

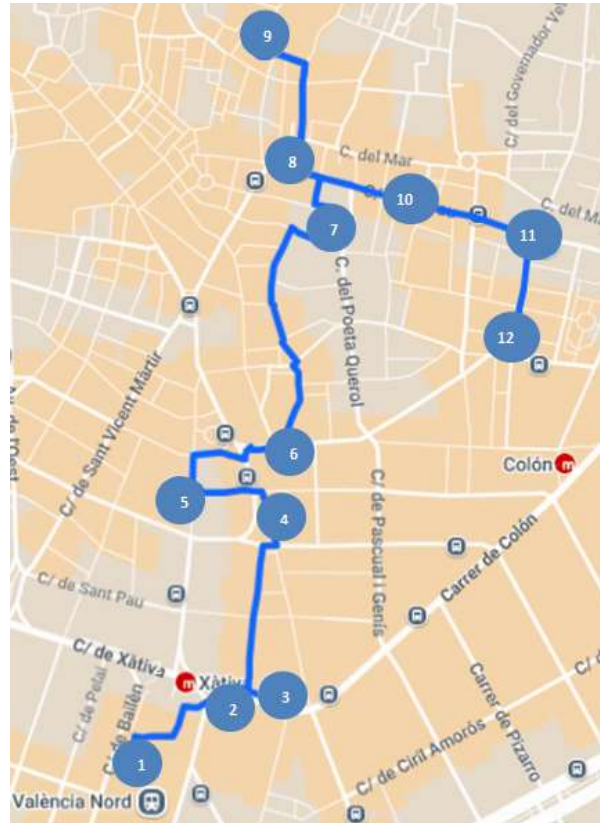


10. CAFÉ IDEAL ROOM

ERNEST HEMINGWAY TOURIST ROUTE

GENERAL ROUTE PLAN

1. Estació del Nord
2. Plaça de Bous
3. Hotel Metropol
4. Edificio de Correos
5. Ajuntament de València
6. Hotel Reina Victoria
7. Hotel Inglés
8. Café El Siglo
9. El Micalet
10. Café Ideal
11. Hotel Vincci Palace
12. Hotel Royal



A meeting point for intellectuals, there Ernest Hemingway shared conversations with John Dos Passos (like a brother to him) and Herbert Matthews, and moments of distraction with other expat journalists and people from similar backgrounds.

In this café, one of the most iconic during the 1920s, and especially during the 2nd Republic and Civil War, literary and political gatherings were held to discuss ideas and debate on the political and cultural future of the country. A great fan of cafés as a space to observe and converse, Hemingway visited this central establishment, especially when he was a correspondent for the North American Newspaper Alliance between July and November 1937.

Intellectuals such as Miguel Hernández, Josep Renau, Max Aub, Antonio Machado, Rafael Alberti, José Robles, Francisco Ayala, W.H. Auden and Octavio Paz also visited this café. Following Franco's victory, the elegant establishment distanced itself from its original function as an intellectual café to adapt to new tastes.

The café finally closed in later decades and the building was transformed for other commercial uses such as offices and stores. Today there is no visible sign of the historic building. In addition to this type of place, in *A Moveable Feast*, Hemingway revealed that he liked to go to places where they 'drink wine from a bota', and that only happened in the taverns.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Address: 19 La Pau Street, corner with Les Comèdies Street.

ACCESSIBILITY

Access: Accessible via ramps and no steps.

Parking: Spots reserved for PRM at 28 Les Avellanes Street.

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