

# ***BTEC in Textiles***



## *Colonial BTEC in Textiles*

Fuente Palmera has been said to be inhabited by quite entrepreneurial people, evidence of this is that, being the center point of growth in the agricultural sector, they have turned the fashion industry, among other things, into its main force focus of economic growth.



# *Fuente Palmera as the Bride's Town*

Currently Fuente Palmera is known as the Brides' Town. People come to our village to buy their dream wedding dress from all corners of the Spanish territory.



*Some of our local companies are also known worldwide especially the Family Business Higar Novias, which sell their products abroad in Europe, Asia and part of Africa in countries such as France, Italy or Poland.*



# *Wedding Fair*

The first week of October The Wedding Fair is celebrated in Fuente Palmera, where all companies related to the wedding sector expose their new collections, in different stands, so we can be shown products from wedding gowns, to accessories, etc.

In the afternoon there are parades to show their collections to all visitors who want to know this town and its work.



## ***The industry in this town***

Higar Novias' products are defined as being elegant, smart and eloquently finished. They are prized by for their design, quality dressmaking and speed of action. All their products are made in Andalusia.

They work on the whole process of a garment, except for the fabrics.



## *The products*

They only make bride wedding dresses, maid of honour dresses, cocktail dresses, prom dresses, etc and accessories such as handbags or party shoes.

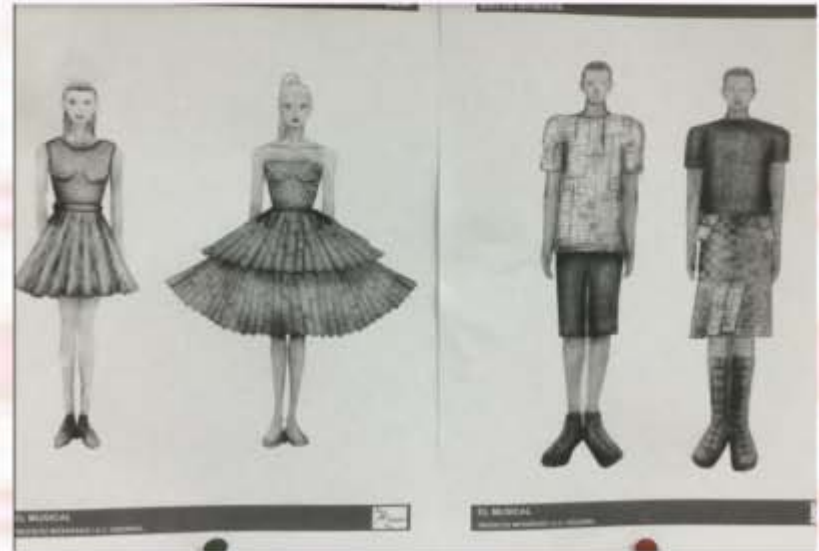
*They don't make male suits or children dresses. But they have them made in other places in Andalusia.*

*Higar Novias also has shops in Madrid and Barcelona.*



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*This and some other companies vindicates the existence of our Colonial BTEC in Textiles. Getting it has been our School Head Maria José Aguilera's goal for some years, and this is the reason why she has been Awarded as Colonist of the Year in 2017.*



# ***Colonial BTEC in Textiles***

Colonial BTEC in Textiles, which has now been running for three years, is the only one in Andalusia that offers dual training, that is, students are trained in companies and at school.





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It consists of two academic courses. During the two years students are trained at the companies three days a week and the other two days teaching lessons are taught at our School.

*But from March to June of the second year they carry out the F.C.T. (Training in work centres) every day at companies.*



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*The companies that collaborate in this project are mainly from Fuente Palmera such as: Higar Novias (novias meaning Bride in Spanish), Sara Ostos, Tres Globos, etc. But we also work with “El armario de Lucía” (Lucy’s wardrobe) in Palma del Río and the wilde known **Palomo Spain** in Posadas.*

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They study subjects such as *patrons, cutting of materials, industrial manufacturing, finishing touch or final manufacturing of clothes, etc.*

**To finish the course** the students who are seeking certification have to make a final study project.

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*The Town Hall and the Business Association provide our School Textile BTEC with a stand where we publicize our BTEC and teach visitors about our students' work.*

In addition, we are also in charge of the costume design for Fuente Palmera Wise Men Parade 2019 and for our present School Musical Project's costumes.



# ***MACHINERY AND TOOLS FOR CUTTING AND DESIGNING CLOTHING***

In the textile manufacturing workshop having the appropriate tools, equipment and materials is essential for a proper functioning and good quality of the garments that are made.



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At work tools such as scissors, tape measure, pins, needles among others are indispensable. It is also necessary to use specialized machinery. We also have a set of machines for a specific purpose.



***Thanks for your attention***

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