



Santa Pola, a history marked by the sea.

The name of Santa Pola is a derivation of Santa Paula, in turn derived from the latin name of the apostle San Pablo who, according to tradition, landed on the island of Tabarca.

Visiting schedule

- **The Fortress-Castle of Santa Pola:**

From 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- **The Aquarium of Santa Pola:**

From 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

- **The Maritime Museum:**

From 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Other places to visit in Santa Pola:

- The Salt Museum.
- The Boat-museum Esteban González
- The Salinas of Santa Pola.
- The Tamarit Tower.

PLACES TO VISIT IN SANTA POLA

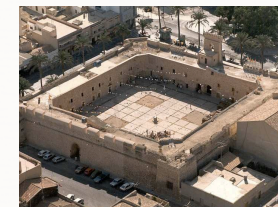
Santa Pola has got a lot of interesting places not to be missed while visiting the city.
Discover them.



THE FORTRESS-CASTLE OF SANTA POLA:

El Fortress-Castle was built in 1558 and fortified and weaponed immediately for the defense of sailors and the Christian state. It was renovated in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Inside we can find the courtyard and the cistern, with the Virgin of Loreto Chapel and the Maritime Museum.



The Fortress-Castle of Santa Pola



The Maritime Museum

AQUARIUM OF SANTA POLA:

It is the oldest in the Valencian Community and it includes nine large glass tanks that show the fauna and flora from the Mediterranean Sea.

It is an important educational and recreational tool which introduces the maritime surroundings of the bay of Santa Pola and the Island of Tabarca. The water comes directly from the sea.



The Aquarium of Santa Pola



Glass tank

THE LIGHTHOUSE:

Located at the far eastern end of the Cape of Sant Pola, built over an old watch tower of the 16th century. It was built in 1958 to guide ships sailing near the coast at night. Its light bulb is located 152 meters above the sea level.

Its location allows you to contemplate spectacular views of the bay of Santa Pola, Alicante and the Island of Tabarca.



Lighthouse of Santa Pola



Viewpoint from the lighthouse