



Alamos, Sonora: Architecture and Urbanism in the Dry Tropics

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University of Arizona Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Alamos, Sonora: Architecture and Urbanism in the Dry Tropics, John Messina, The town of Alamos in the state of Sonora, Mexico, a one-day drive from the Arizona border, is one of the most intact colonial-era cities in northern Mexico. Alamos has been declared a National Historic Monument by the Mexican government and is one of only fourteen towns to be designated as Pueblos Magicos. Founded by Spaniards who discovered silver deposits nearby, Alamos was a prosperous city from its inception. It is situated in a dry tropical? valley where both desert flora and tropical plants intermingle. The propitious combination of wealth, climate, and New World Hispanic town planning principles led to the development of a remarkable architecture and city plan. Until now, there has never been a book about the architecture and urban form of Alamos. In this much-needed work, John Messina, who teaches architecture and is a practicing architect, provides a well-informed history and interpretive description of the town. He also examines building materials and construction techniques, as well as issues of building preservation and restoration. At the same time, the author considers what other cities might learn from...



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