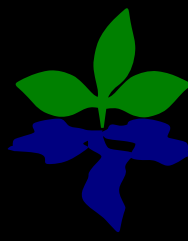


# Torre de Antella, Antella

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**The Torre de Antella is part of the defensive network Muslim from the Valencian farmhouses of the Ribera del Xúquer.**

The Tower of Antella is a 12th century Almohad construction. Its purpose was to protect the population from the Christian incursions into the rural farmhouse, which took refuge there in case of danger, and to safeguard the livestock in a semi-detached enclosure called the albacar. The towers of the Ribera Alta communicated with smoke signals between them forming a defensive cordon. The closest were the now disappeared towers of Càrcer and Alcàntera, and the castle of Sumacàrcer. With the Christian conquest, the tower was integrated into the stately palace. It has four floors and a well-preserved spiral staircase. The Tower of Antella forms part of the Muslim defensive network of the Valencian farmhouses of the Ribera del Xúquer.



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