

## Celorico da Beira

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### **ABOUT**

Celorico da Beira sits 550 metres high but still at the foot of the Serra da Estrela mountains, with the Mondego river running through. Any visit to this region takes in centuries of history set against a granite mountain background cut by crystal clear rivers and streams.

The Castle, the symbol of Celorico da Beira. Its military architecture is in a Romantic-gothic style and irregular in design, corresponding to the Citadel. Furthermore, there is the Church of Misericórdia, with its façade a fine example of the Joanine style. Within, the main altar is lavish and there are also paintings by Isidro Faria. Also of note is the Baroque highpoint of the Matrix Church of Santa Maria, built on the former site of the lower quarter of the Castle neighbourhood. Its narrow streets also feature a rare collection of Gothic entranceways and Manueline windows.