

# **Convent of Santa Clara**

It was founded in 1238 according to the rigorous rule of the Franciscans of San Damiano or Poor Clares. This former female cloistered convent preserves few remains from the time of its founding, just a simple Gothic doorway with an alfiz and a few windows.

A fire forced its reconstruction at the end of the 15th century and the beginning of the 16th century. In Renaissance style we can see the magnificent lowered arches with recesses in the thread and medallions in the spandrels, which support the wooden roof of the lower choir.

The current Church shows baroque style vaults and altarpieces. Originally it was covered with a mudéjar roof that was hidden between the roof and the later Baroque vault, but it is possible to see it from a short distance through a system of walkways, allowing you to observe the interesting heraldic iconography of its polychrome.

All these rooms, after the discovery of the mural paintings, were restored between 1986 and 1989 by the Department of Culture and Tourism of the Junta de Castilla y León, receiving, from the hands of H.M. Dña. Sofía Queen of Spain, the "Europa Nostra" award for the restoration of monuments.

In 2019, the congregation left the convent, which has been transformed into a museum of medieval painting where, in addition to the mural paintings, you can admire a large collection of altarpieces and pictorial works.

#### HISTORICAL DATA

**Architecture:** Religious architecture **Construction:** Monastery / Convent

**Predominant** Baroque

styles:

**Historical** Early modern period

Period:

#### WHEN TO VISIT IT?

# **Opening hours**

- From Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 AM 2:00 PM and 4:30 PM 7:30 PM
- Sundays and holidays: 10:00 AM 2:00 PM (Last entry 30 minutes before closing time)
- Closed: Monday
- From November 1 to March 31:
  - From Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 AM 1:30 PM and 4:30 PM 7:00 PM
  - Sundays and holidays: 10:00 AM 1:30 PM
  - Closed: Monday
- From March 1 to March 31:
  - From Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 AM 2:00 PM and 4:30 PM 7:30 PM
  - Sundays and holidays: 10:00 AM 2:00 PM
  - Closed: Monday

#### Taxes

- General 8 €
- Reduced 5 €
- Groups 4 €

(Free: Children under 12 years old, disabled people +60%)



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**Observations:** 24 and 31 December:10:00 to 14:00 hours 25th of December and 1st and 6th of January: closed

This portal is not responsible for possible changes in the schedules and rates reflected

## ADDRESS AND MAP LOCATION

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