

Marmolejo is a Spanish municipality in the province of Jaén, Andalusia, bordering the province of Córdoba. It is crossed by the river Guadalquivir.

Marmolejo Economy is based on farming, the main cultivation, is the olive, besides corn, cotton, alfalfa...



History

The origin of Marmolejo started 462 before Christ, when the Carthaginians came here and called this village Utica. But the most important sucess in the history of Marmolejo was its waters, in the health resort. About the century XVII, a frenchman doctor wrote a book about the Marmolejo's medecin waters, and before that, lot of people around many different cities came here to drink our waters



Our Festivals

At the beginning of February is celebrated the candlemas night where friends, family and neighbords have dinner around a candle and they cook their food there.



At the end of February is celebrated the carnival, on it people wear originals costumes. A band usually go in the parade too, and every people sing and dance.



In April it is the easter, where there are some parades where procession images of virgins, Christ and sainthood. Most of people wear a special suit call "Nazareno" and womens can wear a blanck dress, both with a candle.





At the end of April we celebrated the pilgrimage to the Head Mount. Many peolpe go to see the Virgin, very popular around all Andalusia. We often wear our typicals costume.

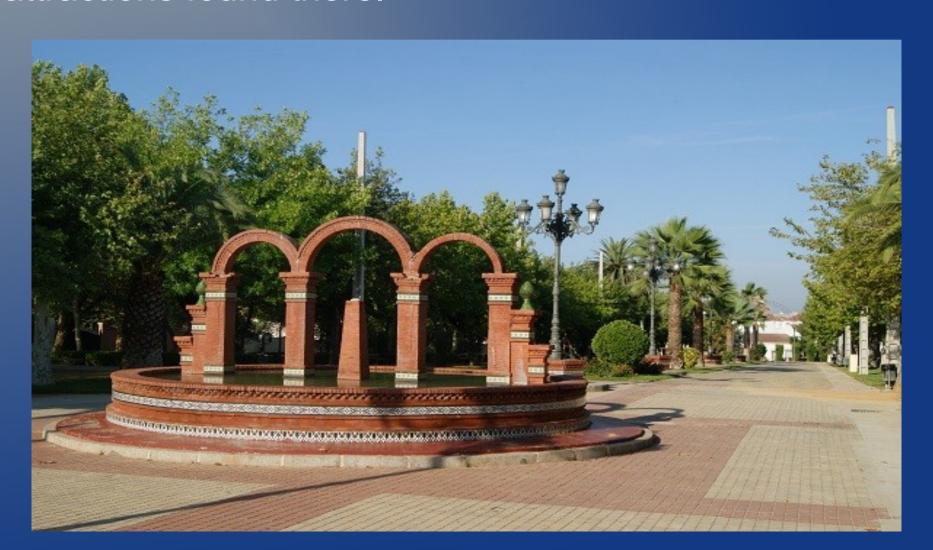


Monuments

There is a church call "Nuestra señora de la Paz", that was built in the 14th century. There is in the centre of Marmolejo. And there is another church call "Nuestro padre Jesus Nazareno", it is smaller than the other church.



In Marmolejo there is a big park call "Liverty Park. There, people go to walk and there are always lot of teenagers. At the middle there is a source and at the end of the park there is a tower. In time of fair , the attractions found there.



We also have a roman bridge surrounded by countryside. It was built between 1550 and 1587.



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