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The Rough Guide To Portugal



Synopsis

The Rough Guide to Portugal is the ultimate travel guide to this beautiful country, taking you to the fashionable cities of Lisbon and Porto, to hikes in the central and northern hills, and to every beach along the Algarve - making it the ideal companion whether you're on a city break, beach vacation, or road trip. The locally-based Rough Guides author team introduces the best vineyards, country taverns, and fado clubs, and provides reliable insider tips on topics such as driving Portugal's roads, surfing at Peniche, and shopping for linen and lace. You'll find special coverage of Portuguese history, art, architecture, and literature, and detailed information on the best markets and shopping for each region. The fully updated Rough Guide to Portugal also unearths the best restaurants, nightlife, and hotels, from backpacker hostels to beachfront villas and boutique hotels. Color-coded maps feature every sight and listing. Make the most of your vacation with The Rough Guide to Portugal.

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Reliable, readable Rough Guides Conde Nast Traveller

This is by far the best travel guide to Portugal for the independent traveler. I say this on the basis of having looked at many from the local library and then used this one in Portugal. It has really good coverage of every part of the country and really useful maps of most larger towns (though you will still want a gps to navigate your rental car - the one-way street systems are true mazes - and you need a good road map). It is way more complete and comprehensive than the quirky (weird?) Rick

Steves guide, which omits big chunks of the country, or the superficial pretty DK guide, and unlike Fodors it focuses on the sights and experiences that are worthwhile and not just reviews of expensive hotels and restaurants that are for well-heeled tourists and not the locals. Get it, you won't regret it.

The Rough Guides are not updated as frequently as some guidebook series, but they blow the others out of the water in providing historical and cultural context, good suggested reading, listening and viewing, and lots of little local color details that the other guidebooks miss. Wouldn't travel without one on my Kindle. And I'm going to post this exact same review about the Rough Guides to Spain and France, which I'm also currently using to prep for a trip next month.

This book has it all. It is clearly written, with interesting details on every area of Portugal. Many maps make navigating easy and pleasant. Indexing is clear and easy to follow. We have used different travel guides for various countries we have visited and in our view this Rough Guide is the best of them all.

Good guidebook, worked well in my trip to Portugal.

Good guide, but had some misprinted pages, with the text either illegible or printed on top of other text. Unfortunately it was in the Algarve section, which was one of our destinations.

Clearly written, comprehensive guide to Portugal. Good reviews of sites, eating and sleeping places. I appreciate the insights and special recommendations.

I came across rough guides in the 70's, have been using them since. I think they are the best, especially for the amount of history given. And I always like the way they are organized.

Very detailed and honest guide.

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