# El Jardín Secreto de Salvador Bachiller - A Secret Rooftop Paradise on Calle Montera

Among the constant crowds along Calle Montera, there is a hidden little paradise nestled atop the rooftop of an accessories shop: **El Jardín Secreto de Salvador Bachiller**. Access to this magical new <u>rooftop bar</u> is still a secret, so enjoy it before the word gets out.

At night, the shop is empty and the security guard invites you to take the elevator, which makes you feel just like you're in a James Bond movie. As you walk in, you no longer feel as though you were in the city centre but rather, in a lush and soothing garden. The place offers a romantic atmosphere with flowers everywhere and dim lighting.



The cocktail menu offers creative drinks, ranging from a Mango Margarita to a Berry Mojito, which sets them apart from more traditional bars in the area. Also, candies are served with your cocktails and a bowl of nuts with your wine.



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As for the food, it's healthy and served with multi-grain bread. Perfect for breakfast or a *merienda* (afternoon snack). And for dessert, I highly recommend the exquisite *Coulant de Chocolate* with passion fruit.



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The prices are rather high but the experience is unique and worth it. A terrace tax of 20% will be added to orders.

#### Info

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• Address: Calle Montera 37

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# Discover The Hat's secret rooftop bar. You're welcome.

Madrid may be landlocked, but it has some pretty unbelievable <a href="rooftop bars">rooftop bars</a>, and you'll find my favorite at **The Hat**. Why? Because it's laid-back, central and totally unexpected.

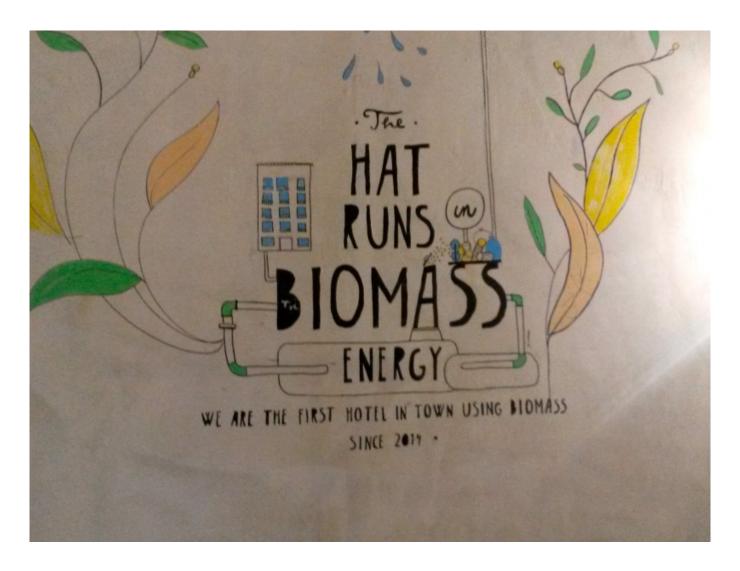




Just a stone's throw from Plaza Mayor, The Hat is a hotel -

but the kind you've never seen before. The first hotel in the city to run on biomass energy and appeal to 'smart travellers', The Hat boasts ultra-modern interior design and also holds free walking tours and markets.





But the best part is the rooftop bar, where you can enjoy the quaint views of Madrid's old buildings while basking in the sun and sipping on your favorite *iced* drink… How could you not want to spend the whole day up here?



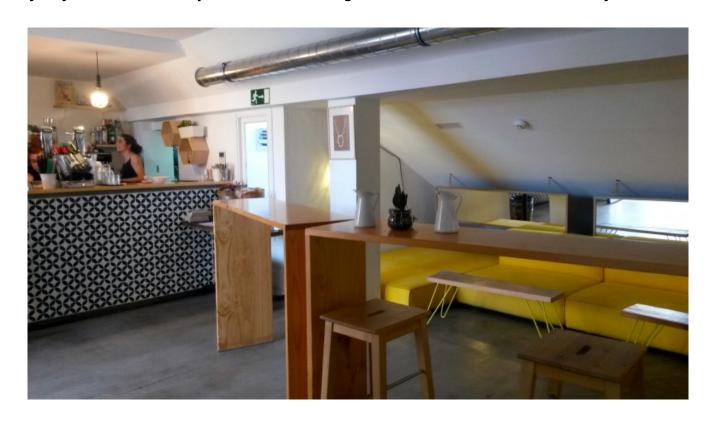




James and I first discovered this secret **terraza** during winter, thanks to a small yet very clear sign out on the street.



With outdoor heating and a nice indoor space, The Hat's rooftop bar quickly became our spot. It's cozy on even the coldest winter night in Madrid. Along with a glass of red, I always ordered the tosta de queso de cabra con cebolla caramelizada (toasted bread with goats cheese and caramelized onions) and James got the pincho de tortilla. Both come with a side of potato chips and a shot of salmojero (a wonderful little addition to an already delicious treat). I've also got my eye on their quiche, although I haven't tried them yet.



Yesterday, we finally made it up to **The Hat's rooftop bar** for the first time this Spring. On one of those perfect sunny days in Madrid, we thought it would be impossible to find a table — but we did! And it was simply the nicest place to spend a day like that in the bustling city center. The only downside is that if you don't get a seat in the shade, Madrid's sun can be quite intense. So remember to get something to cool off — I recommend a **mojito** or **tinto de verano**.







The Hat will certainly be included in the upcoming round four of our series on <a href="Madrid's best rooftop bars">Madrid's best rooftop bars</a>, though it deserved its own post too.

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### Madrid's best rooftop bars, round 3

Welcome to **round 3** of **Madrid's best rooftop bars!** We hope that by now you've already visited and enjoyed some of the ones we've mentioned in <u>round 1</u> and <u>round 2</u>. This third list includes **5 magnificent rooftop bars—**all but one of which are located right smack in the center of Madrid. Thus if you find yourself strolling along the Gran Vía or the Royal Palace, please know that there is a rooftop terrace with champagne and wine awaiting you!

\*all photos are from each place's official webpage, unless noted otherwise

### 8. <u>Apartosuites Jardines de</u> <u>Sabatini</u>

Address: Cuesta San Vicente, 16

Metro: Principe Pio and Plaza de España

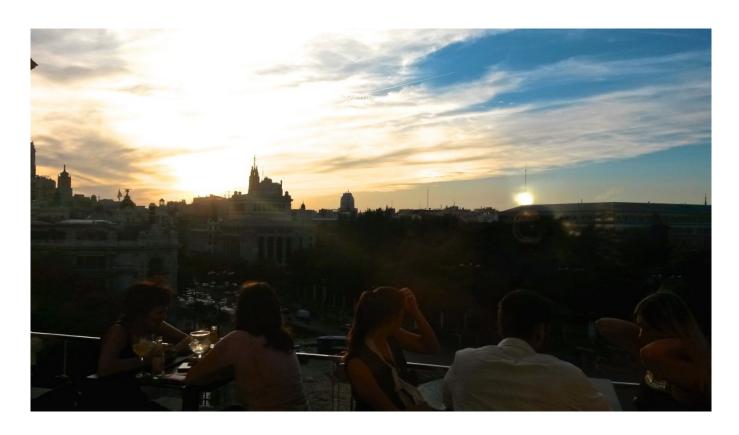


Named after the **Gardens of the Royal Palace (Jardines de Sabitini)**, this hotel has a very nice advantage, as it overlooks both the beautiful **Jardines** and stunning **Palacio Real**. What's more, during the summer, the royal garden plays host to a series of traditional theater, music and dance performances, from flamenco to **Zarzuela**. This hotel rooftop gets a private concert as it's a stone's throw from the stage!

#### 9. Bar Terraza Palacio De Cibeles

Address: Plaza de Cibeles, 1 (Palacio de Cibeles 6ª Planta)

Metro: Banco de España

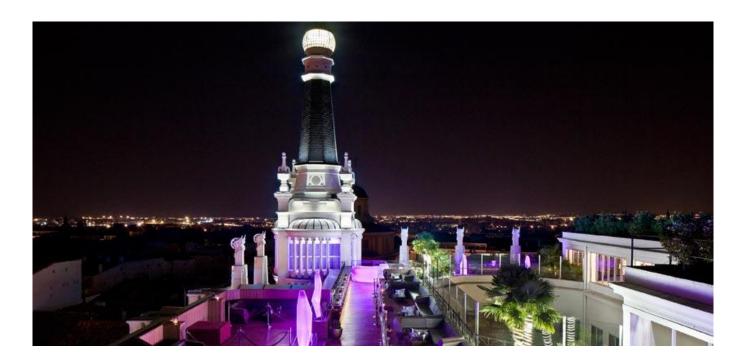


Overlooking Plaza de Cibeles, Paseo del Prado and Madrid's breathtaking skyline, this iconic and postcard-perfect building used to be the city's main post office, although it has just recently been refurbished and turned into a museum and cultural center with free entry. The building's interior is beautiful; the first few floors are dedicated to art exhibits, while the 6th floor is now known as Terraza Cibeles, a fancy restaurant & cocktail bar overlooking the city with stunning views. Prices on drinks are high, as you can imagine, but the whole experience is a real treat. What's more, every 30 minutes there are scheduled visits to the mirador (lookout point) for just €2 and €0,50 for under-12-year-olds. Opened to the public for the first time, the visit takes you to the highest point of the building, situated at the very top of the tower on the 8th floor.

### 10. <u>The Roof</u> at ME Madrid Reina Victoria Hotel

Address: Plaza de Santa Ana, 14

Metro: Sol, Sevilla



I've never been here, mainly because it's way too fancy and exclusive for my taste, but The Roof is one of Madrid's most famous rooftop bars, located atop the high-end Meliá Hotel in Plaza de Santa Ana, one of Madrid's most famous squares full of bars and restaurants. Take the elevator up to the top floor and you'll find beautiful views, purple lighting contrasted against the building's white tower, expensive cocktails, fine cuisine and lounge chairs. It must make for a truly glamorous experience.

### 11. Hotel Urban

Address: Carrera de San Jerónimo, 34

Metro: Sevilla



As its name entails, **Hotel Urban** is extremely fashionable and modern. The hotel also prides itself on having an art deco look and contemporary-style interior design. Its high-end restaurant is named **Europa Decó**, its oyster bar is named **The Glass Bar**, and its spectacular rooftop is named **La Terraza del Urban**. If you like sipping on cocktails in chic bars with exquisite views, you will absolutely love this place...

### 12. <u>Hotel Silken Puerta América</u> <u>Madrid</u>

Address: Avenida de America, 41

Metro: Cartagena



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This is the first rooftop terrace we've mentioned that is not within walking distance from Sol! Hotel Silken stands out along Madrid's major highway for its multicolored facade and unconventional shape. Making it even more unique, each of the hotel's 12 floors was designed by an internationally acclaimed architect, including Arata Isozaki from Japan, Zaha Hadid from Iran and Norman Foster from the UK. Highly modern to say the least, this hotel is situated near Avenida de America, a transport and business hub that draws in all kinds of crowds. The hotel's rooftop terrace is absolutely incredible in summer; it is an open-air nightclub that offers a much appreciated breeze, plus a significant drop in temperature as it's so high up!

If you're looking for more of Madrid's best rooftop bars, check out <u>round 1</u> and <u>round 2</u> of this series.

And of course, if we've missed any, let us know!

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