

Name 1	CASTILLO DE RETAMAR
Name 2	RETAMAR CASTLE
ID number	001.247.Almadén
Manager / Administrator	Municipality
Ownership	Public
Institution	TOWN HALL
Local / Original ID Number	001.001.001.003
Type of Object	Built heritage - other

DESCRIPTION

Short description	"The Retamar castle is located in the old town of Almadén, at the highest point of the town. It was built in the 12th century in the era of Arab rule to defend the treasure that was the Almadén Mine, and was known as the Fortress of the Mine. This medieval castle was part of an extensive network of fortifications that maintained a constant watch and defence."
Measures	The building formerly occupied a large area of the square and the surrounding houses, although the remains of the castle that have survived to this day are much smaller.
Materials	The castle is built with stone and limestone masonry, with ashlar mixed in between.

Dating	12th century12th century
Author / Producer	Tonw Hall Of Almadén

Illustrations

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Original use	Defended the treasure of Almadén mine, was also known as “Hins-al-madin” or “Fortress of the Mine”.
Present use	After the last restoration works, the castle has a vantage point where we can get an interesting view of Almadén (lookout).
Original location	All Town of Almadén
Present location	All Town of Almadén

STATE OF CONSERVATION

History of conservation:	"It was refurbished and enlarged in 1467 by Clavero López de Padilla, who belonged to the Order of Calatrava. In the 19th century, a part of the walls was restored and the square-shaped tower with the bell tower and the clock was built as well. After the last restoration works, the castle has a vantage point where we can get an interesting view of Almadén."
Present state	medium/acceptable
Necessary activities:	Regular maintenance and cleaning.

DOCUMENTATION

Addresses /collections/links etc. where further in-depth information is	
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accessible:	http://www.almaden.es/turismo/que-visitar/castillo-de-retamar.html http://www.comarcadealmaden.es/almaden/castillo_retamar.ph
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