

Your Ultimate Coastal Escape!

Its Still Not Too Late To Discover the Stunning Beaches of the Algarve:

All Beach Lovers and Travel Enthusiasts ...

As the sun-kissed days of summer linger, there's no better time to escape to a place where the ocean meets golden sands, where rugged cliffs create hidden coves, and where every beach tells a story of natural beauty and serenity. Welcome to the Algarve, Portugal's southern gem, renowned for its breath-taking coastline that beckons travellers from around the globe.

In this newsletter, we'll guide you through some of the most spectacular beaches in the Algarve, each offering a unique slice of paradise.



1. Praia da Marinha: The Iconic Beauty

Praia da Marinha is often hailed as one of the most beautiful beaches in the world, and for good reason. Located near Lagoa, this beach is famous for its dramatic cliffs, crystal-clear waters, and natural rock arches. The golden sand is perfect for sunbathing, while the calm, turquoise waters invite you to explore the

vibrant underwater world, making it a snorkeler's dream.

Don't Miss: The stunning view from the top of the cliffs before descending to the beach. It's a postcard-perfect panorama that you'll never forget.



2. Praia da Falésia: A Slice of Red-Hued Heaven

Stretching over 6 kilometres, Praia da Falésia is a beach like no other. The striking red and orange cliffs create a vivid contrast with the blue sea, offering a unique and mesmerizing landscape. This beach is perfect for long walks, water sports, or simply relaxing with the sound of waves lapping the shore.

Highlight: The beach is vast and uncrowded, making it ideal for those seeking tranquillity. The sunsets here are particularly breath-taking, as the colours of the cliffs intensify with the setting sun.



3. Ponta da Piedade: Nature's Masterpiece

Although technically a series of rocky formations rather than a traditional beach, Ponta da Piedade near Lagos is a must-visit for its sheer natural beauty. The towering cliffs, grottoes, and sea arches carved by the Atlantic Ocean are best explored by boat or kayak. The emerald-green waters around the formations are perfect for a refreshing swim.

Top Tip: Take a boat tour to fully appreciate the stunning caves and hidden beaches. It's an experience that will make your Algarve trip truly unforgettable.



4. Praia do Camilo: A Hidden Treasure

Tucked away near Lagos, Praia do Camilo is a small yet enchanting beach accessible via a long wooden staircase. The secluded cove, surrounded by golden cliffs, offers a peaceful retreat with clear waters ideal for swimming and

snorkelling. Its intimate setting makes it a favourite for couples and those seeking a more secluded spot.

Insider Advice: Arrive early in the morning or late in the afternoon to avoid crowds and enjoy the beach at its most serene.



5. Ilha de Tavira: The Ultimate Island Escape

For those who prefer a more remote and unspoiled beach experience, Ilha de Tavira is the perfect destination. Accessible only by ferry from Tavira, this barrier island offers endless stretches of soft white sand and warm, shallow waters. The island's beaches are ideal for families, with plenty of space for picnics and games.

Explore: Beyond the main beach, take a walk to the more secluded areas of the island for a private beach experience. The island also has several beach bars where you can enjoy fresh seafood and cold drinks.



6. Praia do Amado: Surfer's Paradise

On the wilder, western coast of the Algarve lies Praia do Amado, a favourite among surfers. The strong Atlantic waves make it a hotspot for both beginners and experienced surfers alike. The surrounding natural park adds to the rugged charm of the beach, with dunes and cliffs providing a stunning backdrop.

Join In: Whether you're a seasoned surfer or a beginner, the beach has surf schools offering lessons and equipment rentals. Even if you're not surfing, watching the surfers ride the waves against the sunset is a captivating sight.



7. Praia dos Três Irmãos: The Beach of Three Brothers

Located in Alvor, Praia dos Três Irmãos is named after the three distinctive rock formations that rise from the sea. This beach offers a bit of everything: soft sands, calm waters, and interesting rock formations to explore. The caves and tunnels carved into the cliffs are perfect for a bit of adventure.

Fun Fact: At low tide, you can walk along the shore to explore the neighbouring beaches, making it a great spot for a day-long beach-hopping adventure.



8. Praia de Benagil: The Famous Cave Beach

Praia de Benagil is perhaps most famous for the incredible Benagil Sea Cave, a natural wonder that has become an iconic image of the Algarve. The beach itself is a picturesque spot with golden sands and calm waters, but the real attraction is the cave. Accessible by a short swim or boat ride, this magnificent cave features a large, circular opening in the ceiling, allowing sunlight to stream in and illuminate the interior.

Must-Do: Rent a kayak or join a boat tour to fully experience the magic of the Benagil Cave. If you're feeling adventurous, you can even swim there directly from the beach, but be mindful of the tides.



9. Praia da Rocha: The Vibrant Hub

One of the Algarve's most famous beaches, Praia da Rocha, is located in the lively town of Portimão. With its wide expanse of golden sand, this beach is ideal for those who enjoy a mix of relaxation and activity. The beach is lined with bars, restaurants, and shops, making it perfect for a day spent sunbathing followed by an evening of entertainment.

Experience: Walk along the beach to explore the nearby rock formations and cliffs, and don't miss the stunning views from the Fortaleza da Santa Catarina, an old fort overlooking the beach.



10. Meia Praia: The Family-Friendly Stretch

If you're looking for a beach that offers space, comfort, and convenience, Meia Praia in Lagos is an excellent choice. Stretching for nearly 5 kilometres, it's one of the longest beaches in the Algarve, making it perfect for families and groups. The sand is soft, and the water is shallow near the shore, making it safe for children to play.

Family Fun: The beach offers plenty of facilities, including beach bars, water sports rentals, and restrooms. It's also easily accessible from Lagos, either by foot or a short bus ride.



11. Praia do Carvalho: The Hidden Cove

Praia do Carvalho is one of the Algarve's best-kept secrets, a secluded beach surrounded by towering cliffs that provide a sense of privacy and tranquillity. This small cove is accessible through a carved-out tunnel in the cliffs, adding to its hidden charm. The waters are calm and clear, making it a perfect spot for a relaxing swim or snorkelling adventure.

Secret Tip: Visit during low tide to explore the caves and rock formations around the beach. It's a quiet spot where you can unwind away from the crowds.



12. Praia da Luz: The Relaxing Getaway

Located in the quaint village of Luz, Praia da Luz offers a more relaxed beach

experience. The soft sands and clear waters are ideal for sunbathing and swimming, while the promenade along the beach is perfect for a leisurely stroll. The beach is backed by the village's whitewashed buildings, creating a picturesque setting.

What to Explore: After a day on the beach, explore the village of Luz, with its charming shops, cafes, and the beautiful Church of Nossa Senhora da Luz, which offers stunning views of the coastline.

Why should the Algarve Should Be Your Next Beach Destination?

The Algarve's coastline is a diverse tapestry of natural beauty, offering everything from rugged cliffs and hidden coves to wide, sandy beaches perfect for families. The region's mild climate ensures that you can enjoy these beaches year-round, whether you're seeking summer sunshine or a peaceful winter escape.

Each beach in the Algarve has its own unique charm, catering to all kinds of beachgoers. Whether you're looking for a vibrant beach with plenty of activities, a secluded spot to unwind, or a stunning natural wonder to explore, the Algarve has it all.

So, what are you waiting for? Plan your trip to the Algarve and experience these incredible beaches for yourself. Pack your bags, bring your camera, and get ready to create unforgettable memories along Portugal's most beautiful coastline.

Until next time, keep dreaming of sandy shores and ocean breezes!

Happy Travels!

Properties Of The Week

Brand New Villa in final stage of construction



Modern villa under construction, in a very pleasant and quiet area, 5 minutes by car from the beaches of Vilamoura/Quarteira, 10 minutes from Vale do Lobo, 10 minutes from golf courses and 20 minutes from Faro airport. Comprising 2 floors, garage, basement, upper terrace, swimming pool

and garden.

Ref. <u>OH2761</u> Price €1,300,000

Stunning Brand New Modern 5 bedroom Villa in Vale Formoso with 3 Bedroom Annexe / Cottage

With 5 En Suite Bedrooms in the main house, plus a maid's quarters, and complete with Cinema, Gym and Infinity Pool, we give you the chance to immerse yourself in the grandeur of Quinta da Retiro.

In final stages of construction, expected late September / Early October

Ref. <u>OH2637</u> Price €7,500,000



Testimonial Of The Week



It was a great pleasure working with Mihaela. She was always available, spot on and with quality interactions. Very good realtor.

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