

# CHAPEL OF SAINT ROMAN

XVII Century | 1929

The Chapel of Saint Roman was probably built in the 17th century, although there may have been an older church in the old Couto de São Romão. It was rebuilt in 1929, as indicated by the cartouche on the façade, atop the granite portal and oculus.

It has a rectangular floor plan with two bodies, the nave and chancel, with a sacristy on the left side. The main façade is topped by a semi-circular gable surmounted by a crucifix and decorated at the corners with pyramidal pinnacles, with a bell structure next to the right pinnacle. An elliptical cross arch separates the nave from the chancel.

Although currently devoid of carved altarpieces, the 17th-century image of St Roman in polychrome limestone and the image of the Virgin of the Conception are displayed for worship inside.

Many devotees and pilgrims visited this chapel to pray for the intercession of St Roman for protection against the rabid dog bites.

The feast in honour of Saint Roman is celebrated on the first Sunday in August.