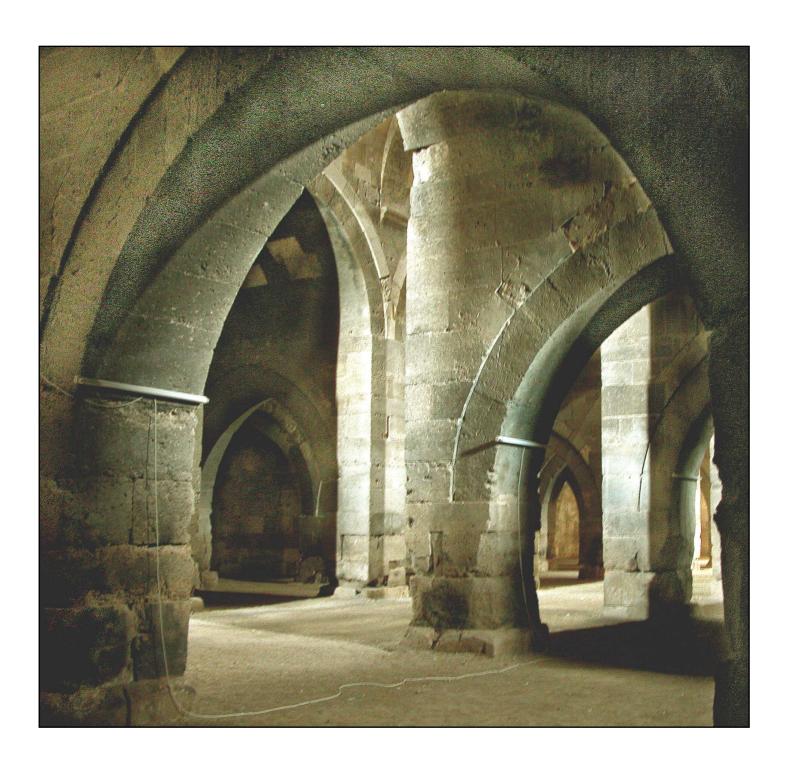
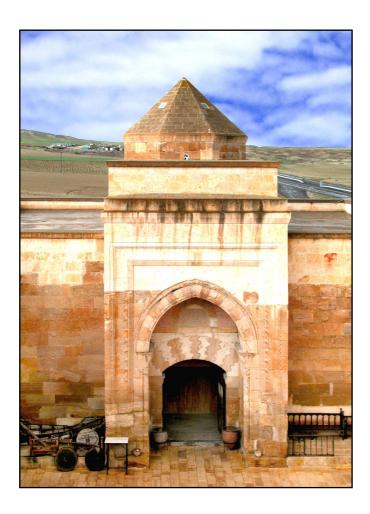
La route des Arabesques

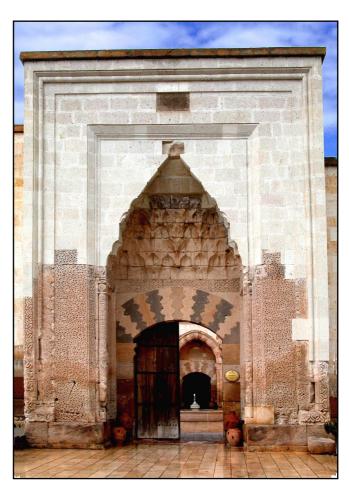


VIII. LE CARAVANSERAIL DE SARIHAN

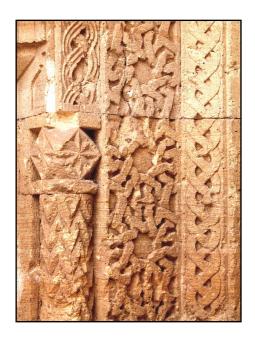
• Le caravansérail de **Sarihan**.

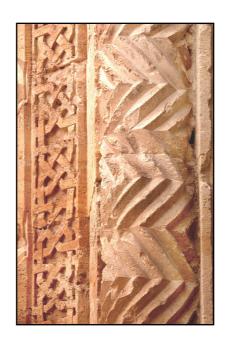
Situés sur les routes commerciales de la soie, les caravansérails, véritables forteresses, étaient destinés à protéger et abriter les caravaniers et leurs précieuses marchandises. Ils étaient éloignés les uns des autres d'une journée de marche correspondant à la distance parcourue par une caravane. Les autorités locales prélevaient des taxes et fournissaient tout le petit commerce nécessaire à ces voyageurs.



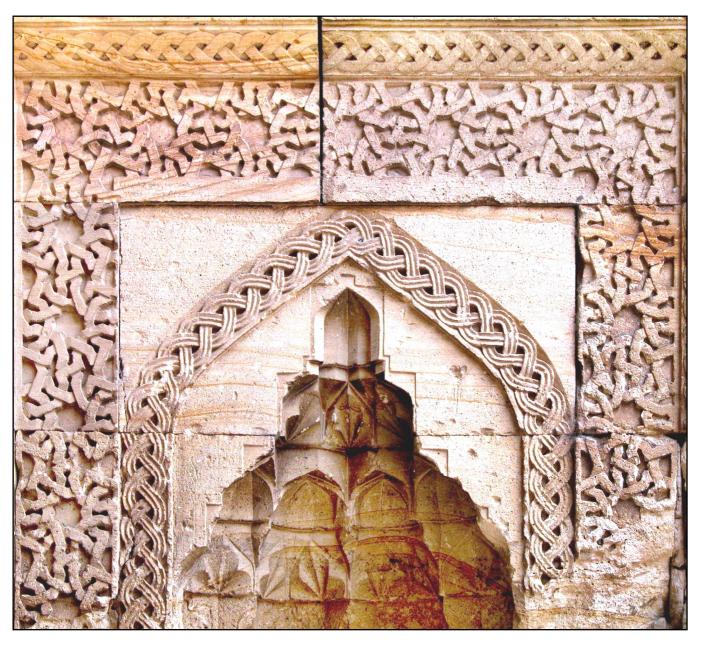


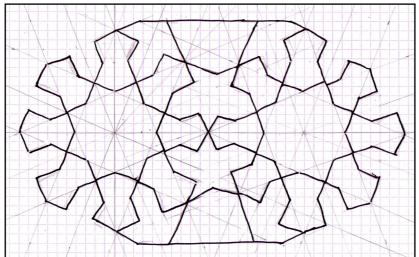
Entrée monumentale finement ciselée dans la pierre du caravansérail de Sarihan situé en Cappadoce.

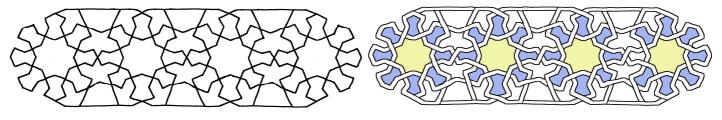




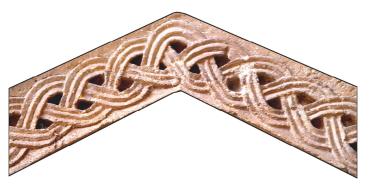




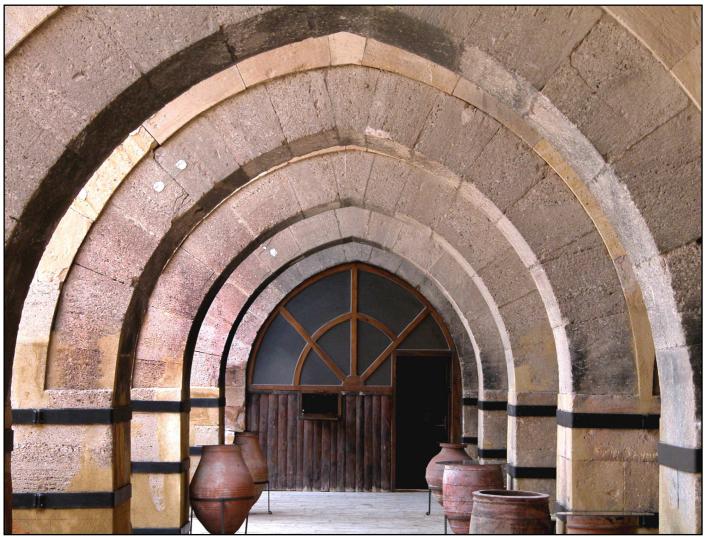


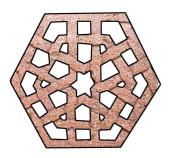




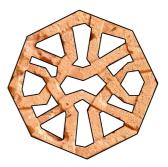




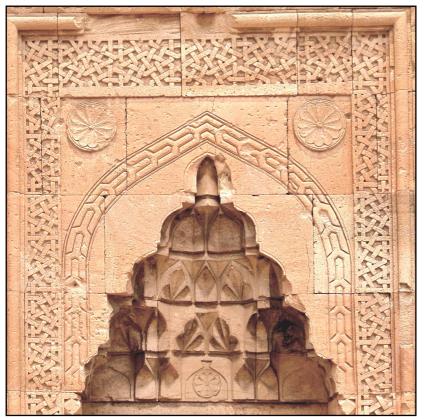




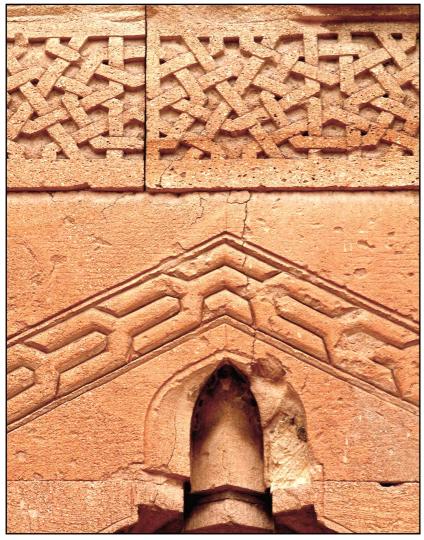
Construit au XIIIème par les Seldjoukides, ce caravansérail s'inspire de l'architecture arménienne avec ses voûtes massives en arcs brisés et ses ciselures de pierre.

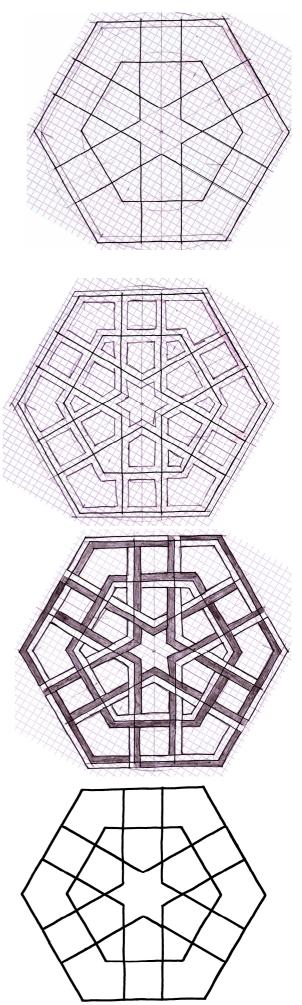


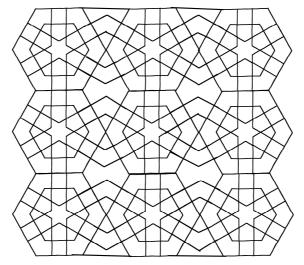


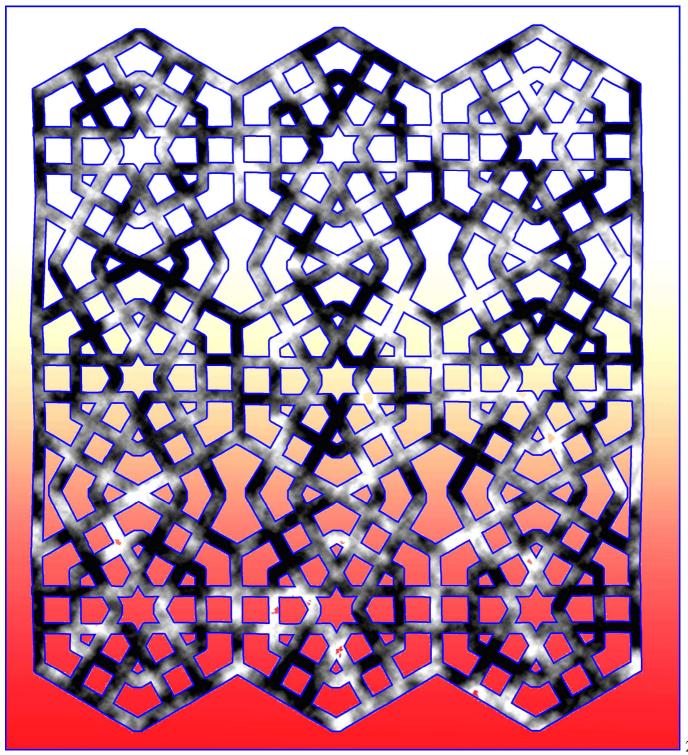


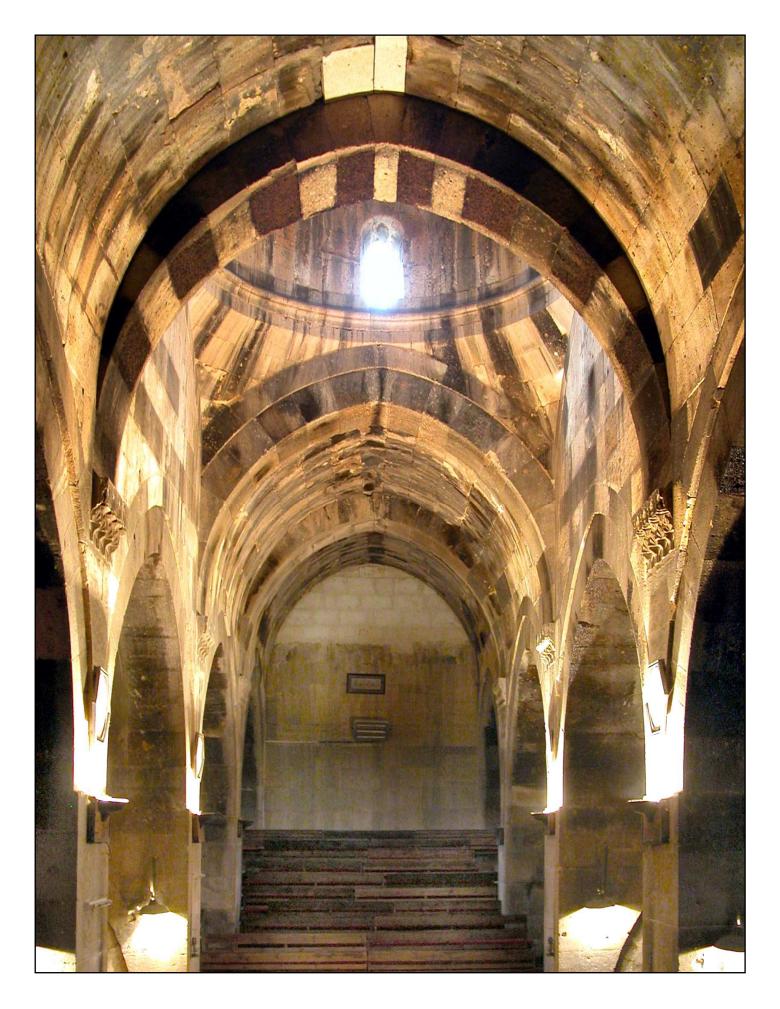
Détail d'un des tympans de la cour intérieure du caravansérail.

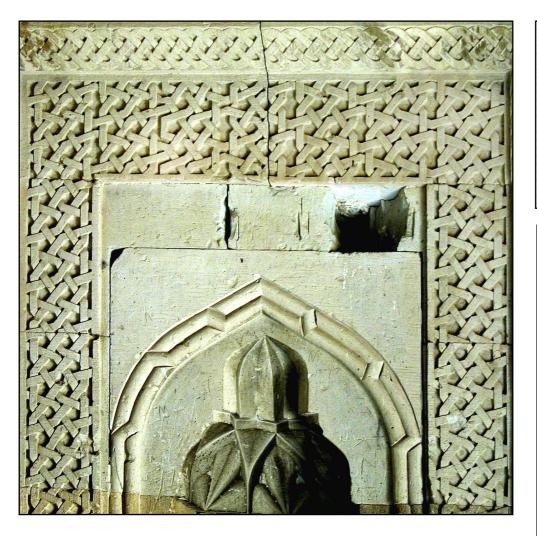


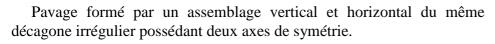


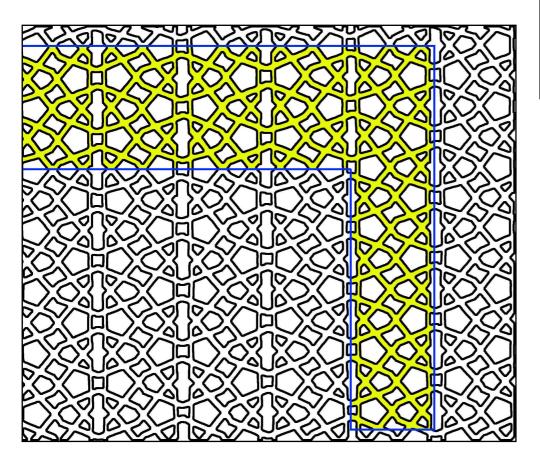


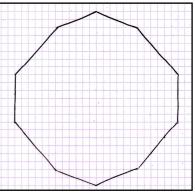


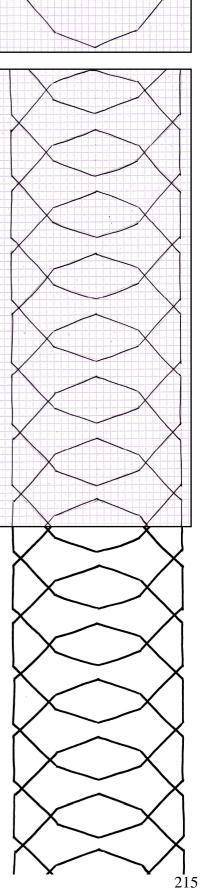


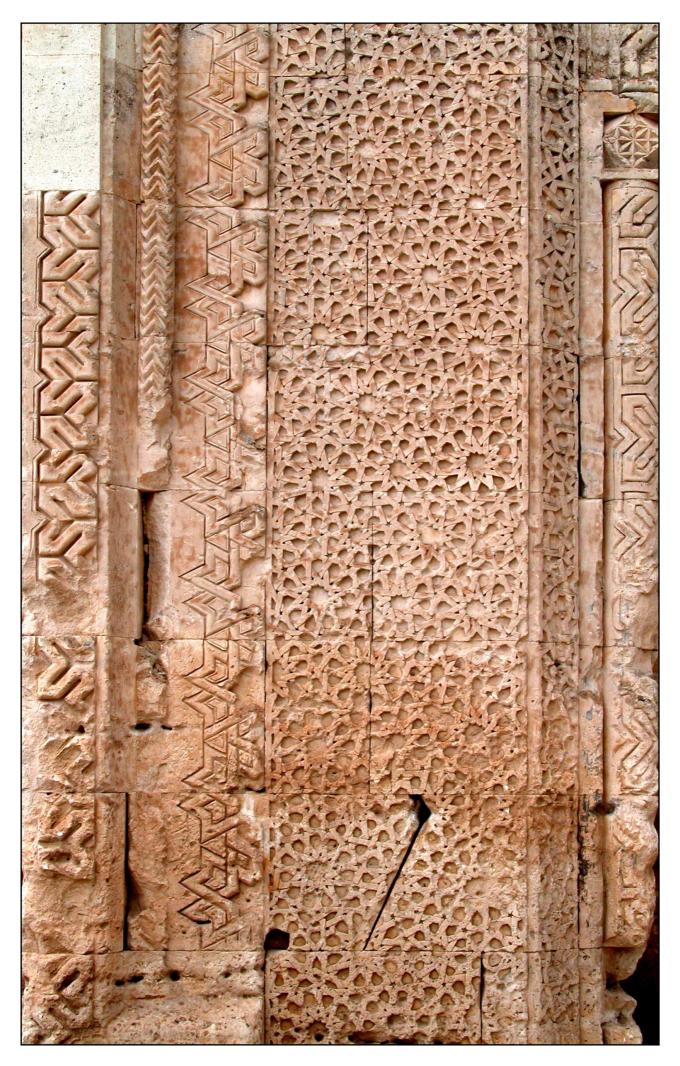


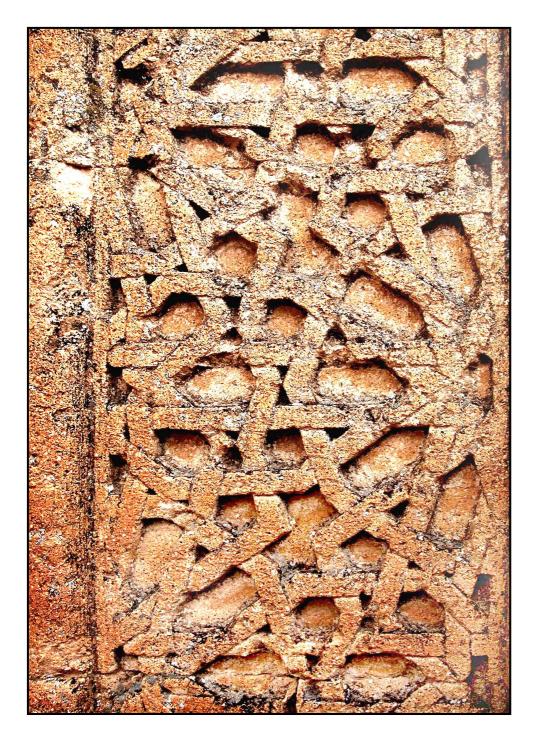


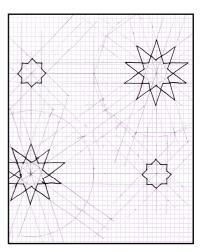


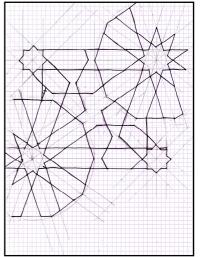


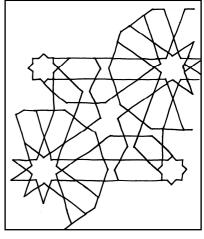


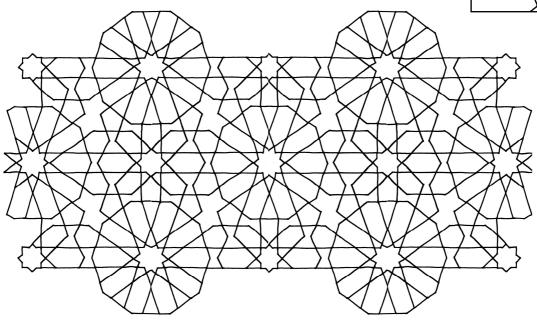


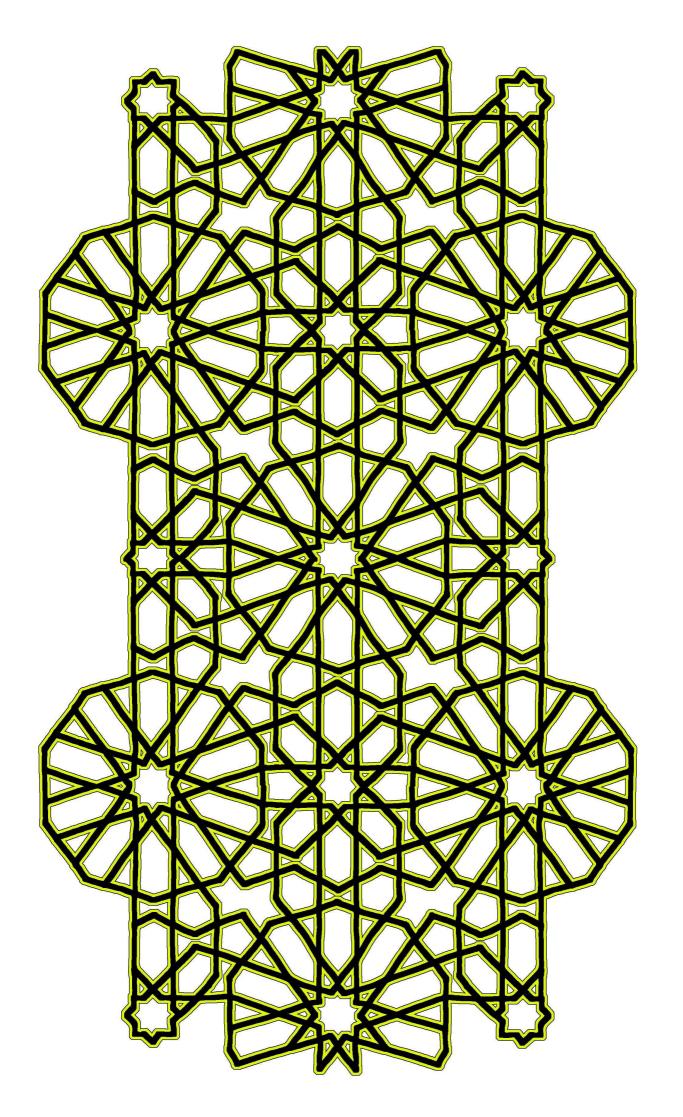


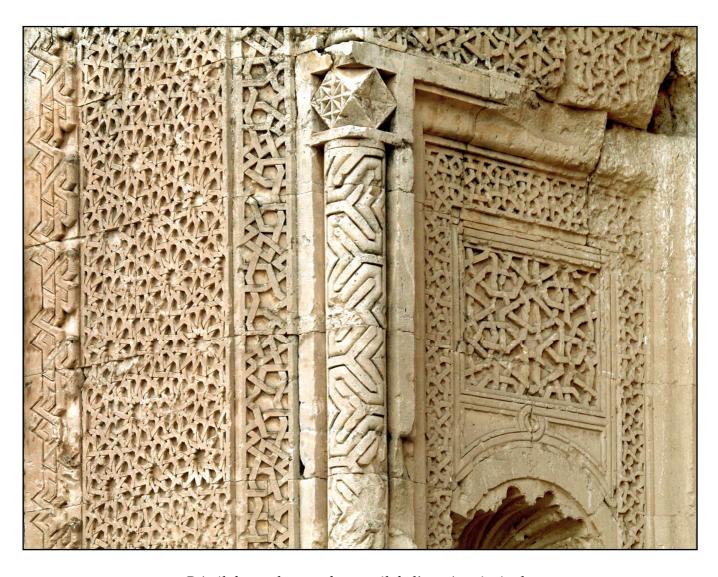






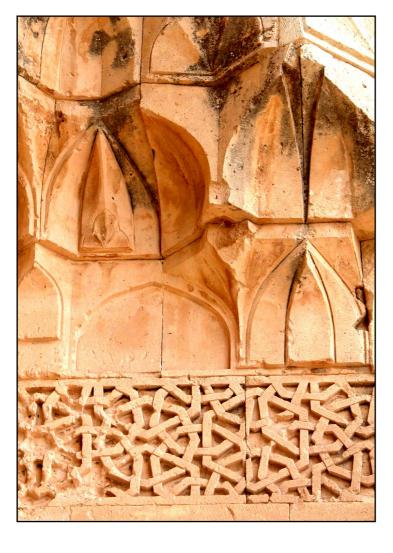


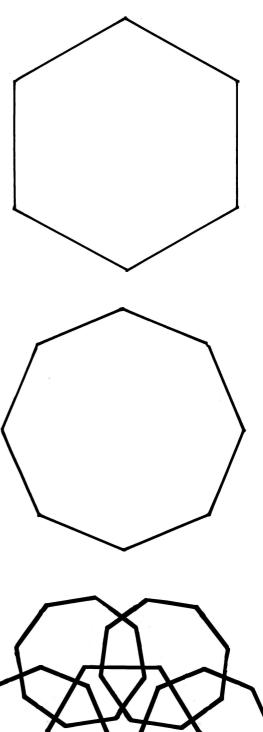


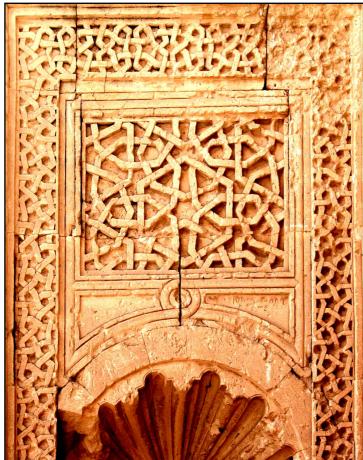


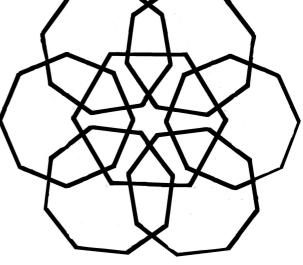
Détail des sculptures du portail de l'entrée principale.





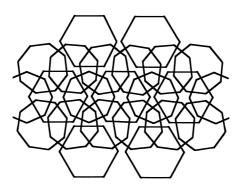


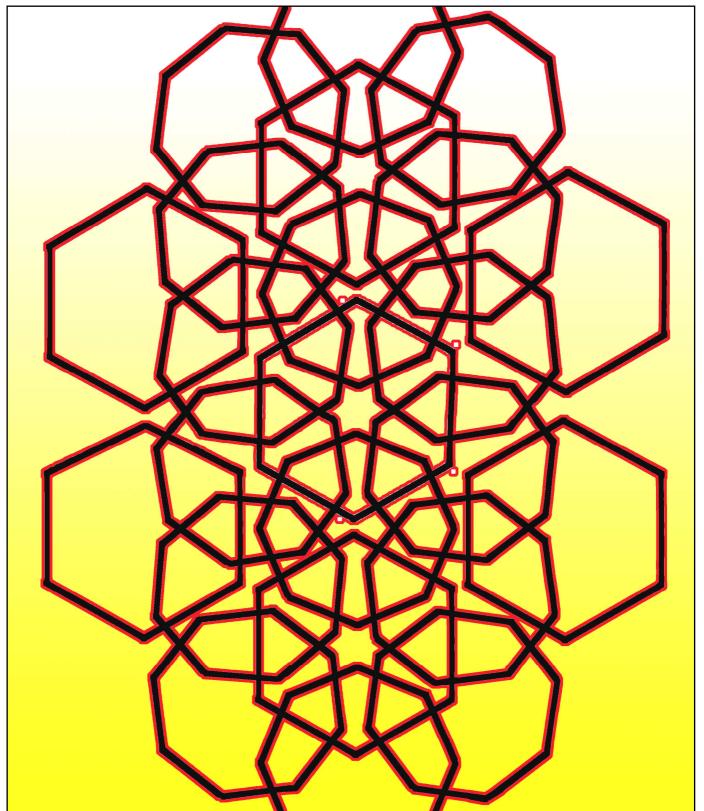


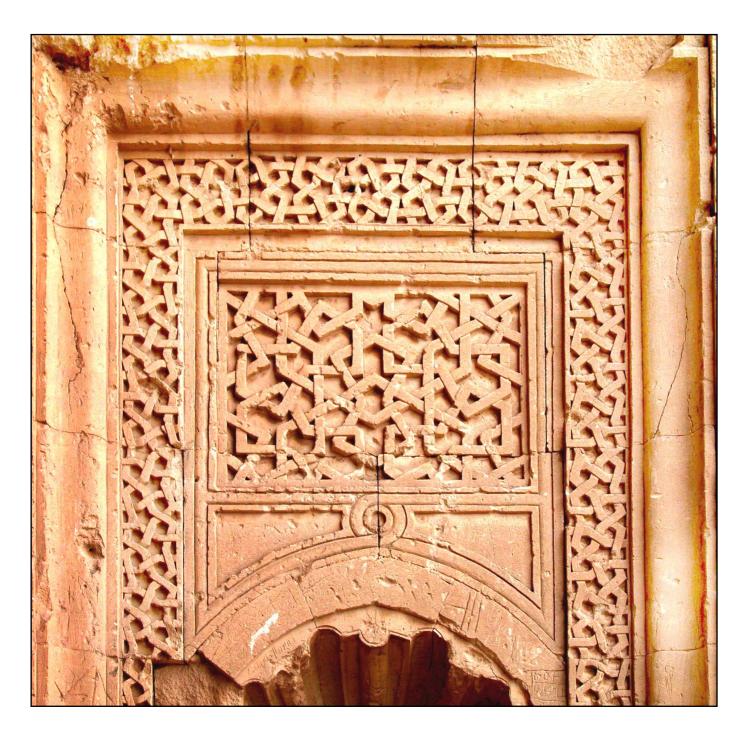


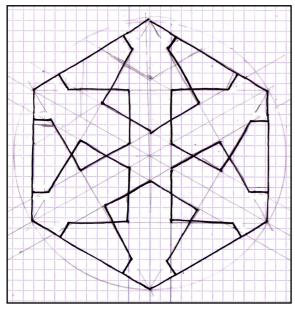
Le sur-module est formé d'un montage convergent d'octogones convexes réguliers autour d'un hexagone central.

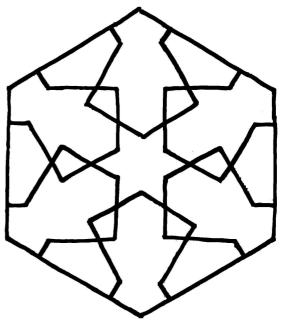
Le motif principal est obtenu par translations et répétitions de ce sur-module.

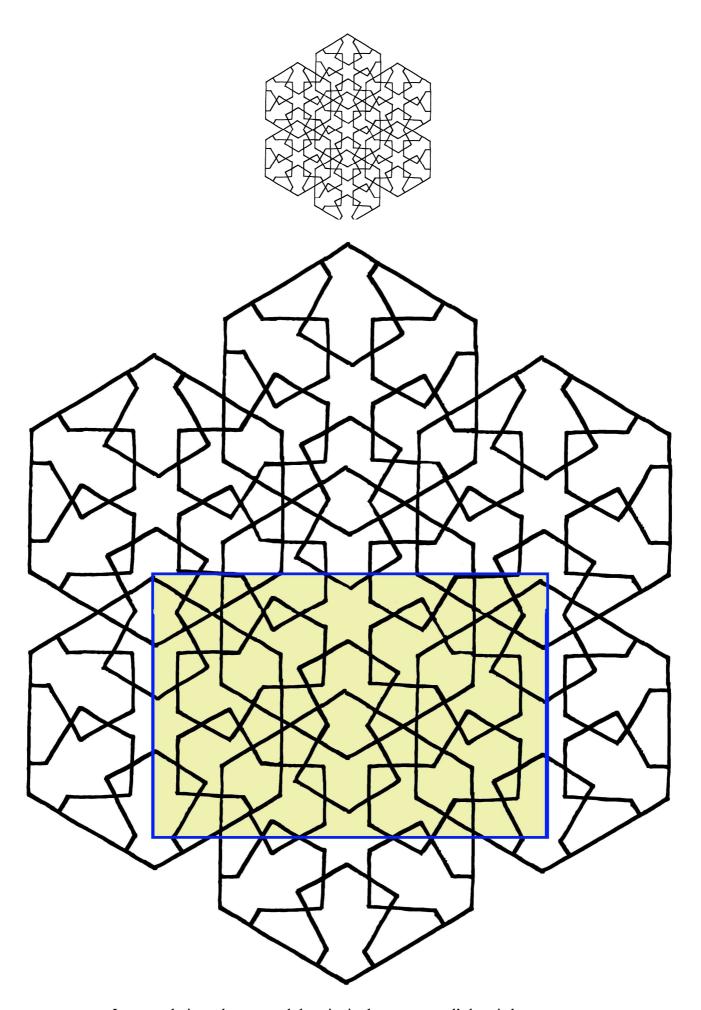




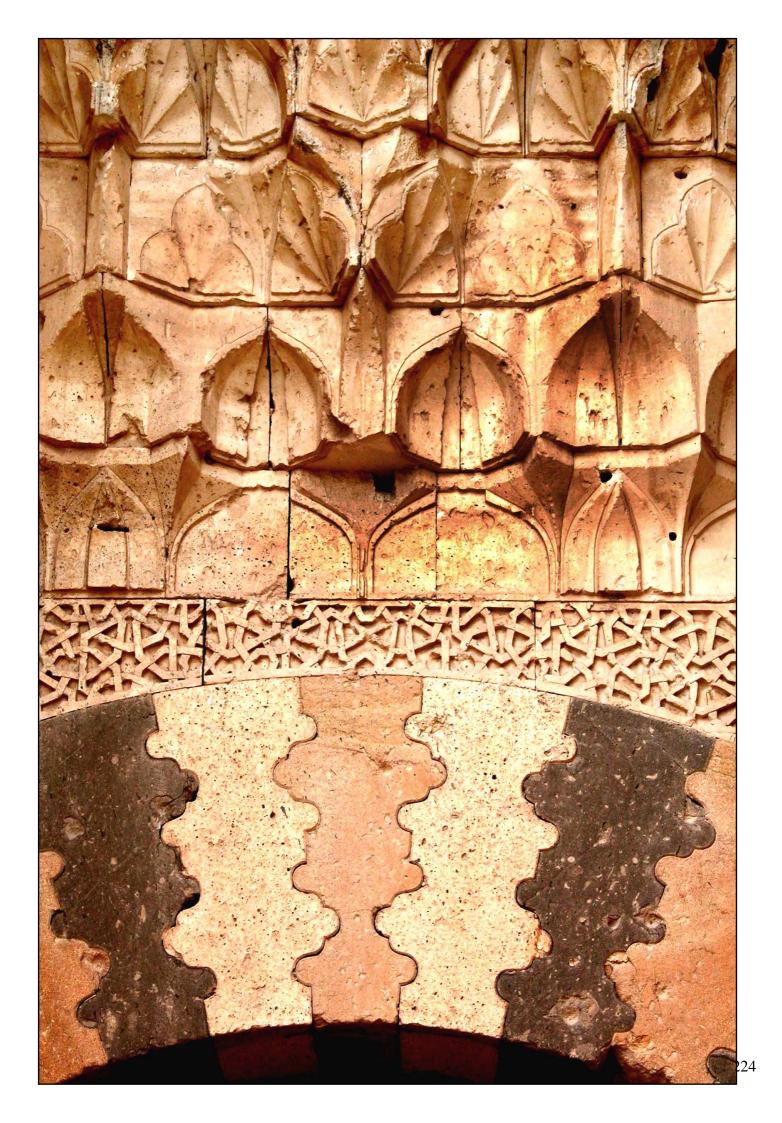


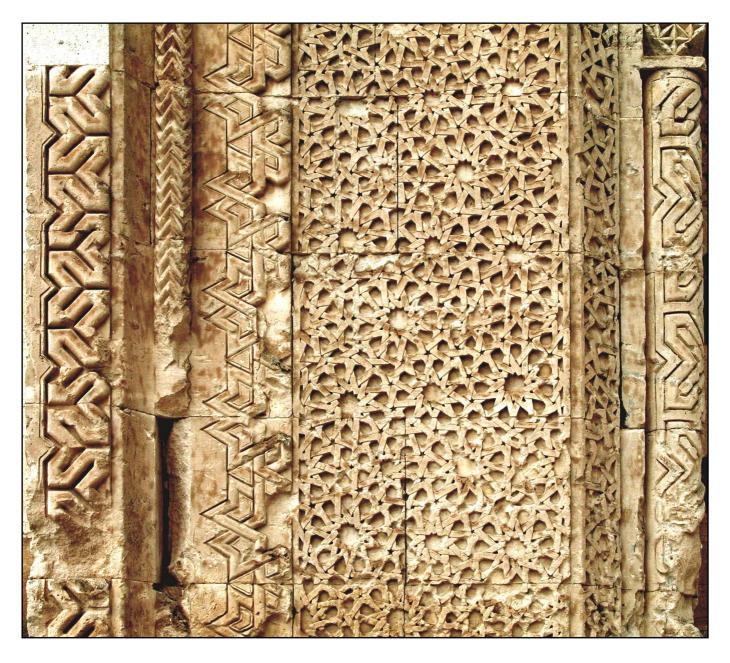


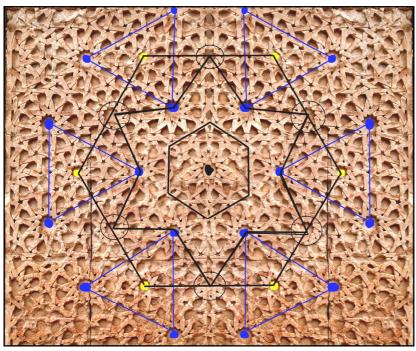




Les translations du sur-module principal permettent d'obtenir le pavage.







Voici un système convergent d'étoiles rares des plus réussis : une étoile à douze, centre de convergence, a pour satellites :

- six étoiles à **neuf** (en jaune).
- Six étoiles à **dix** (en rouge).
- même centre de convergence pour les étoiles à **onze** (en bleu).

C'est le seul exemple d'étoile à onze rencontré dans toute la sphère islamique.

