

2. HERMITAGE OF EL FISCAL

TOURIST ROUTE THROUGH SOUTHERN VILLAGES - LA PUNTA



GENERAL MAP OF THE ROUTE





LOCATION OF THE TOURIST ATTRACTION





HISTORY

The extensive territory of La Punta historically included lands between the Comunet de Momperot and the Canal Road, with the Turia River as its northern boundary, and the partida dels Tres Camins de Pinedo marking its southern limit. Within these boundaries, names such as El Perú, Les Veròniques, El Salinar, El Fiscal, or El Pou d'Aparisi designate various huerta (orchard) districts.

At the entrance to El Fiscal, accessed from the Camino del Pou d'Aparisi, stands the Ermita del Fiscal, dedicated to Our Lady of the Helpless. It is a small building attached to a farmhouse (Casa Nàcher) highly esteemed in the huerta, with tradition suggesting its origins date back to an ancient mosque transformed later into a Christian temple. However, the current structure primarily dates to the 19th century.

Regarding its name, oral tradition links the location to a prosecutor from the Inquisition tribunal who supposedly conducted trials there, though no documented evidence supports this claim. The building is austere, featuring a small belfry and a gabled roof with Arab tiles in two slopes, comprising three sections. The oldest part, possibly dating to the Muslim period, is a small, somewhat irregular trapezoidal nave. A wider second section was added later, along with a small room at the rear serving as a sacristy.

Inside the main nave, simple pilasters with Corinthian capitals stand out. It is covered by a slightly curved vault with very gentle curvature, intersected by arches formed by masonry coffered ceilings. There is a high choir at the entrance, with an old wooden balustrade.

On the facade, there is a ceramic panel depicting the image of Our Lady of the Helpless, surrounded by ceramic frames ("rajoles de mocadoret") in white and green colors.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Address: Entrada del Fiscal, 4

ACCESSIBILITY

Access: Accessible. There are steps at some points.

Parking: There is no formally designated parking nearby.





PHOTO 1 and 2. The Hermitage of El Fiscal



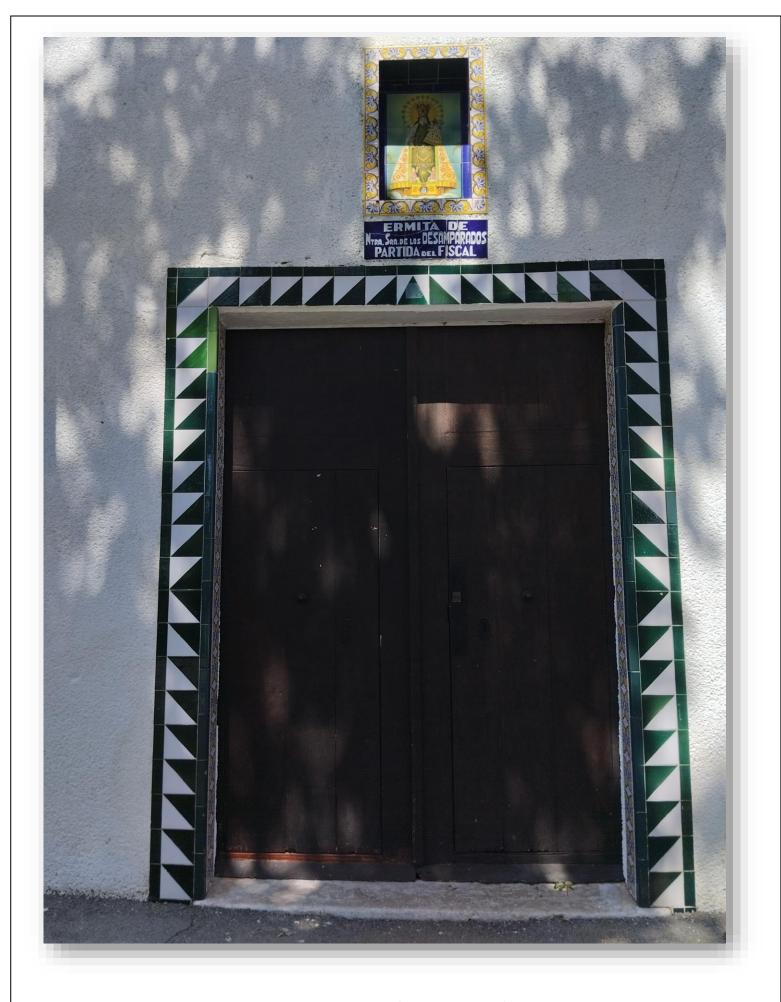


PHOTO 3. Main entrance of the Hermitage of El Fiscal







PHOTO 4 and 5. Hermitage of El Fiscal and the surrounding huerta landscape

