

Every Sunday at 9 a.m. **hundreds of posts are set up around street Calle Ribera de Curtidores**. They are visited by a large amount of "madrileños" and tourists. All types of **new and second hand articles are sold at small stands**. El rastro offers the visitor a curious and entertaining walk and a surprise with each step.

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The rastro flea market has a large number of people that pass distracted around its posts. Keep in mind that the large numbers of people attract **a lot of pickpockets to the area** every Sunday as well. Take the necessary precautions to avoid the disappearance of your wallet or purse, and avoid carrying valuable objects in easily reached spots



The rastro market takes up a large triangular area, outlined by Toledo, Embajadores and Ronda de Toledo streets. The market center is located in the *Plaza de Cascorro*. The closest subway stations are **La Latina** y **Puerta de Toledo**

The rastro makes it easy for visitors to find what they are looking for by distributing its products among the streets:

- On *Calle Ribera de Curtidores* one can find handicrafts, hand-stitched clothing and antiques.
- On *Calle San Cayetano*, known as the painters' street, there are stands selling paintings and replicas of works of art. There are also many art stores that stay open during the week.
- In the *Plaza del General Vara del Rey* there are mostly second hand clothes and furniture stands.
- On *Calle Rodas* there are mostly antiques.
- The *Campillo terrace* offers practically anything: tools, fabrics, leather, music, and old magazines.

After a morning of purchases and bargains, one of the most recommendable options is enjoying some **tapas in the area of La Latina**, one of the oldest neighborhoods in Madrid.

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