



São Miguel & Santa Maria

The Eastern Islands group is made up of São Miguel, the largest island, and Santa Maria, the oldest island of the archipelago (1439).



These volcanic islands offer a wealth of natural beauty, from shimmering crater lakes, high cliffs plunging to the sea and wooded mountains to fertile lands yielding crops and blue flag beaches.

The fabulous spa town of Furnas, on São Miguel, is one of the largest thermal water sources in the world, with its beautiful azalea bordered lake and 30 acre botanical garden. Everywhere, from April to early summer, hedgerows of azaleas and hydrangeas can be seen across the islands.



1 Geological History Tour (São Miguel)

See, touch and learn the secrets of this volcanic archipelago on a fun and entertaining day trip around the island. A unique insight into how these diverse landscapes were formed.



2 Praia Formosa (Santa Maria)

Although not a traditional beach destination, this is one of the best beaches of the Azores (Blue Flag status) and one of the few white sand beaches in the archipelago.



3 Colourful Houses (Santa Maria)

The window frames and borders of traditional houses on Santa Maria adopt a colour associated with their specific village. Blues, yellows, greens and reds are used.



4 Pineapples (São Miguel)

Visit the pineapple plantation at Fajã de Baixo and taste the delicious pineapple liqueur and boiled sweets. Or, simply order fresh pineapple for dessert – highly recommended!

São Miguel

Ponta Delgada, the main town and port has preserved its historical beauty with narrow cobbled streets bordered by well preserved period houses.

Vila Nova Hotel, Ponta Delgada

The Vila Nova Hotel is located near the 16th century Fort of São Brás and the Praça (Square) de 5 Outubro in the city centre of Ponta Delgada, 200 metres from the town's cobbled shopping streets and 500 metres from the 18th century city gates. This modern hotel provides a good standard of comfort and is a convenient base from which to explore the capital of São Miguel.

Accommodation: 102 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, standard rooms, triple rooms, junior suites and a deluxe suite.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 3-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£718 per person***



Standard Room



Superior Room

Do Colégio Hotel, Ponta Delgada

The Do Colégio Hotel, refurbished in 2017, enjoys a privileged location within the historical centre of Ponta Delgada. This 19th century building, once home to the Regional School of Music and Colmeia College, and rich in historical and cultural interest, has been remodelled to create a classically designed, four-star hotel. Many of the building's original features are still in evidence including stone flooring in the reception, TV lounge and bar. The hotel's restaurant, 'A Colmeia', is one of the best places to eat on São Miguel.

Accommodation: 59 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, superior rooms, 1 junior suite and 1 suite.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£716 per person***

Azoris Royal Garden Hotel, Ponta Delgada

Located in Ponta Delgada, 250 metres from the town's cobbled shopping streets, the hotel provides a tranquil environment in which guests can relax after a day's exploration. Set around a beautiful Japanese garden, with water features and seating areas, the hotel has managed to encapsulate a feeling of calm. There is an outdoor and indoor pool, tennis court, spa and games room to keep guests entertained during their stay.

Accommodation: 193 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, executive rooms, junior suites and suites.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Spa
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£760 per person***



Standard Room

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São Miguel

Azores 10 Fest: For ten days in June the island of São Miguel hosts an event that highlights local produce and flavours through ten extraordinary dinners where ten international chefs prepare a six-course taster menu including wines.

Casa das Palmeiras, Ponta Delgada

This small, family-run property is centrally located in Ponta Delgada and housed in a stunning 20th century building. Decorated throughout in light pastel colours, the property has maintained its tradition and authentic style belonging to a by-gone age. Well positioned in the heart of Ponta Delgada, guests can make the most of this charming house with a gentle stroll to Portas da Cidade, the 18th century city gates or meander through the narrow cobbled streets before stopping off in one of the local cafés for a pastry and a drink.

Accommodation: 10 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, standard rooms, king superior rooms and deluxe rooms.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- Charming House
- Bed & Breakfast
- Central city location
- Complimentary WiFi

Guide price from **£883 per person***



Standard Room



Casa Hintze Ribeiro, Ponta Delgada

This new boutique hotel is located in the historical centre of Ponta Delgada in a pedestrianised area. Decorated in traditional Azorean blue and white intermixed with pastel shades by the well known Portuguese designer Andrade Silva, this is a stylish property, full of light with mini, palm-planted courtyards and glimpses over the rooftops of the old town from some of the apartments. This is an ideal base, tasteful and comfortable, and just a short walk from the main square of Ponta Delgada with its 'Portas da Cidade' city gates.

Accommodation: 22 air-conditioned apartments including studios and one-bedroom units.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star apart-hotel
- Bed & Breakfast (BB)
- Self Catering (SC)
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Health centre
- Plunge pools

Guide price from **£913 per person***

Azor Hotel, Ponta Delgada

The Azor opened its doors in June 2016 and is without a doubt the best hotel in the Azores. Located right on the sea front and within easy walking distance to the port and the centre of Ponta Delgada, the property though providing 123 rooms has the feel of a comfortable and cosy boutique hotel, with its comfortable, traditional, rooftop bar/library and its quirky bar and lounge area on the ground floor, an excellent open-plan restaurant with dramatic ocean and harbour views and very comfortable rooms, every inch five star.

Accommodation: 123 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, standard rooms, family rooms and suites.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 5-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£948 per person***



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Ponta Delgada is the hub for all public transportation and tours, and as such is an ideal base from which to explore the island whilst having all local amenities in reach.

Marina Atlântico Hotel, Ponta Delgada

Built on the harbour front of Ponta Delgada, this property has an enviable location affording panoramic views over the ocean and city marina. The glass fronted common areas on the ground and mezzanine floors are light and airy and designed to take full advantage of the location of the property. A private bridge over the coastal road connects the hotel to the open-air public swimming pool (open Jun-Sep c.2.50 Euros entry fee).

Accommodation: 184 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, classic rooms, executive rooms and suites.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£808 per person***



Classic Room



Standard Room

Antillia Hotel Apartments, Ponta Delgada

This modern styled hotel is well situated in the historical centre of Ponta Delgada with easy access to shops, restaurants and the marina. Offering a range of guest accommodation, the Antillia is suitable for both couples and families - as many apartments are large enough to accommodate a party of six people. In addition to an outdoor swimming pool and sun terrace, guests have complimentary access to the adjacent health spa - indoor swimming pool, Jacuzzi, sauna, Turkish bath and treatment rooms.

Accommodation: 92 air-conditioned units including standard rooms (BB); studios, one and two bedroom apartments (SC).

- Airport: 5km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star apart-hotel
- Bed & Breakfast (BB)
- Self Catering (SC)
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Spa
- Swimming pools

Guide price from **£751 per person***

São Miguel Park Hotel, Ponta Delgada

The São Miguel Park Hotel is located 200 metres from the city park and botanical gardens of Ponta Delgada. The building, originally used as a seminary, was completely remodelled and restored with few features remaining of the original academy. This comfortable, modern, city hotel has a host of facilities and, due to its central location, is only 5-minutes walk to the commercial centre.

Accommodation: 163 air-conditioned rooms including single rooms, classic rooms, superior rooms, family rooms and a suite.

- Airport: 3km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- City centre location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pools

Guide price from **£785 per person***



Classic Room

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São Miguel

Visit extinct volcanoes and magnificent lakes; marvel at the wonderful panoramas and delightful beaches nestling under high cliffs; enjoy the thermal pools in Furnas; and take a thrilling whale and dolphin watching trip, one of the many activities on offer.

Quinta dos Curubás, Vila Franca do Campo

This charming property is perched on the hillside overlooking the town and bay of Vila Franca do Campo. It is set on a large estate with a small chapel, fruit orchards and surrounded by verdant countryside where cows can often be seen grazing. It is also home to three dogs, ducks, a peacock, a cockerel and chickens. The natural bay of Vila Franca do Campo is ideal for swimming and regular whale watching, diving and boat excursions (Mar-Dec) depart from its harbour.

Accommodation: 5 one-bedroom cottages including two that interconnect.

- Airport: 25km Ponta Delgada
- Country cottages
- Car hire recommended
- Rural location
- Self Catering

Guide price from **£808 per person***



Furnas Lake Apartments, Furnas

In a lush green valley surrounded by heavily vegetated volcanic hillsides are these nine wooden clad units set in a shallow water basin and created to blend with the environment. Each air-conditioned unit has fresh, contemporary, Scandinavian style furnishings using light woods and green, grey and white colours that provide accommodation with all the homely comforts. Only a short walk from the beautiful lake at Furnas (within 10-minutes) this is an ideal location for walkers and nature lovers with endless possibilities.

Accommodation: 8 one-bedroom and 1 two-bedroom apartments.

- Airport: 42km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star equivalent
- Car hire recommended
- Rural location
- Self Catering
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£808 per person***

Terra Nostra Garden Hotel, Furnas

The Terra Nostra Garden is one of the best hotels on the island of São Miguel. Well positioned next to the Terra Nostra botanical park, the hotel is made up of two adjoining buildings: the Art Deco Wing, built in the 1930's which has maintained its architectural history; and the Garden Wing, added much later in the 1990's. Many of the bedrooms, along with the restaurant and indoor swimming pool, enjoy fabulous views over the world famous, extensive botanical gardens - owned by the hotel.

Accommodation: 86 rooms including cosy art deco rooms, garden view rooms, superior garden view rooms, deluxe garden view rooms, garden suites and suites.

- Airport: 45km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool
- Rural village location

Guide price from **£808 per person***



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São Miguel

It is a tradition to slowly cook food by underground vapours at the Furnas hot springs. The meal, Cozido a Caldeiras, consisting of a variety of meats and vegetables, is served daily at Tony's Restaurant in Furnas.

Furnas Boutique Hotel & Spa, Furnas

The Furnas Boutique Hotel & Spa is located in the village of Furnas and has an innovative design that blends perfectly with the natural hot springs and gardens that surround it. Guests can luxuriate in the spa facilities with a dip in the thermal pool, relax in the sauna and hammam (steam room) or be pampered at the full-service spa which specializes in Shirodhara (oil massages).

Accommodation: 55 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms and 1 suite.

- Airport: 50km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool
- Thermal Spa
- Rural village location

Guide price from **£935 per person***



Caloura Hotel, Caloura

This owner-managed hotel is located at the edge of the picturesque fishing harbour of Caloura and a 15-minutes uphill walk to the village of Água de Pau – less on the way back! The hotel has a magnificent setting on a rocky promontory overlooking the sea and is set against a background of small fields and vineyards. There is a small sandy beach 'Baixa d'Areira' 5-minutes walk from the hotel (also accessible by car) and natural pools on the headland to which the hotel has access.

Accommodation: 80 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, triple rooms, a junior suite and a suite.

- Airport: 25km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Coastal location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£808 per person***

Quinta do Mar, Caloura

This delightful small, 160 year old "Adega" is set within 7,500 square metres of hillside land and only a short stroll from the tiny fishing harbour of Caloura. Using local craftsmen and stonemasons, the property, including the original wine press, has been fully restored and enhanced to an extremely high standard. The Quinta do Mar is one of our most well praised properties. Note: No children under 14 permitted. The property is not suitable for those with walking difficulties due to the number of steps.

Accommodation: 4 large, air-conditioned twin/double designer bedrooms with large balcony and ocean view.

- Airport: 22.4km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star equivalent
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Coastal location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£998 per person***



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São Miguel

São Miguel is the largest island in the archipelago and home to the most surfers. A drive along the island's north coast takes you through tea plantations and surf beaches near Ribeira Grande.

Pedras do Mar Resort & Spa, Fenais da Luz

Located on low cliffs above the sea on the north coast of São Miguel, the property, which opened in April 2016, occupies a magnificent location with panoramic views to the ocean and to the emerald green mountains to the south. Large windows, pine wood, fashionable smooth brushed concrete and grey/black pastel colours fill the hotel with light. This is an excellent walking base as the two hour coastal walking trail to Capelas, which passes in front of the hotel, is one of the most spectacular in the Azores.

Accommodation: 125 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms, family rooms and suites.

- Airport: 14.2km Ponta Delgada
- 5-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Spa
- Swimming pool
- Waterfront location

Guide price from **£961 per person***



Standard Room



One-Bedroom Apartment

Santa Barbara Eco-Beach Resort, Ribeira Grande

The Santa Barbara Eco-Beach Resort is located opposite a long sandy beach on the north coast of São Miguel, 20 minutes' drive from the airport. This small resort has been created using a contemporary design with many unique features. The apartments, which resemble Scandinavian chalets, are spacious and modern with natural furnishings and a balcony or terrace. Guests can enjoy various activities in the surrounding area including diving, hiking and golf.

Accommodation: 14 air-conditioned apartments (7 one-bedroom and 7 two-bedroom units).

- Airport: 20km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Beach location
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£998 per person***

Whale's Bay Hotel Apartments, São Vicente Ferreira

Whale's Bay Hotel Apartments is located near (5km) the village of Capelas, a village, on the north coast of São Miguel, known for its whaling industry in the early 19th century. Today, the only remains are an old chimney – the legacy of a whale factory and the memorial of local fishermen lost at sea. These spacious apartments are ideal for families and those looking for a modern, self catering option within easy reach of the capital, Ponta Delgada (15 minutes' drive).

Accommodation: 15 air-conditioned units including one-bedroom apartments and two-bedroom standard and penthouse apartments.

- Airport: 14km Ponta Delgada
- 4-star apart-hotel
- Self Catering
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Swimming pool
- Village location

Guide price from **£1,052 per person***



Two-Bedroom Standard Apartment

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São Miguel & Santa Maria

Each island offers a unique landscape filled with cascading waterfalls, fabulous crater lakes, thermal hot springs, lush rolling hillsides with grazing cows and small historical villages and towns.

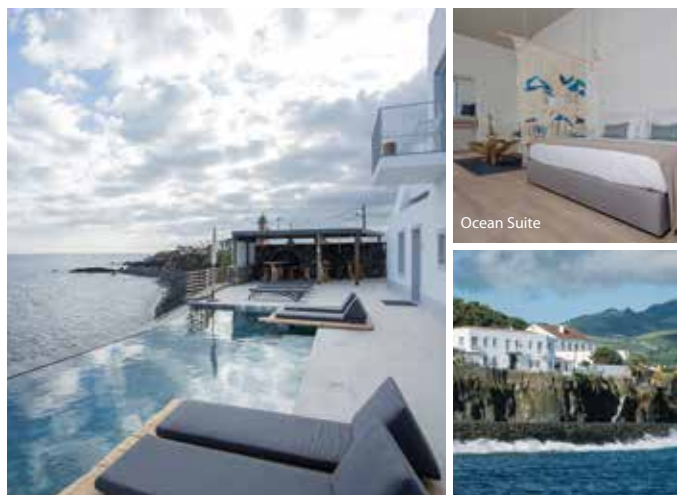
White Exclusive Suites & Villa, Lagoa (São Miguel)

This contemporary boutique hotel, opened in July 2017, is housed in an 18th century building in the village on the southern coast of São Miguel. As its name suggests, everything is brilliant white from the whitewashed walls and concrete floors to the ocean facing terraces. The furniture is created from raw wood including the driftwood effect chairs and tables on the terraces and the guestrooms are beautifully draped in cotton, wool and linen fabrics. The owners have created a truly wonderful and luxurious hotel with an authentic modern design.

Accommodation: 10 air-conditioned, open-plan suites including junior suites, unique suites, ocean suites and the villa suite.

- Airport: 14.2km Ponta Delgada
- Boutique hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Ocean front location
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£1,434 per person***



Ocean Suite



Standard Room

Charming Blue Hotel, Vila do Porto (Santa Maria)

The Charming Blue is a new hotel, opened in 2016, in the centre of Vila do Porto, the capital of Santa Maria. The main building, dating from the 1860s, is an historic 'family home' that has been beautifully restored and converted in to a small and charming hotel with fifteen tastefully designed and spacious guestrooms, a refined à la carte restaurant and pleasant outdoor space with swimming pool.

Accommodation: 15 air-conditioned rooms including standard rooms and superior rooms.

- Airport: 1km Santa Maria
- 4-star boutique hotel
- Bed & Breakfast
- Coastal town location
- Complimentary WiFi
- Restaurant
- Swimming pool

Guide price from **£980 per person***

Casa de Almagreira, Praia Formosa (Santa Maria)

Located in the centre of the island, just 2.5km from Praia Formosa – classified as one of the most beautiful, quality beaches in Portugal, is the Casa de Almagreira. This typical Azorean house has three bedrooms with a fully equipped kitchen-diner. The furnishings are simple but comfortable and its location, in a peaceful valley surrounded by gentle rolling hills, meadows and forests, provides a quiet oasis of calm in the heart of Santa Maria.

Accommodation: 3 bedroom house (one twin and two doubles with queen size bed).

- Airport: 10km Santa Maria
- Rural house (Casa Açorianas)
- Bed & Breakfast
- Car hire recommended
- Complimentary WiFi
- Rural location

Guide price from **£984 per person based on 4-sharing***



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