

# Villa Barcelos

Region: Minho Sleeps: 6

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## Overview

Nestled just a short 10-minute drive away from the charming and renowned market town of Barcelos, this stone-built cottage underwent an extensive renovation project, which was concluded in July 2012. The outcome is nothing short of remarkable—a holiday villa that seamlessly blends contemporary comforts and modern conveniences with the rustic charm of its original structure. We are delighted to offer this splendid retreat to our guests who wish to explore the unspoiled beauty of the Minho region.

The villa promises absolute seclusion and is situated on an expansive plot, encompassing a beautifully enclosed garden with lush green lawns, an expansive outdoor barbecue kitchen, a private pool, a children's plunge pool, and a multi-sports area. As part of our commitment to ensuring your stay is enjoyable, we provide essential amenities such as WiFi internet access and air conditioning in the main house.

The villa is a single-story villa designed to maximize convenience and comfort. An open-plan, fully equipped kitchen seamlessly connects with the lounge area, both of which open onto the front terrace and the inviting pool area. The kitchen boasts granite countertops and a matching backsplash, along with essential appliances, including an oven, hob, fridge/freezer, microwave, dishwasher, kettle, and coffee machine. A convenient breakfast bar with four stools invites casual dining. The lounge area features two comfortable sofas, a satellite TV for your entertainment, a DVD player, and a music centre.

The villa comprises three double bedrooms, two of which feature twin beds, while the third offers a double bed. There is also a wheelchair-accessible shower room for added convenience. Additionally, we can provide an extra bed or cot for a child (7th person).

The villa's exterior is a haven of tranquillity, surrounded by charming stone walls and a paved courtyard. An expansive private pool measuring 10 X 5 meters with depths ranging from 0.90 to 1.5 meters invites you to take refreshing dips. A separate children's pool ensures that young guests have their own safe space to splash and play.

Sports enthusiasts will delight in the outdoor sports area, equipped with football goals, a basketball hoop, tennis facilities, and badminton equipment. A sandbox is thoughtfully provided for younger children. A shaded vegetable



garden area, just a stone's throw from the pool, allows you to harvest ripe tomatoes and peppers to enhance your culinary creations. A pergola-covered veranda beckons you to unwind and soak in the views. Convenient private parking spaces for two cars offer direct access to the villa, ensuring your convenience throughout your stay.

## Facilities

Villa/House • Great Value • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens • Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Hairdryer • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Tennis Court • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Satellite TV • Outdoor Games • DVD • Parking Space • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths • Wine Tasting • Outstanding Landscapes

# Interior & Grounds

## Ground Floor

- Ample living room with comfortable seating, satellite TV and access to the terrace
- Well equipped kitchen with oven, hob, fridge/freezer, microwave, dishwasher, kettle, coffee machine, etc and breakfast bar with 4 stools
- Guest toilet
- Bedroom with two single beds, access to the terrace and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with two single beds, access to the terrace and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with double bed and en-suite shower room

## Annexe

- Ample open plan living area with comfortable seating, satellite TV and fireplace
- Open plan dining area for 8 people
- Well equipped summer kitchen

## Exterior Grounds

- Private swimming pool (10 x 5 m; depth 0.90 - 1.50 m)
- Sports area with football goals, basket, tennis and badminton
- Children's pool
- Sand box for small children
- Large patio and garden area
- Various sun loungers
- Outdoor dining area
- Covered terrace
- Private parking
- Barbecue

## Additional facilities

- Air-conditioning
- Central heating
- Washing machine
- DVD player
- Hair dryer

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## Location & Local Information

Villa Barcelos boasts an idyllic situation within the unspoilt countryside of the Minho region and provides some of the best views you could hope for in this naturally beautiful part of northern Portugal.

The immediate area is rather quiet, as you might expect from such a tranquil setting. The Minho region is famous for Vinho Verde wine, so it's no surprise that there are private farms close by where you can enjoy food and wine tastings.

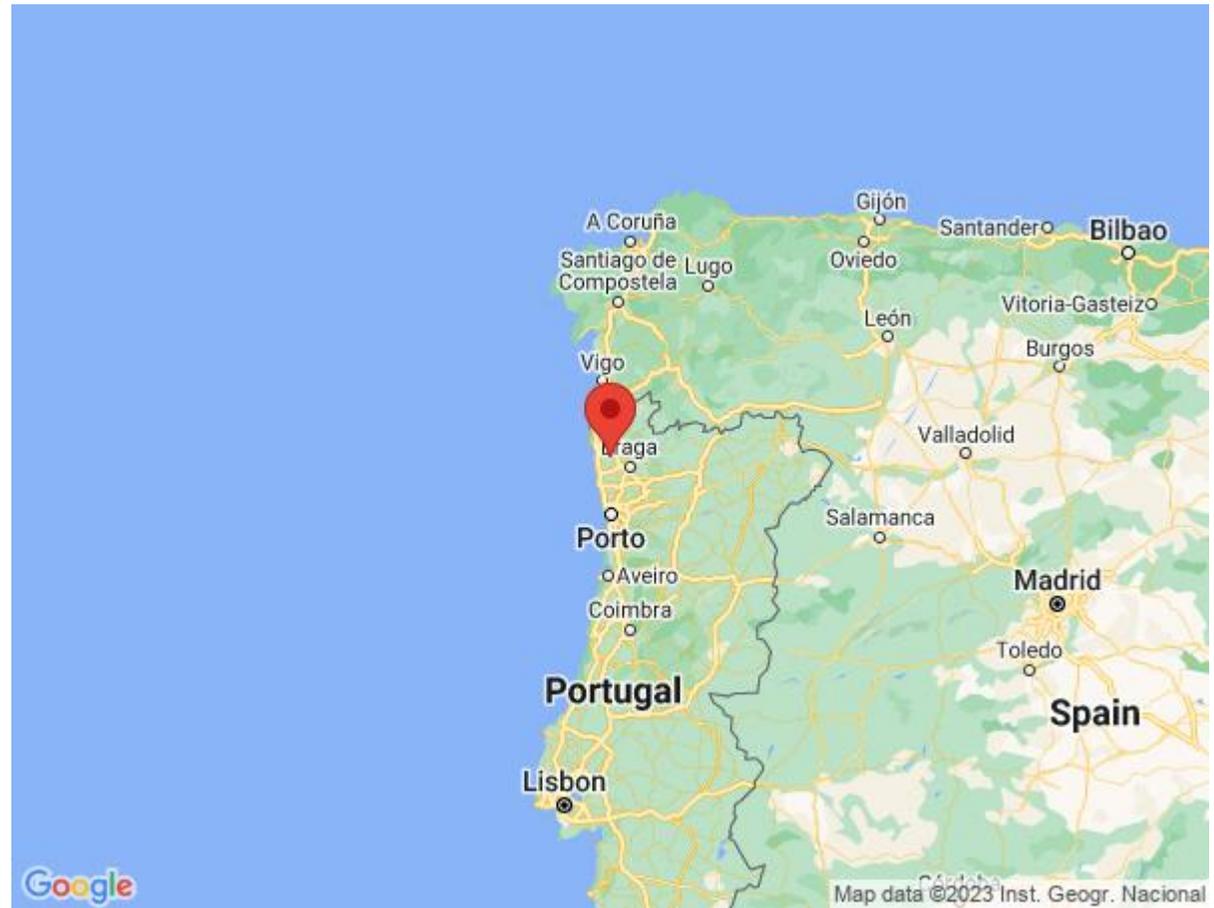
The charming town of Barcelos is just 10 minutes away by car and is a convenient place to stock up on the essentials, as well as treating yourself to some holiday mementoes. This small medieval town has a range of shops, supermarkets, bars and restaurants, with history around every corner. You'll love trying to spot the ceramic cockerels dotted all over the town and then learning about the famous legend behind them within the ruins of the Paço dos Condes de Barcelos.

Pottery, in general, is one of Barcelos' main claims to fame, with a museum full of sculptures to stroll around. The weekly market held every Thursday is not to be missed, as it's one of the biggest in Portugal and is just bursting with handicrafts, souvenirs, food and clothing.

If relaxing on the beach is more your style, then make a day of it and drive to one of the sandy stretches of the Costa Verde in under an hour. The scenery of the private beaches range from secluded coves to dramatic cliffs, and there are plenty of watersports to try on the open waves.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Porto Airport (64 km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Barcelos (12 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Braga (34 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Churrasqueria Sardinha (1 km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Coviran (550 m)</b>



Nearest Beach	<b>Belinho Beach (26 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Estela Golf Club (35 km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Tennis Court Barcelo (5 km)</b>

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## What we love

- Fantastic setting in an elevated position overlooking the surrounding countryside
- Expansive, private gardens with a range of facilities to suit all the family
- Modern features throughout, such as Wi-Fi and air conditioning.
- The characterful market town of Barcelos is just a 10-minute drive away

## What you should know...

- Areas of the outside space can be steep and uneven, so take extra care with young children
- No air conditioning in the separate building adjacent to the main villa
- Be aware that you'll need the extra bed to sleep, seven people

# 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?: For those who require pool heating, there will be an additional charge of €39 per night (to be paid to Oliver's Travels with the balance). Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.
- 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.