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HOTEL LOS LINAJES
SEGOVIA, SPAIN

When it comes to staying in any of Europe's historical heritage cities, location's everything. Get too close to the action, and the motors and horns will keep you awake at night; stray too far from the city center and you'll find yourself tired out before you've even gotten to your first tourist attraction of the day.

That's what makes **Hotel Los Linajes**, a 3-star property in Segovia, so special: a stellar location. As Hotel Director Miguel Borreguero told visiting **Cognoscenti Magazine** editors, Los Linajes is "both in and out of the city." Located inside Segovia's ancient city walls, and only a few blocks from great sites like the Cathedral and the Roman Aqueduct, the hotel itself is peaceful and quiet. It feels like you're staying in the country, not the city.

The hotel has many balconies—each small and intimate, and some, like the one in our room, with windows on all three sides. From our corner suite, the view of the *Monasterio de El Parral* and surrounding countryside was as fine as the one the monarchs of Spain once enjoyed from the famous Alcazar—as we discovered on the following morning, when we toured the Alcazar.

Our room, like all 53 in the hotel, had private bathroom, air-conditioning, a direct dial telephone and

television. We found the décor somewhat reminiscent of the 1950s and 1960s, but the rooms have a stylish rather than a dated feel (undoubtedly due to a 1996 renovation and good maintenance).

Private parking is available in the basement of the hotel—another big plus in this crowded and occasionally claustrophobic town. At a mere 70-90 Euros

per night, the hotel represents very good value to travelers who like to stay both "in and out of the city." Recommended.



View on the Monasterio de El Parral

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