



¡Hola!

Gracias! Thank you for downloading this Spanish travel phrases cheat-sheet. This guide features the 70+ phrases for beginners of Spanish who plan on travelling to Spanish speaking countries. Each phrase is listed with its English and Spanish translation plus transliteration to help you with pronunciation. Any differences between Castilian (European) and Latin American Spanish are also included. Remember, you don't need to be fluent in Spanish to have meaningful interactions with the locals and create memories that will last a lifetime, but you can be **fluent enough for travel**.

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Hi! I'm Michele, an Australian travel blogger and language educator and 'guide' behind [The Intrepid Guide](#). I help my readers and students enrich their travels with beautiful and [detailed destinations guides](#), [free travel phrase guides](#), and effective [online language courses](#) that follow my 80/20 method so they can enjoy meaningful interactions with the locals and avoid being treated like a tourist. I've travelled the world and learned several foreign languages using my unique building-block method which is the basis of all my language courses.

2 top differences between Castilian and Latin American Spanish

Vosotros / Ustedes

Spaniards (i.e people from Spain) use the words **vosotros** (male or mixed) / **vosotras** (female only) which means *you* plural or *ya'll* when addressing a group of people in a casual setting. For example, when speaking to a group of friends in Spain you might say **Vosotros sois mis mejores amigos** (You all are my best friends). However, in Latin America you would say **Ustedes son mis mejores amigos**.

Notice how Spaniards have two terms to choose from based on the grammatical gender of the group (**vosotros** and **vosotras**), whereas in Latin American Spanish it's more simplified and just uses one word, **ustedes**.

Tú / Vos

The subject pronoun **tú** (pronounced *too*) means *you* (singular, informal). This is used by Spaniards, Mexicans and other Latin Americans when talking to a friend or when addressing someone informally.

However, there is another way to say *you* (singular, informal), and that's **vos** (vos). **Vos** is used predominantly in Argentina and Uruguay, but it's also present in other Latin American Countries like Bolivia, Chile and Guatemala.

For example, if you want to ask **¿Tú quieres ir a la fiesta?** (Do you want to go to the party?) in some parts of Argentina, Uruguay, Bolivia, Chile, and Guatemala you would need to use *vos* and ask **¿Vos querés ir a la fiesta?**. Notice how the verb conjugation of **quieres** and **querés** is different.



English**Spanish****Pronunciation****Greetings**

Hello	Hola	<i>joh-lah!</i>
Good morning	Buenos días	<i>BWEH-nohs DEE-ahs</i>
Good evening	Buenas tardes	<i>BWEH-nahs TAR-dehs</i>
Good night	Buenas noches	<i>BWEH-nahs NOH-chehs</i>
Goodbye	Adios	<i>ah-dee-ohs</i>
How are you?	¿Cómo estás?	<i>KOH-moh ehs-TAHS?</i>
I'm well, and you?	Estoy bien, y tu?	<i>ehs-TOY byehn,</i>
Very well, thanks	Muy bien, graci	<i>MOO-ee byehn, GRAH-syahs</i>

Essentials

Please	Por favor	<i>pohr fah-bvohr</i>
Thank you	Gracias	<i>GRAH-syahs</i>
You're welcome	De nada	<i>DAY NAH-dah</i>
Yes	Sí	<i>SEE</i>
No	No	<i>NOH</i>
Excuse me (begging pardon)	Perdon	<i>pehr-DOHN-eh</i>



Excuse me (getting attention)	Disculpa (Tú) / Disculpe (Usted)	<i>dees-kool-pah / dees-kool-peh</i>
I'm sorry	Lo siento	<i>loh seeehn-toh</i>
I don't understand	No entiendo	<i>NOH ehn-TYEHN-doh</i>
Do you speak English?	Habla ingles? (Tú) / ¿Habla Inglés? (Usted)	<i>¿ah-bvlah een-glehs?</i> <i>¿ah-bla oos-teth een-gles?</i>

Questions

How much is...?	Cuanto cuesta...?	<i>¿koohahn-toh?</i>
Where is...?	Donde esta...?	<i>dohn-deh ehs-tah</i>
When?	Cuando?	<i>¿koohahn-doh?</i>
May I please have...?	Quiero... Me puede poner...?	<i>KYEH-roh...</i> <i>meh PWEH-deh poh-NEHR...</i>
	¿Me puedes dar... por favor? (Tú)	<i>meh pweh-dehs dar... por fah-bor</i>
	¿Me puede dar... por favor? (Usted)	<i>meh pweh-deh dar... por fah-bor</i>
	¿Me das...? (Tú)	<i>Meh dahs...</i>
	¿Me da...? (Usted)	<i>Meh dah...</i>

Eating Out

Beer	Cerveza	<i>sehr-VAY-sah</i>
Wine	Vino	<i>BEE-noh</i>
Water	Agua	<i>AH-gwah</i>



I don't eat...	No como...	<i>noh KOH-moh</i>
I'm a vegetarian	Soy vegetariano/a	<i>soy beh-heh-tah-RYAH-noh/-nah</i>
the bill, please	La cuenta, por favor	<i>lah KWEHN-tah, pohr fah-BOHR</i>

Getting Around

Left	Izquierda	<i>ees-KYEHR-dah</i>
Right	Derecha	<i>deh-REH-chah</i>
Straight ahead	Todo recto	<i>TOH-doh REHK-toh</i>
Turn left	Gira a la izquierda (Tú) Gire... (Usted)	<i>HEE-rah ah lah ees-KYEHR-dah HEE-reh ah lah ees-KYEHR-dah</i>
Turn right	Gira a la derecha (Tú) Gire... (Usted)	<i>HEE-rah ah lah deh-REH-chah HEE-reh ah lah deh-REH-chah</i>
Bus stop	Parada de autobús (EU) Parada de camión (LA)	<i>pah-RAH-dah de ow-toh-buus pah-rah-dah deh kammy-on</i>
Train station	Estacion de tren	<i>ah ehs-tah-SYOHN deh trehn</i>
Airport	Aeropuerto	<i>al aeropuerto</i>
Entrance	Entrada	<i>ehn-TRAH-dah</i>
Exit	Salida	<i>sah-LEE-dah</i>

Numbers

1	Uno	<i>OO-noh</i>
2	Dos	<i>dohs</i>



3	Tres	<i>trehs</i>
4	Cuatro	<i>KWAH-troh</i>
5	Cinco	<i>SEEN-koh</i>
6	Seis	<i>SEH_ees</i>
7	Siete	<i>see-EH-teh</i>
8	Ocho	<i>OH-choh</i>
9	Nueve	<i>noo-EH-beh</i>
10	Diez	<i>dee-EHS</i>
20	Veinte	<i>VAIN-teh</i>
30	Treinta	<i>TRAIN-tah</i>
40	Cuarenta	<i>kwah-REHN-ta</i>
50	Cincuenta	<i>seen-KWEHN-tah</i>
60	Sesenta	<i>seh-SEHN-ta</i>
70	Setenta	<i>seh-TEHN-tah</i>
80	Ochenta	<i>oh-CHEHN-tah</i>
90	Noventa	<i>noh-BEHN-tah</i>
100	Cien	<i>see-EHN</i>

Days

Monday	Lunes	<i>LOO-nehs</i>
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Tuesday	Martes	<i>MAHR-tehs</i>
Wednesday	Miercoles	<i>MYEHR-koh-lehs</i>
Thursday	Jueves	<i>WEH-vehs</i>
Friday	Viernes	<i>VYEHR-nehs</i>
Saturday	Sabado	<i>SAH-bah-do</i>
Sunday	Domingo	<i>doh-MEENG-goh</i>

Emergencies

Help!	¡Ayuda!	<i>ah-YOO-dah!</i>
I need a doctor	Necesito un medico (EU)	<i>neh-seh-SEE-toh OON MEH-dee-coh</i>
	Necesito un doctor (LA)	<i>neh-seh-see-toh uhn dok-tohr</i>
I don't feel well	Me siento mal	<i>meh SYEHN-toh mahl</i>
Call the police!	¡Llama a la policia! (EU)	<i>YAH-meh oon ah lah poh-lee-SEE-ah</i>
	¡Llama a la paolicia! (Tú)	<i>YAH-mah ah lah poh-lee-SEE-ah</i>
	¡Llame a la policía! (Usted)	<i>YAH-meh ah lah poh-lee-SEE-ah</i>
	¡Llamen a la policía! (You – plural)	<i>YAH-men ah lah poh-lee-SEE-ah</i>
Fire!	¡Incendio! (EU)	<i>jeen-sehn-deeoh!</i>
	¡Fuego! (LA)	<i>jphweh-goh!</i>



Latin American Spanish Vocabulary

The majority of Spanish words are understood worldwide, however, in Latin America, you will find some differences which vary further again between dialects. These are the same sorts of differences that exist between American, British or Australian English. Below is a list of some of the more common differences in vocabulary.

English	Spain	Latin America
Banana	Platano	Banana / banano
Car	Coche	Carro/Auto
Computer	Ordenador	Computador/a
Cute	Mono/a	Lindo/a
Drive	Conducir	Manejar
Firework	Fuego artificial	Pirotecnia
Jeans	Vaqueros	Jeans
Juice	Zumo	Jugo
Lipstick	Pintolabios	Labial
Mate	Chaval/tío	Parcero
Money	Pasta	Plata
Nice	Majo/a	Lindo/a
Pen	Boligrafo	Pluma / Lapicero
Public holiday	Fiesta	Festivo
Pyjama	(el) pijama	(la) Piyama
Sock	(el) calcetín	(la) Media
TV	La televisión	El televisor



Muchas gracias!

I hope you enjoyed this cheat-sheet and learned something new. Remember, don't worry about not being able to remember it all, you're learning more than most other people do so you should be very proud of yourself. I know I am!

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With all the encouragement in the world, I wish you success! Happy learning! Michele

