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Thyssen Museum

Located in the Castellana Street, close to the Gran Via in the XIXth century Palace of Villahermosa. The Museum houses nearly 800 paintings. The collection was begun in 1920 by the Baron von Thyssen-Bornemisza's father, who upon his death distributed the work among his various heirs. Keen to bring his father's collection together, the Baron bought back most of the work from his relatives and subsequently acquired large numbers of new works to assemble one of the world's finest private art collections. The museum was opened in 1992 after an agreement between the Baron and the Spanish government, with the works originally on loan, but a year later the collection was bought outright. The museum contains fine examples of Italian primitives and works from the English, Dutch and German schools. The modern collection includes Impressionist, Expressionist as well as European and American paintings from the latter half of the 20th century.



Reina Sofia

Madrid's National Museum of Modern Art, The collection is housed in the former premises of Madrid's General Hospital, which were built in the late 18th century. Although the interior is now a computer-controlled environment, it retains much of the atmosphere of the original building.

The highlight of this Museum of 20th century art is without doubt Picasso's "Guernica". It also contains other major works by influential artists including Miró and Picasso, which should not be missed.



Atocha Railway Station

Atocha Railway Station. Inside the old building, there is a tropical garden with a special microclimate. Closed on Mondays & Tuesdays.

