

SPAIN

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The corvettes of the Real Armada *Descubierta* and *Atrevida*, under Commander Don Alexandro Malaspina, set sail from Cádiz on July 30. The object assigned to the expedition is the advancement of the sciences and of geography. The scientists and artists, equipped with all that is necessary to make a voyage around the world, are Don Antonio Pineda, for natural history, Don Louis Née for botany, Don Felipe Bauzá for drawing plants, Don José del Pozo, an academician from Sevilla, for the painting of perspectives and botanical plants, and Don José Guio, for the preservation of these same plants. The total crew of each corvette, including officers, is 104 men.

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