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### Pilgrimage of Virgen de la Cabeza 2024

## Schedule of Events and Religious Services



### April 11, Thursday

**9:00 PM:** Old Church of Santa Marina.  
Launch of "Panegírico Historial Celebrativo y Ofereente en Honor a la Stma. Virgen de la Cabeza, Patrona de Andújar y de la Diócesis de Jaén, siglos XX y XXI" by Francisco Fuentes and Ramón Utrera.

### April 13, Saturday

**From 5:00 PM:** Plaza de España.  
**Second "Andújar por Sevillanas" Festival.**  
Performances by Pepe López, Gracia Morena, Marta Navarro, the Choir of the Main Brotherhood of the Virgen de la Cabeza, and groups Ecos de Sierra Morena, Almoradú, Entre Pinares, Alpical, and Lubricán. Festival concludes around 8:00 PM.

### April 14, Sunday

**Second Sunday of Proclamation and Invitation of Flags**  
**08:00 AM** Departure from the hermitage towards the residence of the Chief Sister, heading to Ollerías Street.  
**08:30 AM** Andújar Town Hall.  
**09:00 AM** Solemn Eucharist for the imposition of medals at the Church of Santa Maria la Mayor.  
**10:20 AM** Proclamation and invitation of flags:  
**10:45 AM** Church of Santiago Apóstol, Párroco Celedonio Cózar Street.  
**11:25 AM** Church of the Divina Pastora, Puerta de Madrid.  
**11:55 AM** Schools of the Sagrada Familia (SAFA), Puerta de Madrid.  
**12:45 PM** Church of San Eufrasio, 28 de Febrero Avenue.  
**02:15 PM** Arrival at the Hermitage.  
**04:40 PM** Departure from the Hermitage.  
**05:20 PM** Convent of the Madres Mínimas, Jesús María Street.  
**06:40 PM** "ORPEA" Senior Living, Juan Sebastián Elicano Avenue.  
**07:50 PM** Church of Cristo Rey, San Juan Street.  
**08:40 PM** Arrival at the Hermitage.

### April 15, Monday

**8:30 PM** Palacio de los Niños de Don Gome. Introduction of the "Mirando al Santuario" magazine.

### April 16, Tuesday

**8:30 PM** Hermitage of the Virgen, Ollerías Street. Musical concert dedicated to la Virgen de la Cabeza by Antonio Jesús Pareja.

### April 17, Wednesday

**11:00 AM** Main Theater. Children's Pilgrimage Proclamation.

### April 18, Thursday

**8:30 PM** Old Church of Santa Marina. Lecture titled "Historia de la Unidad Especial de Caballería de la Policía Nacional", organized by the Equestrian Cultural Association La Garrocha de Sierra Morena.

### April 19, Friday

**9:00 PM** Old Church of Santa Marina. Presentation of the Golden Romero awards to Pedro Montesinos and José Carlos De Torres.

### April 20, Saturday

**6:30 PM** Main Theater. Pilgrimage Proclamation by José Luis Criado Barragán.

### April 21, Sunday

**Third Sunday of Proclamation and Flag Invitation**  
**08:30 AM** Departure from the Hermitage towards Ollerías Street, residence of the Chief Sister.  
**09:00 AM** Departure to San Miguel. Route: Ollerías Street, Plaza de la Constitución, and Plaza de España.  
**09:30 AM** Solemn Eucharist for the imposition of medals. Church of San Miguel Arcángel.  
**11:20 AM** Church of San Bartolomé, Corredera San Bartolomé.  
**11:50 AM** National Police Station, Corredera San Bartolomé.  
**12:20 PM** Chapel of the Hermandad del Buen Remedio, Cuna Street.

### Blessing of the Romero Horse, Plaza de España

**11:45 AM to 12:15 PM** Gathering of horses on Lisboa Avenue.  
**12:15 PM** Departure, arrival at Plaza de España: 1:30 PM.  
Route: Blas Infante Avenue, Puerta de Madrid, Corredera Capuchinos, Plaza del Sol, Andalucía Avenue, Paseo Joaquín Colodrero, Paseo de Colón, Paseo Vistillas, Dr. Fleming, 12 de Agosto Street, Isidoro Miñón Street, Plaza Vieja, Eduardo Criado Street, Gabriel Zamora Street, El Pino Street, Lope de Vega Street, La Palma Street, Bernardino Martínez Street, Hermitage.

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del Sol, Altozano Virgen María, Truco Street, and Plaza de España.  
Departure to Colón Park for social gathering via José María González Street, Serpiente Street, 12 de Agosto Avenue, Dr. Fleming, Paseo Real de la Feria, and Colón Park.

### April 22, Monday

**Proclamation and Invitation of Flags**  
**09:00 AM** Virgen de la Cabeza Health Center, Dr. Fleming Street.  
**09:45 AM** IES (High School) Nuestra Señora de la Cabeza, Argimiro Rodríguez Street.  
**10:45 AM** Madre del Divino Pastor School, María Ana Mogas Street.  
**11:45 AM** APROMPSI, Ave María Industrial Estate.  
**12:45 PM** "Virgen de la Cabeza" Disability Center, Granada Avenue.  
**01:45 PM** Alto Guadalquivir Hospital.

### April 23, Tuesday

**12:00 PM** Los Trinitarios School.  
**XXXVII Youth Proclamation of the Pilgrimage.** Plaza de España.  
**05:00 PM** X Exhibition of Sevillanas and Fandango Romero "Manolo López". 1st and 2nd category (ages 5 to 12 years).

### April 24, Wednesday

**11:00 AM** Isidoro Vilaplana School.  
**XXII School Pilgrimage.** Flower Offering and subsequent route: CEIP Isidoro Vilaplana, Palominos Street, Altozano de la Victoria, Jesús María Street, Calancha Street, Plaza Vieja, San Francisco Street, Plaza Rivas Sabater, Market of Supplies, Ollerías Street, Plaza de la Constitución, Plaza de España, Plaza de la Constitución, Guadalupe Street, Juderías Street, 12 de Agosto Avenue, Isidoro Miñón Street, Plaza Vieja, Vendederas Street, Altozano de la Victoria, Ancha Street, Mestanza Round, and back to CEIP Isidoro Vilaplana.  
**05:00 PM** (Approx.) Plaza de España.  
**X Exhibition of Sevillanas and Fandango Romero "Manolo López".** 3rd category (+13 years). Followed by a Pilgrimage Flashmob.  
**10:00 PM** Plaza de España.  
**Concert by Raya Real.**

### April 25, Thursday

**08:20 AM** Departure from the Hermitage.  
**08:40 AM** Departure from the residence of the Chief Sister.  
**09:00 AM** Institutional visit to the Andújar Town Hall.  
**09:30 AM** Reception by the students of CEIP Capitán Cortés and CEIP Francisco Estepa, Plaza de España.  
**10:00 AM** "Andrés Cristino" Caritas Home.  
**10:30 AM** RR.MM. Trinitarias Convent.  
**11:00 AM** San Rafael-San José de la Montaña Center.  
**11:20 AM** Marketplace.  
**11:50 AM** San Juan de Dios Senior Residence.  
**12:30 PM** Virgen de la Cabeza School-Trinitarian Fathers.  
**01:30 PM** Inmaculada Concepción La Salle School.  
**02:00 PM** Active Participation Center-Pensioner's Home.  
**02:30 PM** Arrival at the Hermitage.

## MAYOR'S GREETING

As our Festival of the Virgen de la Cabeza approaches, I find myself reflecting on its unique role in Andújar. It's not just a deeply-rooted tradition, but a major event that crosses borders, drawing visitors from around the globe. As Mayor of Andújar, I see this celebration as a splendid opportunity to showcase the richness of our culture, our traditions, and our city's hospitality.

The festival is not only a time for devotion and faith but also a reason and place for gatherings and enjoyment that enrich our community, boosting tourism and the local economy. It's a window to our traditions, an open invitation for people from everywhere to join us in this unique experience. The influx of visitors is vital for our city, contributing not only to economic development but also to cultural and social exchange, placing Andújar on the national and international tourism map. Beyond the economic impact, the festival provides a special time and space to reconnect with family and friends, to experience joy and camaraderie.

My commitment remains to work towards making Andújar a landmark destination for all, ensuring that our Festival of the Virgen de la Cabeza is synonymous with joy and devotion, coexistence and fraternity, tradition and fun, development and progress.

May this year's festival reflect the hospitality of Andújar and its people, inviting everyone to share and enjoy the best of our land and our neighbors.

Warm regards,

*Paco Linares*  
Francisco Carmona,



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**Flower Offering to the Virgin de la Cabeza**  
**07:00 PM** Procession for the transfer of the image to Plaza de España.  
**08:30 PM** Flower Offering.  
**11:50 PM** (Approx.) Transfer of the image to the Church of San Miguel Arcángel and entronement of the Virgen de la Cabeza.

### April 26, Friday

**Reception of Affiliate Brotherhoods**  
**06:20 PM** Departure of the Main Brotherhood towards the Roman Bridge. Itinerary: Plaza de España, Feria Street, Altozano Serrano Plato, Altozano José Manuel Estepa, Aduana Street, Alcázar Street, Paseo Joaquín Colodrero.  
**07:00 PM** Reception of the Affiliate Brotherhoods. Itinerary: Paseo de Colón, Paseo de las Vistillas, Corredera San Bartolomé, Plaza Vieja, San Francisco, Plaza de la Autonomía, Ollerías Street, Plaza de la Constitución.  
**08:30 PM** Reception in Plaza de España.  
**Cavalry:**  
- Itinerary 1: Two-Way: Carriages and Cavalry.  
From the Olive Roundabout (Andalucía Avenue with Silera Street), Andalucía Avenue, Firefighters Roundabout (Andalucía Avenue with Santa Úrsula Street), Paseo de Joaquín Colodrero, Colón Park, Hortelano Roundabout (Paseo de Colón with Puerta de Córdoba), Paseo de las Vistillas and Paseo de las Vistillas Roundabout with San Bartolomé.  
- Itinerary 2: One-Way.  
From Hortelano Roundabout (Paseo de Colón with Puerta de Córdoba) towards Dr. Fleming, 12 de Agosto Avenue, Isidoro Miñón Street, Plaza Vieja, Corredera San Bartolomé, Roundabout with Paseo de las Vistillas.  
**From 06:00 PM** until joining the Paseo de las Vistillas to perform the Official Parade (approx. at 08:30 PM), carriages and cavalry will be near the Hortelano Roundabout, and they can use the roads that have been freed once the last Brotherhood has passed from the Official Parade.  
- Official Parade. Itinerary 3: Carriages and Cavalry.  
Once the last Brotherhood arrives at Plaza de España, the parade will open for Carriages (approx. 08:15 PM) and Cavalry (approx. 08:30 PM) which will be ready at the Hortelano Roundabout.  
Route: Hortelano Roundabout, Paseo de las Vistillas, Vistillas Roundabout, Corredera San Bartolomé, Plaza Vieja, San Francisco Street, Plaza de la Autonomía, Ollerías Street, 22 de Julio Street, and Plaza del Sol, to exit to Corredera Capuchinos and Andalucía Avenue.



## USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS



BASILICA - SANCTUARY	953 549 015
MAIN BROTHERHOOD (AFTERNOONS ONLY)	953 982 337 / 610 321 304
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND ENVIRONMENT	953 512 410
HONORABLE CITY HALL OF ANDÚJAR	953 508 200
EMERGENCIES	112
BUS STATION	953 513 120
FEDERATION OF PILGRIMAGE ASSOCIATIONS	664 499 737
CIVIL GUARD	953 515 920
CIVIL GUARD AT THE SANCTUARY	953 122 357
ALTO GUADALQUIVIR HOSPITAL	953 021 400
MUNICIPAL TOURISM OFFICE	953 504 959
LOCAL POLICE	953 525 019
CIVIL PROTECTION	655 520 609
RENFE (TRAIN SERVICE)	912 320 320
EMERGENCY VETERINARY SERVICE	622 528 334
PRIVATE TOWING SERVICE	953 515 059
TAXIS	953 505 050

## HOW TO GET THERE AND DOWNLOADS



Lugar Nuevo



Public Parking at the Sanctuary



Royal Basilica Sanctuary of Virgen de la Cabeza



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**April 28, Sunday**

- 00:30 AM Holy Rosary. Pathways of the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary.
- 10:00 AM Solemn Pontifical Eucharist.
- 11:15 AM **Grand procession of the Virgen de la Cabeza through the Sanctuary town.**
- 03:15 PM Entry of the Virgen de la Cabeza into the Royal Basilica Sanctuary.
- 07:30 PM Mass with the pilgrim brotherhoods and Solemn Magnificat.



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**April 29, Monday**

- 10:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass at Plan del Cerro.
- 11:00 AM Farewell ceremony of the Main Brotherhood.
- 12:00 PM Departure of the Main Brotherhood from the Sanctuary town.
- 01:30 PM Entry of the Main Brotherhood into Nuevo Lugar.
- 03:30 PM Departure of the Main Brotherhood from Nuevo Lugar.
- 05:30 PM Entry of the Main Brotherhood into San Ginés.
- 06:00 PM Departure of the Main Brotherhood from San Ginés.
- 07:30 PM Entry of horse-drawn carriages into Andújar.  
Itinerary: Carrera de la Virgen, Calancha Street, Plaza Vieja, San Francisco Street, Ollerías Street, Plaza de la Constitución, Plaza de España.
- 08:30 PM Entry of the cart caravan into Andújar.  
Itinerary: Verbena Street, Palma Street, Historiador Antonio Terreros Street, Puerta Madrid Avenue, Corredera Capuchinos.
- 09:30 PM Entry of the Main Brotherhood into Andújar.  
Itinerary: Municipal Cemetery, Historiador Salcedo Olid Street, Carrera de la Virgen, Calancha Street, Plaza Vieja, San Francisco Street, Ollerías Street, Plaza de la Constitución, Plaza de España.
- 11:00 PM Solemn Thanksgiving Salve at the Church of San Miguel Arcángel.

**Important information**

**April 27 and 28, Saturday - Sunday**

**Upward Traffic: Andújar to the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary of Nuestra Señora de la Cabeza (A-6177)** in both directions until 2:00 AM on Sunday, April 28.

Those coming from Lugar Nuevo who do not wish to ascend to the hill, access to Andújar will be closed at 1:00 AM on Sunday, April 28, at the junction of the Sanctuary roads (A-6177) and Alcaparrosa (JV-5011). Road from La Parrilla (JV-5012) to the E-5 Highway can be used.

**Downward Traffic: From the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary of Nuestra Señora de la Cabeza to Andújar (A-6177)** from 2:00 AM on Sunday, April 28, until the last vehicle reaches Andújar.

On Saturday, access to Lugar Nuevo (Km 22, of the A-6177) with vehicles through the Chain Road (forest track) will not be possible.

Buses with access cards to brotherhood houses must leave their vicinity before 2:00 PM.

From 5:00 PM on Saturday, the section between the junction of A-6177 and the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary becomes pedestrian-only. Traffic from Andújar to the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary of Nuestra Señora de la Cabeza (A-6177) from the last vehicle arriving from the Sanctuary (approx. 3:00 AM) until 10:00 AM.

**Only vehicles with a card will be allowed access until 7:00 PM in the stretch between A-6177 and the Brotherhood House of Marmolejo.**

**After that time, no vehicle access will be allowed, except buses to their general parking area.**

At 7:00 AM on Sunday, bus access to the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary will be cut off at the start of the A-6177 Road, next to the Del Val Hotel.

Traffic will resume at 11:00 AM on Monday as traffic conditions allow.



**VETERINARY SERVICE AND HORSE TOWN**

**Old sanctuary road**

Veterinary service on the roads up and down the hill with assistance points in Andújar (Cemetery), San Gines, Lugar Nuevo, and Sanctuary.

**Horse Town:**

Horse Town will offer both closed (Box) and open stabling.

Any horse stabled within, either in a box or outside, will have access to water and food from Saturday, April 27, 2024, to Monday, April 29, 2024.

**Emergency Veterinary Service 24h from Saturday to Monday.**  
Phone: 622 528 334

**Truck traffic and other vehicles weighing over 7,500 kg are banned from the roads leading to the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary from 3:00 PM on Friday, April 26, until Monday, April 29. Vehicle parking is also prohibited throughout April, except for officially designated emergency response vehicles.**

Permissions for vehicles over 7,500 kg to access the Basilica and Royal Sanctuary must be requested at the **Provincial Traffic Headquarters in Jaén** (by appointment only), **Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM**. Applications must include a favorable report from the Local Police of Andújar.

**Parking and camping outside designated areas** by the Civil Guard and Local Police is strictly prohibited, especially on shoulders, roads, evacuation routes, and forest tracks.

**Public Way Use:** The setting up of bars, tables, or any structures occupying public spaces, under arcades, or in any public area is forbidden, except for those parts of hospitality establishments that have specific authorization.

**Musical Emissions:** From April 25 to April 29, all Brotherhood Houses, Pilgrim Hostels, and public venues from the Marmolejo Brotherhood House junction to the Basilica of the Sanctuary of Nuestra Señora de la Cabeza are prohibited from playing music outdoors, installing speakers on facades or using standalone sound systems, except for authorized hospitality establishments.

**FOREST FIRE PREVENTION MEASURES FOR PILGRIMS, CARRIAGES, AND RIDERS**

The use of fire is strictly prohibited except for food preparation in designated areas\*. Throwing or leaving papers, plastics, glass, or any type of waste or flammable material on the ground, which could potentially start a fire, is forbidden. If using a generator, place it in a clear area free of vegetation, surrounded by a cleared strip of grass at least 5 meters in diameter. All waste produced must be collected and disposed of in appropriate containers.

\* **Designated Areas:** Food preparation in forested areas under the Plan Cerro includes (unless an early start to the high-risk period necessitates a general fire ban):

- built-in barbecues authorized for wood use (Encinarejo Recreational Area, La Recta Recreational Area, El Jabali Recreational Area).
- Use of gas stoves is permitted in designated areas on flat terrain clear of forest vegetation, with a clean grass strip of at least 5 meters in diameter.

**GENERAL PLAN FOR THE ROMERÍA VIRGEN DE LA CABEZA 2024**



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Logos for participating organizations: PLAN CERRO, Junta de Andalucía, ANDÚJAR, 112, and others.

**SITE PLAN DETAILS**

Medical Meeting Point, Medical Care Point, Drinking Water Station, Civil Protection, Hotel, Public Services (WC), Hydration Station, Ice Sales.

**COLOR-CODED AREAS**

Horse City, Municipal Parking, Main Road, Access and Evacuation Routes.

- 69 VISITOR CENTER:** Thursday, April 25: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM; Friday, April 26 to Sunday, April 28: 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM; Monday, April 29: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
- 72 SERVICE COORDINATION:** Medical Assistance: 061; Local Police, Fire Department, Civil Protection, Municipal Services: 112; Emergency Coordination Center.
- 73 VETERINARY SERVICE AND HORSE CITY:** Phone 622 528 334.

63 Albergues Romeros Mirando al Santuario	14 Colomera	13 Madrid
41 Córdoba	62 Cuartel de la Guardia Civil	56 Málaga
64 Albergues Romeros Virgen de la Cabeza	04 Daimiel	20 Mancha Real
24 Alcaía de Henares	60 Edificio Municipal	03 Manises
09 Alcaía la Real	32 El Carpio	45 Marbella
26 Almodovar del Campo	19 El Toboso	34 Marmolejo
12 Andújar	36 Elche	28 Martos
15 Arjona	59 Federación de Peñas Romeras	01 Mengibar
18 Arjonilla	10 Fuerte del Rey	02 Montoro
43 Baena	37 Granada	10 Nubelojo
07 Bailén	49 Higuera de Calatrava	54 Peña el Caballo
67 Basílica Real Santuario Mtra. Sra. de la Cabeza	65 Hotel Rest. La Mirada T: 953 54 91 11	53 Peña el Madroño
51 Benatúa de las Villas	86 Hotel Rest. Sierra de Andújar T: 953 54 91 18	08 Mengibar
35 Benamejil	47 Huelva	62 Montoro
68 Caja Rural	71 Huerto Trinitarios	10 Nubelojo
40 Campillo de Arenas	08 Jaén	52 Refugio de los Peregrinos
46 Cañete de las Torres	11 Jamiéna	29 Ruta
39 Carchelejo	57 Jódar	35 Santiago de Calatrava
17 Castillo de Lucubín	36 La Carolina	27 Torredonjimeno
48 Cazalla	30 Lahniguera	44 Torres
70 Cementerio Guardia Civil	33 Linares	22 Valenzuela
69 Centro de visitantes, Oficina turística	31 Logera	23 Villanueva de la Reina
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