

## Museum of the Castle of the Duques de Alba



Of this castle, where stayed writers like Lope de Vega and Calderon de la Barca, stands out the magnificent Tower Keep, which now shows an ensemble of archaeological remains of the fortress itself, owned by the Dukes of Alba. The Armory room retains a Renaissance mural paintings made by the Italian master Cristobal Passin, representing three episodes of the Battle of Muhlberg.

### Edificios

**Castle of the Duques de Alba:** The town was fortified in the 12th century. In 1304 Fernando IV handed it over to Alfonso de la Cerda. In 1472 García Álvarez de Toledo obtained the title of Duke of Alba, and carried out reform works in the castle. In the late 15th century the old building was thoroughly transformed and made into a castle-palace with a barrier without turrets. During the War of Independence the French troops used it as their headquarters. The tower and its paintings were restored by the current Duchess of Alba and the remains of the old castle-palace have been found recently in the course of an archaeological excavation. It had a palatial area where an Italian gallery and a circular tower were integrated, the White Tower, which disappeared, being the Armory Tower, inside which the magnificent frescoes of the Battle of Mülhberg stand out, the only one that has survived to this day.

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### Tipo de museo

Otros museos

### Horarios y tarifas

Opening hours

## Museum of the Castle of the Duques de Alba



- Winter March, 1 – March, 23):
- Every day: 10:00 – 14:00 and 16:00 – 19:00
- Holly Week March, 24 – March, 31):
- Every day: 10:00 – 14:00 and 16:00 – 20:00

### Tickets

- General: 3 €
- Reduced: 2 €
- Groups: 2 €

(Combined ticket castle+Santiago Church 4? Combined ticket for groups 2,50?)

**Remarks:** The 24th, 25th, 31st of december and the 1st, 5th and 6th of january will be closed. The 5th of january is closed in the afternoon.

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