Parque da Fundação de Serralves

ABOUT

Photo: Fundação de Serralves

Located right in the very heart of Porto, Serralves Park extends beyond Casa de Serralves across 18 hectares, including gardens, copses, a rose garden and a Romantic lake, to provide the ideal refuge for anyone wishing to escape the hustle and bustle of the city.Beginning at Casa de Serralves, headquarters of the Foundation of the same name, there is the formal garden, "one of the most notable examples of landscape gardening of the 20th century. It stretches over 500 metres towards the river Douro. At the far end there is a stairway leading down to a Romantic lake set on a lower level. It was designed between 1932 and 1940 by Jacques Gréber (1882-1962) a French architect and landscape gardener who established a reputation in the United States and Canada designing French-style gardens for the wealthy. The Park has various points of interest, including the rose garden (currently undergoing restoration), the Relógio de Sol (Sundial) Garden, the Camellia Garden (where aromatic herbs and plants are on sale), in addition to the other well-tended areas of the park.Another clinching reason to visit the park is the Serralves Museum of Contemporary Art. The building was designed by architect Álvaro Siza Vieira and represents a landscaping project that harmoniously integrates into its surroundings".

Contacts

Website: http://www.serralves.pt/pt/parque/

Timetable

Winter (October-March): From Tuesday to Sunday: 10am - 7pm; Summer (April-September): From Tuesday to Friday: 10am - 7pm; Saturday, Sunday and Holidays: 10am - 8pm; Closed: Monday, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

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