



History of l'Ampolla

L'AMPOLLA IS THE DAUGHTER OF THE BEAUTIFUL MEDITERRANEAN AND THE VIGOROUS RIVER EBRO

Introduction

Daughter of the Mediterranean sea and the Ebro river. The history of l'Ampolla starts with its appearance. From the fusion between the river and the sea, appeared a big pond with bottle silhouette this small marine population was born that was growing near the old mouth of the Ebro. The name of l'Ampolla is due to the amphora silhouette that had the old mouth of the river, a space that currently concentrates all the components of the Ebro Delta: sea, bay, land, dunes... one space where alters the flat terrain of alluvial alternates with the steep coastline, mud with rocks, olive trees with rice fields, margins with lagoons... creating a unique water blend of Mediterranean essence.

Ancient History

The origins of L'Ampolla go back to the Iberian era. Historians place l'Ampolla in the Greek city of Lebedontia, inhabited by the Iberian tribe of the edentants or erdets. The antiquity of the roots of the town is confirmed thanks to vestiges found in the Roman times, such as coins, amphorae and antefixes (ornamental motifs of cooked clay).





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Middle Ages

L'Ampolla had been an old hostel in Tortosa, located on the road between Tarragona and Valencia. In the XVI century, it was already inhabited by several fishermen families. The history of l'Ampolla is not only linked to fishing but also to maritime traffic. For example, when Pope Adrian left l'Ampolla to go to Rome in the XVI century.

In the XVIII century it began to extend the Spanish coast, which helped l'Ampolla with the tourist profile and other big Catalan cities, the beaches of the town were especially appreciated by the inhabitants of Tortosa who were carrying trains for swimmers. Since then, the summer season and tourism have become two key factors for l'Ampolla. Major events in history have also had an impact on people.

Modern History

As in 1917, in the First World War, a German submarine sank a French ship. In 1976, the Board of Segregation was formed, in 1980, the process of segregation by judicial process was achieved, although it will not be until November 15, 1989 when the Supreme Court will manifest it self favorably the creation of the new municipal term of L'Ampolla. Three months later, on February 28, 1990, the Supreme Court issued a new ruling which concluded the process of self-management of the town of L'Ampolla as a municipality of Catalonia. Town hall of L'Ampolla was subsequently constituted, on May 5, 1990.

Contemporary History

L'Ampolla is one of the youngest municipalities in the Ebro territories. During the XX century, its main historical episode was the struggle for segregation of Perelló, which was achieved after 50 years of confrontations. The Government of Catalonia published a decree in which it was segregation with the aim of being an independent municipality. A year later, with the approval of the decrees of Burgos, the independence of the municipality of L'Ampolla was made. Later, after the Franco regime, the people's segregation will again be promoted.

