

A TRADITIONAL CARNIVAL

In the carnival of my village (a small town of Ávila with only 700 residents), the costumes are the less important things. Only, I am going to tell the traditional things that today we still celebrate.

This tradition is based on the quintos (boys who are 18 years old).

○ **Friday**

This night, the quint@s proclaim the beginning of carnival from the city hall's balcony.

○ **Saturday**

The Saturday night the quintos with the musician of the village sing the ronda to their mothers and quintas. They go from house to house singing and the parents of the girl or their mother have to invite them to eat.

○ **Sunday**

The following morning, los quintos and quintas go to the church with the regional suit. Furthermore, this morning los quintos take a decorated ram to the garden of the church.



After the mass, all people go with them to the square of the village because there is music and the mothers of the quintos give to all people the traditional food of the village: "las machaconas" and sweets.

This day, los quintos put down the ram and raffle his skin. (Today anybody wants the skin, but in the past it cost a lot. It is because they raffle more things like a TV, DVD...).