



# SPANISH PLURAL WORDS 101: HOW TO MAKE WORDS PLURALS IN SPANISH



# FORMING PLURAL NOUNS IN SPANISH

When the noun ends:

## IN A VOWEL

Add an 's'

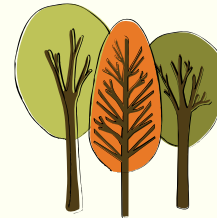


Silla - Sillas

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## IN A CONSONANT

Add 'es'. Except most nouns ending in 's'.

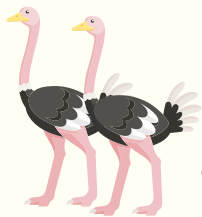


Árbol - Árboles

Reloj - Relojes

## IN 'Z'

Use the ending 'ces'.

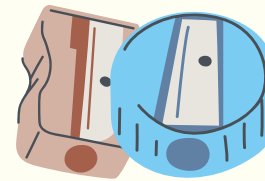


Lápiz - Lápices

Avestruz - Avestruces

## IN 'S' OR 'X'

Mark the plural form with determiners.



La crisis - Las crisis

El sacapuntas - Los sacapuntas

**Note:** Use 'es' with nouns ending in 's' and whose last syllable is accented. 'Francés - Franceses'.

# SPANISH PLURAL FORM AGREEMENT

## SINGULAR FORM



Mi vestido es azul.  
My dress is blue.

## PLURAL FORM



Mis vestidos son azules.  
My dresses are blue.

### LEGEND

■ Pronoun

■ Noun

■ Verb

■ Adjective

# EXAMPLES OF PLURAL NOUNS

## ENDING IN A CONSONANT

Singular word	Plural word
Animal (animal)	Animales (animals)
Canción (song)	Canciones (songs)
Mes (month)	Meses (months)
Metal (metal)	Metales (metals)
País (country)	Países (countries)
Profesor (professor)	Profesores (professors)

## ENDING IN A VOWEL

Singular word	Plural word
Buró (bedside table)	Burós (bedside tables)
Café (coffee/brown)	Cafés (coffees/brown)
Gato (cat)	Gatos (cats)
Hombre (man)	Hombres (men)
Silla (chair)	Sillas (chairs)

# EXAMPLES OF PLURAL NOUNS

## ENDING IN 'Z'

Singular word	Plural word
Actriz (actress)	Actrices (actresses)
Avestruz (ostrich)	Avestruces (ostriches)
Cruz (cross)	Cruces (crosses)
Juez (judge)	Jueces (judges)
Lápiz (pencils)	Lápices (pencils)

## ENDING WITH 'S' OR 'X'

Singular word	Plural word
Crisis (crisis)	Las crisis (crisis)
Tórax (thorax)	Los tórax (thoraxes)
Viernes (Friday)	Los viernes (Fridays)

# KEY POINTS: PLURAL NOUNS IN SPANISH

- A plural noun is used when talking about more than one person, thing, place, or idea.
- The plural endings in Spanish are:
  - 's' for nouns ending in vowels. Casa vs Casas.
  - 'es' for nouns ending in consonants except 's'. Reloj vs relojes.
    - Only use this ending with words that end with 's' if their last syllable has an accent mark.
  - 'ces' for nouns ending in 'z'. Lápiz vs lápices.
- If a noun ends with 's', you must **mark** the singular and plural form with a determiner word.
- When changing a noun from singular to plural, some **accent marks** may be dropped.
- The plural form **is applied** to nouns, adjectives, pronouns, and verb conjugation as needed.

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