

RENOVATION WORK ON THE SANT JOSEP BUILDING

Phases 1 and 2



The **Vall de Núria** complex comprises five buildings, **Sant Gil, Sant Antoni, the Church, Sant Justí and Sant Josep**, designed by the architect **Josep Danés** and built in the period from 1923 to 1935. **Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya** (FGC) assumes the work of **conservation of the sanctuary's heritage**.

Once the work undertaken between 2007 and 2009 had been completed, entailing the consolidation of the structure and the new roof for the old Sant Josep building, Phase 1 began in July and Phase 2 in November 2009, involving the **internal and external refurbishment of the building**.

OBJECTIVES

- **Preservation of the heritage and historical physiognomy** of Vall de Núria with alterations to the exterior of the Sant Josep building, involving the restoration and insulation of the façade and redesign of façade and roof apertures.
- Improvement in **communication, accessibility and convenience** between the rack railway station and the Sant Josep building, with the construction of an access and alterations to the bridge over the Eina river.
- Improvement in **what the Sanctuary offers and its accommodation service** with interior alterations to the Sant Josep building consisting in the construction of new hotel rooms and apartments.
- Attainment of the maximum **energy efficiency rating**.

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TIMELINE OF ALTERATIONS TO THE SANT JOSEP BUILDING

PHASE 1

► Exterior alterations work

Performance 2009-2010

MEASURES:

- Apertures and laying of slate on roof
- Alterations to and insulation of façade
- Façade apertures
- Construction of new access to Sant Josep
- Concrete work on building floors

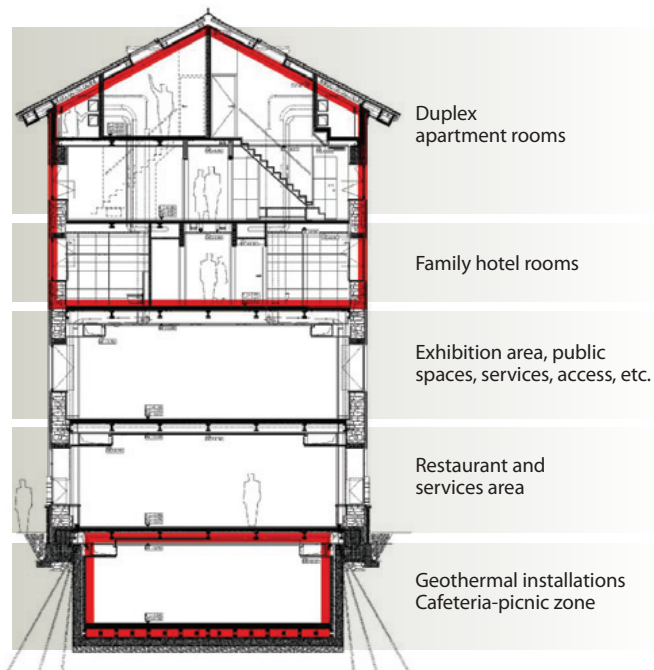
PHASE 2

► Interior alterations work

Performance 2010

MEASURES:

- **First floor:** Building of 10 hotel family rooms with a capacity to accommodate up to 38
- **Second floor and roof interior:** building of 9 duplex apartments with a capacity to accommodate up to 50



PHASES 1 AND 2 OF THE BUILDING'S RENOVATION

SANCTUARY OF NÚRIA



SANT JOSEP BUILDING

BUILDING WITH MAXIMUM ENERGY EFFICIENCY RATING

In accordance with the environmental policy and the rules established in the **ISO 14001 certification** for the Vall de Núria complex in 2001, the building has been designed on the basis of a series of technical solutions geared to achieving the maximum energy efficiency rating (type A) and thus ensuring greater saving and optimisation of energy in all facilities.

The technical solutions adopted in the project include:

- **Envelope insulation system** that yields large thermal inertia to regulate external changes in temperature and prevent heat loss from the building's interior.
- **Ventilated double roof.**
- **Windows with break in the thermal bridge and sun filter.**
- **Use of geothermal energy*** for the generation of domestic hot water, for radiant floor heating and for the ventilation system.

** **Geothermal energy** is a renewable, inexhaustible energy. A system of perforations sunk to a depth of up to 100 metres in the subsoil of Sant Josep, and geothermal heat pumps collect heat from solar radiation and store it inside. It works constantly by day and by night, regardless of the meteorological conditions of Vall de Núria, yields lower CO₂ emissions than other energies, and prompts large savings of up to 60-70% over and above other systems such as diesel.*



EXTENSION WORK TO THE RESTAURANT OF HOTEL VALL DE NÚRIA

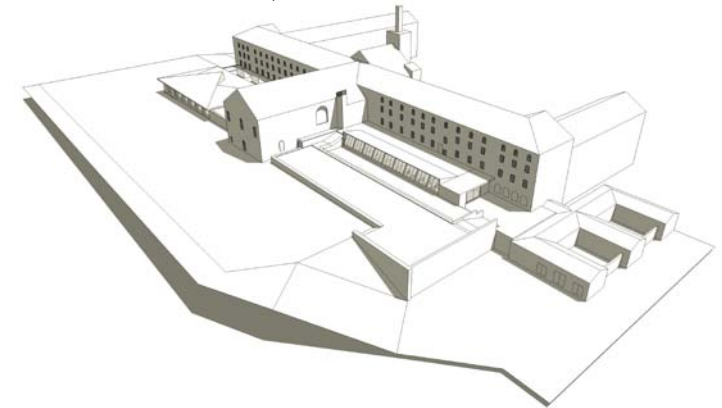


From May 2010 onwards, the series of jobs being performed to restore and alter the Sanctuary of Núria complex include building work to extend the restaurant of the hotel in Vall de Núria.

Because of current demand and the increase in hotel occupancy (90 new places) envisaged from December 2010 as a result of the opening of the extension to the hotel apartments in the Sant Josep building, the amenities (building of a new "show grill" space) must be adapted and the hotel restaurant's current capacity improved. The enlargement will give rise to a further 214 places over and above the current 182.

The new enlargement will also provide an area in the new restaurant for a hall for formal dinners or groups, thus considerably improving the quality of service and spaces and solve the current problem of staging functions alongside the restaurant service for hotel guests and visitors.

The restaurant's new area is located on the terrace of the current restaurant. It upholds the volumetric nature of the adjoining buildings as it features a single floor with elements characteristic of the Núria complex. From the inside, it affords views of the mountains and forests of the valley of Finestrelles, of Coma de l'Embut and the Roc Malé peak.



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EXTENSION OF THE RESTAURANT OF HOTEL VALL DE NÚRIA

We apologise for any inconvenience you may be caused during your stay in Vall de Núria.

