



48. Lighthouse of Ntra. Sra. de los Ángeles Church

The façade of Ntra. Sra. de los Ángeles church was flanked by two towers that stood out in height above the other buildings, mainly barracas. The tower to the south housed a beacon at the top, owned by the Fishermen's Guild, that was primarily used by the fishermen and sailors of El Cabanyal. It is included in the General plan of maritime lighting of the coasts and ports of Spain and adjacent islands of 1847, in the beacon light section.

It is considered a category 6 lighthouse according to a project dated 15 December 1860. Eduardo Mojados, an engineer belonging to the State Civil Engineers Corps, was author and director of construction work on the lighthouse, which was illuminated in 1862.

Los Ángeles lighthouse is one of the first lights in the Comunitat Valenciana, along with those of El Grau de València, the port of Denia, the port of Villajoyosa and the dock in Alicante, all prior to the General plan of maritime lighting of the coasts and ports of Spain and adjacent islands approved in 1847. The Plan argued in favour of conserving and improving the lights of Els Àngels and El Grau de València, considered to be small, fixed lights.

It is a unique lighthouse due to its peculiar location; regarding its possible transfer to the coast, Mojados decided to leave it in the same place as the old beacon to fulfil its main goal of guiding fishermen.

In December 1924, architect Víctor Gosálvez applied for a permit to dismantle the drum of the old lighthouse; work was completed in October 1925.

The location of this lighthouse is a landmark that shaped the landscape of the fishing district.