Sanlucar

ROUTE OF THE 'BARRIO ALTO'



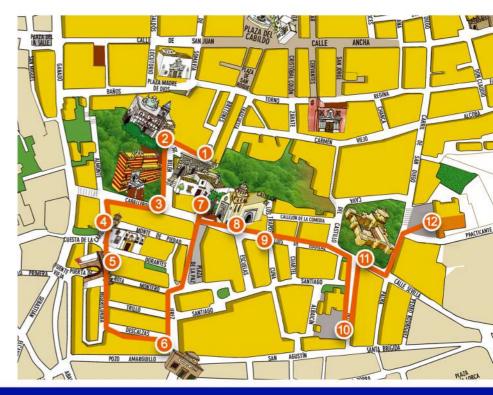


The 'barrio alto' (high quarter) is the oldest area of Sanlúcar. Located on the natural ravine, in medieval times it was the original city.

It was protected with a wall of which some witnesses remain.

Within its perimeter we find today religious, military buildings, palaces, gardens and wineries.

Following this route, a journey through the oldest history of Sanlúcar is made.





1. In Cuesta de Belén street. Las Covachas. XV century. Late Gothic style. Stone decoration of one of the walls of the Ducal Palace of Medina Sidonia. Attached to the medieval wall, it forms a gallery with pointed arches on pillars. Above this is a large frieze decorated with dragon reliefs.

2. In Cuesta de Belén street. La Merced Auditorium. XVII century. Proto-Baroque style. Old church of the Mercedarios convent. It was part of one of the evangelizing convents of the many that were in the city.



3. In Cuesta de Belén street. Palacio de Orleáns Borbón-Ayuntamiento. XIX century. Current City Council. Neomudéjar style. Summer residence of the Dukes of Montpensier. Built as a summer residence since Sanlúcar had become a prominent vacation destination. It has beautiful English style gardens.



Caballeros Street.

Beautiful street with stately houses from the 17th to the 19th centuries, representative of the domestic architecture of the Baroque in Andalusia.



Caridad Street. Along this street we also find several examples of stately houses from the 17th and 17th centuries, of the many that we can see along the streets of Sanlúcar.

