

L'AJUNTAMENT SQUARE FOUNTAIN

ORNAMENTAL FOUNTAIN TOURIST ROUTE

GENERAL ROUTE PLAN



Occupying 295 square metres, it is one of the city's most visited and emblematic fountains. Located in L'Ajuntament Square, it is a hub for administrative, social and cultural life. Witness to many celebrations throughout the year: fallas, New Year chimes, concerts and craft fairs, and many more.

It was inaugurated in 1963 and built by Carlos Buigas Sans after the demolition of the work by municipal architect Francisco Javier Goerlich, containing an underground square used as a flower market. Its elevated shape contributed to it becoming known as *Tortada* (large cake).

The structure of the fountain is a large circular basin with various spouts that jet streams of water at different heights. Lighting for this fountain has changed over time and adapted to new technologies, although light is still projected from the underground pit. It formerly had a cam hand organ that operated the various elements of the fountain and drums could be activated to vary the light displays and smooth transitions from one colour to another. A person would control this from inside the fountain; they even had a bed and bathroom installed, which still exist today. The hand organ broke down and was replaced in the '90s by automatic systems that currently control the water and light displays.

It is worth mentioning that the previous system is fully preserved in its original state. Interestingly, it was first designed to work with music, but this project never came to fruition.

















GENERAL INFORMATION

Address: L'Ajuntament Square, unnumbered

ACCESSIBILITY

Access: Accessible pedestrian square with no steps.

Parking: Spots reserved for PRM nearby at Sant Vicent Martir Street and L'Ajuntament Square.















