

Golf

Alentejo

Benavente

Ribagolfe I

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Timetable and reservations:

7.30am - 7.30;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2004; Author/architect: Peter Townsend; Professional length: 6707 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Torneios FPG / Qualifying School - European TourStageCaddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Because of the nature of its terrain, environmental characteristics and specific layout, this golfing complex rivals the best courses that Europe has to offer and occupies a third of the area of the Vargem Fresca Estate.

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After finishing their round, golfers can enjoy the peaceful comfort of the fully equipped clubhouse, which also contains a restaurant serving some tasty specialities from the regional cuisine, or choose from amongst the wide range of leisure facilities, including horse riding and boating on the lake formed by the estate's dam.

Santo Estevão Golfe

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Santo Estêvão - Benavente

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter - 7:45am / 5:30pm

Summer - 7:45am / 6:30pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group

Ribagolfe II

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Timetable and reservations:

7.30am - 7.30pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2004; Author/architect: Michael King; Professional length: 6214 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Torneios FPG / Campeonato Europeu de SenioresCaddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

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lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2004;
Author/architect: Donald Steel; Professional length: 6382 m;
Men's championship length: 5028 m; Number of holes in course:
18; Par of the course: 73; Main events:: Audi Quattro Cup,
Internacional Pairs, Campeonato Nacional de Clubes(FPG).

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Tróia

Troia Golf Championship Course

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E-mail: golf@troiaresort.pt **Website:**

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter - 8am / 6pm Summer - 8am / 8pm;

Other informations:

Accommodation is available on site at the Troia Resort, owned and operated by Sonae Turismo, who also operates the golf course, and offering the Aqualuz Troia Suite Hotel Apartamentos a range of four stars aparthotel, with a variety of leisure and dining facilities

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1980; 2010;
Author/architect: Robert Trent Jones Senior; Professional length: 6317 m; Men's championship length: 4791 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Portuguese Open Championship - 1983; European Boys Championship - 1985; Costa Azul Ladies Open - 1996; 15th International European Amateurs Championship - 2002; 79th Portuguese International Amateur Championship - 2009

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted; Travellers Cheques accepted;

Considered one of the best golfing layouts in Portugal, Tróia represents an exciting challenge for any lover of the sport and has already hosted the Portuguese Open.

Tróia is a magnificent links course set in a region of great natural beauty between the ocean and the estuary of the River Sado, with the mountains of Arrábida in the background. Surrounded by pine-trees, beaches and the sea, it makes the most of the natural ups and downs of the sand dunes and the legendary Robert Trent Jones Snr used the course's main natural feature (sand) to form the major obstacle, considering hole number 3 here to be amongst the best par 4's he has ever designed and including it amongst the 18 holes of his ideal course. White sand is to be found everywhere, not only in the bunkers that protect the small, narrow greens, but also in many of the rough areas. The harmony that has been achieved with nature makes it seem as though the course has always been there. And all the obstacles seem to appear quite naturally, even for the top professional golfers. Sam Torrance won the 1983 Portuguese Open here with a total score of just two under par.

It is considered to be the best course in Portugal in the categories of difficulty and variety, having been voted fourth best in the biennial poll organised by the European Golf

magazine. It also stands in 20th place in the list of the best golf courses in Europe drawn up by the Golf World magazine.

Algarve

Albufeira

Balaia Golf Village

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E-mail: geral@balaia golfvillage.pt **Website:** <http://www.balaia golfvillage.com>

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2001; Author/architect: Southern Golf; Professional length: 984 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 27; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Chipping area;
The Balaia Golf Village is a small, 9-hole course in an area of the Algarve that is one of the most popular with visitors.

Based on a 9-hole (all par 3) loop, the Balaia Golf Village is an ideal course for beginners or for perfecting distance control. The undulations of the fairways and the excellent condition of the greens are also attractions, as well as the convenient location close to the road between Albufeira and Vilamoura.

All 9 holes can be seen from the first tee.

An old wooden bridge divides two lakes opposite the green at the first hole and is the main feature of the landscape. The length of the holes varies between 67 and 160 metres, requiring special precision when driving off. The third hole is the shortest with a high, sloping green, well-protected by a bunker; the next hole is the longest, flanked by oak trees and with two bunkers on the right.

After the sixth hole, the course heads back to the imposing clubhouse that dominates the complex: the bar and restaurant lead on to a large terrace that overlooks the course, the complex and the Atlantic distance.

Nearest golf courses: Pine Cliffs, 7 km; Salgados, 14 km

Almancil

Pinheiros Altos

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E-mail: golf@pinheirosaltos.pt; golf@jjwhotels.com
Website: <http://www.pinheirosaltos.com>

Other informations:

7am / 8pm

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1992 / 2007; Author/architect: Ronald Fream & Jorge Santana da Silva; Professional length: 6028 m; Men's championship length: 4797 m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course: 72; Main events: "Pinheiros Altos Sunshine Classic" Caddies;

Practice Areas:

Pine Cliffs Golf & Country Club

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Telephone: +351 289 500 113 Fax: +351 289 500 117
E-mail: golf.algarve@luxurycollection.com **Website:** <http://www.luxurycollection.com/golfalgarve>

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1991; Author/architect: Martin Hawtree; Professional length: 2227 m; Men's championship length: 1805 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 32; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Perched 200 feet above the golden sands and blue water of the Atlantic Ocean lies the immaculate Pine Cliffs Golf Course. The location of the resort is unique. It extends across 168 acres of naturally beautiful land set above a stunning cliff top, beneath lies an expanse of golden sand beach and the deep blue water of the Atlantic Ocean. The dark red of the sandstone cliffs contrasts sharply with the immaculate green of the golf course above and the sparkling blue ocean below.

This is one of the country's most original golf courses, built in a pinewood setting, with tree lined fairways running parallel along the Atlantic Ocean, giving it's guests breathtaking views along the Algarvian coastline. Architect Martin Hawtree's main concern was to keep the natural surroundings as it was before the course was built.

The jewel of this perfectly kept course is the Par 3, Devil's Parlou sixth hole. The championship tee is built over a ravine that requires a 198 metre carrying shot over the cliffs to a deep but narrow green.

Quinta do Lago Norte

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Timetable and reservations:

7am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1974; Author/architect: William Mitchel; Joseph Lee with the collaboration of Rocky Roquerome ; Professional length: 6126 m; Men's championship length: 4975 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This is one of the four courses to be found in the luxurious and exclusive area of Quinta do Lago, marked by the evident contrast between its different holes and its excellent practice area.

Bordered by the beautiful Parque Natural da Ria Formosa, which provides a natural habitat for many species of migratory birds, Pinheiros Altos is an original and unusual course, in that it is composed of two sets of nine holes with completely opposing characteristics: the first nine holes are built on rolling sandy terrain with stone pines; the shorter second half runs through gentle hills dotted with several lakes.

Hole number 17 has a green in the form of an island, just like the famous seventeenth hole at the TPC course in Sawgrass, in the United States.

Since its inauguration, the course has gained a reputation as the favourite pre-season practice ground for many of today's top professional golfers. They are drawn to the large practice area, which includes three putting greens, bunker and chipping areas and many practice greens. There are also comprehensive tuition programmes available for golfers of all levels.

San Lorenzo Golf Course

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Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1988; Author/architect: Joseph Lee and Rocky Roquemore; Professional length: 6247 m; Men's championship length: 5171 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: The Jimmy Tarbuck Golf Classic. The Daily Telegraph Juniors.;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

The rare and multi-faceted beauty of San Lorenzo and its impeccable upkeep make this a real gem amongst Portuguese courses, and even worldwide. A truly memorable course to play.

An 18-hole course with a wide variety of different situations, San Lorenzo offers players a real festival of golf amidst the pine-trees, lakes and beaches of the Algarve coast. Situated in the exclusive tourist resort of Quinta do Lago and forming part of the Parque Natural da Ria Formosa, the course is a very challenging and imaginative one.

The most exciting part of the course begins after hole number 5 with a view over some truly magnificent beaches; then, at the eighth hole, it turns back inland towards the larger of its two lakes. For the next four holes, however, the course again turns seawards and ends with a par 4, where the green is surrounded by the second of the two lakes. A remarkable end to a course that requires you to use all the clubs in your bag, and where you can find 67 different species of birds.

San Lorenzo is considered by the Golf World magazine to be one of the five best golf courses in Europe and was voted the best course in Portugal in the biennial poll organised by the European Golf magazine.

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This is one of the four famous courses included in the exclusive resort of Quinta do Lago, all of which benefit from the incomparable beauty of the Ria Formosa Nature Park.

Part of an exclusive tourist resort much frequented by the international jet set, the Ria Formosa course, built in a nature park with a great wealth of fauna and flora, seems quite similar to the Quinta do Lago course, although its challenges are very different. The course has four magnificent par-5 holes. The par-4 holes are generally doglegs (except for holes 10 and 13) and the par-3 holes can be heavily affected by the wind, so that they call for very accurate shots. The lakes on holes 13 and 18 make it difficult to achieve a good score.

The course was designed by several architects: William Mitchell was responsible for holes 1 to 5 and 15 to 18, whilst Joseph Lee and Rocky Roquemore designed the course from holes 6 to 14. The fairways and tees are covered with a mixture of Bermuda 419 and cold season grasses, which helps to keep the course in good condition all year round. The greens, however, are covered with Penn Cross Bent Grass and have a fast regular surface.

Castro Marim

Quinta do Vale Golf Resort

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E-mail: golf@quintadovale.com **Website:**

<http://www.quintadovale.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 7pm winter - 7.30am / 6pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2008; Author/architect: Severiano Ballesteros; Professional length: 6511 m; Men's championship length: 4801 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: East Algarve Trophy; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Designed by Severiano Ballesteros, Quinta do Vale Golf Resort features an 18-hole Championship layout including 6 Par-5's, 6 Par-4's and 6 Par-3's. Marvelously integrated in the landscape and with a luxurious view over the Guadiana River, the course sits into a natural valley always overlooked from the Clubhouse. At Quinta do Vale, players will notice Seve's creativity as well as his promise: To please everyone no matter what their handicap is. Numerous dogleg holes, wide fairways and obstacles enhance the course quality and its breath-taking surroundings...The challenge waits at Quinta do Vale Golf Resort.

Lagoa

Gramacho Pestana Golf Resort

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<http://www.pestanagolf.com>

Timetable and reservations:

winter: 7am - 6pm summer: 7 am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1991; Author/architect: Ronald Fream #E_COMERCIAL#& Nick Price; Professional length: 6107 m; Men's championship length: 4777 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Ladies Open 2007 ; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted; Travellers Cheques accepted; Nick Price, the former world Nr.1 player, has teamed up with the well-known golf course architect, Ronald Fream, to create a uniquely designed 18 hole course with 27 varied greens that enable the golfer to play the same course several times with different greens and new challenges.

In 2005 and 2007 The Gramacho Course hosted the Portuguese Ladies Open. The design technique has positioned the greens and protective bunkers so that an 18 hole round is a genuine challenge. The characteristics already existing on the site, from the boulder outcrops and dry stone walling to the fig, carob and olive trees, have been complemented by art fully positioned

Vale da Pinta Golf Course

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Timetable and reservations:

winter: 7am - 6pm summer: 7 am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1992; Author/architect: Ronald Fream; Professional length: 6127 m; Men's championship length: 4866 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: European Seniors Tour qualifying school; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted; Travellers Cheques accepted; The Pinta Course is one of the best-designed courses in Europe. It is a Championship course with an exceptional layout designed by the famous American golf course architect, Ronald Fream.

Since 1992 it has earned a deserved reputation for the outstanding level of maintenance of the course, and its design, which makes it a challenge to golfers of all standards. The Pinta Course was 8 consecutive times host to the Seniors Tour.

Two ornamental lakes influence play at four different holes around the course. The rolling terrain is dotted with carob, fig, almond and olive trees. A very special feature of this course is

lakes and bunkers.

These hazards complete the challenging but attractive course.

one olive tree that dates back more than 1200 years.

Lagos

Boavista Golf & Spa Resort

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E-mail: info@boavistaresort.pt **Website:** <http://www.boavistaresort.pt>

Timetable and reservations:

71.30 am - 8 pm; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2002; Author/architect: Howard Swan; Professional length: 6145 m; Men's championship length: 5737 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Ladies' championship length: 4718 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

One of the reasons people enjoy playing Boavista is that it's always in first-rate condition. Another is the attractiveness of the course with its far reaching views of the Bay of Lagos to the east and the Monchique mountains to the north.

Designed in 2002 by Howard Swan the golf course uses the natural contours of the terrain and as a result it presents plenty of challenge - especially on holes six and eight where you have to hit your ball across a ravine!

Onyria Palmares Beach Golf Resort

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Telephone: +351 282 790 500 **Fax:** +351 282 790 509

E-mail: golf@onyriapalmares.com **Website:** <http://www.onyriapalmares.com>

Timetable and reservations:

open everyday - 7.15am / 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2010; Author/architect: Robert Trent Jones Jr.; Professional length: 6314 m; Men's championship length: 4886 m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Europro tour; Torneio das Amendoeiras em Flor

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The New "Onyria Palmares", which has been totally transformed by the American designer and brand leader, Robert Trent Jones Jr, is a mixture of parkland and authentic links - something unique in the Algarve.

The higher part of the course features unforgettable views of the Ocean and Alvor estuary. There are sea views from 90% of the tees. The lower holes near the beach incorporate links dunes and

Espiche Golf

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Timetable and reservations:

Summer: 7.30am - 7pm

Winter: 7.30am - 6pm; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2012; Author/architect: Peter Sauerma; Professional length: 5862 m; Men's championship length: 5453 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Ladies' championship length: 5026 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Located within a nature reserve and just five minutes from Lagos, Espiche Golf is an eco-resort which has been perfectly integrated into the surrounding natural environment and offers a unique and authentic experience in the western Algarve.

long grasses and the sound of the sea. Few other courses in the Algarve offer your clients the chance to get so close to the Ocean with their golf clubs!

Loulé

Royal Golf Course

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E-mail: golf@vdl.pt **Website:** <http://www.valedolobo.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 7.30pm winter - 7am / 6pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997; Author/architect: Sir Henry Cotton; Rocky Roquemore; Professional length: 6059 m; Men's championship length: 4909 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events: Amateur Week (Fevereiro) / Foursomes Week (Maio)

Practice Areas:

Putting green;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The most famous course at Vale do Lobo is amongst the best 100 golf courses in Europe, with some truly unforgettable holes, such as the famous sixteenth hole.

The Royal Golf Course is much more difficult than the neighbouring Ocean Course. The terrain is even more undulating, there are more water hazards and sand traps and its holes are generally longer. Although the original design was by Sir Henry Cotton, Rocky Roquemore's distinctive trademarks are clearly visible all round the course.

The Royal Course is also one of the world's most frequently photographed courses, because of its famous hole 16, a par 3 requiring a shot of 218 metres over three spectacular cliffs to reach the green. Mention should also be made of hole 9, a par 3 with a lake in front of its green. Water is also a distinct obstacle at holes 6, 16 and 17.

With two courses and a golf academy, the sophisticated Vale do Lobo resort is one of the most beautiful tourist areas in the Iberian Peninsula, equipped with a full set of infrastructures that provide an ideal complement to its beautiful beaches.

Olhão

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E-mail: reservations@golfcolinaverde.com **Website:** <http://www.golfcolinaverde.com>

Timetable and reservations:

open everyday - 8am ;

Practice Areas:

Putting green; Chipping area;

Characteristics and Services:

Clubs hire; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2002; Author/architect: António Cavaco; Professional length: 1145 m; Number of holes in course:

9; Par of the course: 3; Electric trolleys;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Our 9 hole Executive par 3 golf course is suitable for players of all levels. Straightforward enough to be enjoyable for beginners, but also testing enough for the experienced player wishing to sharpen their ironplay and short game. With average playing time of one and a half hours, there is plenty of time if you so wish to take in one of the 18 hole championship courses in the locality the same day.

Portimão

Morgado Golf Course

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E-mail: info@golfedomorgado.com;

bookings@golfedomorgado.com **Website:**

http://www.nauhotels.com/morgado_golf.html

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2003; Author/architect: European Golf Design, Russel Taley; Professional length: 6399 m; Men's championship length: 4824 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 73; Main events:: Etapa do Euro Pro Tour, Campeonato Nacional Absoluto, Campeonato Nacional InterClubes Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Located in a valley in the inland Algarve, between Portimão and Monchique, the Morgado Golf Course is challenging both to amateurs who are just starting out in the game and to highly-experienced golfers seeking to put their technique to the test. This is a par 73 course but its length is attenuated by the generous width of the fairways. However, you may be penalised if your less successful strokes happen to land in one of the bunkers scattered around the course.

The Morgado Golf Course has the typical characteristics of a links course - with flat fairways and Scottish-inspired bunkers - but which, instead of being beside the sea, like a traditional links, is set in an area of parkland. Surrounded by the region's traditional trees, golfers playing on the Morgado Golf Course will come into contact with a different Algarve, an Algarve where the peace and quiet provide the perfect setting for a memorable round.

Penina Sir Henry Cotton Academy Course

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter : 7am - 8pm Summer: 7am - 6.30pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1977; Author/architect: Sir Henry Cotton; Professional length: 1851 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 30; Main events:: Daily Telegraph Seniors' Match Play (2000/1), a Final

Penina Resort & Academy Courses

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter: 7am - 8pm Summer: 7am - 6.30pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1972; Author/architect: Sir Henry Cotton; Professional length: 2987 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 35; Main events:: "Open Portugal" (5); "Open Algarve"; Camp. Mundial Juniors; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Besides the Sir Henry Cotton Championship course, the property also encompasses two 9-hole facilities: the Academy course and the Resort course, both are opportunities to fine-tune one's short game, while providing gentle training grounds for beginners.

The Resort Course, a more recent nine holes on the north side of the hotel, strategically demanding, can also be considered a challenge for the more experienced players and equally provides gentle training grounds for beginners. The Academy Course, winding through the fairways of the Championship Course, is an interesting "executive" nine holes par 30 (three par 4's and six par 3's. Originally designed for the casual or intermediate golfer it provides the ideal course for all year round holiday golf. The greens are relatively small and therefore accuracy off the tee and for approach shots is required and it also provides players the opportunity to fine tune their short game.

Pestana Alto Golf

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Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 8pm winter - 7am / 6pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1991; Author/architect: Sir Henry Cotton ; Professional length: 6125 m; Men's championship length: 5233 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Open TAPElectric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Nacional da Audi Corp, assim como grandes competições internacionais e de caridade nomeadamente o Sir Henry Cooper Charity Golf Classic e o Open de Portugal, o qual acolheu por 10 vezes.; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Previously The Penina, but known as the Sir Henry Cotton Championship Course, the main 18 holes provide the most demanding test of a player's skills in the Algarve, if not in Portugal.

With the inevitable difficulty that a flat landscaping and terrain creates with club selection, the holes are crossed and flanked by a series of streams, ditches and water hazards, demanding precisely executed shots to avoid trouble and achieve par.

The course is beautifully maintained, winding past tall stands of eucalyptus and clumps of palm to mainly elevated greens which have subtle slopes and sometimes treacherous speeds. Learn more in www.lemeridien.com/peninagolf

Álamos Golf Course

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Portimão

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Timetable and reservations:

open everyday: 7am / 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2006; Author/architect: European Golf Design, Russel Taley; Professional length: 5641 m; Men's championship length: 4291 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Despite its relatively short length, Álamos Golf Course is a challenging test for any golfer. Affording splendid views over the Monchique mountains, lakes and farmland, the sensation here is one of being far from everything. This is a shorter course than Morgado Golf Course (Par 71), but it has all the necessary features to meet the expectations of the most demanding golfer. Rather than simply a test of your golfing skills, this course clearly demonstrates that man and nature can come together in harmony.

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Located between the picturesque village of Alvor and the bustling tourist resort of Praia da Rocha, Alto Golf has established itself as one of the most popular golf courses in the Algarve.

Designed by the legendary golf course architect Sir Henry Cotton, the rolling fairways and elevated greens test the low handicap golfer whilst providing an enjoyable experience for the average player. With the combination of a fantastic golf course, professional and friendly staff, a fully serviced golf clubhouse, state of the art driving range and PGA professional golf academy, Alto will cater to your every golfing need.

Located close to numerous stunning beaches and a wide variety of traditional and international restaurants and bars, Alto Golf is the perfect location for that much needed break in the sunshine.

Silves

Oceânico Faldo Course

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E-mail: agr.reception@oceanicogroup.com **Website:** <http://www.amendoeiraresort.com/pt/golfe/oceanico-faldo-course/>; <http://www.oceanicogolf.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 8pm winter - 7.30am / 7pm ;

Other informations:

Location- The Amendoeira Golf Resort, set in an area of outstanding natural beauty, is perfectly positioned in the central Algarve, a world-class golfing region close to the most south-westerly tip of Europe. The Resort is just 35 minutes drive from Faro along the A22 motorway, 4 kilometers inland from the beach resort of Armação de Pêra.;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2008; Author/architect: Nick Faldo; Professional length: 6598 m; Men's championship length: 4703 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Designed by Nick Faldo, with strategic play in mind, this course demands careful positioning to score well, rocky outcrops, meandering watercourses and views to the distant mountains and orange groves defining its essential character. In a modern twist of a traditional recipe, cacti and wild herbs replace the role of Sunningdale's heather, spartan Holm oaks and ancient olive trees take the place of a lush English woodland, and desert scrub bunkers of crushed limestone replace Berkshire's sandy tracts in a golf course that revels in the classic principles of strategic play. The course opens with a testing uphill, par 4, focusing the player on the challenge which lies ahead.

The opening holes play through mature trees, offering a number of "risk and reward" opportunities. The downhill, par 5, fourth encounters a meandering watercourse, which comes into play on three of the front nine holes and two of the inward. The inward nine holes include several which will become the talking point of the "19th hole cognoscenti". Mastering the massive par 5 thirteenth, descending, with the wind behind, will demand consistent shot making all the way to the green. Holes 14 and 15 continue the challenge, playing amongst rocky outcrops. After leaving high ground to the west, the eighteenth brings the final chapter to a close with a magnificent par 5.

Pestana Silves Golf

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Timetable and reservations:

winter: 7am - 6pm summer: 7 am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2007; Author/architect: Fausto Nascimento; Professional length: 5615 m; Men's championship length: 4728 m; Number of holes in

Oceânico O'Connor Golf Course

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E-mail: agr.reception@oceanicogroup.com **Website:** <http://www.amendoeiraresort.com/pt/golfe/oceanico-oconnor-jnr/>; <http://www.oceanicogolf.com/>

Timetable and reservations:

Winter - 7.30 - 7pm Summer - 7am - 8pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2008; Author/architect: Christy O'Connor Jnr.; Professional length: 6274 m; Men's championship length: 5242 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Designed by Christy O'Connor Jnr., this course complements the neighbouring Oceanico Faldo Course and also takes full advantage of being situated in a fertile valley. Its various water features, both lakes and watercourses that are spread throughout the entire course, demand accuracy and test from all golfers, and the rich topsoil has been skillfully landscaped and planted with mature palm trees, affording a lush, ornamental setting like an extensive oasis.

This course has tees that are generally connected to the fairways, but its greater overall distance, the water hazards and big greens provide its challenge. Golfers must also be prepared to read the subtly contoured putting surfaces that are strong features.

Holes 7, 8 and 9, average length par 4's, offer a particular challenge as all three run alongside lakes, so golfers' concentration and accuracy of tee-shots as well as approaches are vital. 3rd and 17th holes are both excellent par 3's.

Two consecutive par 4's, the 14th and 15th with large rolling greens, are tough hurdles to overcome at such a critical stage of the round, and then the finishing hole, 356m off the white tee, requires a precision drive to set up the approach to a two tier green benched into the hillside. Christy's 18th hole brings the course to a fantastic finish, a gentle climb with the river running along the right hand side. 'This hole is a humdinger; once you get up here and look down on the golf course, you will feel you have been blessed.

course: 18; Par of the course: 70; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted; Travellers Cheques accepted; Silves is a serene spot, but the course is anything but the proverbial walk in the park. A drive at the opening hole has to flirt with two water hazards on both flanks. A heroic and straight shot will reward the player with an easy uphill approach. Silves encourages and rewards attacking play.

The excellent condition, all year round, is ideal for low scoring. A relentless test in precision, this course has no peers. It is the "archetype" of man-sized parkland golf.

Most holes offer a spectacular mountain and valley view, overlooking palm trees and olive groves.

The severity of the bunkering is enough defence against the onslaught of the games big guns.

Tavira

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Timetable and reservations:

March - October: 7am - 8pm

Novembre - February 7am - 7pm; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2000; Author/architect: Sir Henry Cotton; Professional length: 5497 m; Men's championship length: 5197 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Main events:: Drive Project (juniors) + Benamor Classics Electric trolleys; Ladies' championship length: 4760 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

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Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 8pm winter - 7am / 7pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2002; Author/architect: William Roquemore Jr.; Professional length: 6053 m; Men's championship length: 4977 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: "PGA Europro Tour in 2003 and 2004; Portugal Algarve Seniors Open 2005; European Seniors Tour Qualifying School in 2006, 2007 and 2008; Portugal Algarve Ladies Open 2008; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Monte Rei Golf & Country Club

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Timetable and reservations:

7am / 7pm;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Characteristics and Services:

Clubs hire; Buggies; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Inauguration year: 2006; Author/architect: Jack Nicklaus ; Professional length: 6567 m; Men's championship length: 4845 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Quinta de Cima

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Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 8pm winter - 7am / 7pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2002; Author/architect: Rocky Roquemore; Professional length: 6586 m; Men's championship length: 5032 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: PGA Europro Tour in 2003 and 2004; Portugal Algarve Seniors Open 2005; European Seniors Tour Qualifying School in 2006, 2007 and 2008; Portugal Algarve Ladies Open 2008; BMW International Cup 2008; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This magnificent 18 hole golf course is a formidable test of golf

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The first of the two PAR 72 golf courses extends itself in a spectacular location on the coast of the eastern Algarve, locally known as "Sotavento".

Quinta da Ria Golf situated in the Ria Formosa Nature Reserve has already been described by experienced golfers as the most beautiful course in the region.

In fact, perched above the Ria Formosa estuary, the views down to the sand below, the tidal waters and the ever flowing currents are quite breathtaking. The concentration will drop, the mind will wander... Keeping your score at the forefront of the thought-process may not be so easy... and, in fact, you may not want to!

off any of the tees and a truly exceptional challenge.

The whole area is blessed with a profound peacefulness. From Quinta de Cima Golf the views are spectacular and inspiring: from any part of the course, both the sea and the Algarve Mountains are a delight to anyone's eyes.

Old centenary olive and carob trees, together with the surrounding orange trees and vineyards, maintain the originality of the region landscape. It looks like as if the course has been there since centuries ago.

This is a protected area and hopefully will remain this way forever!

Vila do Bispo

Golf Santo António

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Timetable and reservations:

7.45 am - 6 pm; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1987; Author/architect: Pepe Gancedo; Professional length: 5712 m; Men's championship length: 5712 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Ladies' championship length: 4619 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Golf Santo Antonio, formerly known as Parque da Floresta, was designed by the distinguished Spanish golf architect Pepe Gancedo, one of the most famous architects in Spain, whose philosophy of golf construction involves minimal alteration of the existing ground. The course is perfectly integrated into the landscape.

Being the most westerly golf course in the Algarve, Golf Santo Antonio, stretches over the hills behind the fishing village of Salema, near the historic town of Lagos and not far from the Nature Reserve of Costa Vicentina.

Framed by a valley that winds through the countryside creating some undulating fairways, the Santo Antonio golf course in Parque da Floresta is an impressive arena that has hosted the prestigious Europro Tour.

With 18 holes, par 71, the course extends for 5712 meters. Golf Santo Antonio has a driving range, golf academy, practice area, putting green and golf shop.

Whatever your ability, from an absolute beginner to a low handicapper - once you have spent some time with our PGA professional at the Golf Academy you will be better equipped to face the challenges of any course. A simple tip could be all that's needed to change your whole game.

The Clubhouse where you can enjoy a delicious meal, provides spectacular panoramic views of the mountains and the sea, and

also an overview of the golf course.

Vilamoura

Laguna Golf Course

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Timetable and reservations:

high season – 7am / 8pm low season – 7am / 7pm;

Other informations:

Clubhouse, pro-shop, restaurant, bar, buggy bar in the course, putting-green, driving range with bunker and chipping area.

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2000; Author/architect: Joseph Lee; Professional length: 6121 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Laid out over low lying coastal terrain, this course, with its many water hazards and few trees, is considerably different from the other ones at the resort and many of its holes convey a links atmosphere.

U.S. golf architect Joseph Lee designed this course which was opened in 1990 and many previous visitors will recognise it as part of the former 27th hole Vilamoura III course. It has been subject to continual improvements over the years.

Measuring 6,121 metres from the white tees, the par 72 course includes several lakes which influence play on a total of 11 holes. In addition to acting as hazards and emergency water reservoirs, these lakes serve a useful purpose in attracting a variety of aquatic birds, both resident and migratory, as well as amphibians, otters, terrapins etc.

Apart from the lakes and an impressive total of 79 bunkers, another hazard is the wind that frequently blows over this somewhat exposed location. Oceânico Laguna is located on relatively flat, open terrain. The basis of its modern design is strategic placement of bunkers and water hazards, all of which demand accuracy of play.

Laguna shares a large, welcoming clubhouse with the neighbouring Millennium Course.

Old Course Golf Club

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Timetable and reservations:

high season – 7am / 8pm low season – 7am / 7pm;

Other informations:

Clubhouse, pro-shop, restaurant, bar, buggy bar in the course, valet - service, putting-green, driving range and chipping area.

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group

Millennium Golf Course

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Timetable and reservations:

high season – 7am / 8pm low season – 7am / 7pm;

Other informations:

Clubhouse, pro-shop, restaurant, bar, buggy bar in the course, putting-green, driving range with bunker and chipping area.

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2000; Author/architect: Martin Hawtree; Professional length: 6157 m; Men's championship length: 4767 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The course is particularly open, although some holes (the 3rd to the 7th) wind between pine trees and are similar to the neighbouring fairways of the Old Course and Pinhal. In this more wooded area, the fairways are narrower and require greater accuracy - while the rest of the course has a clear landscape enriched by lakes at the 4th, 17th and 18th holes. The arrival of the Millennium Course made Vilamoura one of the main - if not the main - European golf destinations. The well-established UK golf Architects Hawtree & Sons were contracted to plan this modification and design work which has culminated in the creation of the new, exciting 18-hole Millennium Golf Course.

Refurbishment to the existing nine holes commenced in May 1999 and included the complete rebuilding of the tees, greens and bunkers. Changes were made to the layout or structure of the old nine holes, but several new design features were incorporated with a view to simplifying the strategy of the course and in order to make it more golfer-friendly. This applies especially to holes 8 and 9, the only ones on this loop with water hazards. Also, many of the bunkers have been re-shaped and the smaller greens expanded. This renovated North course has been joined together with the new 9-hole loop to offer a layout of different character, style and playing quality to the remaining Laguna Course. The two nines of the Millennium Course complement each other handsomely and have strong traits.

Pestana Vila Sol

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter – 7am – 6.30pm Summer – 7am – 8.30pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1991 + 2001; Author/architect: Donald Steel; Professional length: 8880 m; Men's championship length: 7989 m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course:

lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1969; Author/architect: Frank Pennink (Remodelled by Martin Hawtree in 1996); Professional length: 6254 m; Men's championship length: 5086 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 73; Caddies; Electric trolleys;
Practice Areas:
Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;
Payments:
Credit cards accepted;

Situated in the heart of the Vilamoura seaside resort a mere 20-minute drive from Faro airport, this Frank Pennink designed parkland style layout is one of the oldest in the region and renowned all over the golfing world.

Often described as the Grande Dame of Algarve courses, it meanders throughout impressive pinetrees - the principal hazard - over gently undulating natural terrain. Although it opened in 1969, the course was completely renovated and modernised 27 years later although no major changes were made to the magnificent layout.

In addition to raising the Vilamoura Old Course to new heights of quality, an attractive new clubhouse and adjacent putting green were also built at that time. As with all Vilamoura courses, environmental protection practices are strictly adhered to by means of detailed management systems in line with guidelines established by ISO 14001 standards, Green Globe and Committed to Green programmes.

This is one of the courses in Portugal that will always stay in the memory of visiting golfers.

Pinhal Golf Course

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Timetable and reservations:

high season - 7am / 8pm low season - 7am / 7pm;

Other informations:

Clubhouse, pro-shop, restaurant, bar, bar on the course, putting-green, driving range with bunker and chipping area.

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1976; Author/architect: Frank Pennink; Remodelled by Robert Trent Jones in 1985; Professional length: 6353 m; Men's championship length: 5206 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This was the second golf course built in Vilamoura and inaugurated in 1976, having originally been designed by Frank Pennink, the architect of the nearby Vilamoura Old Course.

Several refinements were incorporated over the years, the most significant one by Robert Trent Jones Sr. in 1985. It is typified by rolling parkland terrain covered with numerous umbrella and Atlantic pines that line many of the fairways and a few even stand out on fairways or near greens.

72; Main events:: Portuguese Open 1992 & 1993

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This is one of the most highly regarded Algarve courses and has already been chosen to host the Portuguese Open. A complementary nine-hole loop was opened quite recently.

Situated in the heart of one of the most highly developed tourist areas in the Algarve, Vila Sol has become a picture postcard of Portuguese golf. The Portuguese Open was held here in both 1992 and 1993. Inaugurated in 1991, this is a typical inland golf course of the British school, designed by Donald Steel and already displaying a high level of maturity. Winding through an immense pine-wood, in which fig-trees, oaks and almond-trees also feature, the course is a serious test for any golfer's strategic skills.

The fairways call for accurate driving, and there are several obstacles (lakes and bunkers) that constantly need to be coped with, as well as some really fast greens. Achieving a good final score largely depends on successfully negotiating the first four holes. The fourth hole in the recently-opened nine-hole loop is a par 5 that measures 519 metres and is the longest in the whole course, although several of the new holes are also very challenging.

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Timetable and reservations:

7.30am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2008; Author/architect: Jorge Santana da Silva ; Professional length: 6062 m; Men's championship length: 4808 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Ponds and a stream come into play on five holes but are not serious threats to above-average golfers. To keep up with modern technical advances in clubs and balls, several holes have recently been lengthened and the par-72 course now measures 6,353 metres off the white tee markers.

The clubhouse was completely renovated and modernised at the turn of the millennium and from the large verandah one can enjoy a panoramic view over the excellent driving range and practice facilities.

Victoria Golf Course

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Timetable and reservations:

high season - 7am / 8pm low season - 7am - 7pm;

Other informations:

Clubhouse, pro-shop, Valet Service, restaurant, bar, buggy bar in the course, putting-green, driving range with bunker and chipping area.

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2004; Author/architect: Arnold Palmer; Professional length: 6609 m; Men's championship length: 4726 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

At the time of creation, the Victoria Golf Course was hailed as the most ambitious golf project Portugal had ever witnessed. Designed by true golfing legend, Arnold Palmer, there is absolutely no doubt that it has lived up to that lofty billing.

Covering some 90 hectares, the venue encompasses one of the most complete golf complexes in Europe, and features an exceptional driving range and a putting green of some 2,500 m². All of this has made it the obvious venue of choice for many of the top international tournaments to visit Portugal in recent times. Indeed, it has served as the host venue to the Portugal Masters on every occasion since 2007, while the World Cup Championship was staged there in 2005.

The Par-72 Championship layout, measuring 6.651 meters (7,273 yards) from the Palmer tees, incorporates and has ensured the preservation of natural wetlands on-site, as well as the typical vegetation of carob, olive and almond trees. A significant proportion of Victoria's acreage is occupied by lakes, forming hazards to be avoided but which also have a strategic purpose in providing reservoirs for irrigation.

A number of teeing options on each hole (often as many as six are offered), accompanied by wide but undulating fairways, provide a fair test of golf, although water and cleverly-positioned bunkers pose a constant threat.

The Victoria course quickly became one of the best golf courses in Portugal, with a layout that presents a challenge even for the most seasoned players.

Available facilities:

Free Shuttle from / to Vilamoura hotels

Clubhouse

Golf Shop

Driving Range

Practice Putting Green

Bar / Restaurant

Buggy Bar

Valet Service

Free Wi-Fi

Azores

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter: 8am - 6pm

Summer: 8am - 7pm; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1996; Author/architect: Cameron Powell; Professional length: Course A - 3206m | Course B - 3206m | Course C - 3082m; Men's championship length: Course A - 3122m | Course B - 3108m | Course C - 2949m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Açores Ladies Open & Azoren Pro-AmCaddies; Ladies' championship length: Course A - 2679m | Course B - 2645m | Course C - 2571m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Welcome to the Azores Golf Islands golf courses.

The breathtaking landscape is the perfect setting for unforgettable rounds of golf in an environment of pure nature of the Azores.

The Azores Golf Islands invites you to enjoy our two golf courses Batalha and Furnas, no rush, in a green environment, in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, between Europe and North America, on the island of São Miguel in the Azores in Portugal.

Campo de Golfe das Furnas

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter: 8am - 5pm

Summer: 8am - 6pm; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1936; Author/architect: Mackenzie Ross / Cameron & Powell; Professional length: 3118 m; Men's championship length: 2993 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Azores ProAMCaddies; Ladies' championship length: 2648 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

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Centro de Portugal

Cantanhede

Campo de Golfe de Cantanhede

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E-mail: geral@golfecantanhede.pt **Website:**

http://www.clubegolfecantanhede.com

Timetable and reservations:

Tuesday -Saturday: 9.30am - 7.30pm

Sunday: 9.30am - 1pm; Reservations:: No;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons;
Golf clinic; Inauguration year: 2009; Author/architect: Fernando
Fragoso; Professional length: 1200m (P&P) / 1950 (PAR 3); Men's
championship length: 1200m (P&P) / 1950 (PAR 3); Number of
holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 54; Ladies' championship
length: 1200m (P&P) / 1950 (PAR 3);

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Curia

Curia Golf

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E-mail: info@curiagolfe.com **Website:**

http://www.curiagolfe.com

Timetable and reservations:

open everyday: at 8am;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons;
Golf clinic; Inauguration year: 2004; Author/architect: Jorge
Santana da Silva; Professional length: 2485 m; Men's
championship length: 2048 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par
of the course: 35; Main events:: Curia P.G.A Open Portugal -
Troféu GANT - A.E.A Pro Am;

Practice Areas:

Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Designed by Jorge Santana da Silva, Curia Golf is set in the heart
of a high-quality spa region with an important historical past.

Twenty minutes from the cities of Coimbra and Aveiro, Curia Golf
is the first course to be built in the centre of the country, seeking
to establish itself as a major new golfing destination.

It is a competitive course for players of all levels, stretching
along the banks of the River Cértima and including three artificial
lakes. These represent constant obstacles that need to be taken
into account during the course of your round. The course is
relatively flat, with gentle undulations along the fairways and
with friendly bunkers scattered all around, so that some of the
par 3 and 5 holes represent a truly stimulating challenge for all
golfers. The spacious and undulating greens are protected by
bunkers that are placed mainly at the sides.

Curia Golf has a modern and comfortable clubhouse, which
provides a high-quality service: facilities include a pro-shop, bar,
restaurant, changing rooms, terrace, putting-green, driving
range and a chipping and bunker practice area.

Set in the heart of the Bairrada region, famous for its tasty cuisine and fine wines, Curia Golf is the perfect destination for all those who like to enjoy a round of golf in an atmosphere of peace and calm and increase their sense of well-being.

Óbidos

Bom Sucesso Design Resort, Leisure & Golf

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Telephone: +351 262 965 310 **Fax:** +351 262 969 690

E-mail: golf@bomsucesso.net **Website:**

<http://www.bomsucesso.net>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7.30am / 8pm winter - 7.30am / 6pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: SET/2008; Author/architect: Donald Steel; Professional length: 6228 m; Men's championship length: 4842 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Provas da Federação Portuguesa de Golfe, Torneios Patrocinados;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

An 18-hole Championship Golf course stretches along the length of the resort shaping the housing centres, the Hotel & SPA and the other leisure facilities. The proximity of the sea and Óbidos lagoon, not to mention the golf course itself, afford each allotment and the housing lots fantastic views which benefit from the extension and the natural beauty of the surroundings.

The golf course, designed by the world-renowned architect Donald Steel is already opened.

It is a PAR 72 golf course with an area exceeding 600 thousand sqm; the first nine holes are played on a level part of the terrain while the second nine are located on uneven terrain, and are therefore quite spectacular.

Royal Óbidos Spa & Golf Resort

Address: Cabeço da Serra 2510-665 Vau, Óbidos

Telephone: +351 262 965 220

E-mail: golf.reservations@royalobidos.com **Website:**

<http://www.royalobidos.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Mon-Sun from 7.30am; Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2012; Author/architect: Severiano Ballesteros; Professional length: 6.692 m; Men's championship length: 5.968 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The 18 hole championship golf course designed by Seve Ballesteros has magnificent golf and Atlantic ocean views, a clubhouse with pro shop, restaurant, bar, members' lounge and a large terrace with incredible views over the golf course and the ocean.

Praia D'El Rey Golf & Beach Resort

Address: Vale de Janelas - Amoreira 2510-451 Óbidos

Telephone: +351 262 905 005 **Fax:** +351 262 905 009

E-mail: golf.reservations@praia-del-rey.com **Website:**

<http://www.praia-del-rey.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7.30am / 8.30pm winter - 7.30am / 6.30pm ;

Other informations:

Registration No.: 25/2007;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997; Author/architect: Cabell B. Robinson; Professional length: 6434 m; Men's championship length: 4874 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 73; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Set between the sea on one side and a patch of green countryside on the other, this golf course stretches over dunes, cliffs and pinewoods, forming a natural backdrop for a game of golf on one of the sunniest stretches of the Portuguese coast.

The Praia d'El Rey course is full of surprises: on the 2nd hole, you play with a view towards the nature reserve of the Berlengas Islands; on the 12th, the Atlantic Ocean is your constant companion; while, on the 14th, golfers have to contend with the changing moods of the wind, and, on the 17th, they have to hit the ball a full 570 metres before reaching the green. After all the excitement of your round, you'll find a restaurant waiting for you with a panoramic view over the sea, priding itself on its professional and genuinely personalised service.

A few kilometres away is the unforgettable town of Óbidos, encircled by a mediaeval wall, where you will find a most fascinating historical heritage, and a little further on is the city of Caldas da Rainha, a former spa resort that has become famous for its artistic pottery making, an age-old tradition resulting in the production of some highly picturesque and typically Portuguese pieces, whose history you can discover at the Ceramics Museum.

Peniche

Campo de Golfe do Botado

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Website: <http://www.atlanticogolfhotel.com>

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1996; Author/architect: Mateus Marteleira; Professional length: 2428 m; Men's championship length: 2160 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 67;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

No major work was needed to transform this site, particularly blessed by nature, into a pleasant 9-hole course, stretching along the ocean shoreline.

Six lakes and large bunkers present a stiff challenge to the expertise of golfers on this links course running parallel to the dunes of a sandy beach. The backdrop against which they play is marked by the blending of the sea with the deep blue sky, a scene dominated by the imposing headland of Cabo Carvoeiro stretching out into the Atlantic Ocean and with the Berlengas Islands Nature Reserve in the distance.

The Atlântico Golfe Hotel offers its guests many pleasant hours spent bathing in its hot and cold water swimming-pools, as well as a health club, a children's playground, bars and restaurants, tennis courts and a football pitch.

In Peniche, you can watch the colourful spectacle of the fishing boats arriving in the harbour to unload their catches. The best way to appreciate the freshness, quality and variety of the fish that are brought ashore from our seas is simply to taste it. The raw material is so good that it does not require any great culinary sophistication in its preparation. Whether you eat it boiled or grilled with a sprinkling of Portuguese olive-oil, it is absolutely incomparable.

Torres Vedras

Campo Real

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<http://www.camporeal.pt>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7.30am / 8pm winter - 7.30am / 6pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2005; Author/architect: Donald Steel; Professional length: 6009 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events: Torneios de vários clubes nacionais; Ladies Open 2010 e 2011; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This par-72, 18-hole golf course was designed by the architect Donald Steel and has been perfectly integrated into the surrounding landscape, giving the impression that it has always been there. And there is a surprisingly pleasant harmony in the way in which it blends together with both existing buildings and those planned for the surrounding development.

The clubhouse has an enormous terrace overlooking the 18th hole and offering a breathtaking view over the whole of the course, so that it definitely represents the ideal meeting place for all those seeking to enjoy a peaceful drink on a summer's evening. The restaurant and bar interact in a quite innovative way, spreading from the inside out onto the terrace in a space where the Chef Vítor Cardoso invites diners to choose from a highly creative menu, with meals ranging from a light and sporty snack to a tasty lunch with friends or business clients.

The CampoReal golf club provides its members and visiting golfers with service of the highest possible standard, and it is generally considered as a benchmark of real quality in the Lisbon region. The golf course surely meets the 5-star quality standards set for the Hotel, Spa and Residences.

Viseu

Golfe Montebelo

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<http://www.golfemontebelo.pt>

Timetable and reservations:

open everyday - 8am - 8pm

Closed: 25th December and 1st January; Reservations::

Recommended;

Other informations:

Caramulo Course 1-18

Length: 6.317 Metres

PAR: 72

Estrela Course 10-27

Length: 5.924 Metres

PAR: 72

Buçaco Course 19-27/1-9

Length: 5.933 Metres

PAR: 72

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997; Author/architect: Mark Stilwell & Malcon Kenyon; Professional length: 6317 m; Men's championship length: 5718 m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Circuito Nevada Bob's Golf; Ranking Montebelo/Carlsberg; Internacional Pairs; BPI Challenge; Expresso BPI Golf Cup; Circuito Liberty; Corporate do Benfica; Taça Duque do Porto; Associação de Seniores de Portugal Ladies' championship length: 5134 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Montebelo Golfe, ten minutes from Viseu surrounded by Caramulo and Estrela mountains, is located within a dream landscape. The opening ceremony of the eighteen holes course was in September 1997, and in June 2007 it underwent

expansion works to add nine more holes. This course represents a real challenge for all levels of competition, within a 200 hectares scenario of pines, oaks, as well as gorse and heather, the traditional underbrush of this region.

The course layout and the holes design was conceived taking into account the relationship between the surrounding dimensional characteristics and the morphology of the soil, in order to combine and improve the landscape and the environmental components.

Montebelo Golfe includes within a distribution point, located in the central area of the course, several functional areas, including training areas: driving range, pitch & put, bunkers shot, putting green, academy, as well as the golf club building and the restaurant an exciting characteristic for those who desire to enjoy quietly the magnificent ambiance of this location.

Lisboa Region

Cascais

Clube de Golfe Quinta da Marinha

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Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1984; Author/architect: Robert Trent Jones; Professional length: 5870 m; Men's championship length: 4758 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Main events:: Em 1988, Ladies Masters, prova que integrava o Circuito profissional de Senhoras; Em Outubro de 2002, PGA Seniors Tour Championship; Em Junho 2007, Challenge Tour ; Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted; Travellers Cheques accepted; Lying between the intense, lively and cosmopolitan towns of Estoril and Cascais and the majestic beach of Guincho is the Quinta da Marinha golf course, where you will find one of the most distinctive holes in Portuguese golf, a par 4 making its way down the hillside to the sea.

The Quinta da Marinha course forms part of a luxury development, where you can spend a few days most pleasantly, for, besides enjoying a round of golf, you also have the possibility of horse-riding, lunching in the clubhouse or enjoying a pleasant stroll amidst the thousands of pine-trees planted here, with the great spectacle of the Atlantic Ocean as your constant companion.

Built by the architect Robert Trent Jones, who started with a flat terrain, the course was designed with five par-5 and six par-3 holes; the course's most spectacular hole is the 13th, a 339-metre par 4 sloping down towards the sea and ending in a green that has the Atlantic Ocean as its backdrop. There are countless bunkers and some lakes to make things more difficult for the golfers, perhaps the best example being the 10th hole, where the green is surrounded by water.

This is an extremely beautiful hole, whose backdrop is the sea

Quinta da Marinha, Oitavos Dunes, SA

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<http://www.oitavosdunes.pt>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7.30am / 8.30pm winter - 8.30am / 6pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2001; Author/architect: Arthur Hills; Professional length: 6303 m; Men's championship length: 4573 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Main events:: Open de Portugal 2005, 2007, 2008 e 2009 ; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Oitavos Golfe lies within the Sintra-Cascais Natural Park. It is set among pine woods and reforested dunes, in an area of great natural beauty. Being a seaside golf course, the ocean view is present all the time, although some of the more fantastic scenery come from the Sintra mountains and Cabo da Roca the Europe's most western point in Europe, seen from the 9, 10, 11 and 14 holes.

The layout has been carefully crafted by one of the greatest golf architects of our times, ex-president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects, Arthur Hills.

Hills has maintained and preserved the unique characteristics of the land, creating a 6.303 metre, par 71 golf course. The environmental certification was done in cooperation with Audubon International, an American environmental association. The sustainability of the resources is the prior objective, and because of that the flora and fauna peculiar to the region are strictly protected, being some areas closed to people and machines. Quinta da Marinha Oitavos Golfe is the 1st Golf Course in Europe and the 2nd in the World being recognized as a Certified Signature Sanctuary - Gold. It is already set as one of the best golf courses in Europe and were on the TOP 100 golf courses in the world, where a non stress round of golf can be

and the impressive outlines of the hills of Sintra in the distance.

played all year round.

Costa de Caparica

Aroeira I

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<http://www.aroeira.com>

Timetable and reservations:

8am / 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1973; Author/architect: Frank Pennink; Professional length: 6044 m; Men's championship length: 5186 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Open de Portugal; diversos Ladies Open; Qualifying School Ladies European Tour;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

20 minutes from Lisbon, to the south of the River Tagus, Aroeira offers golfers the perfect combination of a championship course set amidst exuberant natural surroundings.

Frank Pennink designed this course in a pinewood dotted with wild flowers, which is a nature reserve inhabited by many different species of birds. Because of its densely wooded nature, the British press have christened this course the "Lisbon Wentworth", due to its similarity with the famous golf course near London. A wide variety of different playing situations are encountered during a round, calling for almost every club to be used - even though there are no bunkers on the fairways. The par-4 11th hole, designed by Robert Trent Jones, calls for a blind tee shot, before ending in a spectacular green protected by lots of water.

In 1996 and 1997, Aroeira hosted the Portuguese Open (part of the European Tour).

Make sure not to leave the area before taking some time to contemplate the vast expanse of sand, sea and sky close to the course at Costa de Caparica, a beach that lies at the foot of a fossil reef (a protected natural area). This is a formidable red cliff that was formed from the Miocene epoch to the Quaternary period. A little further south, you should also pay a visit to Cabo Espichel, an impressive headland overlooking the sea, where you will find a tiny 15th-century chapel, known as the Ermida da Memória.

Golf Aldeia dos Capuchos

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<http://www.aldeiadoscapuchos.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 8am / 8pm winter - 8am / 6pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2008; Author/architect: Jorge Santana da Silva; Professional length:

Aroeira II

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E-mail: golf.reservas@aroeira.com **Website:**
<http://www.aroeira.com>

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2000; Author/architect: Donald Steel; Professional length: 6367 m; Men's championship length: 4805 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Ladies Open de Portugal; Qualifying school ladies European Tour;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

A new course in the Lisbon area, which makes Aroeira a very special centre for golfing enthusiasts, thanks to its two neighbouring courses and its large practice area.

This course has a fairly different concept of golf from Aroeira I, consisting of large fast greens, some of which are more than 700 m² and are equipped with Penn A2 grass. Aroeira II is the first Portuguese golf course to use this type of grass on its greens, which can be cut to a height of only 2 mm.

Despite the inviting nature of its greens, the course becomes increasingly difficult as you move from hole number 1 to number 9 (stroke 1), as well as from number 10 to number 18 (stroke 2). Unlike the older course, the new course has bunkers on the fairways, some of them in the Scottish style of pot bunkers. But the sand traps are not the only obstacle that have to be taken into account: because of the course's five large lakes, water is a fairly constant hazard, particularly at the last nine holes.

With the opening of its second course, Aroeira has become the largest golfing centre in the Lisbon region and is also an attractive leisure and tourism centre, especially in view of its nearby beaches.

1402 m; Men's championship length: 1053 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 29; Main events:: Torneios de Clubes Nacionais; Trofeu Aldeia dos Capuchos;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Estoril

Golf do Estoril

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Timetable and reservations:

30 October - 30 January

Week days: 7.30am - 6.30pm / Weekends and holidays: 7.30am - 7pm

1 February - 31 March

7.30am - 7pm

1 April - 30 October

7.30am - 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1929 / 1936; Author/architect: Jean Gassiat / Mackenzie Ross; Professional length: 5189 m; Men's championship length: 5189 m; Number of holes in course: 18 + 9; Par of the course: 69; Caddies; Ladies' championship length: 4602 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

One of the oldest golf courses in Portugal, Golf do Estoril offers its visitors spectacular views over the Atlantic Ocean. It has become internationally famous because of its location close to the luxury seaside resort of Estoril and has long attracted some of the top names in world golf.

The course has been used on numerous occasions for the Portuguese Open, as well as for international amateur championships, with its fairways having been trodden by a whole host of champions - ranging from Max Faulkner to Severiano Ballesteros.

It is a short but challenging course, designed by Mackenzie Ross, who made excellent use of the surrounding pine-trees and eucalyptuses - which, coupled with the uneven terrain, make the course more a test of accuracy than of the ability to hit the ball long distances.

What better way to end your round than by sampling the excellent Portuguese cuisine at the club-house restaurant, from where you can also enjoy a spectacular view over the Atlantic Ocean. By way of curiosity, Ballesteros played his first professional tournament outside Spain at Estoril, in 1974, hitting a fairly unpromising first round of 89... on his 17th birthday.

Take advantage of your stay to enjoy the very best of Estoril's cosmopolitan atmosphere, with its Casino, parks, outdoor

restaurants and cafés, and its constant reminders of the fact that several European royal families took up residence here during the Second World War. Right next door to Estoril is the town of Cascais, with its narrow streets, modern shops, bars and restaurants, guaranteeing you a full and exciting day out.

Lisboa

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Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2000; Author/architect: Gary Grandstaff; Professional length: 3122 m; Men's championship length: 2704 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 29;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green;

Palmela

Campo de Golfe do Montado

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Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1992; Author/architect: Duarte Sottomayor & Jorge Santana da Silva; Professional length: 6330 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events: "Challenge Vap";

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

The "Montado Hotel & Golf Resort" had opened in May 2009 located on Portugal's Costa Azul Algeruz (Palmela), near the Castle of Palmela, surrounded by vineyards that leads the production of the famous wine region of Palmela / Setúbal (City of the wine in 2009), developed in a harmonious whole of Cork Trees, where streams and lakes makes the magical beauty of this Resort, the Golf Course is carefully inserted in a landscape that helps to break the daily life routine, well known for its hole 18 and green located on an island. It is just 30 minutes south of Lisbon, one of Europe's most stylish and historic capitals, less than 3 hours flight from major European capitals.

In operation since 1992, the golf course of Montado needed an impulse that could put again in a prominent place that belongs. Was then initiated a work of remodeling in 2005 by already well-known Arq. Jorge Santana da Silva, in which the whole layout has been redesigned by creating new Tees and Greens that require some consideration when choosing the right putt before the next putting ... highlight the hole 18 where it plays for a green located on an island.

Sesimbra

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Timetable and reservations:

7.30 am - 7.30pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1994; Author/architect: Rocky Roquemore; Professional length: 6036 m; Men's championship length: 4703 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Final Challenge Tour UAP, Campeonato Nacional Clubes;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The friendly family atmosphere makes this club one of the most highly regarded in Portuguese golf, its diversified course offering excellent views over the surrounding countryside.

With the Arrábida mountains as its backdrop, the Quinta do Peru golf course offers amateurs a pleasant game, whilst also presenting a challenge for professionals. It was voted amongst the top 10 courses in Portugal in the biennial poll organised by the European Golf magazine.

With its many trees and wild flowers, the course provides a varied start, for the first three holes consist of a par 5, a 386-metre par 4 and a 186-metre par 3. Amongst the first nine holes, attention is drawn to the short eighth hole, with a lake in front of its green. The next nine holes are even more difficult. Number 12 is a par 4 which, although not very long, has a lake running beside the fairway and down to the green. Then comes what is probably the most difficult test on the course: hole 8, a 200-metre par 3, where one needs to play over a lake to reach the green. The course's recognised quality has led to its hosting several events from the European Challenge Tour.

Don't forget to enjoy a drive or a walk through the Serra da Arrábida. This is a Natural Park affording superb views over the sea, with a jagged coastline of small sandy coves, where the water adopts different shades of green and blue. One of the places of historic interest in this range of hills is the seductive Convento da Arrábida, a monastery founded in the 16th century and integrated quite harmoniously into the landscape. The castles to be visited in the region include Setúbal, Sesimbra and Palmela. Cheese from Azeitão, Moscatel wine from Setúbal and honey from Arrábida are amongst the mouth-watering flavours of this region.

Sintra

Belas Clube de Campo

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Timetable and reservations:

April/September 7.30 Am - 8 Pm October/March 7.30 Am - 6 Pm
Closed on the 1st January and on the 25th December;

Other informations:

Registration No.: 63/2003 ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997-98;
Author/architect: William "Rocky" Roquemore; Professional length: 6109 m; Men's championship length: 4888 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Grand Final do Challenge Tour, Outubro 1998;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Belas is a Championship Golf Course. The layout is extraordinary, with several fairways and greens set in deep valleys, and it affords unforgettable panoramic scenery to golfers and visitors.

With its excellent variety of holes, the course is a pleasure to play, whatever one's handicap level. It demands both skill and tactical play, and is acknowledged both locally and internationally as one of Portugal's best constructed layouts.

It has in operation an Environmental Management System (EMS) that enables its staff to monitor all matters relating to the environment. The EMS holds an ISO 14001 certification, and is also certified to the European "Committed to Green" Programme.

Penha Longa Golfe

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter - 7.30am / 9pm Summer - 7.30am / 6.30pm;

Reservations:: Recommended;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1992 / 1995;
Author/architect: Robert Trent Jones Jr.; Professional length: 6290 m; Men's championship length: 5414 m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Open de Portugal - 1994, 1995, 2010Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Ranked in the top 30 Courses in Continental Europe, the 27-hole course at **Penha Longa Resort** designed by the famed Robert Trent Jones, Jr. is escapist golf at its best. With its bold drives, courageous approaches and artful greens, it is both an adrenalin rush and a soothing journey through one of Portugal's most inspiring landscapes. Exciting at every turn, this championship

Lisbon Sports Club

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Timetable and reservations:

8am - 6pm;

Other informations:

A new motorway (A16) can now be used for those who to reach "Lisbon Sports Club" coming from Cascais, Estoril and Sintra. Take A5 or IC19 to access the A16 and leave at junction 11 (Telhal / Vale-de-Lobos). Take the left exit at the roundabout, direction Vale-de-Lobos, and follow straight ahead. At the first junction turn right, direction Belas. After passing Belas Clube Campo, "Lisbon Sports Club" can be found on the first entrance on the right. ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1922; Author/architect: Hawtree #E_COMERCIAL#&& Sons; Professional length: 5303 m; Men's championship length: 4638 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 69; Main events:: "Lisbon Cup"; Coronation Cup; Selby Cup; Taça VIII Centenário; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Originally Lisbon Sports Club dates back to 1880, when a group of English residents living in the Lisbon area, founded a Sports Club. By 1890 they had built a small six hole golf course in Alges. In 1922 the Club moved to Alto da Ajuda to a nine hole course. Then, in 1962, the Club moved again, this time to Casal da Carregueira, where it remains today situated between the village of Belas and Vale de Lobos, about 20 km from Cascais and Lisbon. The course was inaugurated with nine holes, five more holes were added a few years later and then finally in 1992 its eighteen holes were completed.

Situated amidst hills and valleys it is a relatively short course, however the natural layout of the land makes it more difficult than it appears. Concentration and strategy are fundamental. Along most of the course runs a winding water ditch. The narrow fairways lined with beautiful old trees and abundant vegetation blend in perfectly with the natural surroundings. Each hole is so different that no matter how often they are played, there are always new challenges awaiting the player.

The comfortable Club House with its veranda overlooking the magnificent woodland was originally the old Manor House of Casal da Carregueira. Lisbon Sports Club also boasts an excellent swimming pool, three shale tennis courts, a driving range and a small practice area.

Pestana Beloura Golf Resort

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<http://www.pestanagolf.com>

Timetable and reservations:

Summer - 7am / 8pm winter - 7am / 6pm ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group

challenge and host to the Portuguese Open, is a master test of variety and thrills.

Penha Longa Golf courses offer three different circuits: Atlantic Championship, Atlantic North and Atlantic South, providing completely different experiences throughout the amazing hills of Sintra and Penha Longa Resort. The Penha Longa Golf Club, founded in 1992, hosts today more than 100 golf members, tailoring activities such as, competitions with other golf clubs and several social events. The Penha Longa Golf members can enjoy their own reserved tee times, access to the Members Lounge in the Club House and their own private dressing rooms equipped with sauna, jacuzzi and plunge pool.

lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1991; Author/architect: Rocky Roquemore; Professional length: 5716 m; Men's championship length: 5094 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 73; Main events:: Semana de Golfe Costa do Estoril - Torneio da PGA Portugal; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The verdant foothills of the Sintra Mountains offer a breathtaking backdrop for the Quinta da Beloura Golf Course. Here the famous American golf course architect Rocky Roquemore has conceived a course that will stretch both your imagination and ability yet provide an enjoyable challenge to golfers of all levels.

Over 40,000 Eucalyptus, Oak, Pine, Magnolia, Palm and other exotic trees and plants have been planted on this gently undulating Par 73, 18 hole course that measures 5,846 metres from the Men's Tees and 4,952 from the Ladies Tees. Water comes into play on many of the holes as they meander between the various lakes and streams that border the Fairways. The course is irrigated automatically from its own water supplies, guaranteeing crisp lies on lush tifton 419 fairways and true, holding greens from a green sward of creeping bents.

The Course is complimented by excellent practice facilities and qualified teachers. The magnificent Clubhouse incorporates the Golf Shop from which rental and other golf equipment is available.

Madeira

Funchal

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Timetable and reservations:

08.00h - 19.00h;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1993; Author/architect: Cabell Robinson; Professional length: 6086 m; Men's championship length: 5448 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Palheiro Open, Salva de Aniversário, Royal Savoy Classic, BES Kids, Moynihan's Open; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Situated close to the famous gardens of Quinta do Palheiro, which date back to the beginning of the nineteenth century and are famous for their wide range of exotic flora, the Palheiro course offers fabulous views over Funchal bay, the sea and the Ilhas Desertas in the distance.

The par-72 course was designed by the architect Cabell Robinson, a former assistant of Robert Trent Jones, who had already done work in Portugal and took care to make the most of the hills, mountain peaks and deep valleys that are a typical feature of the Madeira landscape, in order to provide golfers with an exciting and competitive round.

At the Palheiro course, there are five par-3, nine par-4 and four par-5 holes, including the final hole which leads up to the beautiful clubhouse, built in the Madeira style and offering golfers the chance to relax and enjoy the unforgettable panoramic view over the city of Funchal.

Ilha da Madeira

Clube de Golf Santo da Serra

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Timetable and reservations:

Monday to Sunday - 8:00 - 19:00 - Winter / 8:00 - 20:00 - Summer;

Other informations:

COURTESY MINI-BUS - FREE of charge , subject to availability.

Available in Funchal, Canico, Santa Cruz and Machico.;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1991; Author/architect: Robert Trent Jones Senior ; Professional length: 6241 m + 2911 m; Number of holes in course: 27; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: MADEIRA ISLANDS OPEN - PGA EUROPEAN TOUR; Caddies;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This course, designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr and inaugurated in September 1991, offers fantastic panoramic views over the ocean and is one of the most breathtaking mountain courses in Europe. It has hosted the Madeira Open since 1993 and has received fulsome praise from European Tour professionals and the specialist press.

Because it is built on very irregular terrain at an altitude of 670 metres above sea level and in an area of profuse vegetation, the realisation of this project required a huge effort in every sense. Nonetheless, Trent Jones succeeded in giving the 27 holes, (the third nine-hole loop was opened in October 1998) a logical, interdependent design. One of the most spectacular holes is hole number 4 (on the Machico course), a par 3, where the drive to the green is played over a ravine filled with very dense vegetation. The whole course provides players with most extraordinary views.

Ilha de Porto Santo

Porto Santo Golfe

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Timetable and reservations:

April / October: 8am /8pm November / March: 8am / 6pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 2004; Author/architect: Severiano Ballesteros; Professional length: 6434 m; Men's championship length: 5357 m; Number of holes in course: 72 + 9; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Madeira Islands Open - European Tour (2009, 2010 e 2011); Caddies; Electric trolleys;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

Spreading out over the idyllic island of Porto Santo, the layout of the course was planned in such a way as to blend harmoniously with the landscape and to respect the island's ecosystems, taking advantage of the native plant species and the various lakes already existing there.

It is an extensive and demanding course set in a spectacular landscape, one that is capable of attracting not only professional players, but also less experienced golfers, being divided into two different areas.

The southern course comes close to the traditional style of the best American courses, with a number of lakes and the island's long beach as a backdrop. It calls for a good and accurate long game. The abundance of strategically placed lakes is a good test of any golfer's power of concentration.

The northern course is enhanced by the island's high cliffs and combines the best features of British links courses with spectacular scenery, providing an unrepeatable challenge for golfers. Amongst its most impressive holes are numbers 13, 14 and 15, which run along the cliff top and allow players to enjoy magnificent views over the sea as they contemplate the jagged shoreline.

Porto and the North

Amarante

Golfe de Amarante

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Amarante

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Timetable and reservations:

9am – 7pm (6pm (From Tuesday to Friday); 8am – 7pm (Saturday and Sunday) Closed: Monday ;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997; Author/architect: Jorge Santana da Silva; Professional length: 5030 m; Men's championship length: 4089 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 68; Main events:: Audi Quattro

Cup; International Pairs; Campeonato do Norte.;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

A winding course with several beautiful waterfalls, offering an excellent opportunity for those wishing to play golf in a setting that is typical of Northern Portugal.

The Amarante course is located in the estate of Quinta da Deveza and is set in a delightful landscape - with the towns of Amarante and Marco de Canaveses, as well as the mountains of Marão and Aboboreira, in the background. It is a narrow, winding hilly course, calling for great accuracy, particularly at the bunkers protecting the greens and at the lakes that are brought into play at holes number 3, 8, 12 and 17. Despite rising to 600 metres above sea level, most of the 18 holes offer players a gentle game, because the architect managed to limit the climbs to a minimum.

Its most famous hole is number 4, a par 4 that is only 306 metres long, but nevertheless offers a considerable challenge. Here, the approach shot must be played onto a raised green that is only twenty metres wide and seven metres long. The best players can hope for a birdie if they perform well on the par 5 holes. This course was chosen to host the National Professional Golf Championships in 1999 and 2000.

Chaves

Vidago Palace Golf Course

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Timetable and reservations:

8am / 5pm; Reservations:: Necessary;

Other informations:

The course dress code requires shirts with collars and sleeves. Jeans and track suits may not be worn on the course. Use of soft spikes is mandatory.

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1936 / 2010; Author/architect: Mackenzie Ross (1936) / Cameron & Powell (2010); Professional length: 6308 m; Men's championship length: 5903 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Electric trolleys; Ladies' championship length: 4797 m;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

The award-winning Vidago Palace Hotel Golf Course was redesigned by the firm Cameron & Powell from an original by Mackenzie Ross built in 1936, has been transformed into a par 72 course.

The Vidago Palace Hotel Golf Course is a course of striking contrasts, all with a particular respect for the natural surroundings. Distinctive features of this course include the support walls of all the tees, which are made of local stone, and the century-old trees, almost all of which have been preserved. The first four holes, played within the Centenary Park of the Vidago Palace Hotel, anticipate the next 11, newly built in the

Oura valley. The last three are played in the upper part of the Centenary Park, and afford magnificent views to the neighbouring hills and villages. Every hole is a challenge and each of the last nine is completely different from the one before, giving golfers the opportunity to deploy their full range of shots.

Esposende

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Timetable and reservations:

Winter: 9am - 5pm
Verão: 9am - 8pm

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997; Author/architect: Jorge Santana da Silva; Men's championship length: 1812 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 30; Main events:: Taça Quinta Barca, Taça Presidente, Taça Fernão LagoLadies' championship length: 1634 m;

Ponte de Lima

Axis Golfe de Ponte de Lima

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Timetable and reservations:

open everyday - 8.30am / 6.30pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1995; Author/architect: David e Daniel Silva; Professional length: 6005 m; Men's championship length: 4719 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 71; Main events:: Taça Fundação ;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted; Travellers Cheques accepted;
A mountain course set in a typical landscape of northern Portugal, heavily wooded, with many valleys and some ancient mansions that serve as support facilities.

Set in the foothills of Monte da Madalena, Ponte de Lima is a typical mountain course, covering six kilometres adorned with luxuriant vegetation and some well-restored old mansions that serve as support facilities.

The first nine holes are set amongst age-old trees (chestnuts, cork-trees and oaks), passing through a ravine that leads to Quinta de Anquião, where holes number 1, 2, 8 and 9 provide glorious views over the valley of the River Lima and the city of Viana do Castelo, some 20 kilometres away. The tee at hole number 8 (par 3) stands high up above the fairway and makes it

possible to directly attack the green below. The next nine holes are situated in the valley of the Quinta de Pias with its surrounding vineyards, cornfields and apple and pear trees. At 622 metres, hole number 3 (par 5) is the longest hole in Portugal and one of the longest in Europe.

Póvoa de Varzim

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Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1988; Author/architect: Duarte Sotto Mayor; Professional length: 6155 m; Men's championship length: 5265 m; Number of holes in course: 18; Par of the course: 72; Main events:: Open do Atlântico Vinho Verde - 1990; Open de Portugal - 1991; Campeonato Internacional Amador Europeu - 1992/2000/2001/2003/2005/2008; XIII Campeonato Europeu de Seniores - 1994; European Club Cup Trophy Men - 2010;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This prestigious links course is considered one of the top 10 courses in Portugal and has already hosted two European Tour events.

The Estela course was built over three kilometres of beautiful sand dunes along the Minho coast, providing breathtaking views over the Atlantic Ocean. Situated near the lively summer resort of Póvoa de Varzim and only 20 minutes from Porto's international airport, this course was designed by the Portuguese architect Duarte Sottomayor and is a typical links course in the best Scottish traditions, apart from its use of Bermuda grass.

Two large lakes add to the beauty of the course, which can become quite challenging when the wind is blowing. Inaccurate drives are severely punished by landing in the sand dunes and, on almost every occasion that a ball lands off the fairway, there is little chance of players reaching the green with their second shot.

It was voted the seventh best Portuguese course in the biennial poll organised by the European Golf magazine and has already hosted two European Tour events: the Portuguese Open in 1991 and the Atlântico/Vinho Verde Open in 1990.

Vila Nova de Gaia

Club de Golf Miramar

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Timetable and reservations:

open everyday;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1932; Author/architect: Frank Gordon ; Professional length: 2759 m; Men's championship length: 2393 m; Number of holes in course: 9; Par of the course: 70; Main events:: Trofeu Alfredo Cunha, Taça Ruy Portela; Caddies;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;

This is one of the oldest and most traditional golf courses in Portugal, situated in a famous northern seaside resort and running alongside the beaches between Espinho and Porto.

The historic Miramar course was recently altered under the supervision of the famous architect Howard Swan, who redesigned the original 1934 layout produced by Mackenzie Ross. Its nine holes, some of whose tees are situated on the top of sand dunes, are almost all accompanied by the typical ocean views of Portugal's northern coastline.

The changes have mainly been introduced at holes number 3 and 8, making the course 100 metres longer. Pay special attention to hole number 2, a 204-metre par 3 with a split-level green, and hole number 9, an extremely difficult par 4, which has an out-of-bounds area running along the right-hand side of the fairway, as well as a difficult forest to the left. To make this hole even more challenging, the green is very well protected by two bunkers.

Golfers can finish off their rounds by enjoying an excellent meal in the friendly and welcoming atmosphere of the clubhouse.

Golfe Quinta do Fojo

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Timetable and reservations:

open everyday - 9am / 8pm;

Characteristics and Services:

Shops; Clubs hire; Buggies; Trolleys; Individual lessons; Group lessons; Golf clinic; Restaurant; Inauguration year: 1997; Author/architect: D. Duarte de Sottomayor, Stuart Woodman; Professional length: 2760 m; Men's championship length: 2760 m; Number of holes in course: 6 / 12/ 18; Par of the course: 60; Main events:: Taça Weelington / Torneio Cabral Machado;

Practice Areas:

Driving Range; Putting green; Chipping area;

Payments:

Credit cards accepted;