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Porto was once the last stop of adventurers on their way across the Atlantic to the New World. The cliché that Lisbon shows off and Porto just works is a well-worn metaphor that fails to fully do justice to the city's innumerate charms. History dwells around every corner, and more than ever, Porto is a place determined to hold on to its own and distinct identity.

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## THE CITY



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Time has seemingly failed to touch some of the hidden corners of Porto, with many of its typical winding alleys full of shops and restaurants looking like a scene straight out of a medieval history book. The city is so soaked in the past that the historic area of Ribeira has been deemed a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Considering the backdrop of wrought-iron balconies full of flowers, the daily washing and an array of fresh white and blue 'azulejos' tiles, you will have the perfect city for aimless wandering. However, the city does have a few key landmarks that are worth a visit, including the elaborately decorated Palacio da Bolsa (=the Stock Exchange Palace), the medieval Cathedral and Clérigos Tower.

The other big draw for tourists is the tour of the Porto wine cellars at Vila Nova de Gaia on the other side of the Douro River.

The surrounding suburbs of the city are also compelling: Matosinhos offers great seafood eateries and small beaches stretching down the coastline. Amarante invites to a particular colourful shape. Foz do Douro is known as the wealthier area, with nightclubs and restaurants just 5 kilometres northwest of Porto.

## DO & SEE



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In Porto, there is much to see and do, but the city's beautiful surroundings are particularly spectacular. Make sure to visit the port wine caves, different markets and many museums.

### Porto Cathedral



One of the most important Romanesque monuments in Portugal, Porto Cathedral is a defining landmark of the city. Built in 1110 and located in the historical city centre, it is definitely worth a visit for the views, stretching from the Old Town to the Atlantic coast.

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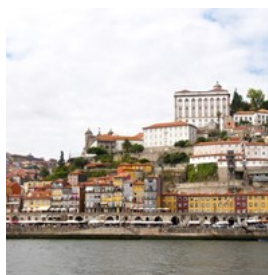
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Phone: +351 222 059 028

Internet: [www.diocese-porto.pt](http://www.diocese-porto.pt)

Email: [gabinf@diocese-porto.pt](mailto:gabinf@diocese-porto.pt)

### Ribeira



In the heart of the Old Town, the "Riverbank" quarter of the city contrasts historic winding streets with lively and colourful facades. With

abundant restaurants and galleries, this is a great place to venture out during the day as well as at night, when the array of trendy bars and nightclubs open their doors.

Photo: Albert H. Teich/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ribeira, Porto

### Clerigos Tower



Torre Dos Clerigos, is an 18th-century Baroque tower built by the Italian artist Niccolo Nazzoni. Those who endure the steep 240-step journey tot

he top will be rewarded with fantastic views of the beautiful city.

Photo: saiko3p/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua Sao Filipe de Nery, Porto

Opening hours: Daily 9am-7pm

Phone: +351 220 145 489

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

### Port Wine Caves at Vila Nova De Gaia



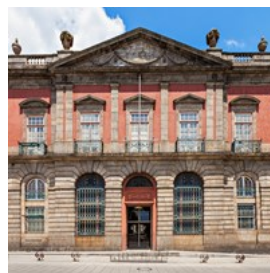
Across the Douro River, you can visit the port wine caves of Vila Nova de Gaia. There are over fifty wine companies found in this area, with

wine lodges offering organised tours and tasting sessions.

Photo: Sopotnicki/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vila Nova de Gaia, Porto

### Soares dos Reis National Museum



Culture vultures won't want to miss this National Museum dedicated to 19th- and 20th-century Portuguese painting and sculpture. After the visit you can enjoy a coffee in the café.

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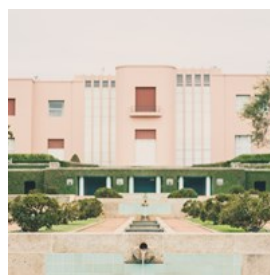
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-6pm

Phone: +351 223 393 770

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

Email: [mnsr@ipmuseus.pt](mailto:mnsr@ipmuseus.pt)

### Serralves Museum of Contemporary Art



If modern art is your scene, don't miss this museum, which hosts some of the best works by contemporary Portuguese painters and sculptors. As well as this, there are pieces from internationally known artists such as Warhol and Pollock.

Photo: Nelson M S Silva/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua D. João de Castro 210, Porto

Opening hours: Apr-Sep Mon-Fri 10am-7pm and Sat-Sun

1am-8pm. Oct-Mar Mon-Fri 10am-6pm and Sat-Sun

10am-7pm

Phone: +351 226 156 500

Internet: [www.serralves.pt/en/](http://www.serralves.pt/en/)

Email: [serralves@serralves.pt](mailto:serralves@serralves.pt)

More Info: The building also offers a library, a book shop, a tea house, a restaurant, and an auditorium bar. The opening hours may differ from those of the museum itself.

### Pedro Pitões Tower

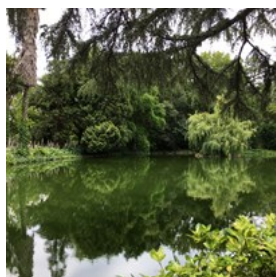


This tower, also called 'Torre da Cidade' ("Tower of the City"), was discovered during demolition work in the 1940s and reconstructed 15 meters away from its original position.

Photo: StockPhotosArt/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua de São Sebastião, Porto

### Nova Sintra Park



Nova Sintra Park is one of the largest green spaces in Porto. A very peaceful park, over 40 species of trees are planted here. Take a break by one of the many fountains or on the banks of the Duoro River, which flows through here.

Photo: globetrotters/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua do Barão de Nova Sintra, Porto

Phone: +351 225 190 800

### Yellow City Cruises



Take a tour by bus, boat or tram tour to properly explore the neighbourhoods (and rivers) of Porto. A normal bus tour takes around 50 minutes.

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Phone: +351 218 503 225

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

Email: [yellowbus@carris.pt](mailto:yellowbus@carris.pt)

More Info: Departure location: Gaol and Court

### Aveiro



Known as the Venice of Portugal, Aveiro is located about 25 kilometres south of Porto. This town is surrounded by beaches, lagoons and the beautiful canals that run through the whole town. It is easy to reach Aveiro by train: several trains leave from Porto to Aveiro each day and the journey takes about an hour.

Photo: Elena Siberia/Shutterstock.com

Address: Aveiro, Portugal

### Stock Exchange Palace



The Stock Exchange Palace is also known as Palacio da Bolsa. Constructed between 1842 and 1870, this decadent palace features neoclassical style and been classified as a World Heritage site by UNESCO.

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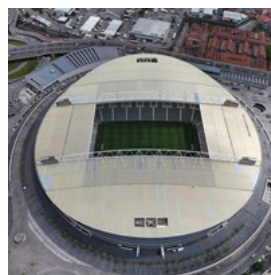
Opening hours: Nov-Mar 8am-1pm and 2pm-5:30pm. Apr-Oct 9am-6:30pm

Phone: +351 223 399 000

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

Email: [correio@cciporto.pt](mailto:correio@cciporto.pt)

### Dragon Stadium



The Dragon Stadium, Estádio do Dragão, is the home arena for FC Porto and it is estimated to have cost €98 million. On this guided tour, you will see the presidential box, changing rooms and dugouts.

Photo: Antonio P. Lencastre/Shutterstock.com

Address: Via Futebol Clube do Porto, Porto

Phone: +351 225 083 300

Internet: [www.fcporto.pt/en](http://www.fcporto.pt/en)

More Info: Tours in Portuguese, English, French, Spanish, German, Italian and Mandarin take place every hour from Mon 3pm-5pm and Tue-Sun 11am-5pm.

### Sao Francisco Church



Sao Francisco Church, Igreja de São Francisco, has one of Europe's most sumptuous and extravagant interiors. Although it may appear to

be an ordinary 14th century Gothic and Baroque building, the inside is completely covered in gold. Selected as one of UNESCO's World Heritage sites.

Photo: Martin Lehmann/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua do Infante D. Henrique, Porto

Opening hours: Nov-Feb 9am-5:30pm. Mar-Jun 9am-7pm.

Jul-Sep 9am-8pm. Oct 9am-7pm

Phone: +351 222 062 100

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

Email: [geral@ordemsaofrancisco.pt](mailto:geral@ordemsaofrancisco.pt)

### Dom Luis I Bridge



Ponte Dom Luis I is one of Porto's most famous landmarks. This bridge links Porto to Gaia and it is well worth a visit, especially to see the

sunset.

Photo: Hugo Grilo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ponte D. Luis I, Porto

### Church of Santa Clara



Built in 1416, this church is a feast for the eyes. Admire various architectural styles such as Gothic and Renaissance all in one place.

Photo: NaughtyNut/Shutterstock.com

Address: Largo do 1 Dezembro, Porto

Phone: +351 222 054 837

### São Bento Rail Station



This French Beaux-Arts rail station designed by Jose Marques da Silva in the 16th century is known for its remarkable and distinctive beauty.

Photo: HombreDHOjalata/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)

Address: Praca Almeida Garrett, Porto

### Guindais Funicular



beautiful views, especially if the sun is setting.

The Funicular dos Guindais operates to and from the top between Batalha and Ribeira. Save yourself the walk and enjoy a few minutes of

Photo: Artur Bogacki/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ribeira and Batalha, Porto

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

## DINING



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The people of Porto managed to acquire the name 'tripeiros' or 'tripe eaters', as they shipped out all their fine cuts of meat in order to feed their armies and traders abroad, conquering across the seas back in the 15th century. However, today there is a lot more on the Portuguese menus than just leftover offal of lower quality, and much port wine to wash it down with.

Being on the coast, seafood restaurants are both ubiquitous and delicious. The city also has a good array of Brazilian inspired restaurants, reflecting its former colonial links with the South American country - Brazilian barbecues are a carnivore's heaven!

### Chez Lapin



Chez Lapin is a rustic cosy and highly recommended restaurant serving meals such as roast octopus and other Portuguese specialities.

Enjoy your dinner out on the pleasant outdoor terrace.

Photo: Yulia-Bogdanova/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua dos Canastreiros 40-42, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 12:30am-11pm  
Phone: +351 222 006 418

Email: reservas@douroacima.pt

### Churrascão Gaúcho



Churrascão Gaúcho is a restaurant with typical South American influenced dishes and an excellent range of seafood and grilled fish.

Specialities are Meat Rodízio coming along with a cool Caipirinha.

Photo: hlphoto/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Avenida da Boavista 313, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12am-3:30pm, 7pm-11pm  
Phone: +351 226 098 206

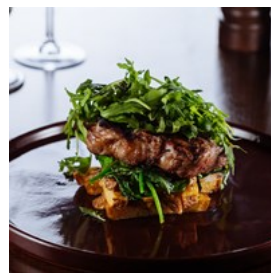
### ODE Porto Wine House



The ODE Porto Wine House is a very nice restaurant: small, cosy and romantic. Their dishes are based on high quality organic food from local products. It is located in the historic part of Porto.

Photo: Natalia Mylova/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Largo do Terreiro 7, Porto  
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7pm-11pm  
Phone: +351 913 200 010  
Email: info@odewinehouse.com

### O Papparico



O Papparico restaurant is very popular and very gorgeous inside. They serve typical Portuguese food and its presentation is fantastic, the service

likewise.

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Address: Rua de Costa Cabral, Porto  
Opening hours: Tue-Sat 7:30pm-11pm  
Phone: +351 225 400 548  
Internet: [www.opaparico.com](http://www.opaparico.com)

### Yeatman's Restaurant

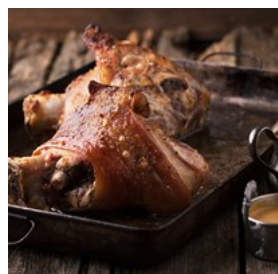


At Yeatman's Restaurant, you can relish in contemporary Portuguese cuisine in a very sophisticated restaurant with an amazing city view

- the elegant restaurant is located inside the Yeatman Hotel and it offers two Michelin-stars menu. This will truly be an inspiring dining experience.

Photo: Suporn Thawornnithi/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua do Choupelo, Porto  
Phone: +351 220 133 100  
Internet: [www.the-yeatman-hotel.com/en/food/restaurant/](http://www.the-yeatman-hotel.com/en/food/restaurant/)  
Email: [reservations@theyeatman.com](mailto:reservations@theyeatman.com)

### Cafeína

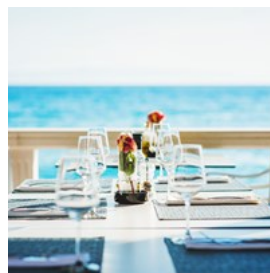


Cafeína has an elegant decor and it is located in a 19th century manor house. Even though it is over a decade old,

Cafeína continues to be one of the most talked about restaurants in Porto. On the menu you will find dishes like leg of pork with black beer sauce and salmon "Mi Cuit" with fennel mousseline and wok vegetables.

Photo: Belokoni Dmitri/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua do Padrão 100, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 12:30am-6pm, 7:30pm-12:30pm  
Phone: +351 226 108 059  
Internet: [www.cafeina.pt](http://www.cafeina.pt)  
Email: [GERAL@CAFEINA.PT](mailto:GERAL@CAFEINA.PT)

### Praia da Luz



This restaurant is beautifully located by the sea and it offers an amazing view over the Atlantic. The atmosphere is relaxing and comfortable. You will find a varied menu with meat, fish and vegetarian meals.

Photo: Olena Bloschchynska/Shutterstock  
Address: Rua Coronel Raúl Peres, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-2am  
Phone: +351 226 173 234  
Internet: [www.praiadaluz.pt](http://www.praiadaluz.pt)  
Email: [praiadaluz@praiadaluz.pt](mailto:praiadaluz@praiadaluz.pt)

### Mauritânia

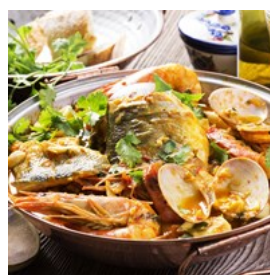


friendly environment.

Mauritânia is a seafood restaurant located beside the S.João Hospital. On the menu you can find tasty fresh seafood and fish dishes in a very

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Address: Rua Brito e Cunha 119, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Tue and Thu-Sun 12am-3pm and 7pm-11pm  
Phone: +351 229 380 635  
Internet: [www.restaurantemauritania.com](http://www.restaurantemauritania.com)  
Email: [mauritaniamatosinhos@gmail.com](mailto:mauritaniamatosinhos@gmail.com)  
More Info: Terrace open daily from 11am to 11pm.

### Mal Cozinhado



listening to folkloric musicians.

The Mal Cozinhado is a restaurant that later at night turns into a late-night hot spot. Here you will find a lot of people drinking beer and

Photo: HLPhoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua do Outeirinho 13, Porto

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8:30pm-12pm

Phone: +351 222 081 319

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

Email: [malcozinhado@clix.pt](mailto:malcozinhado@clix.pt)

## CAFES



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There are many pleasant cafés in Porto where you can get a refreshing drink or coffee. Snack-wise, most cafés will serve you a ‘francesinha,’ which is a cholesterol-full delicacy made from meat, bread and cheese finished off with some spicy sauce.

### Café Majestic



Café Majestic is claimed to be not just any café: it is an essential stop on any visitor’s sightseeing itinerary. First founded in 1921, it still retains the

original flamboyant glamour of the roaring 1920’s, decadently decorated with marble walls, cherubs and gilded mirrors.

Photo: AntoniusJ/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)

Address: Rua Santa Catarina 112, Porto

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-11:30pm

Phone: +351 222 003 887

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

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

### Café Guarany



Café Guarany is known as the musician’s café. This is due to the artistic atmosphere that has existed since its founding in 1933.

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Address: Avenida dos Aliados 85/89, Porto

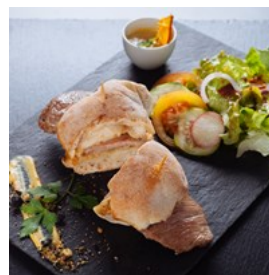
Opening hours: Daily 9am-11:45pm

Phone: +351 223 321 272

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

Email: [guarany@mail.telepac.pt](mailto:guarany@mail.telepac.pt)

### Praia Da Luz



Praia Da Luz is both a restaurant and a beachside café. It offers everything from pancakes for breakfast, afternoon tea and even midnight

snacks. In the winter, visitors can eat in front of a log fire.

Photo: Dmitry Kornilov/Shutterstock.com

Address: Avenida do Brasil, Porto

Opening hours: Daily 9am-2am

Phone: +351 226 173 234

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

Email: [praiadaluz@praiadaluz.pt](mailto:praiadaluz@praiadaluz.pt)

### Lais de Guia



Lais de Guia is a beachside café/bar in Matosinhos with a friendly and efficient service. The cafe also serves proper meals and

sandwiches, and it turns into a bar at the evening.

Photo: altan can/Shutterstock.com

Address: Av. Norton de Matos 369, Porto



Opening hours: Daily 9am-2am  
Phone: +351 229 381 4 28  
Internet: [www.laisdeguia.com](http://www.laisdeguia.com)  
Email: [info@laisdeguia.net](mailto:info@laisdeguia.net)

### Confeitaria Tavi



The Confeitaria Tavi could be the best café and pastry shop in the Foz do Douro suburb. Overlooking the ocean, you can sit down in one of their lovely armchairs and enjoy your coffee. They also offer free WiFi.

Photo: Mirifada/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Senhora da Luz 363, Porto  
Phone: +351 226 180 152  
Internet: [www.tavi.pt/confeitaria](http://www.tavi.pt/confeitaria)  
Email: [reservas@tavi.pt](mailto:reservas@tavi.pt)

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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In central Porto, the liveliest place to head for is Ribeira, the vibrant historic heart of the city, which is also a popular students' haunt. For a flavour of traditional Portugal, go to a Fado bar where you can hear a form of Portuguese blues with melancholic artists singing of lost loves and regrets.

The distinction between bar and nightclub is slightly blurred, as most bars stay open until the early morning hours. However, if you want to

dance the hours away, Porto has a lot to offer, from traditional 'Fado' evenings to dance clubs in converted warehouses.

### Pipa Velha Petisqueira



Pipa Velha Petisqueira is one of the oldest bars in the city, as it has been open in the city's central area since 1981. The walls are decorated with old posters and newspapers on Porto's history, and the music is a blend of alternative rock and indie.

Photo: View Apart/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua das Oliveiras 75, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 5pm-4am  
Phone: +351 223 222 780

### Cafe Candelabro



This bar was renovated in 2009 and it got intimate and cosy, with a pleasant light and soft music. It looks like an old library with shelves filled with books and walls full of photographs.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua da Conceição 3, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10:30am-2am. Sat-Sun 4pm-2am  
Internet: [www.cafecandelabro.blogspot.com](http://www.cafecandelabro.blogspot.com)

### Plano B



Plano B is a very popular nightclub, and maybe even the most popular in town when it comes to live music and DJ gigs. It also has art exhibitions quite often and these attract a young audience with an aesthetic interest.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Cândido dos Reis 30, Porto  
Opening hours: Wed-Sat 10pm-5am  
Internet: [www.planobporto.net](http://www.planobporto.net)  
Email: [plano.b.geral@gmail.com](mailto:plano.b.geral@gmail.com)

### The Wall Bar



The Wall Bar is claimed to be a must-go and one of the best bars downtown. This place has great cocktails, good music and friendly staff.

Pay attention to the cool bar wall.

Photo: Tarik Kaan Muslu/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Cândido dos Reis 90, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 5pm-4am. Sun 9pm-4am  
Phone: +351 222 086 557  
Email: [thewallbar@sapo.pt](mailto:thewallbar@sapo.pt)

### Hot Five Jazz & Blues Club



If you are into jazz and blues, you can head down to Hot Five Jazz & Blues Club. This intimate place has a buzzing atmosphere and you can find it right

in the heart of Porto.

Photo: [pxl.store](http://pxl.store)/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Largo Actor Dias 51, Porto  
Opening hours: Wed-Sun 10pm-3am  
Phone: +351 934 328 583  
Internet: [www.hotfive.pt](http://www.hotfive.pt)  
Email: [hotfive@sapo.pt](mailto:hotfive@sapo.pt)

### Baxia Bar



This cosy and fun bar is buzzing and you can find it downtown. For hot summer nights, you can also enjoy a drink outside.

Photo: Jacob Lund/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Candido dos Reis 52, Porto  
Opening hours: Tue-Thu 9pm-2am. Fri-Sat 9pm-4am  
Phone: +351 222 015 855  
Internet: [www.baixa.pt](http://www.baixa.pt)

### Passos Manuel

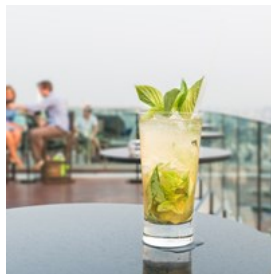


Passos Manuel is an old movie theatre with original Art Deco elements. This is where you can go to enjoy live bands, DJ's and theatre

performances.

Photo: Andrey\_Kuzmin/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Passos Manuel 137, Porto  
Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10pm-4am  
Phone: +351 222 058 351  
Internet: [www.passosmanuel.net](http://www.passosmanuel.net)  
Email: [info@passosmanuel.net](mailto:info@passosmanuel.net)

### OnTop



On top of the Ipanema Park Hotel you can find a great Rooftop Bar. Here you can enjoy a beautiful view over the city during sunset, accompanied by

savouring a colourful drink in a elegant and relaxed atmosphere.

Photo: Prasit Rodphan/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua de Serralves 124, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 11am-7pm for guest only and 7pm-1am for visitors  
Phone: +351 226 194 100  
Internet: [www.hfhotels.com](http://www.hfhotels.com)

### LABIRINTHO Bar



For all culture vultures, there is the LABIRINTHO bar that attracts a mixed clientele. This is not only a bar but also an art gallery, perfect for both early and late parties.

Photo: Tithi Luadthong/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Nossa Senhora de Fatima 334, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 10pm-4am  
Phone: +351 226 007 023  
Email: labirintho@icloud.com

### Industria



At Industria, you can listen to every kind of music: reggae, hip hop, house and many more. This trendy place has an ideal location by the ocean and always attracts a big crowd who wants to dance.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Avenida do Brasil 843, Porto  
Phone: +351 224 102 748  
Email: info@industria-club.com

### Instalação



The Instalação nightclub is claimed to be the coolest and hottest bar in Porto. Its modern interior, designed by José Carlos Cruz Arquitecto, makes it the perfect place for a party.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Conde Vizela 89, Porto  
Opening hours: Fri-Sat 12pm-6 am  
Phone: +351 917 939 862

### The Gin House



This cosy bar serves – yes, you guessed it – gin, and you can find it ideally located in downtown Porto. If you like gin, you really need to visit it.

Photo: Jacob Lund/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua Cândido dos Reis 70, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 7pm-2am. Fri-Sat 7pm-4am. Sun 9pm-2am  
Phone: +351 222 033 062

## SHOPPING



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Porto's main shopping street is the pedestrianised Rua de Santa Catarina in the city centre, including international brands as well as the large Centro Comercial Via Caterina shopping centre. However, the small streets off the main streets are also worth a visit, brimming with independent shops selling fresh bread, cheese or cakes, interspersed with bookstores and traditional shoe stores.

Porto's open-air markets are also worth a visit, for getting a taste of daily Portuguese life. To pick up local delicacies such as chocolate and sugar almonds, the Arcadia patisserie on Rua do Almada, 63 is worth a try, as well as A Perola do Bolhao on Rua Formosa, 279.

Gold jewellery is another speciality of Portugal, a reflection of its colonial past and its conquests of gold-rich lands of South America.

Recommended jewellers are David Rosas on Avenida de Boavista, and Elysee Joias on Praça Mouzinho de Albuquerque. Pedro A Baptista, in addition, is known for its collection of antique and modern jewellery.

### Rua de Santa Catarina



Porto's main shopping street is the pedestrianised Rua de Santa Catarina in the city centre. Usual international brands are found here along with the large Centro Comercial Via Catarina shopping centre.

Photo: António M.L. Cabral/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Rua de Santa Catarina, Porto

### Centro Comercial Via Catarina

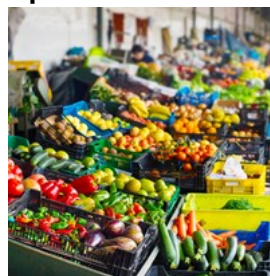


At the large Centro Comercial Via Catarina shopping centre you can find many international brands and restaurants.

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Photo: Manuel de Sousa/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Rua de Santa Catarina, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-10pm  
Phone: +351 222 075 609  
Internet: [www.viacatarina.pt](http://www.viacatarina.pt)  
Email: [info@adm.viacatarina.pt](mailto:info@adm.viacatarina.pt)

### Open-air markets



Porto's open-air markets are worth a visit to get a taste of daily Portuguese life. You can find everything from flea markets and food markets around the city.

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### Arcadia Patisserie



To pick up local delicacies such as chocolates and sugar almonds, the Arcadia patisserie on Rua do Almada is worth a look.

This is close to being a chocolate heaven and it actually has nine other shops across the whole city.

Photo: Joehawkins/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Rua do Almada 63, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-7pm. Sat 9:30-5:30  
Phone: +351 222 001 518  
Internet: [www.arcadia.pt](http://www.arcadia.pt)

### A Perola do Bolhao



You can also pick up a few local delicacies at A Perola do Bolhao on Rua Formosa, 279. Here you can find cheese, dried fruits, wine and cookies.

Photo: Jorge Franganillo/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Rua Formosa 279, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-7:30pm  
Phone: +351 222 004 009

## Jewellery



Gold jewellery is a speciality of Portugal, a reflection of its colonial past and its conquests of gold-rich lands of South America. Recommended jewellers are David Rosas, on Avenida de Boavista, and Elysee Joias on Praça Mouzinho de Albuquerque. Pedro A Baptista is also a good option as to its collection of antique and modern jewellery.

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## Stradivarius

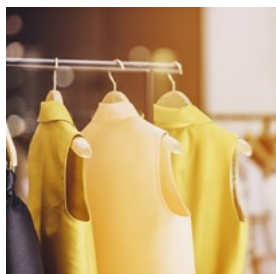


In the same genre as Mango and Zara, you will find Stradivarius. Racks with the latest fashion wear together with high heels, ballerinas, scarves and accessories fill the shop.

Photo: Creative Lab/Shutterstock.com

Address: Praceta Henrique Moreira Afurada 224, Porto  
Phone: +351 2237 112 10  
Internet: [www.stradivarius.com](http://www.stradivarius.com)

## Massimo Dutti



Massimo Dutti has its focus on sophisticated business wear for both men and women. They are famous for their classic and elegant clothes and accessories made of high quality fabrics and leather.

Photo: Creative Lab/Shutterstock.com

Address: Praça do Bom Sucesso 123, Porto  
Phone: +351 226 054 091  
Internet: [www.massimodutti.com](http://www.massimodutti.com)

## A Vida Portuguesa



A Vida Portuguesa is paradise for all retro lovers: this place is full of retro souvenirs, bags, toys and textiles, and you can find it on the second floor in an old fabric store

Photo: DaLiu/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua Galeria de Paris 20, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-8pm. Sun 11am-7pm  
Phone: +351 222 022 105  
Internet: [www.avidaportuguesa.com](http://www.avidaportuguesa.com)  
Email: [imprensa@avidaportuguesa.com](mailto:imprensa@avidaportuguesa.com)

## Portosigns



At Portosigns you can find items like singlets, hats, cork bags and mugs, all with unique designs and Portuguese influence. It is ideally located in the Ribiera district.

Photo: ingehogenbijn/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rua Infante D. Henrique 71, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 11am-8pm  
Phone: +351 223 745 436  
Internet: [www.portosigns.pt](http://www.portosigns.pt)  
Email: [portosigns@portosigns.pt](mailto:portosigns@portosigns.pt)

## Casa Da Guitarra



Casa da Guitarra is a string instruments shop specialising on traditional Portuguese string instruments. Assembly, sale, promotion and learning about string instruments all happen here, with extra room for cultural events. This is the perfect shop for buying something genuine and Portuguese.

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Address: Praça Guilherme Gomes Fernandes 98, Porto  
Phone: +351 222 010 033  
Internet: [www.casadaguitarra.pt](http://www.casadaguitarra.pt)  
Email: [geral@casadaguitarra.pt](mailto:geral@casadaguitarra.pt)

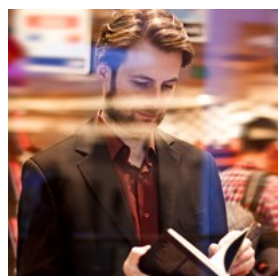
### O Arco Da Ribeira Gourmet



In the Ribeira area, you can find O Arco Da Ribeira Gourmet. This is a good place to try some local specialities like cheese and port wine or a glass of chocolate.

Photo: Natalia Van Doninck/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Cais da Ribeira 18, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 9am-11pm  
Phone: +351 222 083 917

### Livraria Lello



This beautiful library and bookshop is claimed to be well worth a visit. In fact, they open earlier just for you taking pictures. If you like books and if your are in search of a special book experience, you should not hesitate to give this one a try.

Photo: Pinkyone/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua das Carmelitas 114, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-7:30pm. Sat-Sun 10am-7pm  
Internet: [www.livrarialello.pt/en-us](http://www.livrarialello.pt/en-us)

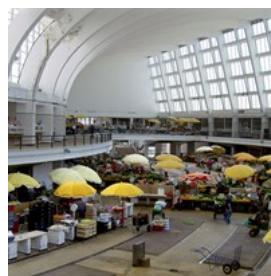
### Garrafeira do Carmo



At this small shop you can enjoy some of the absolute favourites in Porto... port wine, wine, whiskey and many more. You can buy a bottle or come here for a tasting.

Photo: Béria Lima/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Rua do Carmo 17, Porto  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-1pm, 2pm-7pm. Sat 9am-1pm  
Phone: +351 222 003 285  
Internet: [www.garrafeiracarmo.com](http://www.garrafeiracarmo.com)  
Email: [garrafeira\\_carmo@hotmail.com](mailto:garrafeira_carmo@hotmail.com)

### Mercado Bom Sucesso



Another great place to try some local delicacies it at the large Mercado Bom Sucesso indoor market. Here you can enjoy a lunch or maybe buy a little something to bring home.

Photo: António Amen/Wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Praça Bom Sucesso 74-90, Porto  
Opening hours: Sun-Thu 10am-11pm. Fri-Sat 1am-12pm  
Phone: +351 226 056 610  
Internet: [www.mercadobomsucesso.pt/home](http://www.mercadobomsucesso.pt/home)  
Email: [info@mercadobomsucesso.pt](mailto:info@mercadobomsucesso.pt)  
More Info: Fresh produce market on Mon-Sat 9am-8pm

### Taylor's Port



If you enjoy Port wine, you can visit Taylor's Port. This is one of the oldest Port houses and it offers an informative and interesting tour. Of course you can also try a glass or two.

Photo: Cozy Home/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Rua do Choupelo 250, Porto  
Opening hours: Daily 10am-6pm  
Phone: +351 223 772 973  
Internet: [www.taylor.pt](http://www.taylor.pt)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Passport / Visa



Portugal can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of most European countries, 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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### Best Time to Visit



Porto provides mild weather throughout the whole year, although especially the winter months can be dominated by heavier

rain - do not forget the typical coastal weather that can change quite fast. For experiencing the typical Portuguese life, however, the best time to visit might be in summer, as the open air markets will be crowded and festivals such as Serralves em Festa and Festa de São João will attract many visitors, Portuguese as well as many tourists.

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### Porto Airport



The Porto Airport is called Aeroporto Francisco Sa Carneiro and is situated 11 kilometres north of the city. To reach the airport

you can use the lightrail. It departs every 30 minutes:

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

From here you can also take buses number 601, 602, 604 and 3M into the city centre:

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

There are also shuttle buses and taxis available at the airport:

[www.goinporto.com](http://www.goinporto.com)

[getbus.eu](http://getbus.eu)

Taxi Antral

+351 22 5353350

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

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Porto Airport, Porto

Phone: +351 229 432 400

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

## Public Transport



Porto has a good bus and tram network with routes serving all the key tourist spots; it is operated by STCP. The city also has a Metro system that is still

clean and efficient. A metro ticket can be bought at the station and in other sale spots.

You can buy tourist cards that allow you to get around Porto on all means of transportation: daily tickets and a 3-day tickets.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

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

More Info: [www.metrodoporto.pt](http://www.metrodoporto.pt)

## Taxi



Taxis in Porto are very convenient and also great for airport transfer. Taxis Invicta +351 22 507 64 00 [www.taxisporto.com](http://www.taxisporto.com)  
RadiTaxis: +351 225 073

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

Photo: ArrivalGuides

## Post



To find a post office in Porto, look for the red sign saying CTT. Letter boxes are also red. Post Office: Praça General Humberto Delgado,

Porto

+351 223 400 202

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-21pm. Sat 9am-6pm

Photo: Andy Fuchs

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

## Pharmacy



Parmacies are normally open from 9am-1pm and from 3pm-7pm. All areas have one shop open all night or on Sunday. A white cross on a green

background marks out the pharmacies.

Farmácia Sá da Bandeira:

R. de Sá da Bandeira 236/54, Porto

+351 22 207 4040

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8:30am-7:30pm

Photo: Gemma Garner

## Telephone



Country Code: +351 Area Code: 022

Photo: Jardson Almeida

## Electricity



230V, 50Hz, C/F

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

Approximately 249.600

## Currency

1 Euro = 100 cents

## Opening hours



Shops are usually open from Mon-Fri from 10am to 1pm and 3pm to 7pm. On Saturdays, most shops close down at 1pm. Shopping centres tend to be open from 10am to 11pm or even until midnight all week.

**Newspapers**

Jornal de Noticias – Porto based newspaper

**Emergency numbers**

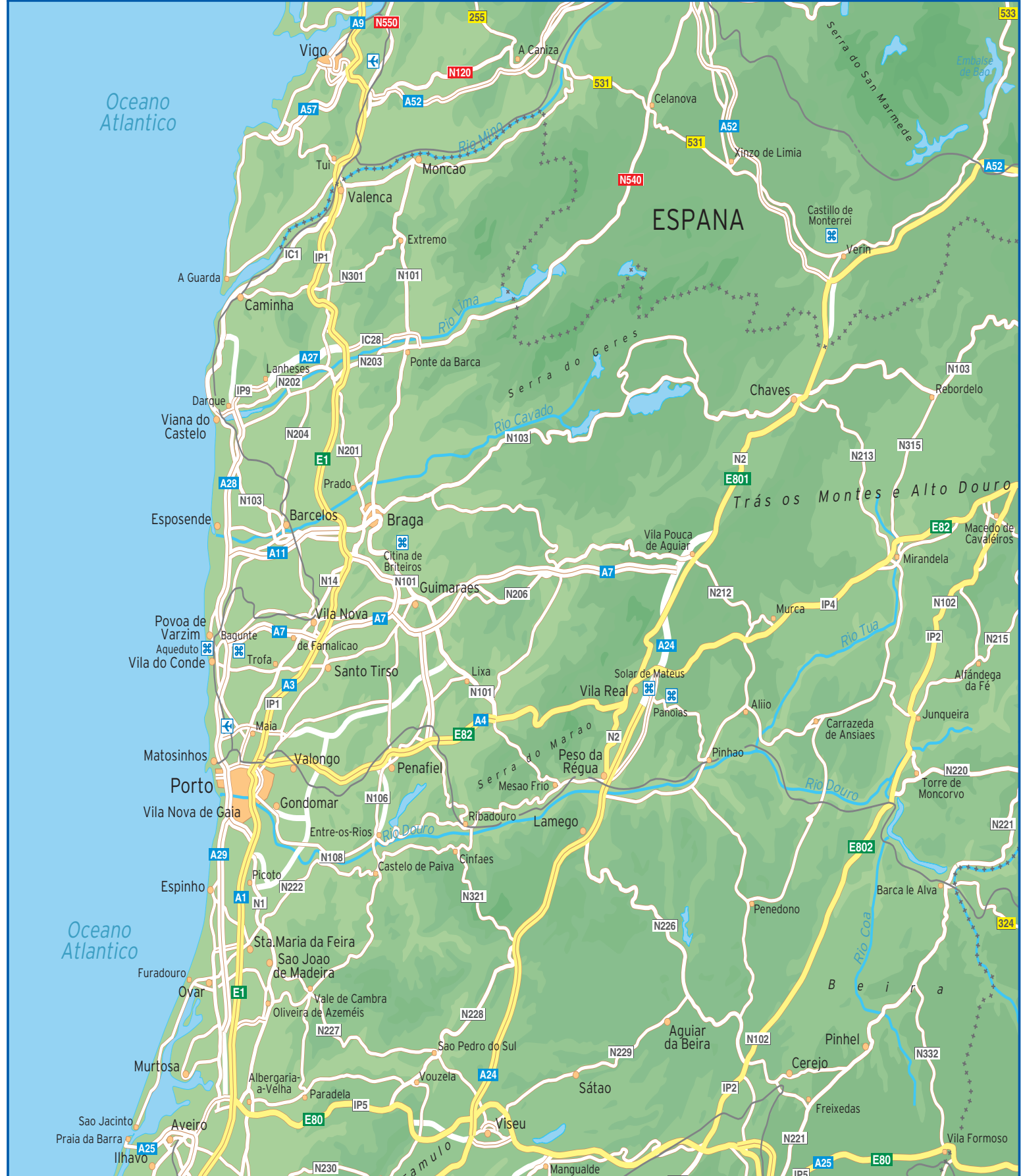
European Emergency Number: 112

**Tourist information**

Central Tourist Information Office  
25, Rua Clube dos Fenianos, Porto  
+351 223 393 472

Opening Hours:

June 21st-September 21st: Daily 9am-8pm  
September 22nd-June 20th: Daily 9am-7pm





Avenida da A Henriques	B3 B4	Rua d Raul Doria	B2 C1	Rua de Monte Tadeu	C1 D1
Avenida da Republica	B4	Rua d Santo Ildefonso	B3 C3	Rua de Mouzinho da Silveira	A3 B3
Avenida de Camilo	D3	Rua d Sol	B3 C3	Rua de Rodrigues de Freitas	B4 C4
Avenida de Paiva Couceiro	D4	Rua d T Gonzaga	A3 A4	Rua de S Bras	B1
Avenida dos Aliados	B2 B3	Rua da Alegria	C1 C2	Rua de S Joao	A4 B4
Avenida Fernao de Magalhaes	D1 D2	Rua da Boavista	A1	Rua de S Vitor	C3 D3 D4
Avenida Gustavo Eiffel	C4	Rua da Firmeza	C2	Rua de Sa da Bandeira	B2 B3
Cais de Ribeira	B4	Rua da Picaria	B2 B3	Rua de Salgueiros	A1
Gil de Vicente	C1	Rua da Restauracao	A3	Rua de Santa Catarina	B3 C1 C2
Passeio das Fontainhas	B4 C3	Rua da Silva Tapada	C4 D4	Rua de Santos Pousada	C2
Pc da Algeria	C3	Rua da Torrinha	A2	Rua de Sto Ildefonso	C3
Peres	B4	Rua da Vitoria	A3	Rua Diogo Leite	A4
Porto Sol	B3	Rua das Doze Casas	C1	Rua do Bolhao	B2
Pte Dom Luis I	B4	Rua das Eirinhas	D2	Rua do Bonfim	D2
Rua 31 de Janeiro	B3	Rua das Flores	A3 B3	Rua do Bonjardim	B1 B2 B3 C1
Rua Alvares Cabral	A1 A2	Rua das Fontainhas	C3	Rua do Breiner	A2
Rua Barao Forrester	A1	Rua das Taipas	A3	Rua do Cabo Simao	B4 C4
Rua Candido	B4	Rua de A Granjo	D3	Rua do Cardeal D Americo	C2 D2
Rua Carl Malheiro Dias	D1	Rua de A Herculano	B3 C3	Rua do Heroismo	D3
Rua Carmelitas	A3	Rua de Aires de Ornelas	D1	Rua do Melo	A1
Rua Carmo	A3	Rua de Almada	B2 B3	Rua do Moreira	C2
Rua Cha Cimo de Vila	B3	Rua de Anselmo Braamcamp	C1 C2	Rua do Morg. d Mateus	C3
Rua d Alferes Malheiro	B2	Rua de Antero de Quental	B1	Rua do Paraiso	B1
Rua d Amparo	D1	Rua de Antonio Carneiro	D2 D3	Rua do Pilar Calc da Serra	B4
Rua d Aurelia d Sousa	C1 D1	Rua de Camoes	B1	Rua do S Barao de Cosme	C3 D3
Rua d Azevedo Albuquerque	A3	Rua de Cedofeita	A2	Rua dos Bragas	A2
Rua d Bainharia	B3	Rua de Cervantes	A1	Rua dos Burgaes	A1
Rua d Belmonte	A3	Rua de Coutinho de Azevedo	D1	Rua Formosa	C3
Rua d Bolsa	A4	Rua de Entreparedes	B3 C3	Rua Gen Sousa Dias Duque d Loule	B3 C3
Rua d Caldeireiros	A3 B3	Rua de Faria Guimaraes	B1	Rua General Torres	B4
Rua d Clerigos	A3 B3	Rua de Fernandes Tomas	C2	Rua Guith Gomes Fernandes	A4 B4
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Rua d D Ag d Jesus e Sousa	C2 D2	Rua de Fontinha	C1	Rua Martires Liberdade	A2
Rua d Dr Alves da Veiga	C2	Rua de Gomes Freire	C3 D4	Rua Monte Pedral	A1
Rua d Dr Tiago d Almeida	A3	Rua de Gomes Leal	D2	Rua Nova da Alfandega	A3 A4
Rua d Duque d Terceira	C3 D3	Rua de Goncalo Cristovao	B2 C2	Rua Nova de S Crispim	D1
Rua d Ferreira Cardoso	D3	Rua de J A d Aguiar	D3	Rua Passos Manuel	B3 C3
Rua d Jose Falcao	A2 A3	Rua de Joao das Regras	B1	Rua Santo Isidor	C1
Rua d Mirante S Ty Carlos	A2	Rua de Joao IV	C2	S Dores	C3
Rua d Monte Cativo	A1	Rua de Latino Coelho	C1	Tv d Carregal	A2 A3
Rua d Nau Trindade	D1	Rua de Marciano de Azuaga	B4 C4	Tv d Salgueiros	A1 B1
Rua d Navegantes	D1	Rua de Miguel Bombarda	A2	Tv de Antero de Quental	B1