

## Helpful Expressions in Spanish

Navigate a new city with ease

¡Hola todos! I've put together a list of simple expressions you can use on your next trip to a Spanish speaking country that should help you do most day to day activities. Though Spanish is a phonetic language, I've decided to include the IPA spelling next to each word so that you can be understood :)

Good day/ afternoon/ evening	Buenos días/ buenas tardes/ buenas noches / ,bwenos' dias/ [bwenas̺tar'ðes] / [ ,bwenaz'not̺jes]
How much does this cost?	¿Cuánto cuesta? (KWAHN-toh KWEHS-tah?)
Do you speak English? (informal)/ Do you speak English? (formal)	¿Hablas inglés? (AH-blahs een-GLEHS?) ¿Habla usted inglés? (AH-blah oos-TEHD een-GLEHS?)
I don't understand	No entiendo (NOH ehn-TYEHN-doh)
One beer/ glass of red/ white wine, please.	Una cerveza/Un vaso de vino tinto/blanco. (OO-nah sehr-BEH-sah, pohr FAH-bohr)(oon BAH-soh deh BEE-noh TEEN-toh/BLAHN-koh, pohr FAH-bohr)
I would like..... please.	¿Me puede poner/traer _____, for favor? (meh PWEH-deh poh-NEHR/trah-EHR....., POHR fah-BOHR)
Thank you.	Gracias (GRAH-syahs)
Goodbye/ see you later	Adiós (ah-dyohs)/ hasta luego [ahs-tah lweh-goh]
It was delicious/ really good	Estaba delicioso/muy bueno. (ehs-TAH-bah deh-lee-SYOH-soh/MOO-ee BWEH-noh/)
Is there a local specialty?	¿Hay alguna especialidad regional/de la zona? (ay ahl-GOO-nah ehs-peh-syah-lee-DAHD reh-hyoh-NAHL/deh lah SOH-nah?)

For those of you who already speak a little Spanish and would like to speak as the Madrileños, I've gathered a few expressions unique to Madrid:

- A pachas: Means smth like sharing. e.g: "Vamos a pachas con la cerveza" means "Let's drink together the beer".
- Mazo: Everybody uses this in Madrid, to express a big quantity of smth. e.g: "Hay mazo gente" means "There's a lot of people".
- Peña: A large group of people in a place. e.g: "Hay mazo peña en el bar" means "The bar is full of people".
- Picar: When you ask for a lighter to somebody, and you accidentally (or on purpose) take it with you. e.g: "Te ha picado el mechero" means "He/She has stole your lighter".
- Tronco/Tronca: Same as tío/tía, wey, che. I think the most common translation would be dude.
- Guay: used to say something is nice. e.g: "¡Me dieron la beca! - ¡Qué guay, felicidades!".