



the Royal Scots College

Salamanca
Spain



For almost four hundred years the **Royal Scots College** in Spain has been receiving men from Scotland, training them to serve as priests and then sending them back to serve in dioceses and parishes the length and breadth of Scotland. Given the present shortage of vocations to the priesthood, the College is now able to widen its scope of activities in the service of the Catholic Church in Scotland. Established as a seminary and recognised by both Canon and Spanish Civil Law, the College will continue to be closely involved in SAY (Seminary Applicants' Year) and in the training of Scotland's seminarians, offering opportunities for retreats, courses and conferences. We would like to take this opportunity of making the College and its facilities better known, sharing with you some of the interesting possibilities for our future.

Some questions about the Royal Scots College

What facilities does the College have to offer?

We have twenty five rooms, all with en suite facilities; twenty of them have twin beds. We have a chapel, oratory, dining room, snooker/bar area, T.V. lounge, small gym and a computer room with broad band internet access. The College also houses many paintings, works of art and objects of historical interest which we have collected over past centuries. In the grounds we have an all weather tennis court and an outdoor pool (normally in use from the end of May until the end of September). We are only ten minutes away by car from a new golf course where we have negotiated preferential rates for our guests.

Are meals available in the College?

We are fully flexible, offering the best meal plan for each group and its particular needs: breakfast only, breakfast and evening meal or full board.

Who can use the Royal Scots College?

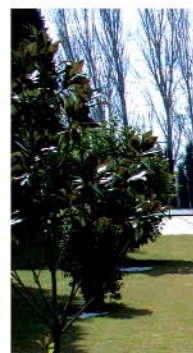
In principle we are open to any group that respects the aims and objectives of the College. We are also available to individuals or families looking for accommodation in this part of Spain, if our group commitments make this possible.

Further information or advice?

For further information about the College facilities and advice about travel to Salamanca and within Spain, please contact us in the following ways:

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Where is

Salamanca?

It lies towards the western border of Spain with Portugal, 250K away from Madrid (two and a half hours by car) and 100K south of Valladolid (regional capital and one hour away by car), within easy reach of famous historical cities like Avila, Segovia, Toledo and Ciudad Rodrigo.

What kind of city is it?

Best answer is: a small, beautiful and historic university city, bustling with students, boasting two cathedrals (12th and 16th centuries) and two universities whose academic roots go back to the twelfth century and many of whose historic (and still used) buildings go back to Renaissance times. The city sits astride the River Tormes and her "heart" is the monumental Plaza Mayor (main square), reckoned by many as the finest in all Spain.

How can you get to the College?

You can fly via London (Heathrow or Gatwick) to Madrid on all major carriers (B.A., B.M.I. and Iberia) or via Stansted to Valladolid on Ryanair. Another option would be to fly via Amsterdam with KLM. Our considered advice would be to "shop around" to get the best deal. The College can arrange transport for groups from either Valladolid or Madrid and both airports have car hire facilities.

