

Bom Dia Portugal...

Good morning Portugal! The Portuguese language is the 9th most spoken Romance language in the world, according to online language provider Berlitz. It is official in 10 countries including Portugal, Brazil, Angola, Mozambique. It is the first language for 232.4m speakers and is the most widely spoken language in the Southern Hemisphere. Little did we know that the Portuguese language originates from Galicia, northwest of Spain and in the north of Portugal, became an official language in 1209 and is heavily influenced by Arabic. It is a mix of local dialect and common Latin, where both communities (the Galicians & Portuguese), have no trouble understanding one another. Surprisingly, only 5% or Portuguese speakers live in Portugal. It only had 23 letters until 2009, where K, W & Y were introduced. It is the fastest growing European language behind English and has the potential to be an 'international communication language' according to UNESCO!



There are about 3,000 similar words in English and Portuguese, a trick to help you learn Portuguese easier if you are a native English speaker. These include: Animal = Animal (ah-knee-MOW) Banana = Banana (bah-NUH-nuh) Chocolate = Chocolate (sho-coh-LAH-te) Information = Informação Terrible = Terrível Some basic phrases to get by when visiting Portugal: Hello – Olá How are you? – Como está? or Tudo bem? Greetings for every time of day: Bom dia - Good morning, Boa tarde - Good afternoon, Boa noite - Good night Nice to meet you – Prazer Goodbye – Adeus Excuse me – Com licença Please – Por favor Thank you – Obrigad(a/o)

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