

*España*

# Where is Spain?

Spain or España is one of the three countries in the Iberian peninsula in western Europe.

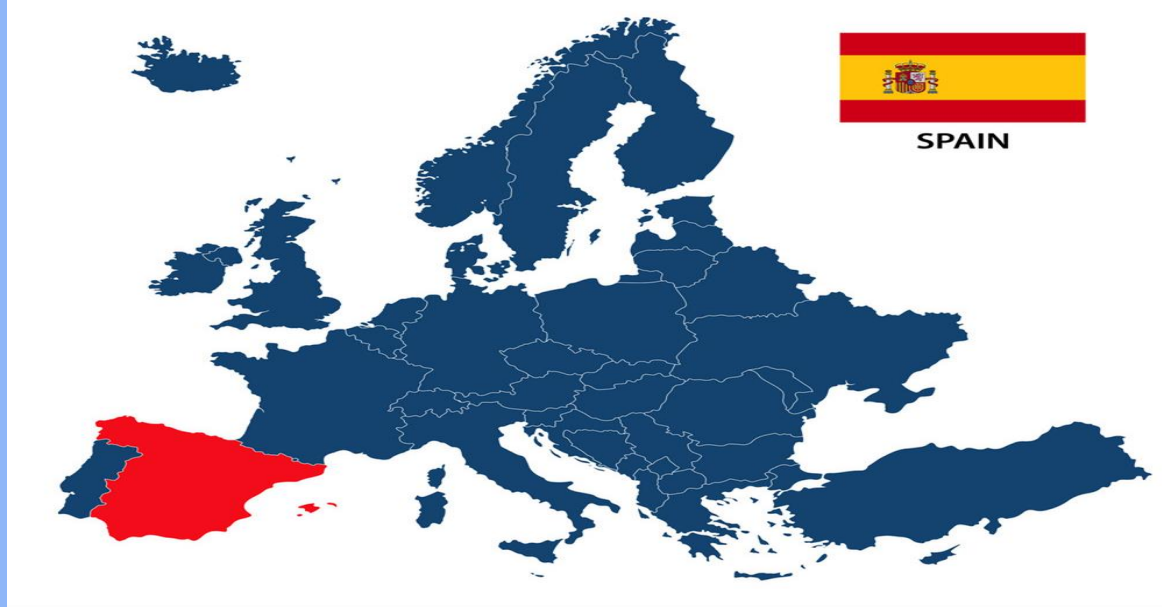
Spain also has two archipelagos and land in Morocco.

It borders Portugal to the west, France and Andorra to the north.

Spain's time zone is one hour ahead compared to the UK's at GMT+1.

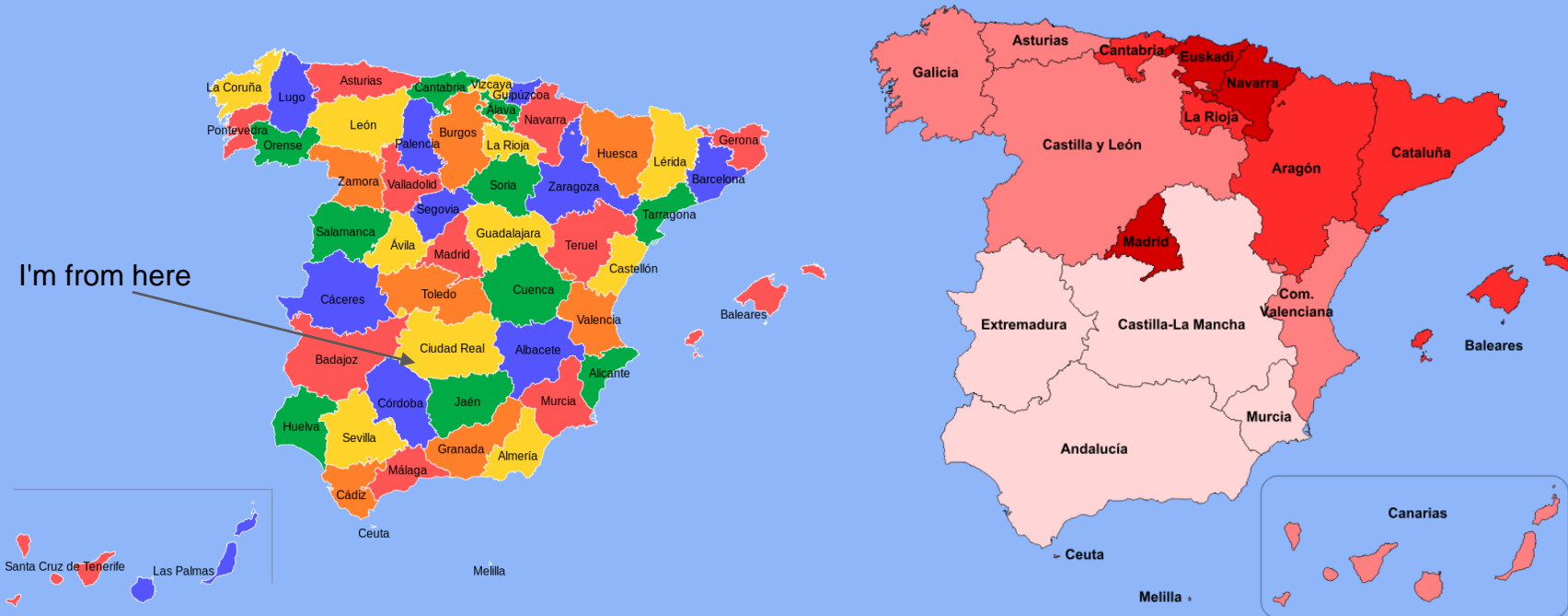
It's the largest country in southern Europe at 506,030 km<sup>2</sup>.

Spain is also part of the European Union where it's the fourth most populous country among member nations.



# Spain's autonomous communities (comunidades autónomas)

Spain is divided into 17 autonomous communities which are further divided into 50 provinces



# Spain's official languages

Spain has 4 official languages:

- Castilian (Castellano) which is the what the rest of the world calls Spanish
- Basque (Vasco) which is one of the oldest languages in the world.
- Galician (Gallego) is spoken in Galicia
- Catalan is spoken in Catalonia



# Spanish

Spanish is spoken by over 500 million people and is the official language of over 50 countries. This makes Spanish the fourth most spoken language in the world.

Spanish is one of 44 romance languages which all evolved from Latin. For example French, Romanian and Italian.

Spanish alphabet has some different letters to the English one namely ñ pronounced “enye” taken from Latin which used to be a nn but was made into one letter around the 13th century.

In 2010 the letters ch (che) and ll (elle) were removed from the Spanish alphabet



# Spanish coat of arms

Pillars of hercules, motto plus ultra means further beyond

Spanish royal crown

Kingdom of León

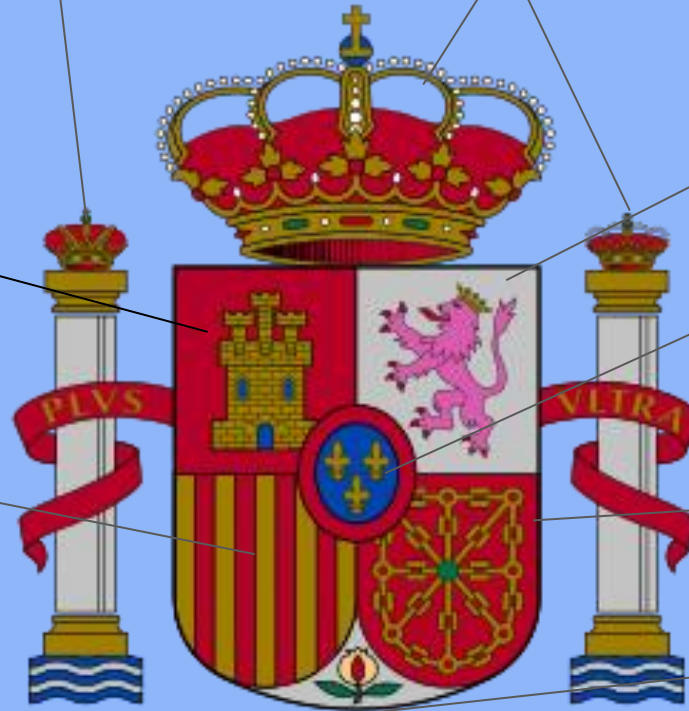
Kingdom of Castile

House of Bourbon

Crown of Aragon

Kingdom of Navarre

Kingdom of Granada



# Spanish Foods

**Paella**



**Churros**



**Tapas**



**Tortilla**



**Gazpacho**



**Patata Bravas**



# Spain is a tourist hot spot

Known for its beaches cathedrals and castles.

Millions of people go to Barcelona, Tenerife, in the Canary Islands, and Valencia alone each year.





# The Capital of Spain is Madrid

It has a population of 3.4 million. It is the second biggest in Europe and despite being a modern city it still keeps many of its historic streets untouched. Notable landmarks include



Puerta de Alcalá



Plaza Mayor

# Famous people from Spain

**Pablo Picasso**



**Painter and  
sculptor**

**Miguel de Cervantes**



**Novelist and  
Poet**

**Francisco Franco**



**Ex Dictator**

**Rafael Nadal**



**Tennis player**

*A big “thank you” to...*

*...Lincoln and his  
brother, Fortune,  
for a great  
assembly.*





Work Hard

Play nicely

Be kind one to another