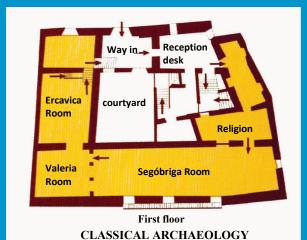
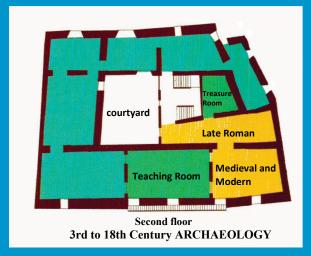


Ground floor PREHISTORY





Visit us

Located in the historic centre of Cuenca, opposite the Museum of Abstract Art and the Diocesan Museum, the Museum of Cuenca occupies the so-called Casa del Curato, a fourteenth-century building with surviving remains of its primitive Gothic construction and a coffered ceiling, decorated with the arms of the Luna and Albornoz families.



OPENING TIMES

- Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Sundays and holidays: from 10:00 a.m.to 2:00 p.m.

SUMMER OPENING

From June 16 to September 15

- Tuesday to Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Sundays and holidays: from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



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MUSEUM OF CUENCA



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The Museum of Cuenca has three sections: Archaeology, Fine Arts and Ethnography. However, only the archaeology section and a small exhibition of paintings in the reception area can be visited in its permanent exhibition.

The exhibition space is divided into three floors:

Ground Floor: PrehistoryFirst Floor: Romanization

- Second Floor: Middle and Modern Ages

Ground Floor: Prehistory



The first display cases are dedicated to the **Palaeolithic** -and the first tools made, such as scrapers and drills - and to the **Neolithic**, from various parts of the province. Of particular note is Verdelpino, an emblematic site of the Peninsular Neolithic.

One of the oldest traces of human presence in the Iberian Peninsula, in the province of Cuenca, is **prehistoric rock art**, mainly Levantine and schematic style.



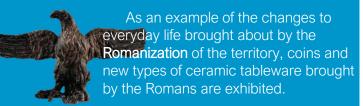
Important changes that followed the appearance of metal in human life are shown. Hand pottery became more complex and sedentary life led to the appearance of the first settlements during the Chalcolithic (Copper Age) and Bronze Age.



The arrival of the **Iron Age** led to the construction of walled settlements, with embryonic urban planning, and cremation necropolises. The collection includes objects of Greek, Phoenician, Egyptian, Carthaginian and Central European origin, the result of an active trade during the 8th to 2nd centuries BC.



First Floor: Romanization



The importance of the Roman presence in Cuenca means that this period features prominently in the exhibition with excavated materials from the great sites - Valeria, Segóbriga, Ercávica and Noheda - as well as innumerable artifacts from the Roman presence in the rural enviroment.

Second Floor: Middle and Modern Ages



Remains from the Middle
Ages of the Three Cultures Jewish, Christian and
Muslim - have been found.
From Andalusian culture,
ceramic pieces, oil lamps, a
treasure of Caliphal coins
from Valeria and a
magnificent capital tenth
century from the
excavations in the Plaza de
Mangana in Cuenca all
stand out.



The permanent exhibition rounds off with the display of a **treasure** trove of 247 gold coins and one bronze coin discovered in the excavations of Calle Alcázar, in the historic centre of the city.

Museum of Cuenca services and activities

- Princesa Zaida Temporary Exhibition Hall (year-round programe)
- Conference room (Segóbriga Room, capacity 40 people).
- Researchers' library.
- Department of Cultural Action and Teaching (workshops, teacher training)
- Guided tours (by arrangement).
- "The Featured Piece of the Month" programme.
- Temporary exhibition hall of the Museum of Cuenca.
- Restoration laboratory (temporary).