

Ilha de São Jorge

Jardim da Praça da República

Address: Praça da República Velas - Ilha de São Jorge

Timetable:

Free access.;

Other informations:

Area: 2,300 m²

Characteristics and Services:

Outdoor parking; Toilets; Bar; Restaurant;

Access:

Buses;

Situated in the main square of the town of Velas, this garden is particularly enhanced by its remarkable architectural setting, being framed by the Town Hall and the building that is home to the Velas Philharmonic Society.

The bandstand in this pleasant leisure area is the perfect venue for the concerts and performances that are regularly held here.

Ilha de São Miguel

Parque Terra Nostra

Address: Largo Marquês da PraiaFurnas - Povoação - Ilha de São Miguel

Timetable:

April - July: 10am - 7pm;

August: 10am - 7.30pm;

September - October: 10am - 7pm;

November - March: 8am - 5pm.;

Other informations:

Average altitude - 200m.

Area - 125 ha.

Guided tours can be made by appointment with the Terra Nostra Garden Hotel

Characteristics and Services:

Outdoor parking; Toilets; Bar; Guided Tours; Restaurant;

Access:

Buses;

The history of Terra Nostra Park is connected to the development of the village of Furnas as a thermal spa and summer resort.

This Romantic-style botanical garden was built in the 18th and 19th centuries and is one of the most popular sites on the Island of São Miguel, visited by both locals and foreign visitors who are attracted by the chance to bathe in the geothermal swimming pool, and marvel at the magnificent views and the variety and riches of the exotic vegetation.

The park is divided into two zones: the upper zone, occupied by footpaths through the dense woods, and the lower zone between the Amarela stream and the Serpentina lake, where visitors may wander around footpaths, lawns, pools and fountains. Key features include the thematic gardens of Cycas palm trees, endemic plants, camellias and ferns, and the avenues of palm trees and ginkgos. The main species are oak, black cottonwood, black poplar, Japanese red cedars, araucarias, tulip-trees, camellias, ferns, hydrangeas, azaleas and rhododendrons.

The park also has a thermal pool with brownish iron-rich water at a temperature of around 25°C.

Lisboa Region

Lisboa

Jardim Botânico da Ajuda

Address: Calçada da Ajuda 1300-010 Lisboa Tel: +351 213 622 503 - Fax: +351 213 622 503
Website: <http://www.jardimbotanicodajuda.com>

Timetable:

July - September: 9am - 8pm;
September - July: 9am - 6pm.
Closed: Wednesday, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.;

Access:

Buses;

Characteristics and Services:

Restaurant;

Situated in the parish of Ajuda, this is the oldest garden in Portugal, created on the orders of the Marquês de Pombal in 1768 as the Royal Botanical Garden of Ajuda.

It was the first botanical garden in Portugal specifically created to act as a museum and nursery for botanical species collected from all over the world. The garden is currently managed by the Higher Institute for Agronomics, which undertook a restoration project during 1994-1997 with a view to preserving its botanical origins by conserving and displaying the plants in a collection recording the spirit of scientific enquiry of the Portuguese explorers, and making it a place for leisure and relaxation.

Important aspects of this restoration include the restoration of the 40-spout Fountain in the centre of the garden's lower flower bed (a marvel of stone and water), and the re-creation of the botanical collection from seeds obtained from various botanical gardens around the world and Portuguese institutions. These new plants are arranged by phyto-geographical region - Brazil and South America, Australia and New Zealand, Macronesia, Central and Atlantic Europe, China and Japan, North and Central America, the Mediterranean Region and Africa - reflecting the history of their introduction into Portugal and their connection with the Voyages of Discovery.

Another highlight is the Scent Garden for the blind with lables in Braille and the plants displayed in raised beds to allow visitors to smell and touch them.

The garden also contains a group of small lakes, a flower-raising greenhouse and a natural grassy amphitheatre for outdoor performances.

Jardim do Campo Grande

Address: Campo Grande - 1700 Lisboa
Website: <http://www.jardimdocampogrande.pt>

Characteristics and Services:

Bar; Restaurant;

Access:

Buses;

In the 16th century it was a common known as the Campo de Alvalade.

Jardim da Estrela ou Guerra Junqueiro

Address: Praça da Estrela - 1200 Lisboa

Timetable:

Daily, from 7am to midnight;

Access:

Buses;

Characteristics and Services:

Restaurant;

The Guerra Junqueiro Garden, usually known as Estrela Gardens, is located in the parish of Lapa. It was built in the 19th century (1842) on the initiative of the statesman Bernardo da Costa Cabral, the Marquis of Tomar.

It is a naturalist garden of romantic design, inspired by the typical English Park, surrounded by a railing, with particularly interesting plants in terms of both quantity and variety.

Here we can find 4 lakes, a wrought iron bandstand, 2 children's playgrounds, one with iron swings and the other wooden, and a kiosk/municipal library.

Jardim do Príncipe Real ou Jardim França Borges

Address: Praça do Príncipe Real - Lisboa

Characteristics and Services:

Bar; Restaurant;

Access:

Buses;

The França Borges Garden is named as a tribute to the Republican journalist of the same name. It is located in the Parish of Mercês and is also known as Príncipe Real Garden.

Inspired in the English romantic fashion, the monumental, centuries-old Buçaco cedar, at more than 20 metres in diameter, is the pride and joy of the garden. The palaces around the garden are testimonies to the Romantic Lisbon of the 19th century. The property of Museu da Água da EPAL (EPAL Water Museum), the Reservatório da Patriarcal (Patriarcal Reservoir) lies beneath the park and was built at the same time.

There are various statues here, including one by Lagoa Henriques commemorating the 1st centenary of the death of Antero de Quental, as well as a refreshment kiosk, a lake, a children's playground with various swings and rest areas with games tables.

Parque do Monteiro-Mor

Address: Largo Júlio Castilho, 2 (Museus do Traje e do Teatro) 1600-495 Lisboa

Timetable:

June-September: 10am - 7pm;

October-May: 10am - 6pm.

Closed: Monday, New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, May Day and Christmas Day. ;

Characteristics and Services:

The original park was an early 19th century garden built in the Romantic spirit. Horse races were first held here, and today a hippodrome keeps on operating near the garden for horseracing contests.

Jardins da Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian

Address: Av. de Berna, 45-A 1067-001 Lisboa

Timetable:

9am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Toilets; Bar; Restaurant;

Access:

Buses;

The Calouste Gulbenkian gardens form the setting for the arts foundation of the same name which itself has auditoriums and exhibition areas, the Modern Art Centre and a Museum with a library and restaurant/bar.

The spacious gardens were built in the 1950s in honour to the founder, Calouste Gulbenkian, and are ideal for all sorts of leisure and cultural activities. They are carefully landscaped and home to a wide variety flora.

The design of the Park's interior gardens and terraces was assigned to the Landscape Architects Gonalo Ribeiro Telles and Ant3nio Viana Barreto, who worked in close collaboration with the architects of the Foundation's building complex, Alberto Pessoa Pedro Cid and Ruy Athouguia.

Parque Eduardo VII

Address: Parque Eduardo VII - Lisboa

Access:

Buses;

Characteristics and Services:

Restaurant;

The Eduardo VII Park lies in the Parish of S3o Sebasti3o da Pedreira, north from Avenida da Liberdade, and offers panoramic views over the city. Originally known as Parque da Liberdade, the gardens were rechristened with the name of the British King Edward VII on his visit to Lisbon in 1903.

Since their earliest times the gardens have been a stage for fairs, exhibitions and various types of entertainment. Their design, with a central swathe of lawn flanked by Portuguese cobbles pavements, was by Keil do Amaral, and form one of the landmarks in the development of Lisbon.

Here we can find a Sports Pavilion built in 1932 in the Jo3o V style, renamed the Carlos Lopes pavilion as a tribute to the famous Portuguese athlete, a Greenhouse with an enormous variety of plants from all over the world, lakes, and various statues including a bust of King Edward VII and a monument to the 25th April Revolution by Jo3o Cutileiro.

There is also a children's playground, a viewpoint, a bandstand, a picnic area, the Club VII sports complex with tennis courts, gymnasium and swimming pool, and a restaurant.

Bar; Restaurant;

Access:

Buses;

Located in the Parish of Lumiar, Monteiro-Mor Park is adjacent to the National Costume Museum and the National Theater Museum. It dates from the 18th century and was laid out by the botanist Domingos Vandelli.

The park is built on various levels. The upper level is occupied by high shady trees, while younger trees grow below.

Here we can find a small garden area, a small stream and some artificial lakes.

Parque Recreativo dos Moinhos de Santana

Address: Rua Trist3o Vaz - Alto do Restelo 1400-353 Lisboa

Timetable:

April - September: 9am-8pm; October - March: 9am-6pm. ;

Access:

Buses;

Characteristics and Services:

Restaurant;

Some 5 hectares in area, it has extensive grassy areas, lots of trees and shrubs, and water in abundance - a lake and waterfall. It has a wide variety of sporting and play facilities for all ages.

Here we can find a picnic areas, a children's playground, a skateboard circuit, a roller-skating rink, a fitness training circuit, an open-air amphitheatre seating 180 people and a bandstand.

Porto and the North

Vila Nova de Famalicão

Parque da Devesa

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<https://www.parquedadevesa.com/>

Other informations:

It is forbidden any behaviour that disturbs the fauna or damages the flora of the Park (namely, feeding the animals, cutting or plucking flowers, shrubs and trees, fishing or hunting);

It is forbidden any type of behaviours that disturb or endanger the users of the Park (namely, bathing in the whole area of the Park; camping, making fire, cooking, riding with dogs without a leash and/or without a muzzle, riding with bicycles outside the main itinerary, aeromodelling and other similar activities);

It is forbidden any type of behaviours that causes pollution in the Park (namely, traffic of cars or motor vehicles - except vehicles of the security or rescue forces and only when in service, abandonment of garbage, noisy activities and inscription or display of advertising);

It is forbidden any behaviour that causes damage to any equipment or property in the Park.

Characteristics and Services:

Outdoor parking; Toilets; Bar; Guided Tours; Restaurant; Signposted routes; Park area: 27 hectares;

Access:

Buses;

The Devesa Park is a recent urban green space located near the city centre of Famalicão. With its 27 hectares, the park is a privileged place for contact with nature, leisure, conviviality and sport, which is a vehicle of excellence for environmental education and sustainability, and an added cultural, civic and ethical value, proposing to contribute to the integral growth of citizens with respect for people, for nature and for future generations.

The Pelhe River, which runs through the park in all its extension, contributes to its beauty and pleasantness, which contribute to the respective riparian gallery, the lake, the centenary oaks, the redwoods and other large trees, as well as granitic rocks.

In addition to leisure and contact with nature, the park provides culture and education, to which the buildings located there, the Casa do Território, the Amphitheatre and the Educational Services contribute.

Awareness of the protection of natural resources, through the promotion of activities that promote the increase of biodiversity, the change of attitudes and behaviours, and that disseminate good environmental practices, is one of the essential components of the park's mission, in which Urban Gardens also play an important role.

Located in rural farms abandoned decades ago, the Devesa Park, whose project, by Arch. Noé Diniz, was based on the requalification of the Pelhe River, a river that crosses the city of Famalicão, and on the reconstruction of pre-existing farm buildings, reconverting them for other uses, with respect for the original moth.

As a result of a partnership for urban regeneration, and corresponding to the old aspirations of the local populations, the Devesa Park emerged as an opportunity to qualify a rural space that was abandoned, enhancing its biodiversity and constituting

itself as an environmental area, leisure and qualifying of the living conditions of the population of the municipality and the wider region, and simultaneously of the image and attractiveness of the city.

The construction of the Park included the depollution and renaturation of the banks of the River Pelhe, which crosses it, the implantation of a lake, the requalification of the rural buildings of the old deactivated farms, transforming them into cultural and educational equipment, the reinvention of the water mill and the recovery of the tanks, the construction of an open-air amphitheatre and a network of footpaths, the cleaning of weeds and the preservation of native vegetation or of landscape value, and the planting of about 37,000 more specimens of trees and shrubs of diverse species.

The park was inaugurated on September 28, 2012, and its management has been the responsibility of the Devesa Park Management Multidisciplinary Team (EMGPD) since January 2014.

Visitors to Devesa Park have at their disposal an audio guide, which can be consulted with a tablet or smartphone, allowing them to take guided tours of the park at their own pace. The application is called "Audite DLL" and is available, free of charge, on Google Play.