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## CÁDIZ ACCESSIBLE ROUTE

## WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE ROUTE INSIDE THE OLD TOWN OF CADIZ

The old town of the city of Cadiz, which is not the case in many other cities, is home to individuals with reduced mobility to a great extent. One of the many existing options offered by the Municipal Tourism Delegation is this first wheelchair accessible route through the Old Town. This route will take visitors to some of the most beautiful and picturesque places in Cadiz, including La Caleta Beach, the La Viña District, the Genovés Park or the Central Market. Apart from discovering some of the city's magnificent enclaves, which are also ideal spots to enjoy the rich and varied cuisine, famous throughout Spain.



Setting off from the Tourist Welcome Centre, make your way along the streets known as Calle Cristóbal Colón and Calle San Francisco to the Plaza de San Francisco square. Special mention should be made of the Canalejas car park, just under the Tourist Office and with a wheelchair accessible exit to the avenue where the office is located.

Take Calle del Tinte to the Plaza de Mina square, where you can visit the Cadiz Provincial Museum, with wheelchair access through the main door. Then carry on to Plaza de San Antonio square, along Calle San José and Calle Ancha, which is home to many interesting shops

Continuing along the wheelchair-friendly section up Calle Zaragoza and Calle Cervantes, you will come to Plaza del Mentidero, a square that, apart from traditionally being a venue for Carnival, is historically important as it was one of the places where the first Spanish Constitution was enacted on 19 March 1812.

As you go up Calle González Tablas, you will come to the entrance to Genovés Park, a botanical garden and one of the most important green areas in the city's Old Town. At the end of the park, you will go out on to the Avenida Dr. Gómez Ulla, and then continue along that avenue until your reach La Caleta Beach, one of the most beautiful spots of Cadiz and which is often sung about in the Carnival ballads.

The entrance to the Santa Catalina Castle, a 17th century fort that is currently home to a wide range of exhibitions, and to the La Caleta Tourist Office, is within a stone's throw along the promenade.

Take Calle Ángel, a street leading off opposite the former La Palma Spa, which will plunge you into the Carnival and gourmet centre of the La Viña District, Calle Virgen de La Palma, and at the end of that street you will come to the church of the same name, a building dating back to the mid-18th century.

Continue along the Cristo de la Misericordia, José Cubiles and Hermano Ignacio streets to Plaza del Tío de la tiza, a square which is another key pot in the culinary heritage of Cadiz and its carnival. Leave the square along Calle Pastora, and then go along Calle Rosa and Calle María Arteaga to Plaza de la Cruz Verde.

Take Callejón Cardoso and go up Calle Libertad to the Cadiz Central Market, where, apart from the top quality fresh produce sold there, its Gourmet Corner is worth a mention and where the most traditional Cadiz cuisine is side-by-side international dishes and the most cutting-edge flavours.

Just a few metres away is Plaza Topete, which is better known as Flower Square, as it is brimming with colourful stalls selling flowers and plants. Carry on along Calle Compañía to Plaza de la Catedral, with the impressive view of Cadiz Cathedral looming up over the square. The cathedral was designed by the architect Vicente Acero in 1722 and completed in the first half of the 19th century.

From there, go down Calle Pelota to Plaza de San Juan de Dios, one of the city's best known squares as it is home to the City Hall. Cross the square to go down Calle Nueva to Calle Cristóbal Colón that will take you back to the Tourist Welcome Centre. the starting point of your route.

