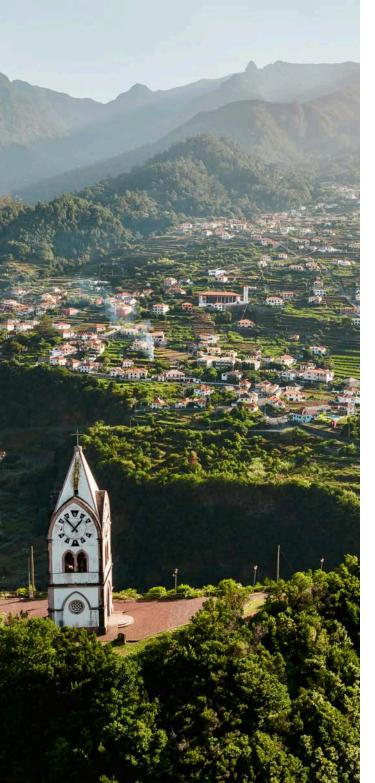


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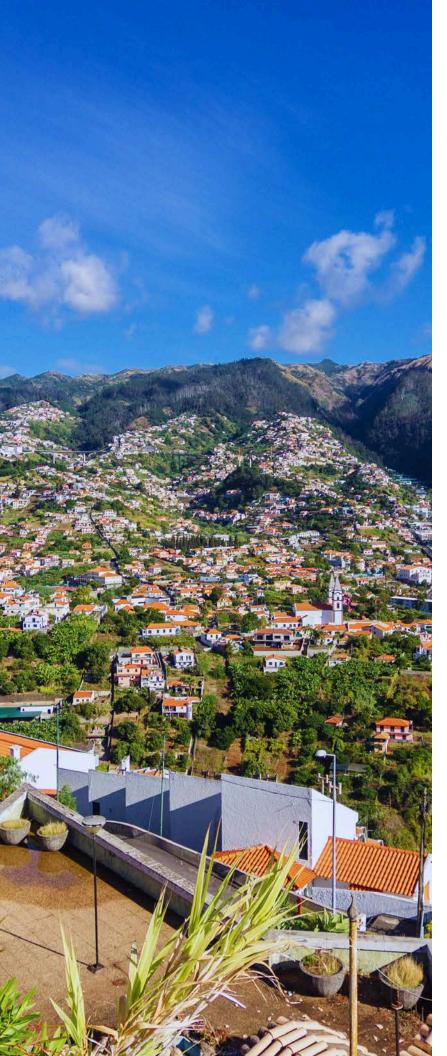
### **DAY 1: Transfer in**

Welcome to Madeira, a stunning island situated in the Atlantic Ocean. Known for its natural beauty, diverse landscapes, and rich cultural heritage, Madeira offers an unforgettable experience to all who visit.









### DAY 2: Eira do Serrado, Pico dos Barcelos & Cristo Rei Group Journey

This scenic excursion begins at Pico dos Barcelos, where you'll take in panoramic views over Funchal, framed by the sea and surrounding hills. From there, we climb higher into the mountains to reach Eira do Serrado, an impressive viewpoint offering breathtaking vistas over Curral das Freiras—the secluded "Valley of the Nuns."

We'll then descend into the heart of Curral das Freiras, a peaceful and picturesque village nestled in a dramatic volcanic crater, perfect for a stroll and a taste of local charm.

The tour continues through the eastern side of the island, ending at the beautiful Cristo Rei viewpoint, where the iconic statue stands overlooking the Atlantic Ocean—a peaceful spot with stunning coastal scenery.

A short but rich journey, filled with majestic landscapes and authentic Madeira charm.



### DAY 3: Porto Moniz Coastal Wonders - Group Journey

On this, probably the most popular excursion of the Island, you will visit the Fishing Villages of Câmara de Lobos and Ribeira Brava, travel along the south west coast as far as Calheta and climb the mountains to Paul da Serra (the famous mountain plateau).

From the plateau, you will descend to the north coast and the Village of Porto Moniz, famed for its volcanic rock swimming pools before experiencing the breathtaking drive along the infamous cliff hugging north coast road to São Vicente.

From this pretty Village you will turn inland and travel up through a lush valley region to the mountain pass of Encumeada and on finally to Cabo Girão.







### **DAY 4: Island of S.Miguel**

Welcome to the Island of São Miguel, the largest and most populous island in the Portuguese archipelago of the Azores. Soothing natural thermal pools, scenic hikes, dramatic coastlines and volcanic landscapes await for you in this secret nature lovers dream.





# DAY 5: Full Day Sete Cidades & Lagoa do Fogo Wonders Group Journey

Today you will embark on a full-day journey through some of São Miguel's most iconic landscapes. The day begins with a visit to a local pineapple plantation, where you'll learn about the traditional greenhouse cultivation methods.

Your journey continues to the serene Lagoa de Santiago and to the famous Vista do Rei viewpoint, which offers sweeping views over the twin lakes of Sete Cidades, set within a vast volcanic caldera. A traditional Azorean lunch will then be served, highlighting the island's rich flavors.

In the afternoon, the tour takes you to Lagoa do Fogo, one of the most untouched and stunning lakes in the Azores. On the way, you'll stop in Ribeira Grande, the island's charming northern town with its distinctive architecture and coastal beauty. At the summit of Lagoa do Fogo, you'll be rewarded with breathtaking views stretching across both the north and south coasts of São Miguel — a sight to remember.







### DAY 6: Full Day Furnas Volcanos & Traditions – Group Journey

Today's journey begins with the beautiful seaside town of Vila Franca do Campo, the island's governmental town in the XV century. While in Vila Franca do Campo, you may wish to try the famous Queijadas da Vila, a traditional pastry developed by nuns during the XVI century, before making your way to Furnas.

Upon arrival at Furnas, you will be astonished by the contrast of the peacefulness scenario with the hectic pulsing of the volcanic fumaroles.

You will then head to a local restaurant where you will enjoy a traditional Cozido das Furnas (a meal cooked in sealed pots using the island's hot springs known as fumarolas) and have the chance to indulge in the famous cozido.

The day will end with a visit to the Gorreana Tea Factory, where you will learn about the island's tea industry and the tea production, still operated by 19th century machinery. Enjoy a tasting of the famous green and black tea while admiring the lush plantations and dramatic coastlines.



# DAY 7: São Miguel Island

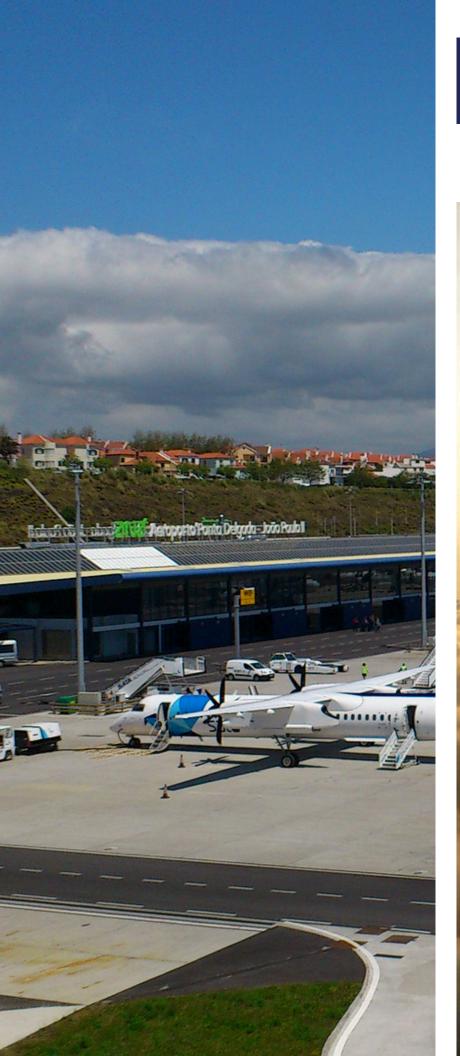
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# **DAY 8: Departure**

Today you will be transferred to the Airport for your flight back home.

