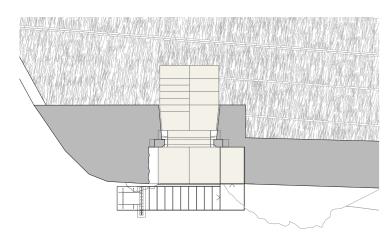
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Access between Barbican path and external Ravelin "Porta da Traição"

At the southwest top of Barbacan there is a False Door that was made in stone masonry, most likely in the modern phase of fortification.

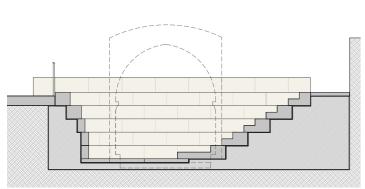
The new access stairs to the bastion landing is the result of the occasional dismantling of the masonry covering the frame of the span, thus widening the settlement of the initial landing and configuration of a staircase with a new design and new materiality (granite and corten steel), allowing to distinguish between what is new and what is authentic and integral, meaning an harmony in integration, but totally reversible. This intervention opens a new perspective on the landscape, the territory while also getting a new view of the place and the castle itself.



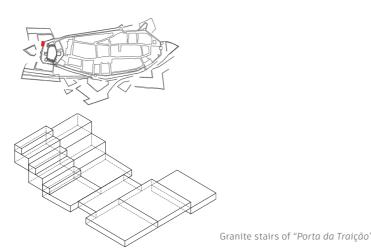
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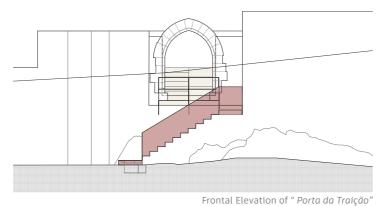
Castle's connection to the South Bastion "Porta de Armas do Castelo"

The archeological excavations at the Porta de Armas allowed the full exposure of the doorway to be exposed, revealing the original threshold and designing a new staircase with access from inside the Castle. The solution seeks to completely free the door arch, replacing the original threshold, defining a level that allows us to understand the pre-existence of the old "porch" in the square of arms and referring the new access stairs to the level of the current arena to a plan further back, with a deployment very close to the original. This allows a full reading of the stonework of the door arch and a better understanding of the previous spatialities, allowing the perception of the original solution of the staircase leading to the Plaza de Armas.

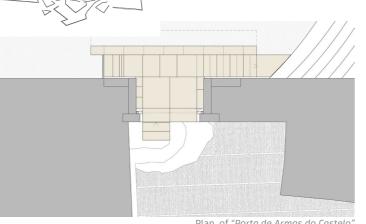


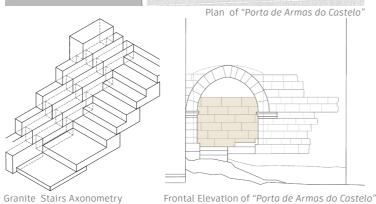
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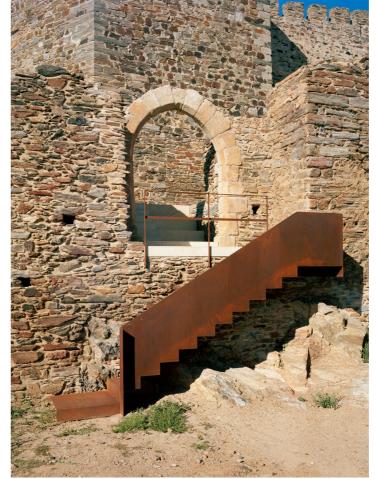












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