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A typology of Middle-Age towns is here proposed, based on their economic functions (based especially on production, commerce or services), related to Braudel's economic spaces (local, middle or largest). In this way could be possible individuate the peculiar and most significant economic function of all European towns, and not only in the Middle Ages. Towns are so divided, in this sense, into beehive-towns (for their productive importance), cobweb-towns (for their preeminent commercial functions) and nest-towns (for their propensity to offer every kind of service for foreign merchants).

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