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## Covilhã's Old Jewish Quarter (Judaiaria)

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### **ABOUT**

The old Jewish Quarter used to be demarcated by what are now the Rua das Flores, Rua do Ginásio Clube, Rua da Alegria, Beco da Alegria and Travessa da Alegria, making up a self-contained area within the medieval city walls.

The narrow, winding streets follow the slope of the hill, blending into the terrain and the city walls.

The houses follow the medieval pattern, with 2 or 3 floors, the ground floor being used as a shop and the upper ones as living quarters.

The most important decorative features are two Manueline windows, one at Rua das Flores 29 and the other at Rua do Ginásio Clube 39.

Archaeological data shows that the Synagogue, the centre of knowledge in Jewish communities, was in the Rua das Flores.

### **Other information**

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