

Tuesday, September 13th
Welcome reception at “Carmen de la Victoria”
For Delegates and Companions

The welcome reception is going to be developed at **19:30h** in the “*Carmen de la Victoria*”.

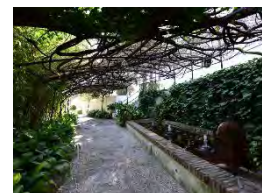
A *carmen* is a traditional house in Granada, which is characterized by having a garden that functions as an orchard, following the traditional Arab style. Most of these houses have a large whitewashed wall to avoid showing off their lush interiors to outsiders. Due to the relief of these neighborhoods, these estates are usually staggered and their lush vegetation protrudes to the outside.

On the slope of the Chapiz, at the foot of the Albaicin, is the *Carmen de la Victoria*, a traditional 19th-century estate.



This *carmen* was built on the remains of a convent expropriated with the disentailment that functioned for some years as a prison and hospital. Finally, in 1944, the *Carmen de la Victoria* was built as we know it today. The layout of the gardens has remained unchanged since its construction, preserving the essence of the garden and orchard so characteristic of Granada’s *carmenes*. At present, the Carmen de la Victoria belongs to the University of Granada and is used as a guest residence.

The garden area of this estate is full of hedges, fruit trees, and small fountains. The cypress walkway in the upper area is the oldest part of the *carmen*, fruit trees, and hedges. Also, inside you’ll find one of the greatest viewpoints of the Alhambra in Granada.



Location: Cuesta del Chapiz, 9