

# Villa Ancora

Region: Minho Sleeps: 8

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## Overview

Villa Ancora is discreetly tucked away in a tranquil spot, offering a hidden haven of architectural finesse and designer flair, in complete harmony with the natural surroundings.

This home's subtle exterior in local stone belies its strikingly contemporary and bold, yet understated, interior.

Executed with exquisite simplicity, this unfussy home provides the quintessential minimalist, pared-down styling within the most aesthetically alluring abode; local raw materials, natural timber and limitless natural light.

There is an effortless and natural interplay between indoor and outdoor living by virtue of an entire wall of French windows, blending the sumptuous interiors with the unadulterated tranquillity of the gardens. Villa Ancora is hallmarked by subtle style and understated quality at every turn; a stunning open-plan living and dining space sets the scene for informal holiday living, whether it be family meals or wandering onto the terrace for a morning coffee overlooking.

Expansive lawns offer dappled shade and space for picnics and games, whilst the natural water pool is famed by a sleek terrace furnished with loungers and dining sets - ideal for a poolside breakfast or evening drink. There is a timeless feel to this rural idyll - the intermix of old stone and slick interiors along with architecture that enhances the natural surroundings at every angle.

The immaculately equipped kitchen, cosy lounge sofas and open fireplace create a homey environment, executed with family life in mind.

Eight guests can be accommodated across four bedrooms and two bathrooms at Villa Ancora; the bedrooms offer restorative calm, soft and neutral palettes offset by touches of character along with hotel-grade linen and fluffy towels.

Set beside a rivulet that runs to the sea, guests will delight at the novelty of being able to kayak down to the beach! This home offers ultimate seclusion and tranquillity along with a range of luxurious additional services for a little indulgence and pampering - from chef prepared meals to yoga classes, the concierge offerings are endless.

Villa Ancora exudes natural grace and innate charm, blending the very best of a natural setting, designer prestige and pared-down, home-like comfort.



## Facilities

Modern • Private Pool • Heated Pool • Ideal for Kids • Ideal for Teens •  
Wi-Fi/Internet • Air-Con • <1hr to Airport • BBQ • Ground Floor Bed & Bath  
• Satellite TV • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor  
Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

Villa Ancora is the perfect holiday retreat if you're looking for a location with ideal conditions and proximity to the beach and countryside. There are 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, and it can accommodate up to 8 people

### Interior

- Double bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- Double bedroom
- Two twin bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Dining & living area
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Access to the patio & pool area

### Exterior

- Swimming pool
- Sun loungers & parasols
- Outdoor lounge & dining area
- Large patio & garden area
- Covered terrace
- Private parking
- BBQ area



## Location & Local Information

Villa Ancora is in a rustic spot, in the Northern section of Portugal, known as the Minho region, which is a couple of hundred kilometres north of Porto and the more touristic hotspots. This region is known for its majestic mountains, fragrant vineyards, charming towns and sweeping beaches.

Offering mesmerising natural beauty, this region is often not the obvious choice, being under-developed by tourist infrastructures, it offers a taste of original and local Portuguese life.

Among our picks within the Minho region would be Guimarães; known for its well-preserved medieval buildings and tenth century castle. A UNESCO world heritage site offering tranquil lunch spots, gothic buildings and a myriad of winding alleyways.

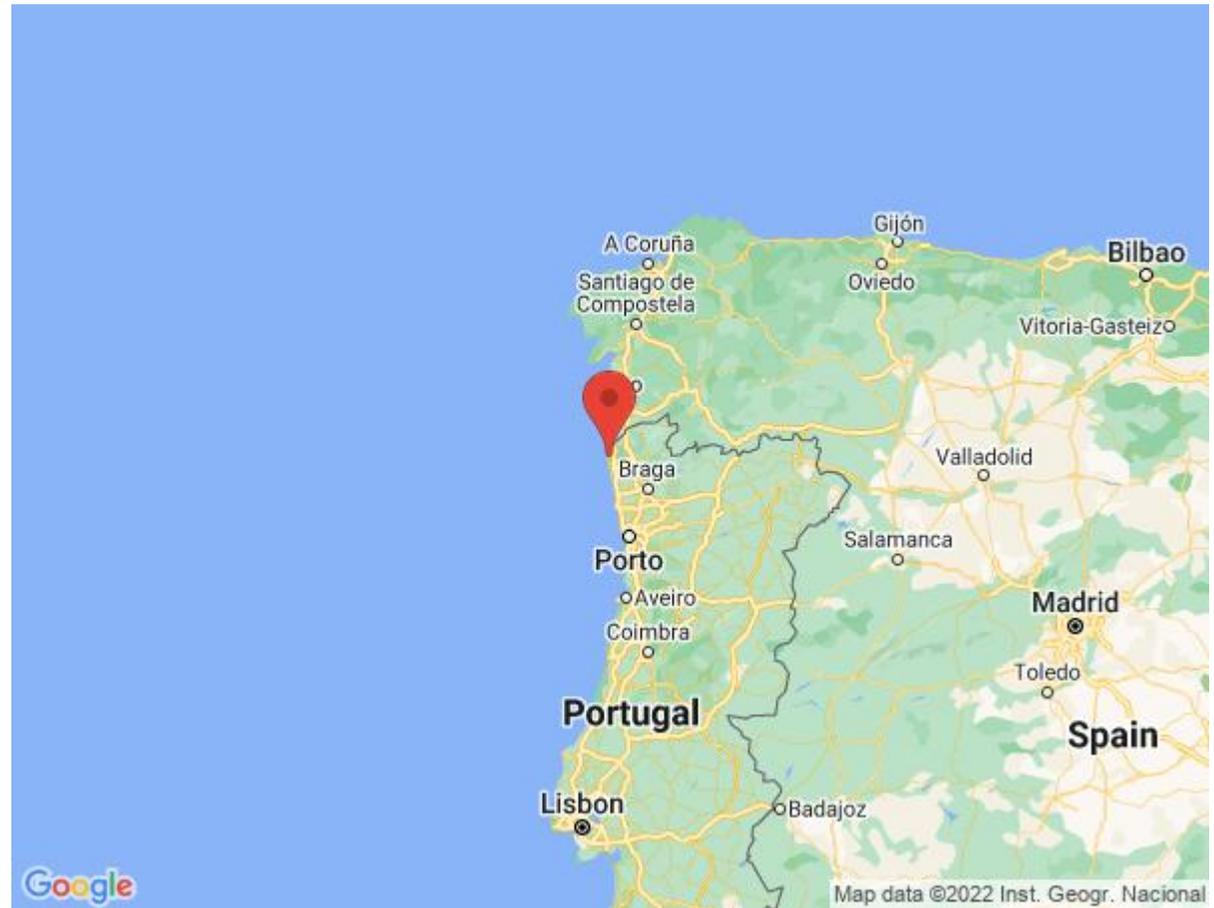
Guimarães is considered Portugal's birthplace - a key spot in Portugal's history and the site of many battles for independence

Santa Luzia is considered to have one of the most beautiful panoramic views in Europe; a traditional fishing village known for its seafood cuisine, in particular octopus, which is caught using traditional fishing methods and served in the family-run harbour front smattering of restaurants.

Ponte de Lima is considered the country's oldest village. This enchanting small town is famous for its distinctive medieval bridge that plays music during the day and lights up majestically at night.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Porto Airport (80km)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Vile (4km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Âncora (6km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Rstaurants &amp; Shops (2km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Sandy Beach (2km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Golf Course (52km)</b>



## What Oliver loves...

- Set in a secluded and tranquil haven, with luscious gardens and direct river access
- Sublime outdoor spaces comprising lawns, terrace and natural water pool (better for skin, hair and children)
- The best of a private home along with concierge style services for an added layer of luxe and pampering, including private chef and masseuse

## What you should know...

- Two bathrooms to a potential eight guests, and only one of these is en-suite
- Pool heating incurs an additional fee
- Nestled in a rustic and tranquil spot, a car will be necessary to benefit from this beautiful and varied region

# Terms & Conditions

- Security deposit: Credit cards details may be requested as guarantee
- Arrival time: 4 pm
- Departure time: 10 am
- Energy costs included?: Included in the rental price
- Linen & towels included?: Linen & towels included in the rental price
- Pets welcome?: Pets not allowed
- End of stay cleaning included?: Included in the rental price
- Smoking Allowed?: Smoking is 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
- Minimum stay: 7 nights
- Tax: Tourist Tax included in the rental price
- Internet access?: Wi-Fi connection included