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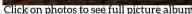
## **OUR MOST AWAITED TRIP TO**

## **NORTH AFRICA**









Three days in Morocco

We spent three incredible days touring the towns of Tangier, Tetouan and the "Blue Pearl of Morocco" in the city of Chefchaouen.

A Trip to Remember!















## **SPANISH COOKING CLASS**





















#### menu

Our two sessions of Mixed Paella were as instructive as they were fun! Next month, we will make the classic Spanish Omelette with Fruity





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# OThe Places You Can Go



**Echoes of Heritage: Navigating** Hispanic and Latino Identity in Seville

with Host Evan Kindle

**Featuring** 



Karla Pardo Garcia Florida Atlantic University



Rodrigo Filio **Broward College** 

In this episode of The Places You Can Go, host Evan Kindle sits down with two inspiring ICS students, Karla Pardo Garcia and Rodrigo Filio. Together, they explore what it means to experience Spain as study abroad students of Hispanic and Latino heritage who already have a shared linguistic and cultural bond with the country, yet find themselves navigating a landscape full of fresh perspectives and surprising contrasts.



# HALLOWEEN AT THE ICS















What a fun celebration we had! We celebrated the festivity with a Halloween Trivia - Pin the Tail on the Skeleton party, complete with prizes for the winners!







Why you should choose Seville (ICS) for your study abroad experience!

VISITING MADRID

Even though it's better to study in Seville, its still good to take a weekend to explore Madrid



#### SUPER EASY!

Spain has many speed trains to many major cities and traveling to them is a breeze! Just a 2 and half hour ride from Seville on a comfortable train will land you in center of Madrid



#### LOTS TO EXPLORE!

I recently traveled to Madrid to visit my cousin who is also studying there. He showed me around Plaza Major, El Retiro Park, Royal Palace of Madrid and so much more. It is a beautiful city to do some exploring/ lots of shopping in!



Plaza Major



El Retiro Park

# SEVILLE

PROS OF STUDYING IN

- Everything is WALKABLE! -- in Madrid for example, you NEED to take metro everywhere, but in Seville you can walk practically everywhere in under a hour
- Way cheaper! -- going out to a simple tapas and a drink in Seville would cost MAX 15 euros, in Madrid I paid 30
- Less dense-- in Madrid it felt very claustrophobic and touristy, in Seville you get a true 'Spanish' vibe with way less tourists and more locals
- FLAMENCO/CULTURE! -- the Spanish culture in Seville is much more prominent and you have many opportunities to indulge yourself within it

#### **ICS Seville**

Not only is being in Seville great, but being part of ICS is even better! Not only do they take us on amazing excursions/ tours that let us deeply explore Seville, but we also get to be part of so many cultural events which really makes you immerse yourself into the Spaniard culture.

### ONE MONTH IN SEVILLE

#### ADVENTURES AND ADJUSTMENTS

It's hard to believe that a month has already flown by here in Seville! We've settled into the rhythm of Spanish life, fully adjusted to the different paces, and we even look forward to our siestas! This past month has been packed with new adventures and incredible travel opportunities, each one leaving us with unforgettable memories.

























The highlight of the month was definitely our trip to Morocco, something I'd been eagerly anticipating. The experience lived up to the hype! We rode camels during sunset at a beautiful beach, which felt surreal. We had a traditional local dinner, where two of my friends (Lola and Brendan) staged a fun, pretend wedding ceremony (definitely one for the memory books). Exploring the bustling local markets was another unforgettable part of the trip; seeing Moroccan culture's colors, smells, and vibrancy was amazing. As my friend Jack said, "The shops were a haggler's dream and the culture was EXTREMELY lively."

Our weekends have been a mix of local discovery and international travel, with a few free weekends that many students used to explore Europe. Some ventured off to London, others to Italy, Portugal, France, Ireland, and beyond. The chance to be immersed in Seville's culture during the week and hop over to other parts of Europe on the weekend has been an incredible part of this study abroad experience.

Looking back on the month, I'm grateful for the memories and friendships I've made, and I can't wait to see what the coming weeks bring!



