

### 23.00 Magical moment. Vertical dance.

Enjoy this unique display presented by the company 'Sacude' that combines acrobatics, light and sound in a unique setting, the Church of Santa Ana.

Location: Projection on the facade of the church of Santa Ana.

Taverns Close for the Evening.

## Sunday 4th

### 12.00 Parade of troops.

### 13.30 Défilé des troupes.

The parade, coordinated by the AHC for the Resistance of Algodonales and featuring all of the Associations who will be taking part in the reenactment, will leave from the Fuente Baja and will march to the main square, whilst demonstrating military movements that took place prior to the confrontation between the Spaniards and the French military.

### 13.30 Confrontation between the People of Algodonales and the French Army.

Recreation of the Attack on Algodonales by the French Troops, a conflict that ended with 239 dead and a town on fire.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución

### 17.00 Cake tasting.

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the reenactment of the events of May 2nd, and in honour of all participants and visitors, Algodonales Town Council invites you.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución

### 17.30 Lottery Draw.

'La Independiente' is a lottery from the time, created here in Algodonales with proceeds used for charitable purposes. A raffle draw worth seeing. Check if you have won a prize.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución.

### 18.00 Finale.

This evening, to mark the 20th anniversary of the historical reenactment of May 2nd 1810, we are reestablishing an old tradition by staging our closing dance. Come and join in!

Location: Plaza de la Constitución.

18.30 The stalls and taverns will close for the final time.

## 'Just by taking a step, you can find the past'

For the past two decades at the beginning of May, the historical reenactment 'Algodonales, May 2, 1810' is held to remember the events that took place in the town of Algodonales more than 200 years ago.

The reenactment will transport us to the beginning of the 19th century, when Spain was under the occupation of Napoleonic troops. In a small municipality of the Cadiz mountain range, an extraordinary event occurred.

The inhabitants of Algodonales united in an unparalleled act of courage to face the French army. Approximately 3,000 professional soldiers fought against about 200 peasants, who had no weapons other than their own tools.

The result was tragic: 240 citizens of Algodonales lost their lives and the Napoleonic troops set fire to some 70 houses.

This event marked a milestone in the history of the region, so much so that it was reflected in the coat of arms of Algodonales and left a deep mark on the identity of its inhabitants.



Noise levels .

## Museo Histórico Municipal.

The museum will be open during the days of the reenactment.

Mornings from 10:00 until 13:00

Evenings from 19:00 until 21:00



Mas info en: [www.algodonales.es/2demayo](http://www.algodonales.es/2demayo)

Este programa puede sufrir cambios por causas ajenas a la organización.

# RECREACIÓN HISTÓRICA

## XX ANIVERSARIO

'ALGODONALES, 2 DE MAYO 1810'



2, 3 Y 4 DE MAYO DE 2025  
Algodonales, Cádiz

Organiza:  
**Ayuntamiento de ALGODONALES**  
Área de Cultura

Colabora:  
**Diputación de Cádiz**

Parroquia  
Sra. Santa Ana  
Algodonales





# Friday 2nd.

## 17.00 Inaugural Parade.

All of the associations and artisans who will be participating in the 20th anniversary historical recreation 'ALGODONALES, MAY 2, 1810' will parade through the streets of the town displaying their banners and representative emblems. They will be accompanied by the band of Municipal School of Music.

## 18.00 Official Inauguration.

Mr. Ángel Acuña Racero, Mayor of Algodonales, will welcome the associations taking part in the weekend's activities and will hand over the baton to the honorary mayor for the reenactment, Mrs. Juana Nadales Márquez.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución, stage area.

## 18.30 Municipal Auction of Craft Stalls and Taverns.

Following a century-old tradition, the Royal Auctioneer will collect tithes from each of the associations and artisans participating in the Historical Reenactment 2025. He will then deliver a ceremonial key to each stall holder.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución, stage area.

## 19.00 Opening of Craft Stalls and Taverns.

The craft stalls and taverns will open where you will find the best of our local food, drink and gastronomy.

## 19.30 Lecture discussing May 2 by Dr. Francisco Glicerio Conde Mora.

Dr. Francisco Glicerio Conde Mora, vice president of the association Nuestra Señora Salus Infirmorum of Cádiz and Ceuta, Lieutenant RV and historian will give a lecture on Algodonales during the War of Independence (1808-1814), and the historical sources for his studies.

Location: Salon de Plenos, Town Hall lower level.

## 22.00 Craft Stalls will close for the day.

## 22.00 Reenactment of the acts that took place in Algodonales.

### The arrival of the wounded from Montellano:

At the beginning of 1810, the invasion of Spain by French troops reached the borders of the island and Cádiz. Andalusia became a total war zone where the most powerful army of the time ravaged the land wherever it went.

The town of Algodonales welcomed the last defenders from Montellano, a municipality completely destroyed despite being heroically defended.

This dramatization recreates the arrival of the mayor of Montellano, José Romero, and his family along with the guerrilla fighter Francisco Salcedo, who came to their rescue.

These events will be staged by A.H.C. Algodonales Libre as a tribute to the courage and sacrifice of the people of Algodonales and in memory of the 240 men and women who died in the subsequent attack.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución.

### The fall of the town:

Dramatisation of the burning of a house in the town, which recreates the events that took place on May 2 when Napoleonic troops attacked Algodonales. An unmissable show of fire and strength!

Location: Town Hall.

## 00.00 Magical Moment: Café singing from the 19th Century.

Rocío Romero presents a show in which flamenco will be expressed in all its different forms: touch, singing and dancing. Flamenco has been forged by a people who sing to grief, love and joy, to their people and their customs, and the show will take it from its most popular origins to the CAFÉS CANTANTES, the café singers.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución, stage area.

## 01.00 Taverns Close for the Evening.

# Saturday 3rd

## 12.00 Opening of Craft stalls and taverns.

### 12.30 Parade of troops.

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Reenactment of the Attack on Algodonales by the French Troops, a conflict that ended with 239 dead and a town on fire.

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The reenactment of the battle will conclude with a tribute to the fallen by the participating reenactors.

Mayor Ángel Acuña Racero, along with the honorary mayor, the authorities, and the AHC Por la Resistencia of Algodonales, will hold a ceremony in honour of those who lost their lives in the War of Independence.

## 14.00 Tasting of wines from the area.

To recover from the sights, sound and smell of battle, we suggest you join us in a toast by raising a glass of local wine.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución.

## 16.00 Carmen de Ronda.

In a dusty yard, we find a group of women washing clothes. They do not stop their work although the air is filled with the sound of cannon fire and the hurried steps of soldiers. Foreign in appearance, their looks reflect the fear of the war that surrounds them.

Location: plaza de la constitución.

## 17.00 Batalla Infantil.

You are invited to join the girls and boys of Algodonales who will reenact events that took place during the days of assault on the village in a playful and fun way. Coordinated by the AHC For the Resistance of Algodonales, it's an event not to be missed.

Location: Plaza De La Constitución.

## 18.30 'My Friend The Little Prince', something for the children.

The Sahara Desert, a thousand miles from any inhabited land...

This is where the story of a pilot who crashes his plane in the desert and his subsequent friendship with a beautiful boy begins. The Little Prince, the only inhabitant of a tiny planet, decides to abandon everything to understand how to love a Rose. This is a beautiful, heartwarming story and reaches out to us today, from beyond the stars... Its message – you see clearly only with the heart. What is essential is invisible to the eyes.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución, stage area.

## 19.00 Constitution « La Pepa ».

On September 24, 1810, in the middle of the War of Independence, the first session of the Courts of Cádiz took place in the city of San Fernando (Cádiz). The Oath of the Deputies was made there on September 24th 1810, in the church of San Pedro and San Pablo. (Maying Church). Reenactment by the AHC.

Location: Church of Santa Ana.

## 22.00 Stalls will close for the day.

## 22.00 « La Fuente del Algarrobo ».

Hours before, as the wounded arrived from Montellano, life in the village of Algodonales carried on as normal. A group of women watch the comings and goings of messengers who are bringing bad news to the town. This reenactment will provide a window from the present day to the past.

Location: Plaza de la Constitución, stage area.