacher will also provide you with the guitar and guide you in this trip to the profound Spanish roots.



#### Art

This course is given at a specialised art school, where you will have the opportunity to interact with Spanish students interested in art and painting. It's a practical course designed to help you develop your personal and creative sides.



#### SPORTS PACK

Combine your Spanish course with your favorite sports

#### Gym

If you are a gym enthusiast, don't let your body get out of shape during your stay. The gym is 10 minutes from the school and is open from 7.30 to 22.00. Booking this option you will have access to all the rooms and classes, all day long.



#### Tennis

It's well known that in Spain tennis is an important and popular sport; we are proud of great elite Spanish tennis players in International championships. If you like tennis, we offer you the possibility of training after your Spanish lessons. Valencia's playing courts are located in the center of the city, in a club surrounded by gardens.



### Horse-riding

Riding courses will take place in the equestrian club of Valencia, run by true professionals of the horse business. The equestrian centre guarantees both modern facilities in Valencia city centre and good horses. Beginners will receive theoretical and prictical classes in small groups.



#### Stand up Paddlesurf

The stand up paddle surf classes offer you the opportunity to try a new type of water sports that is becoming more and more fashionable. Slide on the sea with a surf board, rowing and making the most of the force of the waves and the marine currents. Strolling on the water is simple, very safe and at the same time very fun.





# 05

## CONDITIONS TIMETABLES

#### GENERAL CONDITIONS

- Duration of the lessons is 50 minutes.
- Students with some knowledge of Spanish can start the course any Monday.
- Spanish beginners must check "starting dates for beginners".
- At the end of the course the student will receive a digital certificate of attendance. This certificate will be sent by email 2 weeks after the end of the course.
- A minimum of 5 didactic activities per week. Most of them are free or at very reduced prices. Some examples of didactic activities are: language exchange, cooking class, diverclases, walk and learn (guided routes around the city), film club, paella party (welcome party)...
- TARONJA is accredited by Instituto Cervantes.
- TARONJA is an authorized DELE and SIELE examination center.
- Maximum number of students per class is 12, minimum is 4. If the number of students per class is less than 4, the school has the right to reduce the number of class hours to half the total.
- Study material is included in the price for leves A1, A2 and B1. You need to buy a book for levels B2 and C1.

#### **TIMETABLE**

We offer rotating zig-zag schedules, for example: Some of the groups will have Monday-Wednesday-Friday morning pass and Tuesday and Thursday afternoon pass. It will rotate each week, so everyone will be able to enjoy 2 "free mornings" and 3 "free afternoons", or vice versa, every week.

On the Friday before the start of your course you will be sent a link with your timetable.

#### TIMETABLE EXAMPLE

09:00 to 10:40 Intensive Course (T1 Pass)

10:40 to 11:00 Break

11:00 to 12:40 Intensive Course (T1 Pass)

12:45 to 13:35 Private lessons

13:35 to 14:25 Conversation / Private lessons

14:25 to 14:30 Break

14:30 to 16:10 Intensive Course (T2 Pass)

16:10 to 16:30 Break

16:30 to 18:10 Intensive Course (T2 Pass)



## 06 DATES

### STARTING DATES FOR BEGINNERS

If the Spanish student has some knowledge of the Spanish language **he/she can start any Monday**.

•Spanish beginners must start on the following dates:

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08/01/24	22/01/24		
05/02/24	19/02/24		
04/03/24	18/03/24		
08/04/24	22/04/24		
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#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

There will be no Spanish courses on these dates due to public holidays.

**JANUARY** From 01/01/24 to 07/01/24

**FEBRURAY** (1 day) 16/02/24

MARCH (2 days) 19/03/24 29/03/24

**APRIL** (1 day) 01/04/24 **MAY** (1 day) 01/05/24

**NOVEMBER** (2 days) 01/11/23 15/11/24

**DECEMBER** (2 days) 06/12/24 13/12/24

from 23/12/24 to 31/12/24

Check out our SPECIAL OFFERS for these weeks

#### **DELE EXAM**

Taronja is an official DELE examination centre.

You need to make a previous registration.

We can help you do it, ask us if you have any questions.

You can take the official exam at our school in these dates:

Exam date	Registration deadline	Levels
12 April	21 February	A2, B1, B2
18 May	03 April	A2, B1, B2
12 July	15 May	A2, B1, B2, C1
13 September	17 July	A2
23 November	09 October	A2, B1, B2

If you are interested in registering on other dates that we do not offer, let us know and we will suggest you the closest center to our school to take the exam.

#### SIFI F FXAN

Taronja is an official SIELE Examination center.

You can take the exam with us throughout the year and the date you choose.

You just have to talk to us and book it with at least 15 days in advance, we will help you with the registration.

#### DON'T MISS IT

MARCH The world famous Fallas Festival, 15th-19th

APRIL Valencia's Maritime Holy Week

**JULY** Valencia Fair: fireworks, concerts, Battle of the flowers.

**END OF AUGUST** LA TOMATINA, the world famous Tomato War.

## 07 ACTIVITIES

TARONJA is not only concerned with teaching Spanish. We like to have fun too, and we give great importance to the social and cultural integration of the students. For this reason, we are constantly preparing social extra-curricular activities and cultural programs, alongside the Spanish lessons. This gives our students the chance to adapt themselves to the city life and Spanish customs.

This system allows us to provide education specifically for the needs of our students, who not only come to Spain to learn a new language, but to be immersed into a different culture.

TARONJA is famous for the incredible weekly activities it hosts!

#### 5\* DIDACTIC ACTIVITIES INCLUDED

Each week we offer a series of optional didactic activities included in your course. They are designed for you to practice your Spanish outside the classroom, and for you to get to know your classmates and teachers. They are carried out by teachers and are basically free. Some of these didactic activities are: Language exchange, Cooking lesson, Culture class, Club Cántame (Spanish music), Club Dile (Spanish writers), Walk&Learn tours, Cinema Club, Paella Party (Welcome party)...

Here is some additional information about some of them:

#### Welcome Paella party

Every Tuesday night we celebrate our "WELCOME PAE-LLA PARTY"! All students and teachers in the school are invited to come and enjoy a real Valencian Paella

It's a great way to get to know your new classmates and teachers in a relaxed atmosphere with Spanish cooking. Everybody is invited!



#### Language exchange

Once a week you can come to our free language exchange. This will be a great aid to your Spanish learning and an ideal activity to meet Spanish people. In these exchanges our students can meet Spanish people and practice what they have learnt in class. The event is free, and has already become the best-known linguistic exchange in Valencia. During University holidays.



#### Walk and learn

Have fun and discover the most important, symbolic buildings of Valencia's city centre, and be entertained at the same time as you continue to learn Spanish along our marvellous routes.



### Cooking lessons

All the students are welcome to attend our free Spanish Cooking Classes every week. We'd also like to point out that we are the only Spanish school where you will find the great and world-famous Chef Nando! Do not accept imitations!



#### Culture classes

Every week we give a class about different aspects of Spanish and Hispanic culture. Be it about the most important cultural figures, the most symbolic locations, most important cities, most famous traditions and fiestas, cinema, art, or music that characterises us.



### Taronja Cinema Club

Twice a month, in low season, we will display a hispanic film to watch so that you can improve your auditive-comprehension and get to know our cinema a bit more.



#### Weekly activities at extra cost

As well as the previously-mentioned didactic an cultural activities included, TARONJA school offers others extra activities during the week. These could be in the form of: Flamenco, tapas routes, parties, dinners, exhibitions or even theatre showings.

We try to make sure that our students have something to do each day. Thanks to this, Taronja students will have many possibilities to get to know each other, and also the city of Valencia better, whilst practicing Spanish.

These activities are optional and require extra payment, but are always at a reasonable price.







#### WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Every weekend, we organize different activities, for example, trips to historical or touristics towns near Valencia, like Xàtiva, Sagunto, Peñíscola. We also organice trips to the La Albufera, Cullera Valencian beaches. We love to attend popular festivals, music concerts, clubs and fairs. Valencia is a county where there is a lot to do so we try not to miss anything!

Every Monday you can check our weekly activities on the website and at the school information desk.





## 08

### ACCOMMODATION

#### SHARED APARTMENTS

They are all quite near to Valencia city centre, well preserved and fully equipped: WIFI, kitchen, fridge, washing machine, and bathroom for sharing.

Arrivals to the flats: Sundays.

Apartments must be vacated by Saturday at 11:00.

Linen included. Apartments will be cleaned and linen will be changed once a week.

Individual and Double rooms (only available for two people coming together).

We have 3 types of apartments: basic, standard and superior. Please ask us.

#### HOST FAMILIES

Living with a Spanish family is a great and unique experience! You will have an incredible time and will most certainly feel at home. Of course, you will have to adapt to Spanish family life and habits. You will be given a personal key, so that you feel totally free, and you will also be able to receive phone calls at home. We work with many different families, each one special on its own right. Sometimes, they are traditional families with children; others consist of an adult woman who lives alone, or an older couple without children. In any case, you will find that all the families we have chosen are good-natured and accommodating!

Arrivals to the families: Sundays.

Families must be vacated by Saturday at 11:00.

Towels and bed linen included. Laundry once a week.

Individual and shared rooms (only available for two people coming together).

You can choose between two meals plan: Half board or Full Board. It is important that you let us know if you have any special diet or allergies.



#### INSURANCE

TARONJA students are insured by the school, inside the school through a third party and outside the school in the activities organized by the school (trips, extra activities outside the school...).

Our students ARE NOT insured by TARONJA school against illness, accident, theft, loss of personal possesions, or any other inconvenience. TARONJA will not accept any responsibility for such occurrences.

Students can optionally ask for medical and travel insurance through the school.

#### AIRPORT PICKUP SERVICE

TARONJA has an airport pick up service. If the student wants this service, he/she has to let us know before the Wednesday before the start of your course.

## 09

### VALENCIA

### Valencia, "The jewel of the Mediterranean"

Valencia is Spain third largest city, located on the Mediterranean coast, just in front of the island of Ibiza.

With approximately one million inhabitants it has become, in recent years, one of the main emerging capitals of Europe. Valencia is a medium-sized city; this means that Valencia offers as much as a big city does but, at the same time, it is comfortable to move around.

#### THE OLD CITY CENTER

In the middle ages it was one of the biggest city centers in Europe. You can find a large number of incredible old buildings, cultural events and a great nightlife, plenty of pubs and restaurants.

#### **CITY OF SCIENCE AND ARTS**

This futuristic "city within a city" must surely rank as one of the world's most exciting and imaginative millennium projects. Here you will find the Oceanográfico (biggest sea water aquarium in Europe), the Science Museum, the Hemisferico planetarium, El Palacio de las Artes (Opera House)...

#### LA TOMATINA (TOMATO WAR):

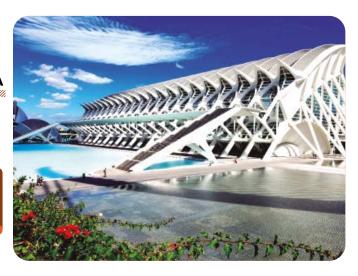
La Tomatina, the world famous "Tomato War" from Bunyol (Valencia) in August.

#### **LAS FALLAS**

Las Fallas is one of the most internationally famous festivals in Spain. Be blown away by the fireworks, amazing papier-mâché monuments, music and colour – celebrated during the month of March.

#### **OUR HIGHLIGHT: LA PAELLA**

La Paella, the exquisite, internationally renowned rice dish, is originally from Valencia.













#### HOW TO GFT TO VAI FNCIA?

Scheduled or low cost airlines to Valencia, are available from most European airports. You can also make stops in Madrid and Barcelona as Valencia airport has direct connections to these cities, almost every hour. You can also arrive at Alicante airport and take the bus or train to Valencia.

From Valencia airport you can take the metro line 3 or 5 and get off at "Xàtiva" which is right next to our school. Only takes 20 minutes and it's very cheap.



#### CLIMATE

Valencia enjoys a wonderful Mediterranean climate. The average annual temperature is 17°C with warm summers and very mild winters, rarely below 10°C. There is only light rainfall mainly in autumn and the beginning of spring. You can enjoy mild summer weather seven months a year.

#### THE BEACH

The Malvarrosa and Las Arenas beaches are two very high quality beaches that you can find in Valencia city. In summer you can play, dive and swim, and in winter, it's wonderful to walk along its long promenade. These urban beaches are excellent, wide and open, with fine and golden sand. The quality and quantity of services offered is really good, and you can find a lot of restaurants and cafés around, most of them specialised in Paella. It has an area for people with reduced mobility. The length of the two beaches is nearly 8 km.

#### AVFRAGE TEMPERATURE

The average temperature in winter is 15°-20° C.

The average water temperature in winter is 10°-15° C.

The average temperature in summer is 30° C.

The average water temperature in summer is 25° C.



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### CODE OF CONDUCT

TARONJA expects students to meet basic standards of behavior that affect both the school and the different types of accommodation offered. Inappropriate or unacceptable behavior by students will be grounds for expulsion, without the right to return to the school. TARONJA is solely in-charge of making the decision for what is considered negative or appropriate behavior. Students are responsible for the damage caused to the property of the school, and may be asked for financial or like-for-like replacement.

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You must not be late for class. Students will not be permitted entry into the class 15 minutes after the start of the class.

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Sit correctly during class, and appropriately.

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Mobile phones should be switched off at all times during class.

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Respect the school's resources and its facilities.

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You must not eat or chew gum in classrooms.

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Keep clean and fit your bedroom and the common areas of your accommodation. Be aware that you are sharing with more people.

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Please behave in a respectful manner towards your classmates and teachers.

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In Spain, you must not smoke in public areas.

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Participate in class actively and complete the exercises given in class. This will be rewarding and provide you with better results.

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Please, ONLY use the school computers when sending and receiving LEGAL information



## ENROLMENT RULES

When students enrol in TARONJA they agree with all the things mentioned below.

#### MINIMUM AGE

Minimum age to enrol in the school is 18.

In special cases Students under 18 will only be attended.

For students under 18, the school requires that the legal representative or legal guardian of the minor accepts the terms and conditions of the school in a document attached.

#### REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

There are many ways to reserve a place in a Spanish course.

- 1) From our webpage: www.taronjaschool.com
- 2) Request the inscription form by sending an email to info@taronjaschool.com
- 3) By phone +34 963258545.

Once we have received your completed enrolment form, we will send you a booking confirmation, at which point you will have to make a deposit of 150€ into the school bank account.

This deposit is part of the course price and will be deducted from the total amount.

Receiving the deposit indicates that the terms and conditions of the school have been read and accepted.

Once the deposit has been received, we will send you detailed information about your course.

Bear in mind that the rest of the fee must be paid in full at least 15 days prior to your first lesson.

#### AIRPORT TRANSFERS

the school can also pick you up at the airport at an extra cost. This service must be booked before the Wednesday prior to your arrival date.

If you have a departure transfer, you must give us your pick-up details (time and address) one week in advance.

#### ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Students have to inform the school about thier arrival details: day, time, flight number, etc., at least 1 week before the arrival date. This is very important, as we can then arrange for someone to be waiting for the student in the accommodation.

Students should arrive **before 20:00** on the prior Sunday to the beginning of the course to their accommodation. In case of arrival after 20:00h, the student may be obliged to take and pay for the airport service.

One week before the beginning of the course Taronja will send an e-mail with the accommodation details.

Students have to check-out **before 11:00** on the Saturday after the end of their course.

Arriving and departing on different days to the ones specified above is possible by paying an **extra charge and subject to availability**.

Students staying in apartments must leave a deposit of 100€

Changes of accommodation are subject to availability. They must be requested 5 days in advance. They can be made on the Sunday following the week in progress, and will incur an additional cost of €50.

Any accomodation change without a justified reason that requires moving the same day will incur a cost of 120€.

#### INSURANCE

The students are insured by the school, inside the school through a third party and outside the school in the activities organized by the school (trips, extra activities outside the school...).

Our students ARE NOT insured by the school against illness, accident, theft, loss of personal possesions, or any other inconvenience.

the school will not accept any responsibility for such occurrences. Students should check if their home country has any kind of medical agreement with the Spanish Social Security.

European Community students and Swiss students should obtain the TSE (Sanitary European card). This is an individual card to obtain assistance during a temporal period in any city of the European Community or Switzerland.

Non-European community citizens should have an international health insurance policy valid for Spain.

#### MEDICAL INSURANCE

TARONJA offers the possibility of arranging a medical insurance for students at an extra cost. See price list.

#### **COURSE CANCELLATIONS**

Due to internal policy, all cancellations must be notified to the school in advance by writing.

Should any cancellations be made 15 days before the course starts, the school will refund all fees paid deducting the deposit (150€). The school will keep this amount for a possible course (onsite or oline) at a later date.

Should any cancellations be made less than 15 days before the course starts, the school will refund the student just 60% of the cost of the course. The other 40% will be kept by the school for a possible course (onsite or oline) at a later date.

Money WILL NOT be refunded if a course is cancelled after the course and/or accommodation period has started. Only special cases due to illness of the student will be taken into consideration upon the presentation of a medical certificate.

the school reserves the right to cancel courses when insufficient bookings are made, and to transfer students to other courses. In both cases a full refund of fees, including deposit money, will be made if the student should request so.

#### POSTPONEMENTS - BREAKS

Students can postpone the start date of their course to another date as long as they notify the school at least 7 days before the planned start date.

Students can take a pause in their course as long as they notify the school by email no later than the Wednesday before the week that they wish to take a pause.

If the student advises after Wednesday, the pause will only be considered with a charge of 50€; we will never consider a pause once the week that the student wishes to postpone has started.

If a student arrives later than the start date, looses class days or cannot attend any lesson because of personal reasons, recuperation of the classes or financial refund for classes missed cannot be demanded.

### ACCOMMODATION CANCEL ATIONS

The cancellation of an accommodation not only involves an administrative charge, but in many cases requires payment to the provider for the room, at least part of the booking. For this reason we do not give refunds if the cancellation is made within 15 days prior to the start of the course.

No refund will be made once the course has started. Of course, cases of illness of the student or a family member, supported by a medical certificate, will be taken into account as special cases.

#### **COURSE REDUCTIONS**

This clause applies to all the courses in general:

Maximum number of students per class is 12 minimum is 4. If the number of students per class is less than 4, the school will reduce the number of class lessons in these terms.

#### **INTENSIVE COURSE**

If the number of students in this course will be less than 4(that means 1, 2 or 3) the lessons will be reduced to half the total. Students will have 2 lessons of 50 minutes a day instead of 4 daily lessons per week.

#### **CONVERSATION WORKSHOP**

If the number of students is 3, students will have 3 lessons of 50 minutes a day per week.

If the number of students is 1 or 2, students will have 2 lessons of 50 minutes a day per week.

#### LEVEL TEST

To organize your course and to be assigned the right group, it is very important that you do a level test before coming.

The test consists of two parts, written and oral. It is easy and fast to complete, and we will need it at least 3-4 weeks before you start the course.

Even if you're a beginner, we need you to complete it. If you can't answer some of the questions just leave them blank, this is useful for us too!

You can take the online level test by clicking here:

#### **LEVEL TEST**

With this system, you will start your classes the minute you arrive, not wasting any class time on first day level tests.

This test is for internal school use only, the results will not be sent to students. Without this placement test, we cannot guarantee that the student will be placed in a course at the appropriate level.

#### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

The school is open all year, apart from certain public holidays. These days can be found in Dates: Public Holidays.

Optional cultural activities will be proposed for these days.

Check out our SPECIAL OFFERS for theses weeks.

#### LESSONS TIMETABLE

The school expects that all students will comply with all class schedules, thus respecting the rest of students.

Duration of class lessons is 50 minutes.

School office hours:

Monday to Thursday from 09:00 to 18:30

Friday from 9:00 to 17:00.

09:00 TO 10:40 Intensive Course (T1 Pass)

10:40 TO 11:00 Break

11:00 TO 12:40 Intensive Course (T1 Pass)

12:45 TO 13:35 Private lessons

13:35 TO 14:25 Conversation workshop

14:25 TO 14:30 Break

14:30 TO 16:10 Intensive Course (T2 Pass)

16:10 TO 16:30 Break

16:30 TO 18:10 Intensive Course (T2 Pass)

Our timetable rotates in a zig-zag manner. Some of the groups will have Monday-Wednesday-Friday morning pass and Tuesday and Thursday after-noon pass. It will rotate each week, so everyone will be able to enjoy 2 "free mornings" and 3 "free afternoons", or vice versa, every week.

On the first Monday of the course, students must attend the school according to the following schedule.

T1 PASS: the student must be at the school for 08:30.

T2 PASS: the student must be at the school for 14:00

Students must present themselves in reception wehre they will receive a welcome pack and the details of the class they have been assigned according to their level.

At 09:00 or at 14:30, depending on the course turn, students directly enter their Spanish classes.

NB: we just want to emphasise that on the first day everything is new, please try and stay clam and if you have any problems, you can come to reception as soon as you finish class, where you can explain the situation and we will try to help solve it.

#### DIDACTIC MATERIAL

Our teaching team selects and creates files or online presentations, designs activities, uses short films, videos, songs, social networks, etc. As you can see, TARONJA uses its own materials, we don't follow any book in particular. The teachers exert a lot of time and dedication in preparing the classes to best adapt them to the rhythm and needs of each group, above all for initial levels up to intermediate. They always selecting the most suited material to help develop to the maximum the Spanish communicative abilities of the students.

It's important to emphasise that for students with a higher level, those that already express themselves well in

Spanish in different settings, that need to secure and perfect their communication skills, we combine our materials and resources with a book especially selected for this purpose. In this way, students can take full advantage of their stay in the school and their course.

For us it is very important that each students feels comfortable during their learning process, and we recognise each one is different and advances at their own rhythm. As such if needed, students can repeat previous weeks of their course to conso

lidate the material.

Furthermore, from the first day all the students in the school are signed up to a virtual classroom where they can continue practicing their Spanish using files, activities, videos, and at the same time, stay informed about all the socio-cultural activities and their weekly timetable.

#### NEW TECHNOLOGIES

The school is committed to new technologies. We are working and developing materials for media such as tablet, digital boards, etc.

The school will provide all the materials needed on paper format. You can store them in a special folder that will be given to you on the first day.

We also have an online platform to download weekly materials; you will be given access to it. So, if you have a tablet, we encourage you to bring it and use it as your notebook in class!

#### CERTIFICATES

All students who complete a Spanish course will receive a School Certificate that follows the "Common European Framework of Reference for Languages".

However, to receive the Certificate it is necessary attend to, at least, 80% of the lessons.

From the moment that a student signs up to the school, it is understood that the student has read and is in agreement with the above-mentioned stipulations. Inscription in the school implies the accepting of these rules.

Certificates will be emailed to the student approximately two weeks after the end of the course.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### AND SERVICES

#### INFO

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**COUNTRY**: España

**STABLISHED**: 2004

**COMPANY NAME: Villa-Herba SL** 

#### **CONTACT US**

#### **REGISTRATION & QUERIES**

#### **HEAD TEACHER**

#### **INTERNATIONAL MARKETING**

#### **MARKETING ONLINE**

#### **PRINCIPAL**

Eva Batalla

#### **SFRVICES**



Receptionist assistance and personal support







Administrative support, telephone, e-mail, LiveBeep, Skype...





Academic guidance & support. Pastoral care if needed



Llibrary: audio and visual materials available for loan, free of charge





Free WiFi internet access



















#### PAYMENT

- **1. Bank transfer:** Recommended for all Europeans countries whose currency is the euro.
- **2. Flywire:** Recommended for non-European countries that have different currencies to the Euro.
- **3. Credit card:** Guaranteed safe passage, for this option you will need your security code.

#### **ACCREDITATIONS**



#### **ASSOCIATIONS**







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