
Praia de Porto Santo

ABOUT



Photo: Francisco Correia

On the south coast of the island of Porto Santo, 40 kilometres to the north-east of Madeira, is the only sandy beach in the whole of the archipelago, stretching uninterruptedly over a distance of 9 kilometres. Its soft, fine golden sand has made Porto Santo famous, particularly because of the therapeutic properties that it is known to have in the treatment of orthopaedic and circulatory problems. To complete this ideal setting for a holiday by the beach, the island's climate is dry and stable with lots of sunshine all year round, whilst the sea's warm, clear and peaceful water issues a tempting invitation to all those who enjoy a lengthy swim, making this the perfect place for a variety of water sports.

The Porto Santo Beach has several designations along its nine kilometres, including Penedo, Cabeço da Ponta, Calheta, Fontinha, Pedras Pretas or Ribeiro Salgado, offering conditions that allow everyone to enjoy the benefits of its waters and sands. Some of the concession areas were awarded a Blue Flag in recognition of their quality, and the accessibility for people with reduced mobility was not forgotten either, as proven by the "Accessible Beach" award in certain zones. The areas that boast these awards are:

Blue Flag 2019 - Fontinha; Cabeço da Ponta; Ribeiro Salgado; Calheta
Accessible Beach 2018 - Fontinha

Contacts

Ilha de Porto Santo

Characteristics and Services

Bar
Average seawater temperature in summer (°C): 22
Restaurant
Security or Surveillance
EEC Blue Flag
Sunshade rental
Small craft hire

Activities

Diving
Windsurfing
Sailing

Accessibility
Accessible beach
