

# Ma'arat al-Numan, Madrasa Abu al-Fawaris 1198–1199

Abu'l-Fawâris Naja' b. `Abd al-Karîm b. `Alî b. Mu`âfâ (reign of al-Malik al-Mansur Muhammad I of Hama)

plan sources photo sources

Creswell II 1959: fig 58; cf Herzfeld *DSA* III: fig 96 (below), 97;

other name

location Ma'arat al-Numan, south of the Great Mosque, behind the facades on the other side of the main west-east street leading to the Museum.

Work of the same architect responsible for the minaret of the town's Great Mosque. Golvin argues that it is inspired by Damascus domestic houses plans (cf Mad Nuriye). Entrance from the east through a portico then a vestibule covered by a dome. Courtyard (14 by 9 m) was once faced from the west by a large iwan than fell into ruin and was incorporated into neighbouring buildings. Three doors from the courtyard into the prayer hall on the south side. Large central dome over the prayer hall. Domed funerary chamber on the northeast side of courtyard. Appears only to be approachable through the external laneway.

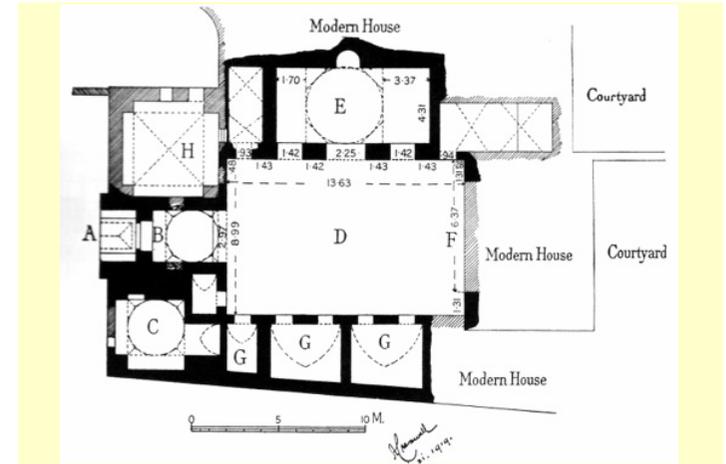


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