



24. *L'Escorxador*

In 1826, Poble Nou de la Mar Town Council was established, a municipality that arose from uniting El Cabanyal, El Canyamellar and Cap de França, until then neighbourhoods of the San Tomás district of València. They were annexed to the city on 7 June 1897.

The building today known as *L'Escorxador*, was the municipal slaughterhouse and headquarters of Poble Nou de la Mar Council. During the neighbourhood struggle against the proposed development that intended to destroy part of the historic centre, it became a meeting place for assemblies and cultural activities.

L'Escorxador is built on a plot facing Sant Pere Street, where you can find the entrance, and Lluís Despuig Street. It consists of a two-storey main body with a single-pitched roof and a semi-covered back area where livestock was kept before slaughter.

On the ground floor, the façade has an entrance with curved lintel marking the central axis of the building; this is highlighted with simulated ashlar masonry topped by a relief shield of the city of València; there are two symmetrical openings on the sides, of which only one remains.

Four identical windows can be found on the upper level with a balcony door with a parapet, probably added at a later date. The wall section is decorated with raised geometric details topped with mouldings. An overhang with dentilled cornice finishes off the building.

In 2020, it was refurbished and extended by the València City Council Historic and Artistic Heritage Service to be used as a local archive and visitor's centre.