Welcome to Madrid

Located between the <u>Paseo del Arte (Art Walk)</u> and <u>El Retiro Park</u>, the museum was founded in 1912. It was originally intended to be used a place to train artisans, craftsmen, artists and connoisseurs of the industrial arts, following in the footsteps of other similar museums, such as the South Kensington Museum (now the Victoria and Albert Museum) in London, and the Musée des Arts Décoratifs in Paris.

Today, although most of the pieces are from Spain, there are also a considerable number of items from other countries. This allows us to look back over the centuries and explore the artistic connections between different areas, as well as the many luxury and everyday pieces that have been imported from abroad. The **oriental art collection** is a rather important one: it was started by King Charles III, who assembled the main part of today's collection for the Royal Cabinet of Natural History. The decorative oriental art selection is vast and includes pieces such as "arts of fire" (ceramics, crockery, porcelain, glassware), furniture, textiles, gold and silverware, metalwork, ivory, leatherwork, nativity scenes, artwork on paper, and some painting and sculpture.

YOU'LL ENJOY

The National Museum of Decorative Arts has recreated different artistic and architectural styles from the medieval room to the contemporary dining room, as well as Gothic, Renaissance, Rococo, Empire and Modernist styles throughout...and the list goes on! Covered from head to toe in tiles, the **18th-century Valencian kitchen** is one of the special highlights of the visit.





Accessibility

General

Since the end of 2015 the Museum has had an access ramp to the building located on Calle Montalbán. To use this ramp, you must notify the Museum staff in advance.

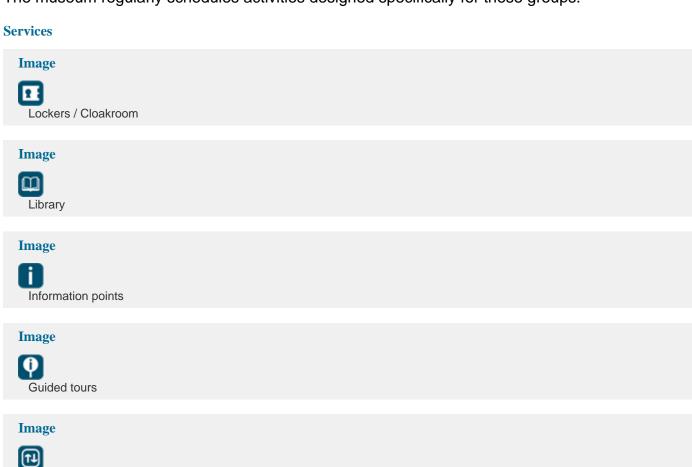
You can access the different floors via the lift. Owing to the size of the lift, you must use the wheelchair provided by the Museum, available on request.

Auditiva

The museum has magnetic loop systems and personal induction loops, as well as portable acoustic amplification devices to facilitate the visit.

Psiquica

The museum regularly schedules activities designed specifically for these groups.



Practical Information

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BiciMAD bike-share scheme

Alquiler de bicis (BiciMAD)

Docking Stations:

- Plaza de Cibeles
- Plaza de la Independencia, 6
- Calle Antonio Maura, 15

Price

Free entry to temporary exhibitions

General: 3 €

Reduced: 1.50 €

Annual card: 25 €

Free Entrance: Thursday afternoons, Saturdays from 2pm – 3pm and Sundays. 18 April, 18 May, 12 October and 6 December

and other special opening times.

Five-museum pass – Decorative Arts, Cerralbo, Romanticism, Sorolla, Lázaro Galdiano – €12. Valid for all five museums for ten days. More info

Type

Cultural venues Museums

Times

Tue - Sat: 9.30am - 3.00pm

Thursday: 5.00pm - 8.00pm

Sun & hols: 10.00am - 3.00pm

Closed on Thursday afternoons in July and August, Mondays, 1 & 6 Jan, 1 May, 24, 25

& 31 December & local holidays



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