



# 3. ALQUERIA FONDA

TOURIST ROUTE THROUGH NORTHERN VILLAGES – POBLE NOU

**TURISMO DE BARRIOS**

## GENERAL MAP OF THE ROUTE



## LOCATION OF THE TOURIST ATTRACTION



AJUNTAMENT DE VALÈNCIA

## HISTORY

This farmhouse is one of the most characteristic late medieval buildings in the Valencian Community. The main building dates from the late 14th or early 15th century, with multiple additional constructions built in later centuries, likely from the second half of the 17th century.

The floor plan is an asymmetrical basilica, with a central nave, another to the right, and two to the left. The roof features a distinct architecture from the period following the Repartiment colonization, with a central body covered with gables towards the main facade and the lateral bodies sloping towards the sides. The central nave includes pointed arches of ashlar on its sides opening towards chapels, defining a central hall.

There is a courtyard in front of the house, blocking direct view of the entrance door. This typology is highly characteristic of Valencian architecture from that era.

The original building was divided into two properties. One of them became a peasant housing in the early 20th century, while the other still retains its medieval structure and fabric, preserving the original entrance (**photos 1 and 2**).

Next to it, there is another complex consisting of a longitudinal building, possibly housing colonists' residences, a "andana" or granary, as storage rooms with good ventilation can be observed. It was declared a Local Relevance Heritage in 2015 in the "Catalog of Protected Goods and Spaces" of the General Urban Planning Plan of the city of València, located in a high-quality landscape agricultural area (**photos 5 and 6**).

Adjacent to this farmhouse, there is a "pista de tiro y arrastre," a traditional Valencian sport involving horse races where they pull a cart filled with sandbags, aiming to cross the track in the shortest time possible (**photos 3 and 4**). This track was built after the cancellation of an eco-park project planned for the same plot. Once it was confirmed that the plot would remain unused, the land was handed over to the Associació d'Amics del Cavall, which built the track to revive this native tradition.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Address:** camino de Moncada, 168

## ACCESSIBILITY

**Parking:** There is no nearby parking at the point of interest.

**Access:** Route to the point of interest via sidewalk with varying widths and curb cuts.





**PHOTO 1 and 2.**

Old photo of Alquería Fonda and current photo from the same perspective.



**PHOTO 3 anf 4.** Tiro y Arrastre field in Poble Nou. Competition in 2018 (bottom photo: Xavi Ferriol)





**PHOTO 5 and 6.** Landscape of orchards and farmhouses near Alquería Fonda

