

Béjar



Description of Arms :

En campo de plata, una banda, de sable, y en orla una cadena del mismo color.

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Principal Title : Duke of Béjar.

Creation : Spain, 1485.

Subsidiary Titles : Grandee of Spain.

Family Name : Roca de Togores y Salinas.

Family History : This family traces its sources back to the Royal Family of Navarre and the branches of the Counts of Ledesma and of Plasencia. Alvaro de Zuniga was already Duke d'Arevalo (1469) and Duke de Plasencia (1476). The Béjar duchy was created in 1485, in substitution of the above two. And, it must be said, that the bearer was one of the original twenty-five Grandees of Spain, created by Charles Quint in 1520.

The line, since then, has not been direct - as so often happens in Spanish families. However, this form of descent does ensure the continuation of many old titles that would, otherwise, have been lost. It has passed in the Sotomayor family, then to that of the Tellez-Giron (Dukes of Osuna) and then again into of Togores. The first two families still appear, but under different styles.

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Alvaro de Zuniga y Guzman, 1st Count of Banares (1480), 2nd Count of Plasencia and Ledesma, 1st Duke of Béjar (1485)

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PEDRO ROCA DE TOGORES Y SALINAS, Duke of Béjar (1979)

= Marta Garcia