

Gijón/Xixón *Museums*



xixón

| Cultura
y Educación

PHOTO CREDITS:

Campa Torres Archaeological-Nature Park:
Mara Herrero, Benedicto Santos and Marcos Morilla.

Campo Valdés Roman Baths Museum:
Mara Herrero.

Veranes Roman Villa Museum:
Yeray Menéndez.

Jovellanos Birthplace Museum and Nicanor Piñole Museum:
Marcos Morilla.

Pueblo de Asturias Museum:
Marcos Morilla and Ignacio Acuña.

The Gijón/Xixón's Municipal Network of Museums comprises eight publicly-owned museums run by Gijón/Xixón's Municipal Foundation for Culture, Education and People's University. These museums are Campa Torres Archaeological-Nature Park, Campo Valdés Roman Baths Museum, Veranes Roman Villa Museum, Jovellanos Birthplace Museum, Nicanor Piñole Museum, Asturias Railway Museum, Celestino Solar Citadel Museum and Pueblo de Asturias Museum.

Visitors can delve into the rich and diverse collections at Gijón and learn about the city's history, culture, and art across multiple disciplines. The exhibits cover everything from archaeology to anthropology, offering insights into the inhabitants' lifestyles and thoughts, as well as their primary artistic creations from ancient times to the present.

Our network of museums is dedicated to the preservation, exhibition, research, and dissemination of our cultural heritage. We also provide free activities throughout the year.



Campa Torres

Archaeological-Nature Park

Campa Torres Archaeological-Nature Park is located seven kilometres west of Gijón, at Cape Torres. It was established in 1995. The fortified enclosure on the coast of Los Astures is the largest of its kind in the maritime domain. Historical research suggests that the origins of the place can be traced back to the 6th-5th centuries BC. The land was home to the Cilúrnigo community, known for their skills in metallurgy. During the 1st century AD, the hill fort underwent Romanization and was referred to as *oppidum* Noega in classical sources. After the establishment of the Roman settlement of Gijón during the early 2nd century AD, in what is now known as the Cimavilla neighbourhood, the hill fort slowly lost its population and eventually vanished.

The goals of this museum are to safeguard, preserve, conduct scientific investigations, and educate the public about the archaeological artefacts uncovered during excavations. It strives to maintain a harmonious relationship with the surrounding natural environment.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Carretera de la Campa Torres, 3834. 33299 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 185 234

MUSEUM HOURS

October to March

Tuesday to Sunday and public holidays - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

April to September

Tuesday to Sunday and public holidays - 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

LIGHTHOUSE HOURS

October to March

Tuesday to Sunday and public holidays - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

April to September

Tuesday to Sunday and bank holidays - 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

June 15 to August 31

Tuesday to Sunday and bank holidays - 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Monday closed (museum and lighthouse)

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | museosarqueologicos@gijon.es





Campo Valdés Roman Baths *Museum*

The museum was established in 1995 with the vision of being a site museum located near the sea, in the centre of historic Gijón. The public baths of Gijón were unearthed during excavations conducted from 1990 to 1994 at this archaeological site.

The public space of Campo Valdés Roman baths was constructed in multiple phases. The first bath, which featured hot and cold rooms with a retrograde circulation system, was constructed from the late 1st century AD to the first third of the 2nd century AD. New rooms were added to the south front of the complex after the mentioned date. One of the outstanding aspects of this new project is the incorporation of geometric and plant paintings to decorate the rooms. These artworks have been carefully preserved in their original placement.

The visit to the museum is divided into two parts. The initial section offers a detailed explanation and a complete outline of the importance of Roman baths and the background and operation of Gijón's public baths. The second consists of a tour of the archaeological remains, a recreation of the baths' internal circulation system, and a visit to the original rooms.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Campo Valdés. 33201 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 185 151

MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday to Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | museosarqueologicos@gijon.es





Veranes Roman Villa *Museum*

Located in the municipality of Gijón, the Roman Villa of Veranes, historically referred to as Saint Peter's *turruxon*, is situated near the ancient Roman route connecting these regions with the capital city of Asturica Augusta (Astorga). Established in 2007, this site museum displays the archaeological remnants of a sizeable *villae*-style home constructed during the Late Roman Empire (4th century AD) on the ancient ruins of a significant rural settlement from the High Roman Empire. This grand estate, belonging to a likely noble named *Veranius*, underwent three architectural renovations and expansions. The mansion was occupied until the 5th century AD. After it was abandoned, certain areas were repurposed as a church and a medieval burial ground.

The museum's exhibition hall showcases the archaeological remains and houses various artefacts from the villae, providing a glimpse into the site's evolution and history, spanning from the Roman era to the end of the Middle Ages.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Veranes s/n. L' Abadía Cenero, 33393 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 185 129 / 629 755 409

MUSEUM HOURS

September 16 to June 15

Tuesday to Sunday and bank holidays - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

June 16 to September 15

Tuesday to Sunday and bank holidays - 10.30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Easter

Tuesday to Sunday - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6;
Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | museosarqueologicos@gijon.es





Jovellanos Birthplace Museum

One of the city's most iconic buildings is home to this museum, which opened in 1971. Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos (1744-1811), a prominent figure of the Spanish Enlightenment, was born and lived in this late 16th-century palatial house.

This building exemplifies the prevalent Asturian architectural style that was dominant during the 16th to 18th centuries. The structure comprises two square towers on either side, connected by a rectangular centre building with an interior courtyard providing entry to various rooms.

The permanent exhibition is a journey through Asturian art spanning the 19th and 20th centuries, showcasing a noteworthy collection of the prominent European artistic movements from the 17th and 18th centuries. Additionally, there are two rooms solely dedicated to Jovellanos. These rooms house his furniture, personal belongings, and a small portion of his art collection.

The museum's primary goal is to promote, safeguard, and study the city's artistic heritage, comprising more than 3,000 pieces, including paintings, sculptures, drawings, engravings, illustrations, photographs, and contemporary works. Additionally, the museum strives to raise awareness about the contributions of Jovellanos.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Plaza de Jovellanos, s/n. 33201 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 185 152

MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday to Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | info.museojovellanos@gijon.es



Nicanor Piñole

Museum

The museum is situated in the Antiguo Asilo Pola, an eclectic building crafted by renowned architects Luis García Bellido and Miguel García de la Cruz in 1903-1904. It contains an extensive collection of oil paintings, sketches, notes and drawings by Nicanor Piñole (1878-1978), a painter who embraced a realist style and strived to balance tradition and modernity.

Established in 1991, the museum showcases a collection donated to the city of Gijón by the artist's widow. It features the artist's most significant works and includes various personal objects.

The exhibit features Piñole's various artistic explorations throughout his lengthy career, spanning portraits, landscapes, still lifes, and traditionalist paintings. His unique and innovative representation of the Asturian landscape and peasantry is also highlighted.

One of the collection's highlights is over 5,000 drawings that offer insight into the artist's life and shed light on his creative process. These drawings provide valuable clues for interpreting his work.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Plaza de Europa, 28. 33205 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 181 019

MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday to Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays, Sundays and bank holidays - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | info.museonicanorpinole@gijon.es





Asturias Railway *Museum*

This museum opened in 1998. One of the most significant railway collections in Spain is currently held here. It is committed to preserving, studying, and sharing the railway history of Asturias. The museum serves as a bridge between the history of the Industrial Revolution and the current times, making it a valuable contributor to the local and Asturian culture.

The museum can be found in the North Western Railway's historic station, established in 1874. It comprises three structures and a vast rail yard spanning over 14,000 m². On its historic platform, visitors can view a significant collection of rolling stock, including locomotives, carriages, and wagons with up to seven gauges.

With more than two thousand objects on display, this railway collection is Spain's most extensive historical exhibition. The permanent exhibit is divided into thematic sections allowing visitors to create their personalised itinerary.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Plaza de la Estación del Norte, s/n. 33212 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 181 777

MUSEUM HOURS

October to March

Tuesday to Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays - 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

April to September

Tuesday to Friday - 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays - 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | info.museoferrocarril@gijon.es



Celestino Solar Citadel

Museum

The Celestino González Solar Citadel is a site museum that showcases one of the most representative working-class housing models in Gijón. This form of housing features several dwelling units enclosed within a fenced-in or interior courtyard, lacking a street-facing façade, and offering communal amenities such as restrooms, wells, or fountains. Private owners constructed these structures during the late 1800s and early 1900s. The goal was to provide rental options for the working class with minimal investment. Numerous buildings emerged throughout Gijón, particularly near Ensanche del Arenal, where this museum is located. The number of these establishments exceeded two hundred. The Patio de Capua was a significant and representative site inhabited for over a century from 1878-1980.

In 2003, it was established as a museum with historical ties to the Industrial Revolution. In 2018, it formed a twinning partnership with the Railway Museum. The museum has recently undergone a thorough renovation to provide a more comprehensive understanding of the living conditions of the working class in Gijón and Asturias from the 1870s to the late 1900s. The permanent exhibition is structured into several thematic units that elucidate its builders, the duration of its habitation, and its neighbouring communities. In addition, the museum features two temporary exhibitions and a recreated house that preserves its original furniture and trousseau from the 1940s and 50s.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Calle Capua, 15. 33202 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 181 777

MUSEUM HOURS

October to March

Tuesday to Sunday - 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

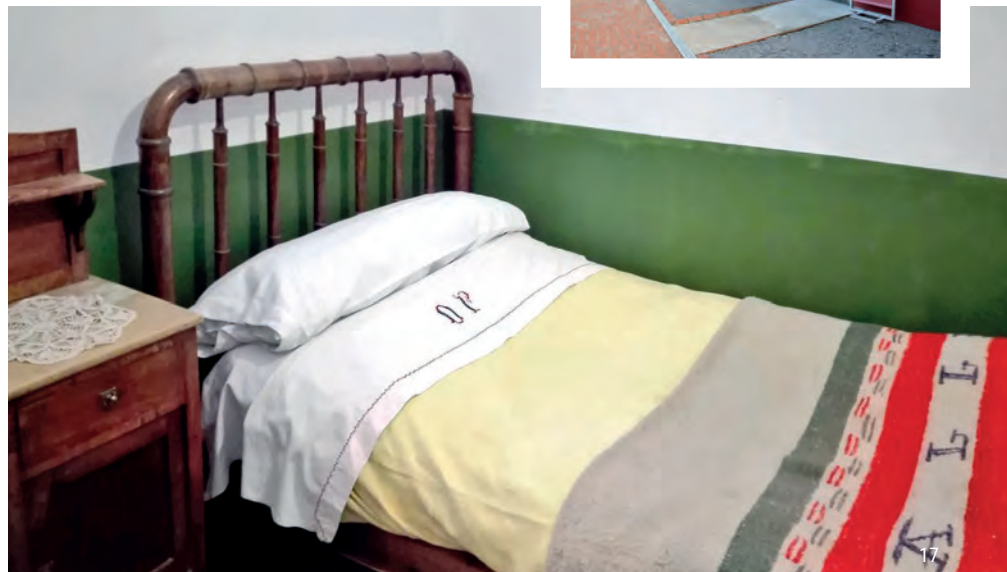
April to September

Tuesday to Sunday - 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | ciudadela@gijon.es





Pueblo de Asturias *Museum*

The Pueblo de Asturias Museum was created in 1968 with the joint efforts of the Gijón City Council and the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Navigation. Its primary purpose is to safeguard, investigate, and share the memory of the Asturian people. The location spans a 35,000 m² park area and features a pond with brackish water. The premises offer a pleasant space for recreation where the museum and the public can host various events and activities. Its collections are displayed in different buildings. For instance, the exhibit includes multiple structures such as peasant houses, mansions, "hórreos," "paneras," cider presses, and huts. The museum houses a comprehensive collection of tangible and intangible artefacts representing various aspects of human life. The exhibits are categorised into five sections: museum, musical, photographic, documentary, and oral. It is worth noting that the museum features daily life objects from the 19th and 20th centuries, which were used for domestic and farming purposes, craft trades, and industrial products. It also showcases graphic arts, games, grass-roots religiosity, and traditional music collections, including musical instruments (with a particular focus on bagpipes), scores, and recordings.

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE

Paseo del Doctor Fleming, 877, La Güelga, 33203 - Gijón/Xixón
Tel. +34 985 182 960

MUSEUM HOURS

October to March

Tuesday to Friday - 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays - 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

April to September

Tuesday to Friday - 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays - 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Monday closed

(The museum will be closed on the following bank holidays: January 1 and 6; Shrove Tuesday; August 15; December 24, 25 and 31)

FREE ENTRANCE | museopa@gijon.es





GIJÓN/XIXÓN MUNICIPAL NETWORK OF MUSEUMS

CAMPA TORRES ARCHAEOLOGICAL-NATURE PARK

CAMPO VALDÉS ROMAN BATHS MUSEUM

VERANES ROMAN VILLA MUSEUM

JOVELLANOS BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM

NICANOR PIÑOLE MUSEUM

ASTURIAS RAILWAY MUSEUM

CELESTINO SOLAR CITADEL MUSEUM

PUEBLO DE ASTURIAS MUSEUM

xixón

**Cultura
y Educación**

museos.gijon.es



@museosgijonxixon



@MuseosGijon