

Venezuela

CEVES

City: Puerto La Cruz

Population: 190,000

School Name: CEVES

School Location: Off of Paseo del Colón

Website: www.spanishabroad.com/pertolacruz.htm

PUERTO LA CRUZ

Puerto La Cruz is a youthful, dynamic and expanding city of 190,000. Until the 1930's it was no more than an obscure village, but it boomed after rich oil deposits were discovered in the region to the south. Port facilities have been built in Guanta and Guaraguao, just east of town; the latter serves as a main oil terminal, to transport oil from the wells overseas.

The city has become popular among Venezuelan vacation makers and is very touristy. It is the major gateway to Isla de Margarita, Venezuela's number-one mass tourist beach destination, and it is also a jumping-off point to the beautiful Parque Nacional Mochima, which stretches just north and east of the city.

The city features a lively 10-block-long waterfront boulevard, Paseo del Colón, packed with hotels, tour agencies, bars and restaurants. It comes to life in the late afternoon and evening, when plenty of craft stalls open and gentle breeze sweeps away the heat of the day. Taking advantage of its strategic position, Puerto La Cruz has grown into Venezuela's major water-sports center, with half a dozen marinas and yacht clubs, sailing and diving schools, yacht rental facilities, diving and fishing tours, and more.

WHY PUERTO LA CRUZ?

- Very popular among Venezuelans
- Resort like atmosphere
- Home to a beautiful National Park
- Lively waterfront boulevard
- Yacht clubs, sailing and diving schools
- Unlimited outdoor activities
- Restaurants, shops, museums and more

SCHOOL OVERVIEW

The newest CEVES Spanish language and immersion school is located just off the popular main street in Puerto La Cruz, known as the Paseo del Colón. You will find the area to be safe and

peaceful, yet very close to everything of importance within Puerto La Cruz: shops, museums, parks, restaurants, and bars. It is located in the heart of the city, and as such is the ideal place for students to spend time before and after class.

With over 15 years of experience, CEVES has become recognized as one of the best Spanish language schools in South America. Past participants, have esteemed the school as an excellent place to learn Spanish.

SCHOOL FACTS

- Excellent reputation
- Great location in the city
- Comfortable surroundings
- Option to study in Caracas as well

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Standard Spanish Program. Group instruction, 4 lessons per day, 5 students max per class. This is a program that has been designed to allow students to achieve comprehensive knowledge of Spanish and develop skills that the student will need to speak, read and write correctly. Teachers will be rotated for every class so the students will get used to different accents, tones, and ways of speaking Spanish.

Private Spanish Program. Choose either 4 or 6 lessons per day according to your needs. Perfect for those who need something more intensive or some type of specialized Spanish language instruction. Unless you have set up a very specialized type of Spanish program, the Private Spanish Program will follow the form of the Standard Program.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Homestay. Follow the same pattern as in Caracas, a key part of the CEVES Spanish language program is the homestay accommodations offered with selected Venezuelan families in Puerto La Cruz. All students are encouraged to participate in this opportunity, as it provides an invaluable source of Spanish instruction as well as a wonderful interpersonal experience.

Homestay accommodations provide an economical alternative to hotels, as breakfast, dinner, and a private room is included. Probably the most valuable aspect of the homestay experience, however, is the opportunity to really get to know a Venezuelan family, making many new friends and experiencing first-hand the famous Venezuelan warmth and hospitality in a great location!

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The cultural activities play an important role in enhancing the language immersion process for students. Activities such as group excursions to both culturally significant and fun sites within Puerto La Cruz, complement the work done in class: movies, games, Latin dancing, role-playing, cultural and educational lectures and many more group activities performed each week.



Vacant Chairs on the Beach



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