

# Cuenca

## What to see:

Less than two hours driving from Madrid, you'll find the city of **Cuenca**, which is a "must-see" kind of place if you're travelling around Spain. **Cuenca** was named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1999 and its *Hanging Houses* well deserve such honor.

These iconic houses from Cuenca were built in the 15th century and the best way to see them is from the bridge of San Pablo. Another city monument is the Cathedral of Cuenca, whose construction started in the 12th century.

Once you walk around the city and check out other important sites, you should also enjoy the city's gastronomy. As in most parts of Spain, Cuenca has a passion for meat and a tender roast lamb is its specialty. I can't tell you which is the best "Asador" or rotisserie in the city, but here's a link to [Trip Advisor](#). Hope you have fun finding the right place (please let us know if you do)!

## How to get there:

### • By Train (AVE-Medium Distance)

**Depart from: Atocha train station**

**Schedule:**

Departure ([Madrid-Cuenca](#))

Return ([Cuenca-Madrid](#))

**Duration:** approx. 50min (AVE) 2h 50min (Medium distance)

**Price AVE (High speed): 24€** (round trip approx. 48€).

**Price (medium distance): 14€** (round trip approx.

28).

▪ **By bus**

**Depart from:** Méndez Álvarez

**Schedule:** [Check Avanza web site \(English\)](#)

**Duration:** approx. 2 hour 10 min

**Price:** 14€ (round trip 28€)

**Where to find it on a map:**