

# Casa Calisto

Region: Estoi   Sleeps: 4

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## Overview

A charming, Moorish-style townhouse, Casa Calisto is located in the town of Olhão on the Algarve coast. Around 15 minutes drive from Faro, and its airport, this stylish 2-bedroom property lies in the heart of historic Olhão, offering wonderful views of the town and its own rooftop pool.

This old fishermen's house has been thoroughly renovated, and is now a contemporary and inviting home. Characterised by high ceilings, tall windows and a whitewashed exterior, Casa Calisto has something special waiting for you at the top of the house. The 4m x 2.5m private pool on the rooftop is accompanied by a shower and seating area. Additionally, you have an outdoor dining terrace on the first floor with seating for four, perfect for dining anytime.

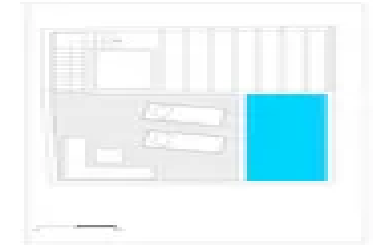
Inside, on the ground floor, you have a living area with two sofas along with the two gorgeous double bedrooms. Both of these have king-size beds, and one has its own en suite bathroom with shower. A separate bathroom is also available for those occupying the other bedroom. With wonderful attention to detail in the styling, both of these rooms are a real treat.

The same is true of the well-equipped kitchen, found on the first floor. There is a dishwasher, microwave, fridge freezer and Nespresso coffee machine, and all the other things you may need for cooking and dining. A lovely dining area inside provides an alternative to the one on the terrace, plus there's stool seating at the island. Casa Calisto is also equipped with free Wi-Fi and has free on-street parking.

What was once a small fishing village has developed into a significant town, and Olhão is now the largest fishing port on the Algarve. It's only around a 5-minute walk to many of the shops and cafés of Olhão, and you will find numerous terraces where you can sit outside and enjoy the sun. Olhão is famous for its fish market, which still operates today, and for its two island beaches, Ilha da Culatra and Ilha da Armona. These are served by regular ferry crossings.

The nearby city of Faro offers yet more to explore, such as the cathedral which looks out over the Ria Formosa Natural Park. Boat tours of this beautiful area are a popular activity. Also less than 30 minutes' drive from Olhão is the traditional market town of Loulé, with its own Moorish-inspired marketplace.

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## Facilities

Recommended • Wine Tasting • Wellness • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Walking/Hiking Paths • Walk to Village • Romantic • Special Offer • Has Discount • Quirky (Unique) • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Instagrammable • Beach Nearby • Townhouse/Apartment • Modern • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Easy By Train • Outstanding Landscapes • Tourist Towns & Villages • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## *Ground floor*

- Living room with two sofas
- Bedroom with king size bed and en-suite bathroom with walk-in shower
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- Bathroom with walk-in shower

## *First floor*

- Open plan dining area with fully equipped kitchen
- Semi-covered terrace where "al fresco" meals can be enjoyed

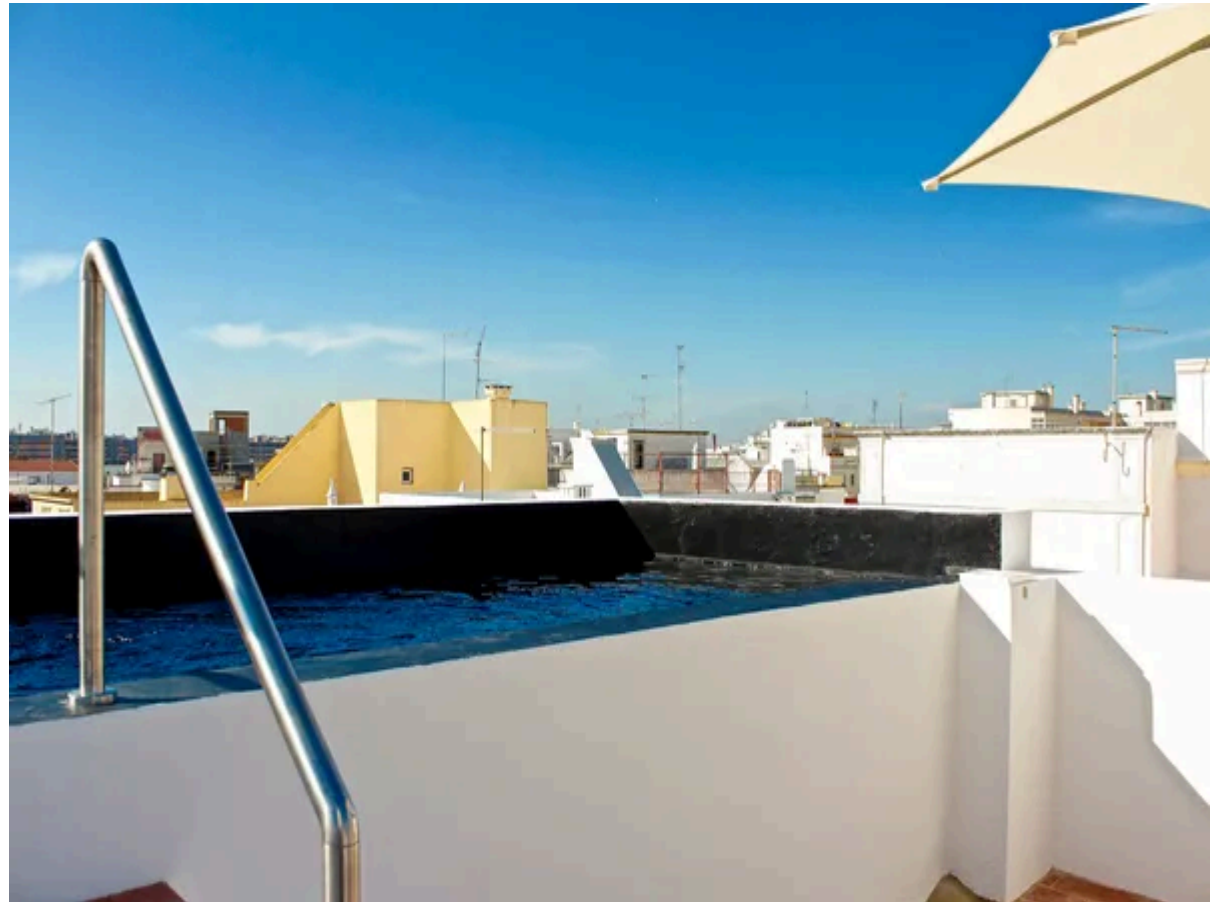
## *Roof terrace*

- Plunge pool (4 x 2 m2)
- Outdoor shower
- Comfortable lounge area with a large parasol

## **Additional Facilities**

- Wi-Fi connection
- Nespresso coffee machine
- 100% cotton bed linen

Tourism Registration Number 56579/AL



## Location & Local Information

Olhão has become a popular Portuguese beach resort in recent years and, with Faro Airport only around 15 minutes drive from the town, it's an easily accessible one too. Olhão's roots lie in the fishing industry, and the town has the notable claim to fame that it was the site of the first canning factory in 1882.

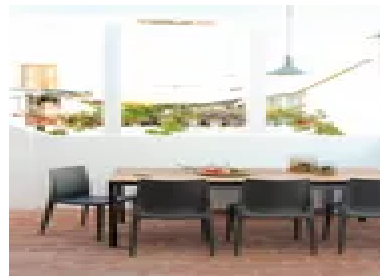
Today, it's still a lively fishing port, as seen in the bustling fish market on the waterfront. Be sure to pay it a visit - as well as fish, you can get all sorts of other local produce there, like fruit, meat and honey.

Olhão is known as the capital of the Ria Formosa, a large area of lagoons and marshes that hosts marine and birdlife. The area has Natural Park status and is a popular destination to explore by boat, especially by those who want to spot the flamingos and the many migrating birds on their way from Europe to Africa. It is also the home of the Portuguese Water Dog, originally bred to help the fishermen retrieve fish.

Olhão's island beaches, Ilha da Culatra and Ilha da Armona, also form part of the region. At around 15-minutes away, Armona is the closest. On arrival, you can take a pleasant walk down to the beach where there are sun loungers. The larger Culatra is about 40 minutes away, and at the western end of the island there is a beach at Farol, as well as a lighthouse. An uninhabited island known as Ilha Deserta can also be visited. There is just natural beauty and a solitary restaurant to be found.

The Old Town area of Olhão is a highlight, with a Moorish influence to the architecture, while the waterfront provides a great range of places to eat and drink. Naturally, there is plenty of fish on the menus, but there is much more to enjoy too. The café terraces around the market buildings are fine places to relax and soak up the atmosphere of Olhão.

Attractive garden areas also line the waterfront - each August, the Jardim Patrao Joaquim Lopes or Jardim



Pescador Olhanese host the Festival do Marisco, where great seafood and live music come together.

Excursions beyond Olhão include the city of Faro, which is much more than the area's transport hub. With a pretty fishing harbour, marina and many historic monuments – including the Gothic cathedral and the Arco da Vila archway which leads to the Old Town – Faro is well worth a visit. You will also find a regional history museum there, and the Jardim Manuel Bivar. This pretty garden plaza between the marina and Old Town provides a charming spot to relax.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Faro Airport (14 km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Famous 57 (200 m)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Cavacos Beach (6 km)</b>
Nearest Golf	<b>Pinheiros Altos Golf Course (23.5 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Casa de Pasto Almirante (170 m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Lidl (1 km)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Academia de Tennis e Padel Eduardo Beldade (9 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>In Olhao</b>

## What we love

- This old townhouse has a thoroughly modern feel with its chic interiors and cool outdoor terraces.
- The central location puts you minutes from the waterfront and Olhão town.
- A rooftop pool with sun loungers and seating makes a wonderful addition to this house.
- The owner has created an app you can download with all of their personal recommendations for the area, so you can live like a local!

## What you should know...

- This is a non-smoking property.
- Two children can be added to the booking at an additional cost.
- A cot and high-chair can be provided at an additional cost if required.
- For easy navigation through the charming, narrow streets, we recommend renting a compact car.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €350 charged to the client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to a full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** 4 pm.
- **Departure time:** 10 am.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included on the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Bed linen, bath and 1 beach towel are included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** SEF registration (Foreign Police): The owners require legible copies of passports or ID's of all guests before arrival. There is also a special form to be completed before arrival date. Cots and highchairs are available to guests, on request, and at an extra charge of €25/week/item (payable to Oliver's Travels with the balance payment). Please request these during the booking process.
- **Changeover day:** Saturday from April - October, or for weekly stays. Flexible for the remainder of the year, or for stays of less than a week.
- **End of stay cleaning available?:** Extra €125, payable to Oliver's Travels with the balance payment. However, guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or garbage disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.
- **Other 2:** Food not permitted in the bedrooms
- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights in low season (1st November - 31st March); 7 nights in high season (April - October) and over Christmas.
- **Heating costs included?:** Not available at this property.
- **Pool heating charge?:** Not available at this property.
- **Tax:** Tourist Tax is not included in rental price, and is payable to Oliver's Travels with the balance payment. The tax is applicable to guests of 16 years old or more and the final amount will consist of: <br> 1st May - 31 Oct: €2/day (for a maximum of 5 days) or €10/stay<br> 1st November - 30th April: €1/day (for a maximum of 5 days) or €5/stay
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included in the rental price.
- **Pool towels included?:** No, please inquire.