# ALGARVE TOURIST GUIDE

**Hotel Algarve Casino** 







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part I

# PORTIMÃO MARINA



An elegant and modern spot with a variety of bars, restaurants and shops. It's a great place to stroll around, watch yachts and enjoy the sea view.

## PORTIMÃO MUSEUM

Situated in a former cannery, the museum offers an insight into local history, especially the fishing and canning industry. It's a great place to learn more about the region's culture and heritage.



## PORTIMÃO RIVERSIDE AREA



A wide pedestrian avenue, worked in typical Portuguese cobblestone, located along the River Arade. It's a popular place to walk or enjoy the restaurants, cafés and bars overlooking the river.

# PORTIMÃO MUNICIPAL MARKET

First opened in 1924 and renovated in 2007, it is a local shopping centre offering a wide variety of fresh products such as fish, seafood, meat, fruit, vegetables and other regional products.



#### MANUEL TEIXEIRA GOMES HOUSE MUSEUM



Former residence of the Portuguese writer and diplomat of the same name, dedicated to his life and work. It offers permanent and temporary exhibitions highlighting Teixeira Gomes' rich contribution to Portuguese literature and diplomacy.



part II

# PORTIMÃO PEDAGOGICAL FARM



An educational and leisure centre offering an authentic rural experience, with activities related to agriculture, livestock farming and environmental preservation.

## SANTA CATARINA FORTRESS

Located in Rocha beach, this ancient fortress offers spectacular panoramic views of the ocean and the coast.



#### **ALVOR**



A picturesque village near Portimão, known for its narrow streets, cosy bars and restaurants, as well as a beautiful estuary and stunning beaches.

#### ALCALAR MEGALITHIC MONUMENTS RECEPTION AND INTERPRETATION CENTRE

A space dedicated to preserving and interpreting the archaeological remains of the region's megalithic culture. It offers exhibitions and information resources on funerary monuments and other remains from the Copper Age.





# BOAT TRIPS, DOLPHIN WATCHING AND CAVES



Several companies offer boat trips along the coast, including dolphin-watching excursions.

#### ROCHA BEACH



One of the Algarve's most famous beaches, known for its dramatic cliffs, golden sand and crystal-clear waters.

## PORTIMÃO MARINA BEACH



Located at the mouth of the Arade River, it's a small sandy beach separate from Rocha beach, which can be reached via the pedestrianised and cycle path that runs along the Marina.

# TRÊS CASTELOS BEACH



Characterised by its golden sands and calm blue sea, it is connected to Rocha Beach by a passage carved into the rocks.

# CAREANOS BEACH



It is one of the most idyllic beaches in Portimão and stands out for its unique beauty, especially the colour of the sand, the sea and the rock formations.

#### VAU BEACH



Surrounded by gentle, ochre-coloured cliffs, golden sands and translucent waters, with easy pedestrian access, this is the chosen beach of many families with children.





# ALEMÃO BEACH



At the top of the cliff there is a pine forest that turns into a windbreak. From this beach, you can explore the "Varandas sobre o Mar" footpath that runs along the top of the cliffs.

## TRÊS IRMÃOS BEACH



With its singular dimension, it is located on a long, wide sandy barrier, through the very sculpted cliffs. It is one of the most popular beaches for watching the sunset.

#### ALVOR BEACH



With a sandy area that stretches to the horizon, it is a dream beach with its origins in a picturesque fishing village. It is one of the ex-libris of the Portimão region and has won awards for the environmental quality of its waters and infrastructures.

#### **TORRALTA BEACH**



It is characterised by its crystal-clear warm waters, fine golden sands, a horizon as far as the eye can see in a sea of various shades of blue and the best conditions for comfort and safety.

#### **PRAINHA**



It is an extension of Três Irmãos beach, separated by rocks and cliffs. When the tide is low, it has a considerable stretch of sand, but at low tide it almost disappears.

#### VIA ALGARVIANA



A Great Pedestrian Route that crosses the Algarve in a 300km stretch. From Ruins to the Cape of Saint Vincent, it passes through a variety of landscapes, including mountains, valleys and areas of Mediterranean vegetation.





#### MONCHIQUE MOUNTAINS



A mountain range with altitudes reaching around 902 metres at its highest point, Pico da Foia. Known for its mild climate, lush green vegetation and small picturesque villages, it offers a breathtaking scenery.

# VICENTINE COAST



An impressive stretch of coastline in the southwest of Portugal, belonging to the Southwest Alentejo and Vicentine Coast Natural Park. Known for its natural and wild landscapes, with cliffs, golden sandy beaches and crystal-clear waters.

## BIRD WATCHING ON THE ARADE RIVER



The tranquillity of the Arade River, combined with the wealth of local birdlife, provides an enchanting walk for birdwatchers and wildlife enthusiasts.

#### **ALVOR ESTUARY**



The Alvor estuary is one of the most important coastal wetlands in southern Portugal. A rich ecosystem with diverse flora and fauna.

# **PORTIMÃO YOUTH PARK**



Modern urban space, with several green areas, walking trails, playgrounds and sports zones, providing a pleasant environment for outdoor activities and leisure.



# DON'T FORGET TO VISIT



#### **CASINO**

The Hotel Algarve Casino offers a wide range of games in a room spread over 2 floors connected by escalators and equipped with 340 state-of-the-art slot machines.

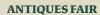


Visiting local markets, such as the Portimão Municipal Market, is a great way to experience fresh products, local handicrafts and local culture.



#### **NIGHTLIFE**

Rocha beach and Portimão Marina have a vibrant nightlife, with a wide variety of bars, clubs and discos. With a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere, Alvor has a selection of bars, pubs and discos not to be missed.



It takes place on the first and third Sundays of the month and it's very popular with collectors of antiques and other specific items such as stamps, coins and postcards.





#### **RIA MARKET**

It takes place weekly on Sundays, by the river and with a unique view of the Alvor estuary. There you can find a wide range of regional products, vegetables and fresh fruit.





# -NOT TO BE MISSED -

Fish and seafood cataplana



Feijoada de Buzinas



Grilled fresh fish



Grilled sardines



Assortment of typical Algarvian sweets

Doce Fino de Amêndoa, Dom Rodrigo, Figos Cheios, Florados de Lagoa, Queijinhos de Figo and Morgado





#### **WATER SPORTS**



Portimão is ideal for various water activities such as surfing, windsurfing, kitesurfing, jet skiing, paddleboarding and diving.

#### WALKS AND TRAILS

There are several trails and walking routes along the coast and inland, offering breathtaking views and a closer connection with nature.



#### **SKYDIVE**



Located at the Portimão Municipal Airfield, it offers tandem jumps for beginners and solo jumps for licensed skydivers, as well as skydiving courses. The jumps, made at up to 15,000 feet, offer incredible views of the Algarve coastline.

# ALGARVE INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT

A world-renowned race track that attracts motor racing enthusiasts from all over the world. It offers a variety of events, including car and motorbike races (Moto GP), Formula 1 pre-season tests and endurance racing events. Known for its modern infrastructure and challenging race track, the circuit provides an exciting experience for drivers and spectators.







#### **YACHT CLUB**



The Portimão Marina Yacht Club aims to promote culture, sport and recreation, developing and stimulating a taste for recreational and competitive nautical sports. It is geared towards training recreational sailors, sailing academies and training, surfing, surf skiing and sport fishing.

#### **PORTISUB**

The club was set up in 1988 and is a meeting point for members and divers in general who practise or want to practise diving in the western Algarve. In addition to these diving courses, the club also frequently organises underwater photography and video courses and first aid courses for divers and non-divers. Portisub can also be relied upon to research and register new dive spots in the Algarve, as well as organising outings and diving excursions along the Algarve coast.



#### **PORTITOURS**



Unique experiences with nature as background. This is the motto of Portitours, which is dedicated to adventure tourism in Portimão. Action, discovery, culture, history, tradition or nature are all part of the themes presented by the company, which offers original experiences throughout the Western Algarve.



#### **GOLF**



The Algarve region is famous for its world-class golf courses. Close to Portimão, there are several courses that provide beautiful landscapes and challenges for golfers of all levels.



#### **PENINA GOLF**

Located in Portimão, this is one of the oldest and most famous golf courses in the Algarve. It has three courses: Championship Course, Resort Course and Academy Course.



#### **ALTO GOLF COURSE**

Situated in Alvor, the Alto Golf Course offers breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and the Atlantic Ocean. This challenging and well-maintained course is known for its narrow fairways and demanding greens.



#### VALE DA PINTA GOLF COURSE

In Carvoeiro, a short drive from Portimão, Vale da Pinta is another golf course that offers undulating fairways and well-kept greens, with plenty of water hazards and strategically placed bunkers.



#### **GRAMACHO GOLF COURSE**

Also situated in Carvoeiro, Gramacho Golf Course is a challenging and picturesque course. With 18 holes, it has a variety of challenges, including narrow fairways, undulating greens and several lakes.



#### **MORGADO GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB**

It has two 18-hole courses: Morgado Golf Course and Álamos Golf Course. Surrounded by the Algarve countryside, these courses allow for a peaceful and challenging golfing experience.



#### AMENDOEIRA GOLF RESORT

It is a world-class golf destination located in Alcantarilha. The resort features two championship courses - the Oceânico Faldo Course and the Oceânico O'Connor Jnr. Course.



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