

WELCOME TO SUNVIL

Welcome to Sunvil and to our specialist Portugal, the Azores & Spain programme.

After 48 years of creating original and innovative holidays, I am extremely proud to say that Sunvil was chosen for the prestigious Sunday Times Travel Editor's Award for excellence in September 2017.

Inside this brochure you will find holidays designed by passionate travellers just like you: experiential holidays in authentic destinations that will allow you to discover the real country. Think culture, gastronomy, wine and unmissable sights and experiences that will forge unforgettable memories. This is a Sunvil holiday - your Sunvil holiday.

Whilst our range of destinations continues to grow, our ethos and customer promise remains unaltered. Our philosophy is based on trust, passion and personal relationships, not only with our customers but with those who live and work in our destinations.

Our reservation experts, many of whom have been with us for many years, are passionate about our destinations and, through their personal, first-hand knowledge can answer any questions that you may have. They are well qualified to advise and recommend, based on your own holiday criteria. We can point you to those special, little-known places, some not found even in guidebooks.

Our holidays are trips that we ourselves enjoy and would choose for our friends and family. We endeavour to treat you, our customers, as we would expect to be treated.

In these uncertain times, it is more important than ever that we strive to retain consistency and high levels of customer service. I guarantee that our specialist teams will be there from start to finish, that our descriptions are honest, and that every property featured has been vetted. You can, of course, contact me or any of the team directly should you have any questions or issues that you would like to raise.

I hope that Sunvil can introduce you to the real Portugal, Azores & Spain in 2018.



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100% Financial Protection

Sunvil is a fully bonded tour operator. Our air travel inclusive holidays are ATOL protected by the Civil Aviation Authority. Accommodation and land arrangements are protected by ABTA.

Our promise

We promise to provide great value, expertly tailored holidays in unspoiled destinations across the world, coupled from start to finish with personal service and attention to detail.

Value for money

Our aim is to offer you the very best service and holiday arrangements possible, whether you choose a 3 star experience or 5 star arrangements.

Customer service

We set high standards for ourselves and our team; we hope that you will find our service levels to be friendly and efficient, with a personal, caring touch.



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FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE
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HOLIDAYS TAILORED
TO YOUR TASTE

Welcome to the real Portugal, Azores & Spain

Portugal: eclectic and unusual. For the independent traveller, Sunvil is the obvious choice - offering an unequalled knowledge of the 'real' Portugal with its unspoilt, secluded spots, and personal experience of each of our featured properties. Whether you are searching for a beautiful Quinta (country house) where you're invited into its vineyard to pick and crush grapes, or a Relais and Châteaux Moorish fortress with a Michelin star, we can find your perfect holiday.

The Azores: secluded, peaceful and untouched by time. We believe the beauty of the archipelago is in the pristine nature that lies within its shores... lush green rolling hills, crystal blue waters, a profusion of purple hydrangeas and sheer black volcanic rocks – a rainbow of colours affording a photographic opportunity at every turn! Each island is unique and a multi-island

tour is a must for anyone wishing to truly discover the wealth of attractions on offer. The Azores are very much nature's own playground. Keen gardeners, artists and photographers will be in their element.

Spain: a new destination for Sunvil. The new programme will start with a charming collection of characterful properties and intriguing itineraries in Andalucía and Extremadura. There is so much to be discovered in Spain and many travellers today are looking for a holiday that offers an authentic insight into a destination, with high-quality accommodation and great local back-up on the ground when required. The calibre of the small hotels, Fincas and Paradors that we have selected is really high; they are in stunning locations, feature great interiors and, most importantly, offer genuine, heartfelt service.



A holiday catered to your individual needs

Our Portuguese and Spanish programmes offer stunning scenery from bucolic landscapes and spectacular coastal areas to high mountain ranges and volcanic crater lakes. You will be able to explore lesser known areas that are still relatively unknown to many visitors. Savour the gastronomic delights of different regions and enjoy some of the wide range of activities on offer from whale and dolphin watching trips, cycling and walking to attending flamenco and horse riding shows. The choice is yours.



Sunvil team

Our specialist reservations team is on hand to advise, recommend and tailor-make your ideal holiday. We are confident in our knowledge of the destinations and proud to be able to offer honest, well-formed information to our clients. Enquiries can be discussed over the telephone and by email – whichever method is the most convenient to you.

Team members: Angela, Cristiana, Michelle, Rachel, Rebecca, Rosanna and Yasmin.

Choose a Sunvil holiday for your next adventure.
We promise that you will not be disappointed.



Flexibility

Within the following pages and on our website you will find a selection of holiday itineraries. These itineraries are not fixed, they are just examples designed to give you an idea of what is feasible within different time frames and a realistic idea of cost. City breaks, fly-drives, multi-centre holidays and itineraries using trains and private transfers are available, and all can be individually tailored to you.



Sunvil Website

Our brochure highlights the best of our Portuguese and Spanish programmes without overwhelming clients with too much information. However, the finer details will not be lost and have been added to our website providing clients with access to more detailed information about each property, geographical area and further suggested itineraries and photos.

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