

# Destination Fact Sheet: Spain

Worldwide region:	Southern Europe
Capital City:	Madrid (GMT + 1-2hrs)
Environment:	Alpine, meadows, coast.
When to go:	Feb - Oct
Itineraries:	Base Camp, Adventure, Fieldtrek
Highlights:	Alpujarras region, Mediterranean coast, Granada and the Alhambra
Essentially:	Spectacular landscapes and excellent adventure options with a cultural variety close to home.



## About the country

Spain offers a favourable climate, diverse landscapes and fascinating cultures. The region of Andalucía has rugged mountains in the Sierra Nevada National Park and an impressive stretch of Mediterranean coast. These varied landscapes provide a perfect environment for developing an active and adventurous trip but also offer the chance to explore the stunning city of Granada. Heavily influenced by the ancient Moorish culture, the city's cultural highlights include the Alhambra palaces and an extensive array of lavish architecture where groups can explore the narrow winding streets dwarfed by Spain's highest snow-clad peaks, which provide a perfect backdrop to the city.

## Base Camp Programmes

Our Spanish base camp offers a range of activities for young groups to enjoy including canoeing, trekking, abseiling, biking and archery. During winter it is possible to travel to the higher reaches of the Sierra Nevada and enjoy activities such as snowshoeing and tobogganing whilst the Mediterranean coast provides excellent water based options for the summer months.

## Adventure Programmes

With the opportunity to experience the olive groves and forested gorges of the Alpujarras as well as the jagged heights and dramatic scenery offered by Spain's famous Sierra Nevada range, the Andalucía region provides an ideal location for short multi-day trekking adventures to suit all ages and abilities.

## Fieldtrek Programmes

Based in the stunning city of Granada our Spanish language Fieldtrek will provide your group with an understanding of a new culture and an active adventure whilst enhancing their language skills. Our Biology Fieldtrek is set in the Sierra Nevada, home to over 2000 plant species, 66 of which are endemic, and a rich fauna of amphibians, reptiles, mammals, birds and insects.

## In summary

A culturally and historically rich country offering abundant opportunities to embrace outdoor activities and to learn new skills. Groups must undergo a fitness programme in the UK, to be physically prepared for the itinerary.



**To discuss the variety of options for tailor making a trip to Spain for your group, please telephone us on **0845 634 4670** or visit our website at **[www.schoolsworldwide.co.uk](http://www.schoolsworldwide.co.uk)****