



MUGLA MUNICIPALITY HOUSE OF ÖZBEKS



House of Özbek

One of the traditional Mugla houses, the building is owned by Hacı Hamzalar and Ali Rıza Özbek, with a history of about 225 years.

It was awarded as the best preserved residence in 1987 by the Mugla Chamber of Architects.

Originally the building had an earthen roof but was later renovated, with the addition of a winter house, a summer house, landings and cellar. Afterwards the earthen roof was transformed into a wooden roof of lath and plaster covered with tiles. The facade facing the street is a high stone wall and in the interior there is an open - air courtyard built of wood.

During the restoration the missing parts of the stone wall were replenished and the existing stone wall on the ground floor was brought to daylight and cleaned up. The interior partitions were thoroughly scraped and the lath and plaster work was revealed, replacing the wornout portions. The original doors and cupboards on the upper floor were renovated and the 3 arches and wooden posts existing at the entrance of the room in the original plan were brought to daylight. For the plaster, the popular Horasan plaster of Mugla (a mixture of lime, straw, goat hair and mortar) was used. Pursuant to expropriation and restoration by the Mugla Municipality, it was opened to the public in 2005.

It serves as a restaurant which offers special Mugla meals.

