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Architectural Guide Madrid

Madrid, the highest geographical centre of Spain, is one of the largest cities in Europe. Although the Castilian town was declared a royal seat and capital in the sixteenth century, it began to develop into a truly big city only at the beginning of the twentieth century. The construction of the Gran Vía was a major contributor to this development: for Madrid, for example, the famous streetcar is what the Boulevard Haussmann is for Paris or Fifth Avenue for New York. Its completion around 1929 marked the beginning of the change from a historical city to a modern metropolis.

The *Architectural Guide Madrid* takes this urbanisation phase as a starting point to accompany Madrid on its way to the lively and restless metropolis that we know today. This volume presents 150 significant buildings that sprang up in Madrid since 1919. Seven routes lead through twenty-one districts of the city: from the centre, the Manzanares River leads to many cultural buildings and further on to the shops and businesses in the neighbourhoods of Chamartín and Salamanca. From there, the tour continues into the financial and university district, north of the city centre, and finally to the southern and eastern outskirts of the city. This book presents the architectural examples that illustrate the city's history and current urban changes. It also covers the analysis of the city planning and the districts' networking. It also explains the influence that the construction of Gran Vía has on today's urban development. This ambitious project, which took over four decades to be completed, was one of the largest urban enterprises in Madrid, with enormous social, economic, and cultural impacts on the city to this day.

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