

## Cuéllar



The Historic Site of Cuéllar nestles between the hills on the road between the northern uplands and the riverbanks of the south. Renowned for its 'sea of maritime pine trees', it stands at a crucial hub. It was considered a strategic location by its early settlers, who built their homes at the highest point, ideal for defending their possession.

The medieval heritage of this town includes the well-conserved Castle of the Dukes of Albuquerque, built in the Gothic and Renaissance styles. The castle has played host to famous figures including Álvaro de Luna, Beltrán de la Cueva, the monarchs of Castile and the writer José de Espronceda, etc.

Highlights include the triple walled enclosure, one of the best-kept in all Castile, as well as various fine examples of Castilian Mudejar architecture. Mention must also be made of the bull running festival, declared to be of National Tourist Interest. Dating back to the 13th century, this is one of the oldest festivals of this type in Spain. With or without a festival, the town offers visitors the chance to explore many fascinating sites.

### Good of Cultural Interest

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