

# **10 Must-Know Spanish Phrases for Travel**

**Learn the essentials and connect with  
confidence—wherever your travels take you.**

**Hola Spanish in the Comox Valley**

## ■ Why These 10?

Whether you're ordering tapas in Barcelona, checking into a hotel in Costa Rica, or exploring markets in Mexico, these phrases will help you travel smarter and connect more deeply. Let's keep it simple, useful, and fun.

### Hola — Hello

*Pronunciation:* OH-lah

Warm, universal, and always appreciated.

### ¿Dónde está el baño? — Where is the bathroom?

*Pronunciation:* DOHN-deh es-TAH el BAH-nyo

“Baño” has that ñ sound—like canyon. Practice it!

### La cuenta, por favor. — The bill, please.

*Pronunciation:* lah CWEN-tah por fah-VOR

Use this after your café con leche or paella.

### Quisiera... — I'd like...

*Pronunciation:* kee-SYEH-rah

Use at restaurants or shops: “Quisiera una cerveza, por favor.”

### ¿Cuánto cuesta? — How much does it cost?

*Pronunciation:* CWAN-toh CWES-tah

Perfect for markets and souvenir shops.

## No hablo mucho español. — I don't speak much Spanish.

*Pronunciation:* noh AH-bloh MOO-cho es-pah-NYOL

Honest and humble—opens friendly doors.

## ¿Habla inglés? — Do you speak English?

*Pronunciation:* AH-blah een-GLES

Use if you're stuck—but always start with a 'Hola'!

## Me gusta esto. — I like this.

*Pronunciation:* meh GOOS-tah ES-toh

Use when complimenting food, art, music, or souvenirs.

## ¡Salud! — Cheers!

*Pronunciation:* sah-LOOD

Raise a glass at your Spanish & Sip night ■

## Gracias / De nada — Thank you / You're welcome

*Pronunciation:* GRAH-syahs / deh NAH-dah

Essential phrases to show kindness & respect.

## ■ Bonus Travel Tip

■ Carry a small notebook or use your phone to jot down new words you hear. Locals love it when you try—even a little goes a long way!

## ■ Want to Practice These in Person?

Come join us at Hola Spanish in the Comox Valley! ■■■ Private lessons, ■ group classes, ■■ cooking events, ■ book club & more.

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