

Nautical Tourism

ABOUT



The extensive Portuguese Atlantic coast is a paradise for lovers of pleasure boating, who will find here the perfect sea for them.

With calm waters for quiet [sailing](#), or rough waters ensuring higher levels of adrenaline, the **ocean** displays its various moods that present no difficulties for those who know it well. The **beauty of the landscape** is a constant, with its towering cliffs, **sand dunes and beaches**, providing excellent settings for all **water sports**.



Boat Trips_Ponta de São Lourenço ©Turismo da Madeira

Some areas are considered among the **best regatta locations** in the world, so they often [host international events and races](#). In the depths of the sea, [divers](#) can discover a world of biodiversity, with fish of every colour and even ancient treasures.



Diving in Azores_ Formigas Islets ©Nuno Sá and Turismo dos Açores

The **History of Portugal** is full of exploits by **explorers** who crossed uncharted seas, sailing beyond capes and braving storms, to reach the other side of the world. These days, sailing is done with the support of the latest technology, but the love of the sea, of adventure and of welcoming those who come to visit remains.



Horta Marina_Faial Island_Azores ©Gustav

And visitors arriving by sea will find [marinas and yacht harbours](#) all over the country, with **excellent facilities and services**, where they can dock safely to then **explore other wonderful places ashore**.