

# THE SOUKS OF AL-ANDALUS

The Souks of al-Andalus aim to be a meeting point where the visitor will relive, in an appealing and ludic way, ancient traditions that have survived to the present day. Key players will be history, crafts, culture, tradition, gastronomy, games, music...

By recreating historically a market from al-Andalus times, we aim to recover our legacy by revealing a key activity during the period of al-Andalus (11-14th centuries): trade.

Souks spread over the main cities of al-Andalus and all kind of products were generally sold in them: silk, gold and silver pieces, woodwork..., etc.

In the Souks of al-Andalus we have placed special emphasis on the ludic aspects by introducing a falconry show as well as an assorted repertoire of performances and entertainment, which will cater to the tastes of all audiences.

Not many towns have a history as old and exciting as Ugíjar. The origins, between history and legend, date back to the gold existing in its land. Perhaps this is why the ancient Greeks went up the river Adra to look for gold in Rambla (ravine) de Don Durón.

Although undoubtedly the historical reality of Ugíjar begins with the Islamic occupation, the town played a leading role in several uprisings against the central power of al-Andalus. Under the rule of caliph Hisham I (796-798), the udri tribe rebelled in Escarientes fortress, forcing the emir to intervene to quell it. Between the 9th and 10th centuries, the followers of Omar Ben Hafsum rebelled under the rule of Suar Ben Hamboum el Kaisi. Abd al-Rahman III established in Ugíjar his general headquarters, where he arranged the assault and capture of the castle of Juviles..

Centuries later, in 1227, after the Almohad decline, Mohamed Ibn Hud proclaimed himself emir in Escarientes, spreading his influence during the subsequent ten years over regions of Malaga, Cordoba, Jaén, Almería and Murcia. Nowadays, tradition and modernity coexist in Ugíjar in perfect harmony.

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Join us and enjoy our Souk of al-Andalus!

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# PROGRAM

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### SATURDAY 9 JUNE. MORNING-AFTERNOON

- 11.00 am. The Souk of al-Andalus opens its doors
- 11.30 am. Jobs, handicrafts, children games...
- 12.00 pm. Street parade. "Music from ancient al-Andalus"
- 12.30 pm. Puppet theatre: "Messengers from the Stars"
- 13.00 pm. Exhibition of birds of prey in flight
- 13.30 pm. Musical parade
- 14.00 pm. Storyteller. "Las Juglaresas" (women minstrels)

### SATURDAY 9 JUNE. EVENING

- 17.30 pm. Jobs, handicrafts, children games...
- 18.00 pm. Puppet theatre "Stories and legends from al-Andalus"
- 19.00 pm. Exhibition of birds of prey in flight
- 19.30 pm. The Sounds of al-Andalus
- 20.00 pm. Street parade. "From the Zirid to the Nasrid kingdom"
- 20.30 pm. Musical performance
- 21.00 pm. Street parade. "The sellers of spices"
- 22.00 pm. The Souk of al-Andalus says goodbye.  
See you tomorrow!

### SUNDAY 10 JUNE. MORNING-AFTERNOON

- 11.00 am. The Souk of al-Andalus opens its doors
- 11.30 am. Jobs, handicrafts, children games...
- 12.00 pm. Music from ancient al-Andalus
- 12.30 pm. Poetry show "Verses of wit"
- 13.00 pm. Exhibition of birds of prey in flight
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### SATURDAY 9-SUNDAY 10 JUNE. DURING OPENING HOURS

- Exhibition of birds of prey
- Workshops, jobs, handicrafts...
- Gastronomy
- Giant chess
- Donkeys parade

