

Terceira Activities 2018

Sunvil can pre-book a variety of activities on Terceira – see full details below.
These activities can also be booked locally through our local agent.

Please note that any pre-booked activity with Sunvil must be requested 14 days or more before departure.

Bike Tour (Guided)

Charles Darwin visited the Azores on the way back from the Galapagos Islands and docked the famous Beagle in the bay of Angra do Heroísmo. He made some forays on the island and wrote about some aspects of it. Revisit by bike the same places that Darwin passed through on foot and discover some hidden curiosities that still exist today.

Price is £67 per person (Full Day) and £57 (Half Day)

Notes

- Excursion provider: Comunicair
- Daily pick-up from all hotels on Terceira at approximately 09:00
- Distance covered: 47km
- Full Day: 6 hours
- Half Day: 3 hours
- Minimum 2 people and maximum 6
- Level of difficulty: Medium
- Suitable for children aged 14yrs upwards
- Helmet provided
- Equipment required: Comfortable bicycle clothing, running shoes, swim suit, towel, rain jacket, sun lotion and a camera

Diving

Take a dip in the deep waters off Terceira at the fully equipped PADI dive centre based at the Do Caracol Hotel in Angra do Heroísmo. This activity can be booked and paid for locally.

Notes

- Excursion provider: Do Caracol Hotel
- Meeting point at Octopus Diving Centre base in Praia Vitória at 08:30
- Open daily - all year
- Suitable for all – from complete beginner to the most experienced, with shore and boat dives
- Minimum age of 10yrs applies to all PADI programmes except for the Discover Scuba Dive or Bubble Maker courses which is 8yrs
- Medical certificates confirming fitness to dive is required for certain courses – details on request
- Dives are limited to 30 metres and a maximum group size of 6

Diving

Enjoy an unforgettable adventure, with a personalised service, exploring different dive sites for beginners to more experienced divers. Discover caves, volcanic drop-offs, underwater arches, sea mountains, rock reefs and an underwater archaeological park with an abundance of both Atlantic and Tropical fish life: parrot fish, flounders, blennies, groupers, sting and eagle rays, moray and conger eels, barracudas and amberjacks. The water temperature is around 18°C in June, 23°C in August and 20°C in October, with 10 to 30 metres visibility. A fully equipped SSI (Scuba Schools International) dive and acqualung partner centre, with experienced diving staff (SSI and PADI certified instructors) is based in Praia Vitória.

- Price for 1 boat dive is £43 per person (own equipment)
- Price for 1 dive (D. Joao de Castro Bank) is £204 per person (own equipment)
- Price for 1 dive (Baixa da Serrata) is £118 per person (own equipment)

Notes

- Excursion provider: Octopus Diving Centre
- Meeting point at Octopus Diving Centre base in Praia Vitória at 09:00
- Daily activity (01Jun-31Oct)
- Suitable for all - from complete beginner to the most experienced, with guided shore and boat dives
- Dives include a 12 litre steel tank (200 BAR), weight belt, dive master guidance and boat transportation to and from the dive sites within a 6-mile radius
- Wetsuits not included but can be rented locally if required
- Minimum age of 15yrs applies to all PADI programmes. Younger children's courses on request (8-14yrs)
- Divers have to carry valid diving and medical certificates confirming fitness to dive



Golf

The golf course is located between the towns of Praia da Vitoria and Angra do Heroísmo. Affording rural views over the beautiful pastures of Serra do Cume, a number of small lakes and fairways flanked by trees this course has much to offer golfers of any ability.

Praia da Vitoria: 18 holes ■ Par 72 ■ Required handicap: 28 Men / 36 Women ■ Clubhouse with bar, restaurant and pro-shop ■ Driving range, putting green, chipping and pitching green and golf clinic ■ Soft spike shoes on the courses are obligatory.

Prices for daily green fees are between 27- 45 Euros per person - payable locally

Note

- Excursion provider: Melo
- Open daily - all year
- Green time at Terceira Island Golf Club can be arranged by our agent locally
- Azores Airlines and TAP Portugal allow one golf bag per person, free of charge, in excess to the standard 23kg luggage allowance



Guided Walk

The islands of the Azores, with their mild climate (day time temperature ranging from 14-22 degrees), are the most wonderful islands for walking. Our suggested walks incorporate some of the best scenic walks on the island.

Pico Vermelho (Half Day)

This 6km (3½ hours) walk takes in the centre of the island through colourful red lapilli and great varieties of lichen. The walk is very easy, circular, flat for the most part and will help you understand a little more about the interior of the island.

Grade 1 (Easy)

Price is £53 per adult and £43 per child (4-6yrs)

Notes

- Excursion provider: Comunicair
- Pick up from hotels on Terceira at around 09:00
- Distance covered: 6km
- Guided walks with English speaking guide, transfers to and from walk and snack included
- Minimum 2 people and maximum 12
- Recommended: Comfortable clothing, walking boots, rain jacket, sun lotion, binoculars and a camera



Jeep Tour

Enjoy an unforgettable drive along the islands' best trails. Driving through trees and pastures often overlooking the Atlantic Ocean you will discover places and landscapes of rare beauty not often encountered by the average tourist. During the trip there will be several stops with time to enjoy the beautiful scenery.

Terceira (Full Day)

Experience milking a cow or learn how wine is made in the village of Biscoitos. During lunch time, taste the delicious 'Alcatra', a dish of rump cooked for 12 hours to intensify the flavours and textures at a typical restaurant, with a warm and friendly atmosphere. Visit the ancient Algar do Carvão volcanic pit (ticket payable locally of 6 Euros).

Price is £90 per person

Notes

- Excursion provider: Comunicair
- Pick-up from all hotels on Terceira at around 09:00
- Departures: Mon-Sat
- Distance covered: 110km / 68.3 miles
- Full Day: 9 hours including lunch at a local restaurant
- Escorted by an English speaking driver/guide
- Minimum 2 people and maximum 12
- Itinerary subject to change



Private Taxi Tours

Sunvil is able to pre-book the following private taxi tours on Terceira with English speaking driver. Tours can also be tailor-made to suit the individual requirements of our clients, please telephone us for a quotation.

Terceira (Half Day)

Depart from Angra do Heroísmo to Monte Brasil for a view over the city, declared a UNESCO World Heritage site. Continue to Biscoitos for a visit of the wine museum (if open) and the natural black volcanic rock swimming pools. Return to Angra do Heroísmo via the villages of Doze Ribeiras, Cinco Ribeiras (for some cheese tasting) and São Mateus.

Price from Angra do Heroísmo is £98 per taxi

Price from Praia da Vitória is £115 per taxi

Terceira (Full Day)

Depart from Angra do Heroísmo by the south coast to Praia da Vitória, passing en route the villages of Porto Judeu and Porto Martins. In the afternoon continue to Serra do Cume from where you can enjoy a panoramic view over the green fields enclosed by stone walls and hydrangeas to the town of Praia da Vitória. Return to Angra do Heroísmo, visiting Algar do Carvão (Apr-Sep, afternoons only) and via Biscoitos for a visit of the wine museum (if open) and the natural swimming pools. Return to Angra do Heroísmo via the villages of Doze Ribeiras, Cinco Ribeiras (for some cheese tasting) and São Mateus.

Price from Angra do Heroísmo is £144 per taxi

Price from Praia da Vitória is £167 per taxi

Notes

- Excursion provider: Melo
- Daily pick-up from all hotels at 09:00
- Prices are based on a maximum of 3 people per taxi
- Full Day: 7 hours
- Half Day: 3½ hours
- Not included: Lunch and entrance fees to museums and parks
- A qualified English speaking guide can be provided at a supplement on request
- Itineraries are subject to change



Sea Kayaking

Praia da Vitória Bay

For those who want to have a first-time sea kayaking experience in the Atlantic, take advantage of the excellent conditions the Praia da Vitória bay. Take the opportunity to swim in three different locations and finish the tour with a hot Azorean tea on the beach.

Price is £67 per person

Notes

- Excursion provider: Comunicair
- Pick up from hotels on Terceira at around 09:00

- Half Day: 3 hours
- Distance covered: 6km
- Level of difficulty: Easy
- Maximum 1 person per kayak
- Minimum 2 people
- Suitable for children aged 14yrs and upwards
- Life jacket, dry bag, snack and Azorean tea provided
- Equipment required: Light, comfortable clothing, sandals, swim suit, towel, rain jacket, extra clothing in case you get wet, sun lotion, hat and a camera



Tourada à Corda

Experience the thrill of a bull running through the streets of towns and villages. The bulls have their horns padded and are not killed in the Azores. This colourful festival runs from 1st May to 15th October throughout the island. Should you wish to see one of the oldest pastimes of the archipelago – the first recorded event took place in Angra do Heroísmo in 1622. The hotels or Tourist office can provide the latest details of location and times of the bull running (usually between 20th and 25th of each month) during your stay.

