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# 6,000 Olive Trees, 290 acres, a 14th Century Watchtower and a Classic Cortijo

## *Andalucian Estate For Sale*

This exceptional estate, being marketed by property agents Granada Village & Country, lies in some of the most historically rich countryside to be found in the Province of Granada, in southern Spain.

The 290 acres has been part of the frontier that has protected Granada for centuries. On a rocky outcrop within the estate stands the Torre Atalaya de Porqueriza, one of the remaining 14th Century Moorish watchtowers that were built as an early warning system as Catholic forces advanced on the ruling Moors. The Catholic Monarchs, Isabela and Fernando, the parents of Henry VIII's first wife, Catherine of Aragon, stayed in nearby Moclin Castle from 1486 - 1492, just before they captured Granada and the stunning Alhambra Palace, bringing to an end 700 years of Moorish rule across most of Spain.

Today, the estate is a modern farm with 6,119 olive trees producing an average of 60,000 litres of Extra Virgin Olive Oil every year. There is also a vineyard where Tempranillo and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes grow on sheltered southern planes that slope towards fields of cereal crops and vegetables.

At the heart of the estate lies the Cortijo de Santa Margarita, built in 1940 with an area of 2,500 m2 and the home of the current family for the past 80 years. This classical manor house is arranged around a large central courtyard in a design more frequently found in the neighbouring Provinces of Córdoba and Sevilla.

Two houses sit either side of the main entrance gate - the main house and the gatekeeper's house - and within the courtyard there are extensive outbuildings, a wine-making cellar and garages for farm machinery.

In addition to the olive farm, the estate has a licence for small game hunting (partridge, quail, hare and, increasingly, wild boar), and the northern edges of the land grasp onto the rugged foothills of the mountain range beyond. Where the river Velillos carves its way through the valley, there is a separate plot of land with an additional property for restoration (260 m2) from where there are breathtaking views of the Sierra Nevada mountains, home to Europe's southernmost ski resort.

This beautiful property offers many opportunities: a Country House Hotel, unrivalled in the area, with a destination restaurant, perhaps; an equestrian centre; a winery with more land given over to vineyards sitting alongside the productive olive trees or a hunting estate. Alternatively, it can remain as a private home and farm in one of the most picturesque areas of Andalucia.

The [Cortijo de Santa Margarita](#) has a guide price of €5 million. Further information can be obtained from

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## Notes for Editors

Points of historical interest:

Cueva de Malalmuerzo: “A 23,000-year-old southern Iberian individual links human groups that lived in Western Europe before and after the Last Glacial Maximum” <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41559-023-01987-0>

Battle of Moclín: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle\\_of\\_Mocl%C3%ADn\\_\(1280\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Mocl%C3%ADn_(1280))

Castillo de Moclín: <https://www.andalucia.org/en/moclin-cultural-tourism-castillo-de-moclin>

Amanda and Alan’s Spanish Job: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/mediacentre/2024/amanda-and-alans-spanish-job>



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