



Santiago de Compostela: The perfect place for teenagers

There are many reasons to consider Santiago de Compostela as a perfect destination for school groups travelling to Spain:

Medium sized city (90,000 inhabitants), small and easy to walk. All interesting places in the city are within easy walking distance, with no need of public transportation.

The 5 hundred-year-old university of Santiago, with about 40,000 students, grants the town a young character that results in the programming of innumerable cultural events all year round. But cultural life in Santiago is felt beyond official programming: hundreds of concerts, theatre productions and all kind of events take place in alternative venues, in galleries, bars or in the streets.

Santiago has been declared UNESCO's World Heritage of Mankind. The old part of the town is very well preserved (no traffic is allowed) and monuments of all ages can be admired in it. Besides, it is a very lively city, and the streets are bursting with young people, both day and night!

Santiago is a very safe city, with one of the lowest crime-rates in Spain. Walking in the streets, even late at night, is very safe.

Maximum walking distance from accommodations to the school is 30 minutes.

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International airport, 10 Km. from the city centre. Direct connections with:

- Italy: Rome (Ryanair) and Milan (Air Berlin)
- United Kingdom: London (Ryanair and Air Berlin), Liverpool and Nottingham (Ryanair)
- Ireland: Dublin (Aer Lingus)
- Germany: Frankfurt (Ryanair and Air Berlin), Berlin, München, Düsseldorf, Koln, Hannover, Hamburg, Dresden, Stuttgart, Bremen and more (Air Berlin)
- Austria: Wienn, Linz, Salzburg (Air Berlin)
- Switzerland: Zürich, Basel (Air Berlin)
- Netherlands: Amsterdan (Air Berlin)
- France: Paris (Vueling)



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Academia Iria Flavia is centrally located, just one minute walking from the old quarter of the town. It is a small, familiar school with an overall capacity for 90 students, which creates a pleasant atmosphere where the students can get to know each other and have easy access to all our staff. The "personal touch" being central to our work, particular needs and interests are always catered for, and students are given plenty of opportunities to practise the language: with the teachers and staff, with local people in the activities or through our programmes of language exchange with Spanish students.

All these make Santiago a quite and safe place, but also a place were students can have fun, get to know the lifestyle of North-West Spain, and, of course, learn a lot of Spanish. And the teachers and parents will feel at ease and comfortable, since they will not have to worry about the problems that can be expected in bigger cities.

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