



House of the Inquisition

Monument not open to the public.

The first house we come across when we reach Palm Road from the Cuatro Caños square is called the House of the Inquisition, for having once belonged to that institution. Pastrana did not have a court of the Inquisition – the closest ones were in Cuenca and Toledo – but it did have a seat where the so-called relatives carried out the bureaucratic procedures and the surveillance of the neighbours. And much was the work they had due to the large population that Pastrana attained in the 17th century.

It is a large building of three floors, on which the corner balcony draws our attention and, in the sobriety of its facade, the coat of arms of the Holy Office. This one has a cross, a sword (symbol of the treatment of heretics) and a palm (the olive branch that reminds us of the reconciliation of the repentant). It is from this palm that the street takes its name.