

Villa Postiga

Region: Minho Sleeps: 12

Overview

In an idyllic setting nestled between the lush valleys that are typical of the Minho countryside and with views out to the sea, Villa Postiga is an ancient farmhouse close to the fishing town of Vila Praia de Ancora on the Costa Verde.

Constructed from traditional stone and renovated throughout with a combination of rustic charm and modern conveniences, this luxury holiday home offers an atmospheric retreat within enchanting, extensive grounds.

Villa Postiga is set over two floors and offers high quality and impressive accommodation. The charming open plan living/dining space has a spacious sitting area which features a large leather corner sofa and comfortable armchairs. Enjoy the views out over the garden during the day and spend a cosy evening in with a film on the large flat screen television. An elegant table and chairs seats up to eight people and provides a sophisticated dining experience, with the adjacent kitchen adding further classical style with its marble worktops and breakfast bar.

The master double bedroom has sliding doors straight into a stunning ensuite bathroom with sunken bathtub and views over the outside space. A further two double bedrooms each have an ensuite shower room. Another bedroom features two sets of bunk beds, seating area, ensuite shower room and doors that open out onto the gardens.

Adjacent to the villa is a cottage with a large open plan living/dining area, with generous seating for up to 16 people, meaning everyone can come together for meals. The sofa and chairs sit around a wood burning stove and feature window, making it a warm space for relaxing and watching some incredible sunsets. A well-equipped kitchen also shares this area and creates a wonderfully sociable room for cooking, dining and unwinding. One double bedroom features doors that open onto the outside space and the other has a small balcony from which to appreciate the views over the grounds and out across the beautiful surrounding area. Both have ensuite shower rooms and original character features throughout.

The stone-walled outside space surrounding the villa is simply magnificent. As you walk through the lawned gardens with mature trees you'll feel as if you've discovered a secret world of your very own. Stone structures that still stand from the time they were used for farming give the sense of living history right on your doorstep. Bringing the outside space right up to date is a large, private



swimming pool with terrace. Overlooking the pool is an area ideal for al fresco dining perfect for those warm summer evenings.

Facilities

Modern • Great Value • Private Pool • Beach Nearby • Ideal for Kids •
Wi-Fi/Internet • Walk to Village • Walk to Restaurant • <1hr to Airport •
BBQ • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Satellite TV • DVD • Working Fireplace •
Heating • Cot(s) • Watersports • Rural Location • Walking/Hiking Paths •
Wine Tasting • Golf Nearby • Cycling • Fishing • Outstanding Landscapes
• Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Historical Sites

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

Villa Postiga is an impressive ancient and beautiful stone farmhouse. Commanding breath-taking views over the Minho Valley and the Atlantic Ocean. Once inside the house you are spoilt by the space and the luxury that surrounds you.

Main House

- Dining & living area
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Master double bedroom with en-suite
- Double bedrooms both with en-suites
- Large bedroom with two sets of "bunk beds"
- Communal shower room

Cottage

- Dining & living area
- Equipped kitchen
- Double bedrooms both with en-suites

Exterior

- Private swimming pool, with ladder access (10mx4m)
- Extensive stone walled gardens
- Outdoor seating & BBQ
- Parasols
- Private Parking
- Sun loungers



Location & Local Information

The villa enjoys a quiet, rural setting and so there are few amenities close by. You'll need a car to reach the nearest shop or minimarket. Country roads dotted with old buildings and places of worship are within walking distance and are a lovely way to get a feel for the culture and way of life in this beautiful part of northern Portugal.

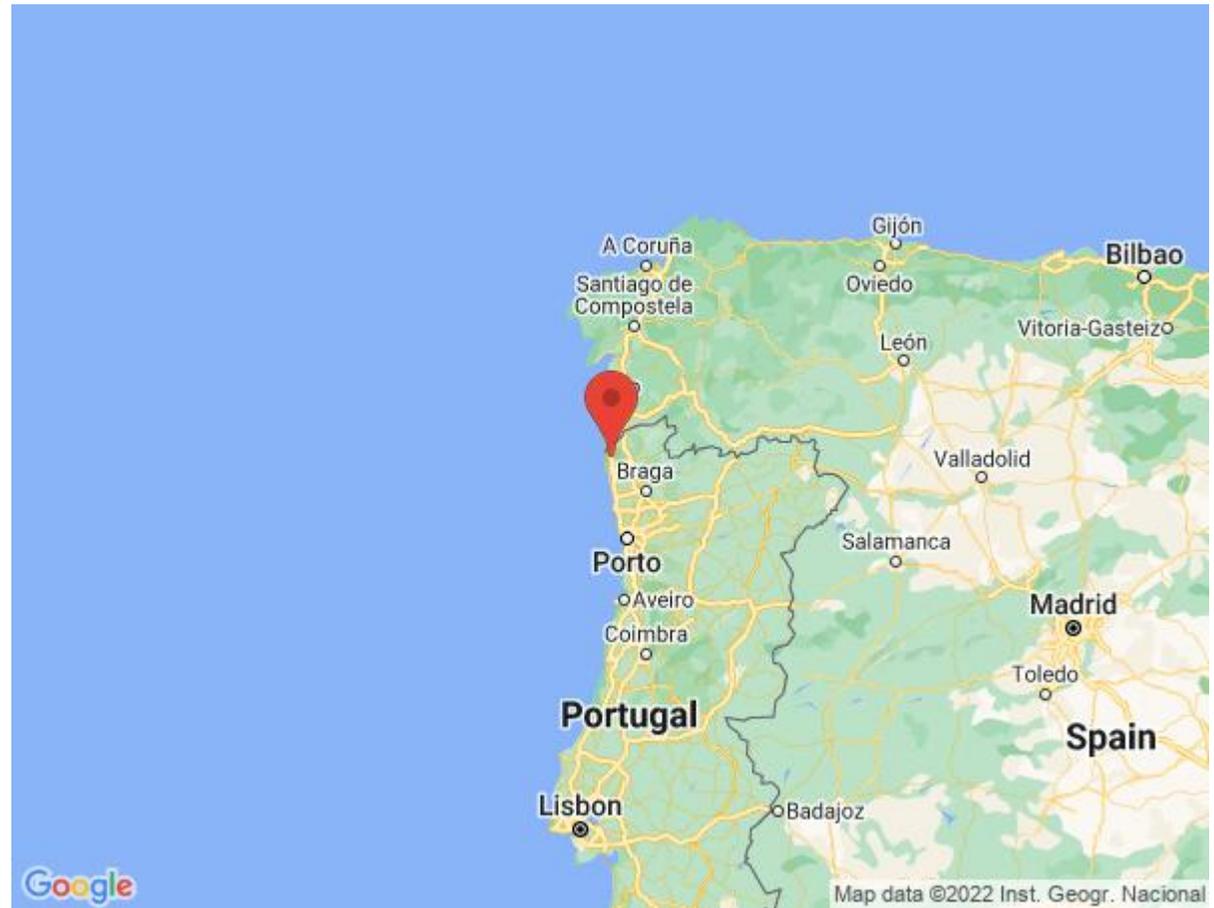
Vila Praia de Ancora is a small resort town and just a short drive from the villa. It's the perfect place to spend a day on the sand before enjoying a glorious seafood lunch at one of the many beachfront restaurants. Walk into the town to pick up essentials or indulge in some retail therapy before heading back to the villa.

Around a 15-minute drive away is historical Caminha. This town is full of character, with its buildings that span many centuries and styles. Pass through an impressive clock tower that was once the medieval castle's keep and you'll find yourself in Caminha's main square, where many fine examples of architecture can be found. Pause at the 16th century fountain at the heart of the square and then soak up the atmosphere at a cafe terrace with a coffee and local pastry.

Porto is just under an hour away by car and is the second largest city in Portugal, as well as one of the oldest. Sitting along the Douro River, the walk from the riverbank into the city will take you down winding, cobbled streets that reveal beautiful houses, churches and squares. One of Porto's most famous attractions is the Livraria Lello. Built over a hundred years ago, this bookshop is more like a grand library with its floor-to-ceiling wooden bookshelves, sweeping red carpet staircase and stained-glass ceiling.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	Porto Airport (82km)
Nearest Town/City	Caminha (10km)
Nearest Village	Vila Praia de Ancora (1km)
Nearest Restaurant	Vila Praia de Ancora (Walking distance)
Nearest Bar/Pub	Vila Praia de Ancora (Walking distance)



Nearest Supermarket

**Praia de Ancora
(3km)**

Nearest Beach

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(3km)**

What Oliver loves...

- A stunning villa in expansive grounds, with breathtaking views of the surrounding countryside and sea beyond
- The separate cottage that provides space for additional guests and extra living/dining options
- Charming original features have been retained and sit alongside luxury, modern facilities
- The villa is in a private, rural location that's also close to towns and their amenities

What you should know...

- The grounds are spread over a very large area and can be steep or sloping in places, so take extra care with young children
- Villa Postiga is perfect for large parties, and the services of a local chef can be arranged upon request for an extra charge
- The sunken bathtub in the master bedroom may not be ideal for those with mobility issues

Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: €450 charged to client's credit card at time of booking and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- Arrival time: 4.00 p.m.
- Departure time: 11.00 a.m.
- Energy costs included?: Included in the rental price
- Linen & towels included?: Included in the rental price
- End of stay cleaning included?: Included in the rental price
- Tax: Included in the rental price
- Changeover day: Flexible
- Minimum stay: 7 nights between 30/06 - 01/09, otherwise 5 nights
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi connection included
- Pets welcome?: Pets are not allowed
- Smoking Allowed?: Not permitted inside the villa
- Insurance: It is recommended that all guests take out insurance to cover against potential cancellation and any accidental damage caused during your stay at the property.