



## Spanish as a Second Language Program description

**Do you want to learn Spanish in Costa Rica?**

**some destinations**

- Vacations in Costa Rica
- Weekend trips
- University credits
- Tourist Tours
- Dance Classes

Transport

CATEDRAL de San José

Alajuela

Guanacaste

Heredia

Limón

Cartago

San José

Puntarenas

### **What do we offer?**

We offer a Spanish learning quality program that ensures both language acquisition and Costa Rican cultural awareness.

### **Course description**

Spanish courses at Valle Verde House are addressed to people who want to learn or improve their skills in Spanish. Courses provide students a good number of communicative skills that help them speak spontaneously.

### **Methodology**

Classes are dynamic with a communicative methodology that develops all four skills: oral production, written production, listening comprehension and reading comprehension. Students will learn the language within the university environment and with the assistance of native Costa Rican professors, specialized in teaching Spanish as a Second Language.



With our interactive programs, the student will have the opportunity to acquire basic knowledge to communicate in Spanish, not only in an oral way but also in a written one.

The program offers important information about Costa Rican society, in which the student is introduced in a part of the culture and history of this country. This fact permits a better development while staying in Costa Rica or another Spanish speaking country that can share similar customs. In addition, the course includes tours in its program through ecological locations to enhance the learning process.

Part of the methodology used in this program is focused on interactive lessons, dynamic activities, educational tours and the oral communication in a real context. All these aspects, next to small groups, several hours a day and an appropriate atmosphere surrounded by nature in Valle Verde House, make the student reach with satisfaction the expected goal.

A very important point is that the tours are offered on weekends, so they do not disturb the planned schedule or studying contents. In addition, with the tours to different locations of the province of Cartago, such as Orosi Valley, and Ujarrás Valley, the students have the opportunity to get involved with the culture and history of the host country and also, can interact in Spanish with native speakers.

The courses have an intensive modality and help beginners of all ages. Those are organized in a minimum of 20 hours a week, from Monday through Friday, from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm during any epoch of the year.

The accommodation is included in the course cost. It is in **Valle Verde House** located at one hour from San José downtown and it gives a series of advantages for visitors.

For instance; immediate access to tourist places like Irazú Volcano National Park, Turrialba Volcano National Park, Tapantí Biological Reserve, Guayabo National Monument, Thermal Water pools, etc. Besides, it possesses an excellent view to the Orosi Valley, cheap and nearby bus service, and an exclusive van for the educational tours.



The prices vary according to the quantity of students that attend the program and they go from \$385 per person a week if he/she is accompanied with a group of four people or more. See the graphic:

Number of students	Course per week	Accommodation	Tours	Total
1	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$450
2	\$180	\$150	\$200	\$530
3	\$150	\$150	\$300	\$600
4 o más	\$135	\$150	\$400	\$685

### Program Description

Type of course	Period	Schedule	Hours	Registration
<b>Semester</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From March to June</li> <li>From August to November</li> </ol>	Twice a week, 2 ½ hours per day.	80	First week of class
<b>Intensive</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>January</li> <li>February</li> <li>July</li> <li>November-December</li> </ol>	5 days a week, 4 hours per day.	80	First week of class

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