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Discover the magic of the Tomelloso Fair and Festivals

Welcome to Tomelloso, the vibrant heart of La Mancha! We invite you to immerse yourself in one of the most emblematic and notable celebrations in Castilla-La Mancha: the Tomelloso Fair and Festivals.
This is a week of Patron Saint Festivals which is experienced at a frenetic pace, where residents and visitors take to the streets to enjoy a festival popularly known as "The Fair". The Tomelloso Fair and Festivals take place from 24 to 30 August. During these days, Tomelloso is transformed into a hub of joy, culture and tradition, offering activities for all tastes and audiences.
This fair is a celebration blending religious devotion with a wide range of cultural, sporting and gastronomic events. It is a unique opportunity to experience the essence of this town in La Mancha, its history and the warmth of its people. Get ready for an unforgettable experience, full of fun and excitement.

A Programme for All the Senses

Tomelloso's Semana Grande kicks off with events full of charm and tradition:

International Folklore Festival: Among the cultural events, the festivities open with a remarkable International Folklore Festival.Artistic performances and concerts: You will enjoy various artistic performances in the Plaza de España and the Park Gardens. The musical programme is designed for all audiences. Many of these concerts take place in the Paco Gálvez Stadium. Additionally, the fair has various attractions and fairground rides for all visitors to enjoy.

The Grape Harvest Festival: The opening ceremonies begin on the evening of 24 August in the Plaza de España. It is a charming event where the first musts are obtained, and a floral offering is made. A town crier oversees giving the opening speech.

Bullfighting: The Tomelloso Fair is also known for its bullfighting events, in a town with a long bullfighting tradition.

Religious events: The ceremony in honour of the town's patron saint and perpetual mayor, the Vírgen de las Viñas, is held on the morning of the 25th in the Parish Church of the Assumption of Our Lady. In the afternoon, the procession winds its way through the main streets of the town.
Sporting competitions and demonstrations: The fair includes numerous sporting competitions and demonstrations.

Wine-related activities: Coinciding with the winegrower's day, various wine tourism activities are held.

Literary Competition "Festival of Letters": With 82 years of history and 75 editions, this prestigious national competition — one of the oldest in Spain — is the event which brings the fair to a magnificent close. Created in 1944, the same year as the Nadal Prize, it brings together leading figures from the arts and letters and hosts the presentation of such important awards as the Francisco García Pavón Crime Novel Prize, the Eladio Cabañero Poetry Prize and the Antonio López García Painting Prize.

Tomelloso: A Destination to Discover

Beyond the vibrant fair, Tomelloso offers endless experiences for tourists: Explore the city and its heritage:

Los Portales Inn: A heritage site located in the Plaza de España.

Museums: Discover the Antonio López Torres Museum and the Museum of Carts and Farming Implements, as well as the Infanta Elena Museum of Contemporary Art, which contributes to the region's cultural offering.

Traditional architecture: Admire the alcohol-burning chimneys and underground caves, characteristic of the local identity.

Bullring and Bullfighting Museum: Immerse yourself in the town's bullfighting tradition.

Hermitage of the Vírgen de las Viñas and Museum: A place of devotion and culture.

Discover Other Festivals and Events in Tomelloso:

Carnival: Renowned for its great display of imagination and colour, with parades which have been declared of regional tourist interest.

Easter Week: Notable for the solemnity of its processions and the participation of twelve brotherhoods and confraternities.

Romería of the Vírgen de las Viñas: Held on the last Sunday in April at the Pinilla Sanctuary, with floats and a traditional picnic.

San Isidro (15 May) **and San Anthony** (17 January)**:** Traditional festivities with bonfires (San Anthony) and typical products.

Tomelloso Food Exhibition (Tomelloso Sabor): Held in October, this fair promotes local products with tasting competitions.

World Wine Tourism Day: In November, with visits to wineries and guided tastings.

Plan your visit:

Fair and festival dates: 24th to 30th August.

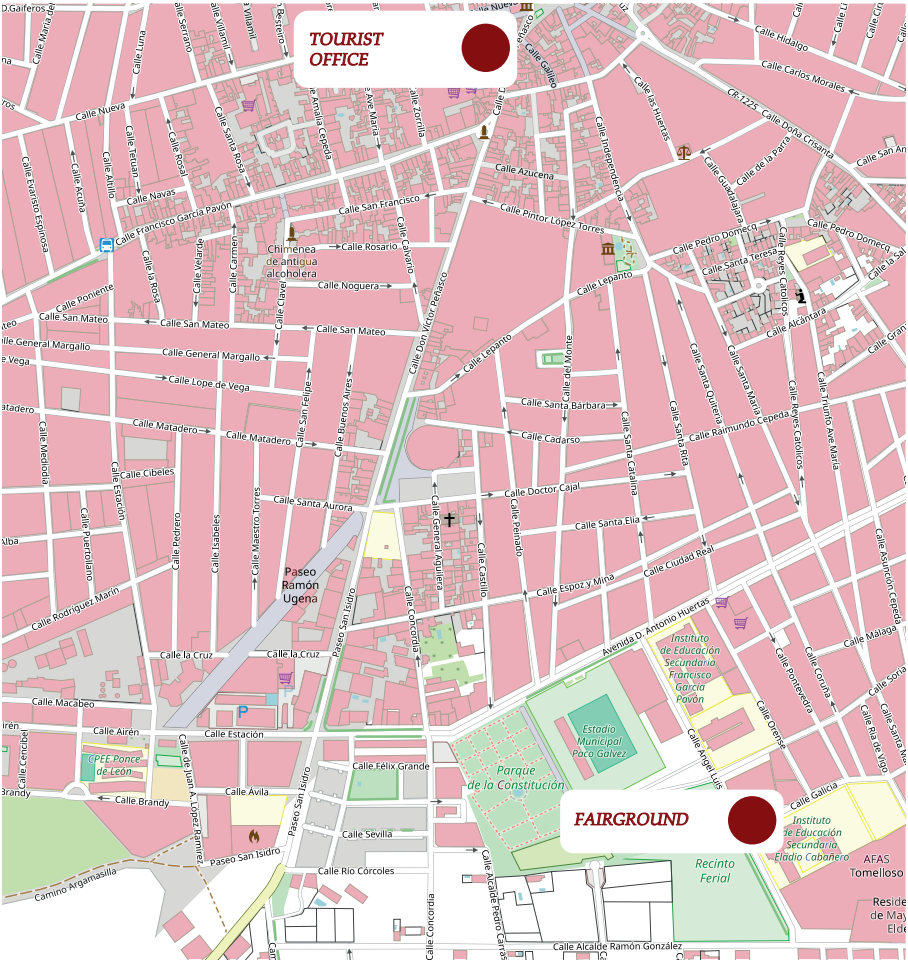
Location: Various locations in Tomelloso, including the fairground.

Price: Generally free for many activities.

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Don't miss out on the chance to enjoy the vibrant experience of the Tomelloso Fair and Festivals and explore everything this wonderful city has to offer! We look forward to seeing you there!



Municipal Tourist Office

Tuesday to Friday: 9:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
Saturdays: 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Sundays: 10:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
Public holidays: 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m./Mondays: closed

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