

# 100 Things To Do In Portugal that Will Make You Fall in Love with the Country

Portugal, a small country nestled in the westernmost part of Europe, is a hidden gem waiting to be explored. This enchanting country offers a rich tapestry of history, breathtaking landscapes, vibrant cities, and wonderful traditions. Whether you are a history buff, a nature lover, a foodie, or a beach bum, Portugal has something to offer everyone. In this article, we have compiled a list of 100 incredible things to do in Portugal that will surely make you fall in love with this captivating destination.

## 1. Explore the charming streets of Lisbon

The capital city of Portugal, Lisbon, is a dream for wanderers. Its narrow winding streets, colorful tiled buildings, and stunning viewpoints make it a perfect city to get lost in. Stroll through the historic Alfama district, visit the iconic Belém Tower, and don't forget to indulge in the famous pastel de nata, a traditional Portuguese custard tart.

## 2. Visit the fairytale castle of Sintra

Located just outside of Lisbon, Sintra is a town straight out of a fairytale. Explore the enchanting Pena Palace, a colorful castle perched on top of a hill, or wander through the romantic gardens of Quinta da Regaleira. Sintra's charming atmosphere will transport you to another world.

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### **3. Relax on the stunning beaches of Algarve**

The southern coast of Portugal, known as the Algarve, is famous for its breathtaking beaches. From the golden cliffs of Praia da Marinha to the secluded coves of Lagos, these sandy shores are perfect for sunbathing, swimming, and enjoying water sports. Don't forget to try the delicious seafood at the beachside restaurants.

### **4. Immerse yourself in history in Porto**

Porto, the second-largest city in Portugal, is a haven for history enthusiasts. Explore the Ribeira district, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and take a stroll across the iconic Dom Luís I Bridge for panoramic views of the city. And of course, no visit to Porto is complete without tasting the world-famous port wine.

### **5. Sail along the Douro River**

Embark on a cruise along the Douro River and witness the spectacular landscapes of Portugal's wine region. Enjoy the picturesque views of terraced vineyards, quaint villages, and historic wineries. This journey will take you

through the heart of the Douro Valley, a UNESCO-protected region renowned for its wine production.

## **6. Discover the medieval town of Évora**

Step back in time as you explore the medieval town of Évora. This well-preserved city is filled with historic landmarks, such as the Roman Temple of Évora, the Gothic Cathedral, and the eerie Chapel of Bones. Wander through its cobblestone streets and soak in the atmosphere of this charming UNESCO World Heritage site.

## **7. Hike through the Peneda-Gerês National Park**

For nature lovers, a visit to the Peneda-Gerês National Park is a must. This stunning park is known for its rugged mountains, cascading waterfalls, and crystal-clear lakes. Lace up your hiking boots and explore its numerous trails, offering breathtaking views and encounters with wildlife.

## **8. Explore the mystical village of Monsanto**

Nestled on a rugged hilltop, the village of Monsanto showcases a magical blend of nature and architecture. Wander through its narrow streets lined with granite houses, and visit the castle ruins for panoramic vistas of the surrounding countryside. Prepare to be enchanted by the unique charm of this village.

## **9. Indulge in the traditional Portuguese cuisine**

Portugal is a food lover's paradise. Don't miss the opportunity to try iconic dishes such as bacalhau (salted codfish), caldo verde (kale soup), and francesinha (a hearty sandwich). Explore local markets, dine in traditional taverns, and taste the flavors that define Portuguese cuisine.

## **10. Witness the beauty of the Azores**

The Azores, a volcanic archipelago in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, is a true paradise for nature enthusiasts. Explore the beautiful lakes of Sete Cidades, hike to the summit of Pico Mountain, or relax in the natural hot springs of Furnas. The Azores offer a diverse range of landscapes and activities for every adventurer.

These are just a few highlights of the incredible things to do in Portugal. From exploring vibrant cities to immersing yourself in natural wonders, Portugal will capture your heart and leave you longing for more. So pack your bags, grab a map, and get ready for an unforgettable journey through this captivating country.



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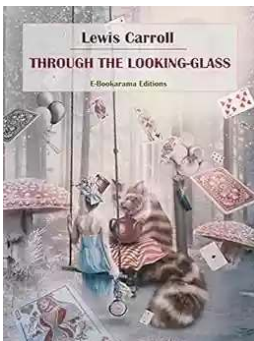
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