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With exceptional natural beauty, mild climate throughout the year, friendly population and a top-quality hotel network, Madeira and Porto Santo, the two inhabited islands of the Madeira archipelago, are the perfect Islands for those seeking stress-free holidays. Here you can enjoy your holiday on the beach or at sea, in the mountains, in the countryside or in the city. The perfect spot for a getaway to experience unique moments like nowhere else.



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## THE ARCHIPELAGO



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Located 1000km from the European continent and only 700km from the African coast, Madeira Archipelago is composed of Madeira Island, Porto Santo, Desertas and Selvagens, all of them featuring exceptional landscapes.

Described as a floating garden, Madeira is a luxurious island of volcanic origin in the Atlantic Ocean. It has a mild subtropical climate, known for its natural therapeutic characteristics, which made Madeira one of the greatest European tourist destinations in the mid-twentieth century. At 57km long and 22 km wide, Madeira was discovered by Tristão Vaz Teixeira, Bartolomeu Perestrelo and João Gonçalves Zarco in 1419.

Two-thirds of this autonomous region are part of a nature reserve, the demarcated region intended to preserve the richness and variety of its ecosystems. Here it is possible to visit the largest and most well-preserved area of Laurissilva, a forest aged 20 million years. Nowadays, Laurissilva only exists in Macaronesia (Madeira, Azores, Canary Islands and Cape Verd). In Madeira, it was classified by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.

Madeira Archipelago has a wide variety of activities that can be experienced and explored, which make it the perfect getaway spot.

## EVENTS



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In addition to the natural attractions and year-round spring weather, there is always plenty to do in the Madeira Islands. Throughout the year, many cultural, entertainment and sporting events are held all over the archipelago, attracting locals and visitors alike.

### Carnival (Madeira)



Madeira.

Carnival in Madeira is a raucous celebration. With a wide range of activities to choose from, it's easy to get swept up in the song and dance all across

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### Flower Festival (Madeira)



Every year after Easter, Funchal hosts an upbeat, colourful flower festival made possible by its subtropical climate. The city becomes drowned in soft, ephemeral perfumes produced by the many flower walls and carpets made by the locals.

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### Atlantic Festival (Madeira)



Taking place in June, the Atlantic Festival marks the beginning of the summer season in Madeira. Classical music concerts, fireworks and street performances make this the epitome of Madeira's summer nightlife.

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### Wine Festival (Madeira)



This folk festival is held in early September, when the grape harvest begins. In Funchal and Estreito de Câmara de Lobos this occasion is celebrated with decorations, music and dancing. It will be hard to refuse a glass of one of the many wines flowing in celebration.

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### Columbus Festival (Madeira)



In September, Vila Baleira honours Christopher Columbus, who once lived in the archipelago. The festival commemorates the discoverer's presence in the Madeira Islands and his voyages to the Americas with performances that recreate the atmosphere in the time of the Portuguese explorers.

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### New Year Celebrations (Madeira)



During the Christmas season, Funchal Bay's amphitheatre is transformed into a giant festive scene illuminated by thousands of twinkling lights. When New Year's Eve arrives, the city's skies are filled with fireworks launched from over 50 different points, a dazzling start to the upcoming year.

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### DO & SEE



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Most activities can be planned in hotels or through specialized agencies that will help you to make the most of your journey. These experiences range from outdoor activities to relaxation and wellness experiences. With its spectacular landscapes and rewarding hikes, Madeira will also not disappoint nature lovers.

### Santana Traditional Houses (Madeira)



Now the town's biggest tourist attraction, these quaint straw houses were originally used by farmers during the settlement of the island. While in town, you should not miss the Archipelago's history

and folk culture theme park.

Photo: Anna Lurye/Shutterstock.com

Address: Santana, Madeira

### Funchal Downtown and Historical Area (Madeira)



Funchal, the capital of Madeira, was initially built on a bay and gradually expanded to the hill slopes. See ArrivalGuides' guide to

Funchal for more tips.

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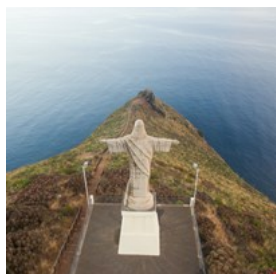
### Monte (Madeira)



Monte is the highest town on Funchal, famous for its rich history and abundant flora. Get the adrenaline pumping by sliding back to town in the traditional wicker sleds - "Carros de Cesto" - an experience unique to Madeira.

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### Garajau (Madeira)



Halfway between Funchal and Santa Cruz, in Caniço de Baixo, you will find one of the island's beautiful black sand beaches. Travel by cable car or venture on foot.

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### Ponta do Sol (Madeira)



Located 18 km from Funchal, Ponta do Sol is home to one of the best preserved historical centres on Madeira. Cais da Ponta do Sol and Ponte do Caminho Real, two platforms over the sea, are a must-see for any visitor.

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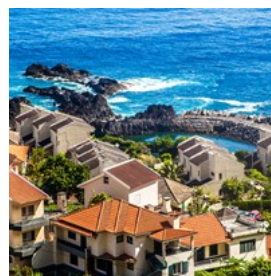
### São Vicente Caves (Madeira)



At the North of the Island, across the central ridge, lies São Vicente. This town has spectacular volcanic caves, where you can explore otherworldly geological wonders, including lava tubes.

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### Seixal (Madeira)



Undoubtedly one of the most beautiful views on the north coast of the Island, Seixal has natural ocean-fed pools perfect for diving. Also found here is one of the few black sand beaches on the island.

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### Machico (Madeira)



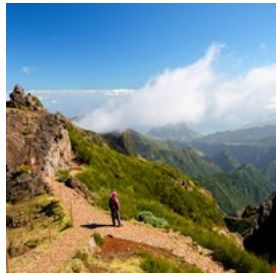
This tiny, mesmerising golden sand beach lies on the edge of the small town of Machico, the easternmost municipality on the island. With a

picturesque valley as a backdrop and crystal clear Atlantic waters, this is the perfect landscape for a revitalising, relaxing day at the beach.

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Address: Rua do Leiria, Machico, Madeira

### Pico do Areeiro & Pico Ruivo (Madeira)



A drive to Pico do Areeiro, the island's third highest point, will provide visitors with a magnificent landscape of the central ridge and its peaks. The trail connecting Pico do Areeiro to Pico Ruivo is one of the most scenic, but also very challenging. For a less strenuous hike, follow the footpath starting at Achada do Teixeira, Santana.

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### Porto Santo Island

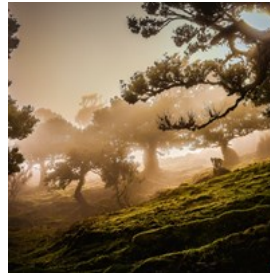


The sparsely populated island of Porto Santo lies 40 km northeast of the Madeira island. Quiet during most part of the year, it is the perfect place for those seeking an escape from the busy Funchal. The island offers a wide variety of outdoor activities such as diving, fishing, sailing, canoeing, and windsurfing. Much less hilly than Madeira, the island of Porto Santo is also perfect for bike rides. You can rent bikes at hotels or downtown.

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Address: Porto Santo

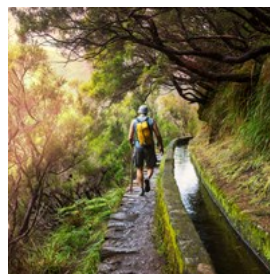
### Laurissilva Forest (Madeira)



This ancient forest survived the ice ages - estimated to be over 20 million years old, this place is an open-air museum for botanists and nature lovers alike. The biologically diverse 15,000 hectares thrive with rare flora unseen anywhere else.

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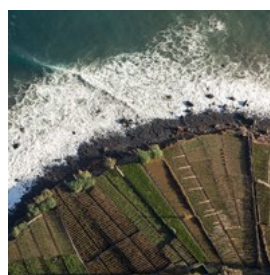
### Levada Walks (Madeira)



Walk along the levadas - small agricultural water channels blended in the island forests.

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### Cabo Girão (Madeira)



At an elevation of 580 m, Cabo Girão is the highest cape in Europe. It is famous for its suspended glass platform with a breathtaking view of the farmlands at the foot of the cliff, as well as a magnificent panoramic landscape of the ocean and the municipalities of Câmara de Lobos and Funchal.

Photo: wjarek / Shutterstock.com

Address: Estrada do Cabo Girão, Câmara de Lobos, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 8am-8pm

### Botanical Garden (Madeira)



With an area extending over 35,000 m<sup>2</sup>, these gardens are ablaze with more than 2,000 exotic plants from all around the globe. This fantastic

garden has several ornamental trees and shrubs, an orchid area, lawns, viewpoints and an amphitheatre for recreational activities.

Photo: A\_Mikhail/Shutterstock.com

Address: Caminho do Meio, Bom Sucesso, Santa Maria Maior, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: October to March, 9am-6pm; April to September, 9am-8pm

Phone: +351 291 211 200

### Natural Swimming Pools (Madeira)



The natural swimming pools of Porto Moniz were created by volcanic lava and are naturally filled with crystal-clear sea water. Suitable for every

age group, these pools bring all the commodities of the seawater to the comfort of a swimming pool.

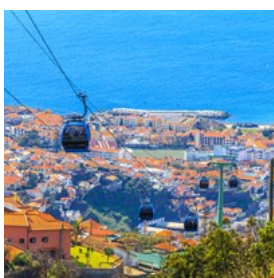
Photo: Michael Thaler/Shutterstock.com

Address: Porto Moniz, Madeira

Opening hours: Summer: 9am-7pm; Winter: 10am-5:30pm

Phone: +351 291 850 190

### Monte Cable Car (Madeira)



This 15 minutes journey offers magnificent panoramic views over Funchal and Monte.

When you arrive at Monte you can visit the magnificent Monte Palace Tropical Gardens and the Church of Our Lady of Monte, where the

Austro-Hungarian Emperor Charles I is buried.

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Address: Caminho das Babosas 8, 9050-541 Funchal

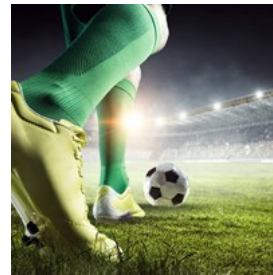
Opening hours: Sun-Sat 9am-5:45pm

Phone: +351 291 780 280

Internet: [www.madeiracablecar.com](http://www.madeiracablecar.com)

Email: [info@madeiracablecar.com](mailto:info@madeiracablecar.com)

### Cristiano Ronaldo Museum (Madeira)



If you are a football fan this museum is a must-see. Cristiano Ronaldo, the world-renowned superstar, was born in

Funchal. In dedication to his professional career, the CR7 Museum was established to display his trophies and awards, some dating back to his Madeira childhood.

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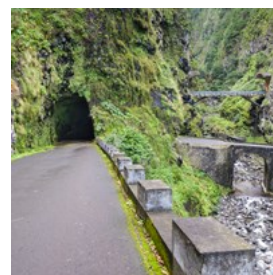
Address: Princesa Dona Amelia 10, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 10am-6pm

Phone: +351 291 639 880

Internet: [www.museucr7.com](http://www.museucr7.com)

### Road ER 101



The old ER 101 route is a breathtakingly scenic road that stretches around the island of Madeira in full circle; you'll drive through

tunnels, over hills and past steep slopes along the way, with the occasional adrenaline rush of a particularly sharp turn and a permanent view of the magnificent Atlantic. The route is only recommended to confident drivers, so do opt for a taxi if navigating challenging roads doesn't exactly excite you (opt for cars with an automatic gear-box for tricky uphill starts if you choose to rent).

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## DINING



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Madeiran gastronomy has been influenced by all the cultures that passed through the islands over the years. Some typical starters you cannot miss are bolo do caco (sweet potato bread) with garlic butter, grilled limpets and tomato and onion soup. For the main course try the famous pork marinated in wine and garlic, or the legendary beef espetada, a massive grilled skewer. And since you're on an archipelago, make the most of the fresh fish: try the black scabbard fish fillet (peixe-espada), tuna steak with fried maize (atum com milho frito) or grilled wrasse (bodião).

Restaurants are surely not what is missing in Madeira as they are abundantly spread all over the city of Funchal and the rest of the island, as well as on Porto Santo.

There are restaurants for all tastes, from the most modern and sophisticated eateries with international cuisine to the more regional restaurants and welcoming traditional taverns.

### As Vides (Madeira)



As Vides is a restaurant praised by locals as one of the best traditional restaurants in Madeira. Forget your diet for one day and prepare yourself

to try the island's characteristically long, flavourful beef skewers and the most iconic Madeiran delicacy, the buttery bolo do caco.

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Address: Rau da Achada 17, Câmara De Lobos, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 12pm-4pm, 7pm-10:30pm

Phone: +351 291 945 322

### O Casco (Madeira)



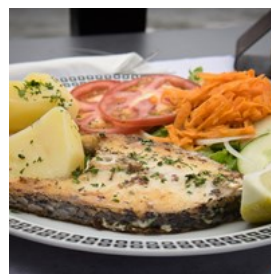
If you want to see what comfort food looks like in Madeira, O Casco is definitely the place to go. Lunch, dinner - or simply a snack - everything will

be cooked to-order at any time of the day. Be sure to try one of the many varieties of bolo do caco.

Photo: F\_N / Shutterstock.com

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 9am-2am

### Cantinho dos Amigos (Madeira)



Located just across Mercado dos Lavradores you will find this typically tiny, dimly lit Portuguese restaurant. The fish sandwiches and dishes,

along with the hospitality, will leave you wishing to come back more than once. Do not forget to try the locally crafted cider.

Photo: Veronika Kovalenko / Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua Murcas No. 84, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun 9am-10pm, Mon 11am- 10pm, Tue- Fri 9am-10pm  
Phone: +351 964 011 655

### O Polar (Madeira)



O Polar is living proof that an extensive and expensive menu is not needed in order to achieve excellence. With a short, affordable

selection, the restaurant will not leave you disappointed with any of the Madeira-style barbecue dishes.

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Address: Rua Pico da Torre 26, Câmara de Lobos, Madeira  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12pm-3pm 6pm-11pm  
Phone: +351 291 944 442

### Casa d'Avó (Porto Santo)



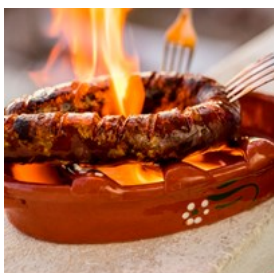
Casa d'Avó is known for serving local ingredients and dishes with an international cuisine twist. The menu varies with the day's fish haul,

and the attentive staff will certainly serve you a dish that will make you want to come back to this tiny, remote island.

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Address: Campo de Baixo, Porto Santo  
Opening hours: Sun-Sat 4pm-12am  
Phone: +351 291 982 037

### Mercado Velho (Porto Santo)



Centrally located, Mercado Velho will serve you food from early morning to late evening. Not only do they have the freshest tuna and sardine

dishes, but also the traditional alcohol-flambéed Portuguese chorizo. A favourite among locals, this hidden gem is yet to be found by most visitors to Porto Santo.

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Address: Rua João Goncalves Zarco, Porto Santo  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-12am, Sat 9am-2am  
Phone: +351 291 984 205

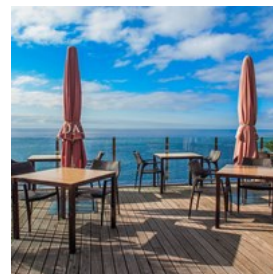
### CAFES



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After a long day of sightseeing, you might want to sit back and relax with a cup of coffee or tea. Madeira offers charming small cafés where you can enjoy a pastry or local desserts such as honey or maze cake. There are also some cafés with outdoor seating overlooking the waves of the Atlantic Ocean.

### Barreirinha Bar Café (Madeira)



If the perfect location wasn't good enough, Barreirinha Bar Café provides hearty, affordable eats all day long. On Friday and Saturday nights the atmosphere becomes young and lively, just perfect for those looking for a drink on a warm Madeira night.

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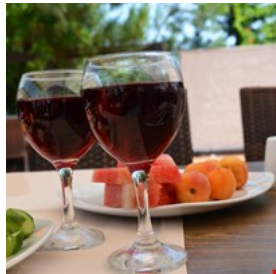
Address: Largo do Socorro, Santa Maria Maior, Funchal,



Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 9am-11:45pm, Fri-Sat 9am-2am  
Phone: +351 291 627 418

### Dona Mécia (Madeira)



Inspired by the tiny old Portuguese grocery stores, Mercearia Dona Mécia is not only a place to drink espresso but also to have some of their unique bite-sized snacks. It is the perfect place to try some Portuguese grilled chorizo.

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Address: Rua dos Aranhas 26, Funchal, Madeira  
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 8am-10pm, Fri 8am-12am, Sat 10am-7pm  
Phone: +351 291 221 559

### Magic Tea House (Madeira)



If having a drink with a marvellous view is your cup of tea, Magic Tea House is certainly a place you cannot miss. With many tea varieties and tea rooms, it will feel like a relaxing spiritual experience.

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Address: Rua da Ponta da Cruz 23, Funchal, Madeira  
Opening hours: Sun-Sat 10am-6pm

### Pastelaria Ravioli (Madeira)



If you want to snack like a local, then this is the place to go. With great value for money, Pastelaria Ravioli is the right joint to experience the authentic Portuguese coffee and snack culture.

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Address: Rua Velha Ajuda 14, Edificio Colinas Do Lido, Funchal, Madeira  
Opening hours: Sun-Sat 6am-9pm  
Phone: +351 291 764 004

### Legs Eleven Coffee Co. (Madeira)



Hailed as serving some of the best coffee on the island, Legs Eleven is known for its high-quality coffee and a relaxed vibe. It provides a very cozy environment, just perfect for a latte or some biscuits, or even both at the same time.

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Address: Rua Das Pretas 86, Funchal, Madeira  
Phone: +351 926 613 455

### BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Nightlife in Madeira is mainly concentrated in Funchal, with a wide range of bars and nightclubs. During the weekend, the streets are filled with a joyfully contagious nightlife spirit, made possible by the archipelago's ever-pleasant weather. You will not want to miss Madeira's most famous cocktail, poncha--made from sugar cane alcohol and fruit juice.

### Taberna Popular (Madeira)



Taberna Popular's charm comes from it not trying to be more than what it seems - a tiny crowded pub with cheap beer and snacks. It is perfect for a late night drink at the end of your Pub Crawl.

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Address: Rua Fontes 18, Funchal, Madeira

### Mercearia da Poncha (Madeira)



Mercearia da Poncha is the perfect place to start your pub crawl. Here you can taste many colorful variations of Madeira's preferred drink, poncha.

It is impossible not to notice the unbelievably affordable prices.

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Address: Rua de Santa Maria 154, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 6pm-1am, Fri-Sat 6pm-2am

### Madeira Rum House (Madeira)



Madeira Rum House's name is the literal description of what you will find there - rum from Madeira. Located in the old town, they serve rum cocktails that you will find nowhere else. Prepare yourself to sit back and enjoy one of the archipelago's alcoholic treats.

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Address: Rua Portao de Sao Tiago 19c, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 6pm-12am

### Revolucion Rock Bar (Madeira)



Hidden in Funchal's old town, this little bar is run by a skilled couple that will craft a cocktail for you. The cosy and relaxed atmosphere will make you spend more time there than what you might have planned.

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Address: Rua de Santa Maria 144 A, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7pm-2am

### Bar Pé de Cabra (Madeira)



Pé de Cabra literally means "goat foot", but don't let it fool you - it is also the name of a Madeira's cocktail, said to be invented at this bar.

Try it yourself and be satisfied with this recipe that has been passed on through many generations of the family that runs the bar.

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Address: Caminho da Ribeira dos Socorridos 5, Lombada, Funchal

Opening hours: Sun-Sat 7am-10pm

Phone: +351 291 774 040

## SHOPPING



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Besides its superb weather and food, Madeira is also a fantastic place to do some shopping. From traditional markets, wines and handcrafts, to big, modern shopping centres, there certainly won't be a lack of fun and variety when it comes to shopping. Take this chance to bring some Madeiran wine or poncha back home, since you will not find a tasty tropical liquor like it anywhere else in the world.

### Madeira Wine



Madeira's unique soil and climate make the production of an even more unique wine possible. Praised by Shakespeare in his plays and admired by monarchs, princes, generals and explorers, this nectar is definitely one of Madeira's finest achievements. Multiple wineries offer guided tours and tastings (e.g. Blandy's Wine Lodge, one of the island's most reputable and longest-standing).

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### Mercado dos Lavradores (Madeira)



This Farmers' Market, inaugurated in 1940, still carries out the functions for which it was created. All sorts of local produce are sold, in a blend of colours, sounds, smells and visiting nationalities.

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Address: Largo dos Lavradores, 9060 - 158

Phone: +351 291 214 080

### Madeira Shopping (Madeira)



Madeira's weather is known for its unpredictability, but don't let that put you out. Madeira Shopping is the perfect family destination for a rainy day. Once you enter this retail heaven you will find plenty of stores and sellers more than happy to assist you.

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Address: Caminho Santa Quiteria 45, Funchal, Madeira

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 9am-11pm, Fri-Sat 9am-12am

Phone: +351 291 100 800

### Forum Madeira (Madeira)



If filling your bags with new clothes is one of your vacation goals, then Forum Madeira is the place to go. With the most modern fashion stores, it will be difficult not to go over your bag's capacity.

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### Madeira Embroidery



The hand embroidery of Madeira is generally claimed to be one of the finest of its kind. Part of the history and culture of Madeira, its distinctive style is the result of the mix of many influences from all across Europe throughout the years, making it impossible to find such a unique handcraft anywhere else in the world.

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### TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Madeira International Airport



Madeira International Airport has a modern infrastructure that welcomes its passengers with the highest levels of safety and comfort.

Located 20 minutes away from the capital city of Funchal, the airport has all the essential transportation services. A bus shuttle service runs to the city approximately every one or two hours.

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Address: Madeira Airport, ANA, Santa Cruz, Madeira

Phone: +351 291 520 700

Internet: [www.ana.pt](http://www.ana.pt)

Email: [madeira.airports@ana.pt](mailto:madeira.airports@ana.pt)

### Public Transport



One of the main public bus companies that operates on Madeira is Horários do Funchal, operating both city and inter-city services on the south, central, and north parts of the island.

A limited amount of the island's attractions can be reached by bus, while certain areas (such as the popular hiking route between Madeira's two highest peaks) are only accessible by private transfer, or as part of a guided tour.

You can find more information at [www.horariosdofunchal.pt](http://www.horariosdofunchal.pt)

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### Best Time to Visit



Madeira's characteristic climate makes for pleasant weather all year long. Paired with the multiple festivals, a visit at any time of the year will be worth it. Madeira is also known for its New Year's Eve and Carnival celebrations, making these seasons a must-go for those who cannot miss a festive event.

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## Passport / Visa



Portugal can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and

most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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## Taxi



All the trips by taxi are metered, although there are some fixed charges for certain trips. There are also come surcharges for extra luggage. You

can find Taxis in taxi ranks, circulating around the city, or you can also call one taxi to your location.

Taxis will often wait at locations frequented by tourists (such as starting/finishing points of levada walks); teaming up with other travellers is a common practise - a cab will often fit in 4+ passengers and drop each one off at their requested location. The split fare adds up to not much more than a sing public bus trip.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

## Post



Post offices or Correios de Portugal (CTT) are usually open Monday-Friday 08.30am-8pm and Saturday 09.am-12.30pm.

You can find them in different locations around the island, but the main offices are located in Funchal.

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Phone: +351 707 26 26 26

Internet: [www.ctt.pt](http://www.ctt.pt)

## Pharmacy



Prescription and non-prescription drugs are available from pharmacies (farmácia), but if you need regular medication it is better to

take supplies with you. Pharmacies are usually open Monday to Friday (09am-13pm and 3pm-7pm). There are some pharmacies that are open beyond this schedule but in only some specific points. To find out which pharmacies open all day, you can check the information posted in every pharmacy.

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## Telephone

Country code: +351 Area code: 291



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## Electricity



In Madeira Islands: 220 volts AC with two-pronged round-pin plugs.

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## Population

Madeira: 277 000, Porto Santo: 5 000

## Currency

Euro, €

## Opening hours

Shops: Monday–Friday 9am–1pm and 3pm–7pm, Saturday 9am–1pm. Many of the larger stores in the main tourist areas may stay open through lunch and until 10pm. Most shops are closed on Sundays.

Shopping centres: Sunday–Saturday 10am–10pm.

Banks: Monday–Friday 08.30am–3pm

## Internet

[www.visitmadeira.pt](http://www.visitmadeira.pt)

## Newspapers

In English: Essential Madeira and Porto Santo (quarterly)

The Madeira Times

## Emergency numbers

112

## Tourist information

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Avenida Arriaga, 16, Funchal

+351 291 211902

Open Monday–Friday 09am–8pm, Saturday–Sunday 09m–6pm.



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