

# Villa Amelina

Region: Minho Sleeps: 16

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## Overview

Nestled within the embrace of rolling landscapes, this enchanting farmhouse stands as a testament to meticulous restoration work undertaken by skilled local craftsmen. A symphony of artistry and care has transformed it into a sanctuary of serenity where comfort and beauty converge seamlessly. Each carefully curated bedroom and the captivating living room, which graciously unfolds onto a terrace, evoke a sense of cherished elegance, inviting alfresco dining and contemplation. For those seeking a retreat surrounded by privacy, or families with young explorers, the pool cottage beckons as the seventh bedroom, a hidden gem of seclusion.

Upon the ground floor, a splendid double bedroom resides adjacent to a shower room, offering a private oasis. The dining room extends an invitation to a covered terrace, where the sun's gentle caress mingles with the pleasures of dining en plein air. The tastefully adorned living room is graced with a TV, DVD player, and music centre, a realm of relaxation that seamlessly melds with the covered terrace, revealing vistas that sweep over the surrounding hills. The culinary heart of the farmhouse, a spacious and well-appointed kitchen, beckons culinary creations, while a games room with table tennis ignites playful camaraderie. Practicality intertwines with luxury through the provision of a laundry room.

Ascending to the upper floor, the master double bedroom, an ode to opulence, boasts an ensuite bathroom and shower room, a private enclave of indulgence. Additional double and twin bedrooms share in the embrace of their own full bathrooms, each a testament to comfort and functionality, providing a haven to recharge and unwind.

A tranquil haven within the cottage, a twin bedroom envelops guests with its own ensuite bathroom, an intimate escape. A kitchenette adorned with a microwave, oven, hob, and kettle elevates convenience to an art form.

Outside, a sunbathing terrace and emerald lawns await, spaces where time ebbs in tranquil reverie. The barbecue terrace unveils a realm of gastronomic delights, an alchemy of flavours enriched by the open air. The private pool, its form a dance of irregular elegance, sprawls across 12 by 7 meters at its widest embrace. Ample car parking facilities welcome guests, while the lush embrace of the gardens, interspersed with the enigmatic allure of private woods, unfolds myriad nooks for relaxation, shaded contemplation, or the vigour of morning



routines.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Great Value • Private Pool • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • BBQ • Washing Machine • Dishwasher • Microwave • Coffee Machine • Hairdryer • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • TV • Indoor Games • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Cot(s) • High Chair(s) • Parking Space • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes

# Interior & Grounds

## Main House

### Ground Floor

- Large living room with various seating areas, TV, fireplace and access to a terrace
- Well equipped kitchen with dining area and access to a terrace
- Separated dining area for 8 people and access to a terrace
- Games room with table tennis
- Laundry room with washing machine
- Shower room
- Bedroom with double bed

### First Floor

- Master bedroom with double bed and en-suite bathroom with bath and shower
- Bedroom with two single beds
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- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with double bed
- Bathroom
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## Cottage

- Fitted kitchenette with microwave, oven, hob and kettle
- Bedroom with two single beds and en-suite shower room

### Exterior Grounds

- Private swimming pool (12 x 7 m)
- Large terrace and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Garden furniture
- Covered terrace
- Outdoor dining
- Private parking
- Charcoal barbecue

## Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Washing machine
- Cot and high chair
- Hair dryer



## Location & Local Information

Nestled in the fabulous rural landscape of Minho, and between so many interesting towns and natural spaces, Villa Amelina is in the ideal spot to explore the fascinating history and sublime landscape of the region. Ponte de Lima, one of Portugal's oldest and most historic towns with a delightful range of shops, bars and restaurants among the ornate squares and cobbled alleyways, and a huge market on the river bank every other Monday, is just 13km away. The country's only National Park, the mountainous nature reserve of Peneda Geres National Park is just a 40-minute drive away and hosts prehistoric remains, walking trails and rugged hills as well as deer, wolves and golden eagles!

The delightful market town of Barcelos is just an hour away, while the stunning historical centre of Viana do Castelo is under 45 minutes away, where there are even sandy beaches! The thriving town of Braga, the capital of the district, is about 50km away and hosts many relics of the region's diverse history. With so much on your doorstep, you can visit a new historical and beautiful town every day!

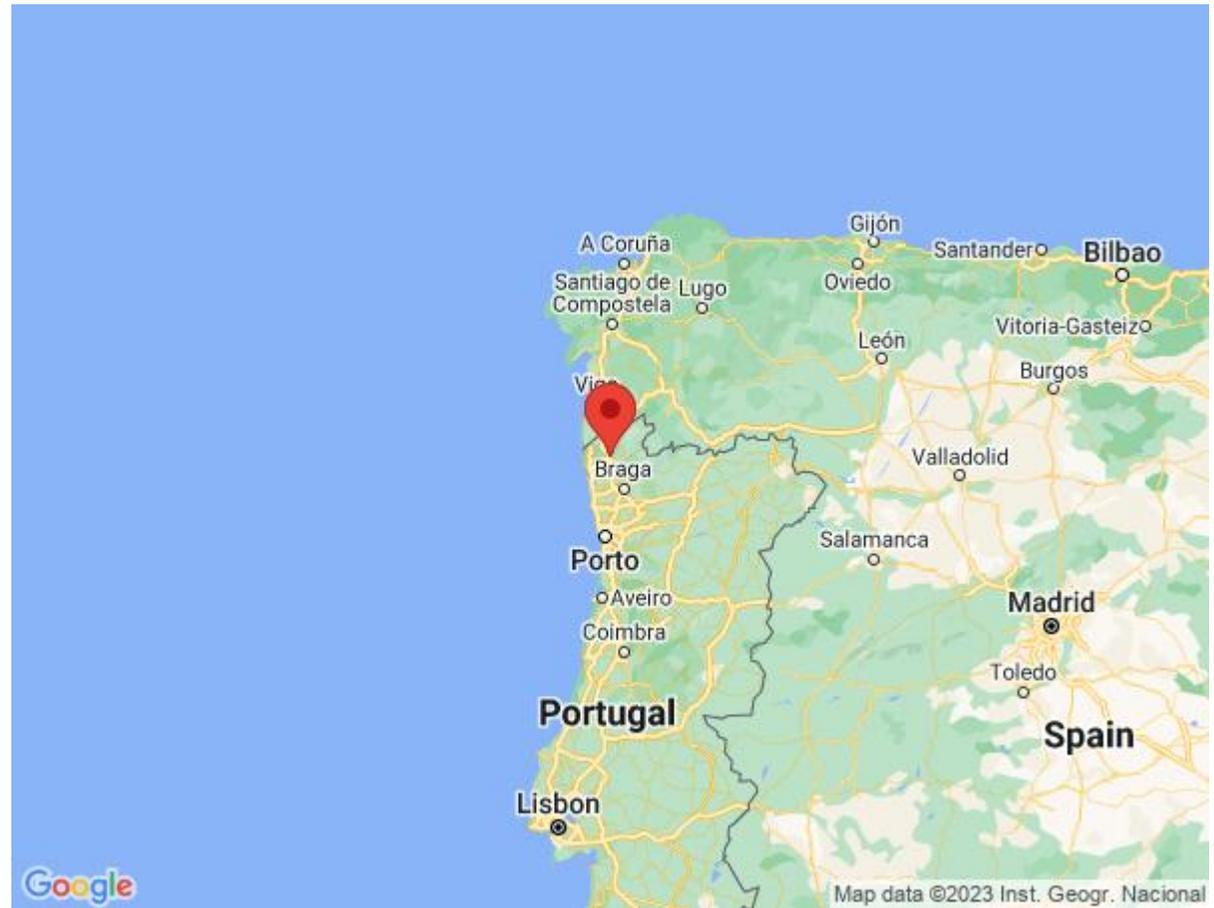
Minho is a fantastic, largely rural region on the northernmost Atlantic tip of Portugal, bordering the Spanish region of Galiza, with which it shares many attributes. Minho is perhaps most famous as the home of the Vinho Verde, a crisp, dry white wine (although as the name suggests, it is in fact green!) best enjoyed with a local fish dish.

Portugal itself is a small, fascinating country at the most Western point of mainland Europe. The capital, Lisbon, is known for its lively nightlife, with endless bars and clubs full of fun-loving locals and tourists alike, but also has plenty of fascinating history (check out Belém, jam-packed with monuments!) and undulating terrain, famously termed the 'city of the seven hills'. From Lisbon, it is very quick to travel by the domestic high-speed train line to the city of Braga, which will connect you fairly quickly to Villa Amelina.

With a vast coastline with the powerful Atlantic Ocean, Portugal is a true paradise for the keen surfer, or indeed even those looking to try if for the first time. And for those less keen on surfing, the beaches of Portugal are still well worth a visit for their beautifully clear waters and fine sands.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Porto Airport (91 km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Vigo Airport (Spain) (68 km)</b>



Nearest Village	<b>Ponte de Lima (10 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Braga (47 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Restaurante A Pombinha (3 km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Avarias Bar (5 km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Intermache (10 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Praia Norte (35 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Estela Golf Club (62 km)</b>

## What we love

- The harmony between the traditional designs and modern comforts and amenities is utterly captivating
- Dine like royalty in this utterly majestic dining room. There's even a grandfather clock to remind you of the villa's rich history!
- The cottage, with a twin bedroom and kitchenette provides a perfect space for those in search of a little more privacy
- The huge kitchen, especially the double oven, is a real delight for any budding chef! We love the traditional tiles and soft colours, too

## What you should know...

- The remote location is ideal for many, but some may prefer to be closer to amenities, with a short drive required to reach the nearest shops, restaurants and attractions
- There's no fencing for the pool so be sure to keep an eye on the little ones
- While there's no air conditioning available, a dip in the pool makes for an excellent way to cool off!

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €450 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation two weeks before arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: Between 4 - 7 pm
- Departure time: 10 am
- Energy costs included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Heating costs included?: Not available on this property.
- Linen & towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- Pool towels included?: Yes, included in the rental price.
- End of stay cleaning included?: Yes. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi internet access included.
- Minimum stay: 5 nights during low season. All other durations on request.
- Changeover day: Flexible.
- Pets welcome?: Not allowed.
- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- Pool heating charge?: Not available on this property.
- Tax: Tourist tax not applicable.
- Insurance: Guests are required to be in possession of a valid insurance policy, which covers them for cancellations, loss of personal belongings, personal liability and any accidental damage caused during their stay.
- Other Ts and Cs: First cot and high chair included in the rental price; please enquire before arrival.