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Santa Justa'Lift

The Elevador do Carmo, or Santa Justa as it is most commonly known, started operating in 1902, powered by steam, according to the project of Engineer Raul Mesnier de Ponsard. Belonging to Companhia Carris, the only public transport elevator currently in operation in the city of Lisbon was, at the beginning, owned by a company specially constituted with the objective of its construction and operation: the do Elevador do Carmo. **Empresa** It was inaugurated on July 10, 1902, using steam as traction force and electrified in 1907, and the works carried out forced a temporary stoppage. Like the lifts in Lisbon, it was classified as a National Monument in 2002.

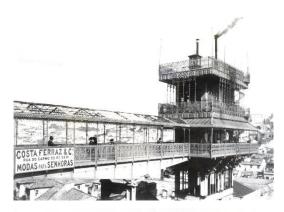
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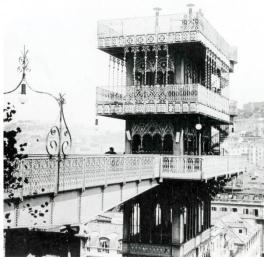
Virtual Visit

On International Museum Day, May 18, 2021, the Carris Museum launched the 2nd phase of the Virtual Visit to the Santa Justa Elevator.

After the restructuring of the Carris Museum website in order to be more informative and appealing to face the times of growing digital exposure, we continue to invest in virtual visits. Come travel with us!

https://gateway.carris.pt/public/visita360/





Images 1 e 2 – Elevador do Carmo in 1902



image 3 - Virtual Visit at Santa Justa' Lift



DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The funiculars and lifts were compared to Big-Ben on time?

"Praise to the Lifters: Punctual as the "Big-Ben", nothing stops them in their run up and down. Today's elevators make up only half of those that once existed. Those of the Calçada da Estrela, Largo da Biblioteca and S. Tomé gradually disappeared, thanks to the technical improvement of the electric traction; and those who remained - Glória, Lavra, Bica and Santa Justa - these are irreplaceable, according to the concept of the understood. S.B., Lisboa Carris, nº 8, October, 1951".





Images 4 e 5 - Santa Justa Lift in 1902 and 2002