

Dear host family,

I am María, I'm 17 years old and my birthday is on December 23. I live in Málaga (Spain), specifically in a village called Fuengirola, which has 75.000 residents in winter, but in summer the population doubles because of the good weather, the amazing beaches and the Mediterranean gastronomy.

Regarding to my family, my parents are called Antonio and M^aÁngeles, both are 48 years old and have a Real State. In addition, I have an older brother, Toni, He is 20 years old and he is studying Psychologist at University. I can't forget to mention our dog, Duna is a poodle and she is 2 years old, so she always wants to play, she keeps us a lot of company and we always take her everywhere, even when we are going on a trip. We like making plans on family, such as, going to the theatre, finding out new restaurants, watching my brother play matches of basketball and beach handball, travelling both abroad and within Spain...

On the other hand, I play paddle tennis right now, but since I was a kid I have played handball. I really like watching basketball, soccer, handball games..., and play with my friends. Furthermore, last summer I gave some surf lessons since one of my purposes is to learn this sport, and I loved it. Also, I play the piano, I was in Conservatory (music school) and I have some degrees, but now I don't play as much and only the songs that I like. Regarding this topic, I spend all day listening to music, dancing and singing. My favorites artists are Bruno Mars, Justin Bieber, Bad Bunny, Mora... although I also listen to old Spanish singers since my father always played their songs in the car and they remind me of my childhood, just like all the songs from Disney Channel movies, like High School Musical or Camp Rock. My favorites series are The Vampire Diaries and The Gilmore Girls, and my favorite movie is Mamma Mia. One of my most recent hobbies is reading, I usually read romantic or mystery novels. Moreover, I love travelling with my family or with my friends and see the world. Finally, with my friends, I like going out in the city center, going shopping, to restaurants or cafeterias, going to the cinema... but I also love the plan of staying in a house playing board games, cooking or watching movies with popcorns.

I have chosen this program because I think it is very important to exchange cultures, in this way we enrich ourselves and grow up as people by living unforgettable experiences, and the best way to do it is with a family immersion. Furthermore, I consider that it is important nowadays to know several languages, for this reason I want to put into practice all the knowledge I have about English and achieve greater fluency. I have chosen the city of L.A because it has a weather similar to Málaga, and because I would love to know and visit every corner of that wonderful city, since I have always dreamed of living there.

Thank you so much, I am looking forward to meeting you and for the summer to arrive so that I can live this unique experience, always complying with the rules, with education and respect.