Casa Rubiaes

Region: Portugal **Sleeps:** 14

Overview

Nestled within a sprawling 210-acre wine estate amid the rolling hills, a magnificent wine-producing property awaits. The heart of this estate unveils two charming self-catering stone farmhouses, lovingly restored in the year 2020.

The proprietors have masterfully achieved a delicate equilibrium, seamlessly preserving the property's authentic features while seamlessly incorporating contemporary 21st-century conveniences. The bedrooms, adorned with air conditioning, offer en suite bathrooms, ensuring comfort in every corner. The spacious living spaces, bathed in natural light, beckon relaxation. An inviting al fresco dining terrace with a barbecue invites gatherings under the open sky. And at the focal point of leisure, a private swimming pool, its shape meandering playfully, stretches 12 by 6 metres at its widest points, providing depths from 1.10 to 2 metres.

This estate's allure extends beyond its accommodations, with its prime location offering sweeping vistas of the nearby mountains and the lush vineyards. A tapestry of serenity and history awaits, effortlessly accessible from the age-old Roman town of Ponte de Lima. The guest accommodations find their abode within the two farmhouses, ensuring an exclusive haven for those who seek solace. The main house occasionally hosts the owners, but the guest quarters remain an autonomous sanctuary, cocooned in privacy.

Step into a realm where rustic elegance intertwines with modern indulgence—a retreat that echoes with the whispers of time, cradled within nature's embrace, where the art of winemaking converges with the art of hospitality.









Facilities

Air-Con • Fishing • Wine Tasting • Villa • Private Pool • Great Value • Cycling • Historical Sites • Ideal for Kids • Horse Riding • <1hr to Airport • Walking/Hiking Paths • Special Offer • Has Offer • Has Discount • Ideal for Teens • Heated Pool • Cots (Cribs) • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Parking Space • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Washing Machine • Coffee Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • Dishwasher • Microwave • Satellite TV • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

Interior & Grounds

Farmhouse
Ground Floor
- Ample living room with comfortable seating and access to the patio
- Open plan dining area for 6 people and access to the patio
- Fully equipped modern kitchen
- Guest toilet

First Floor
- Large family bedroom with double bed, two single beds in mezzanine level and en-suite shower room (see Ts&Cs)
- Bedroom with double bed and en-suite shower room
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Cottage
Ground Floor
- Ample living room with comfortable seating, satellite TV and access to the patio
- Open plan dining area for four people and access to the patio
- Well equipped fitted kitchen with access to the patio
- Guest toilet
- Bedroom with double bed, access to the patio and en-suite shower room

Frist Floor
- Bedroom with double bed and en-suite shower room

Exterior Grounds
- Private heated swimming pool (extra cost, see T&Cs) (12 x 6 m, 1.10 to 2 m depth)
- Large patio and garden area
- Covered terrace
- Outdoor dining
- Various sun loungers
- Garden furniture
- Various parasols
- Private parking
- Barbecue

Additional Facilities
- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Washing machine
- Dishwasher
- Coffe machine

Tourist License: 9568/RNET







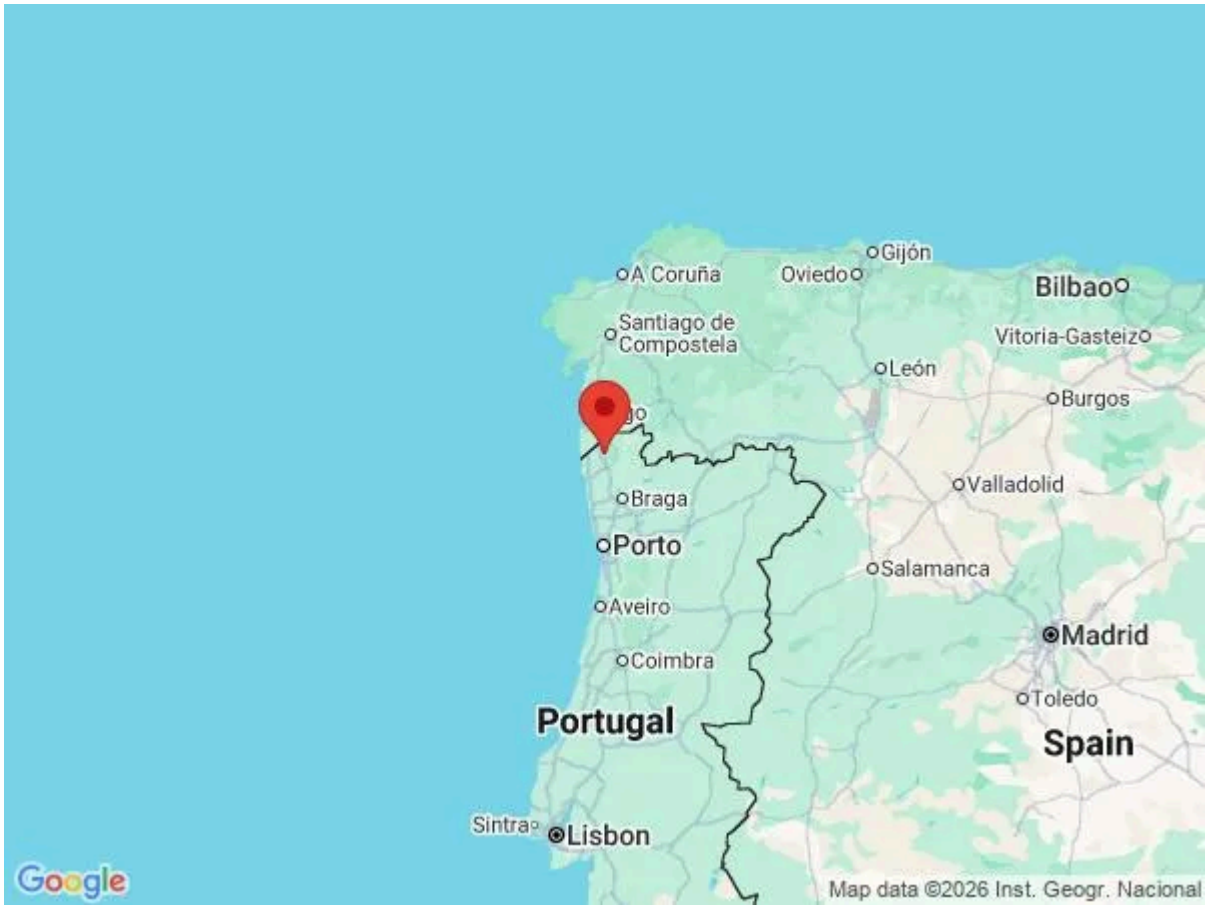


Location & Local Information

Casa Rubiaes is surrounded by nature on a fabulous 210 acre wine estate in the Minho hills, just fifteen minutes from the old Roman town of Ponte de Lima and twenty five minutes from Viana do Castelo. This region of the Minho offers wonderful activities including the Ecovia cycling route, kayaking along the Lima River, river bathing in Labruja, mountain biking or hiking in the Serra D'Arga and birdwatching in the Lagoas de Bertiandos.

Ponte de Lima is one of Portugal's oldest towns which enjoys an atmospheric ambience and offers a wonderful cultural experience. The Ponte de Lima Bridge is 277 metres long, stretching over the beautiful Lima River. The Romans built the first five arches and it was then fortified and extended by fifteen arches during the medieval period. Ponte de Lima boasts two magnificent churches, Igreja da Misericordia and Igreja de Santo Antonio which sits across the river with its baroque styling. Largo de Camoes Plaza is the town's bustling square with wonderful views of the Lima River and a good array of cafes, bars and restaurants. Ponte de Lima is the home of the famous vinho verde wine so you will certainly enjoy this in the square. Torre da Cadeia Velha is a tower which is part of the old Ponte de Lima wall. It is used for exhibitions and tourist shops. Ponte de Lima sits in glorious countryside with fabulous viewpoints. These include Miradouro of Saint Catarina which offers views of the river, Miradouro of Magdalene which enjoys views over the town and surrounding landscape and Miradouro of Bola da Pena which enjoys 360-degree views of the entire area. The gastronomy in the town is amazing with excellent local Portuguese dishes. Some restaurants enjoy gorgeous riverside settings.

Viana do Castelo is one of Portugal's many hidden gems. It boasts 19th century boulevards, narrow lanes lined with splendid Manueline houses, spacious plazas, beautiful churches, a gorgeous riverfront, excellent restaurants and cafes and its hill-perched giant 1909 basilica Santa Luzia Church. You can reach the basilica by climbing the steps, taking the car or riding the funicular. From the top, visitors









delight in a gob-smacking view over the town, rated the world's third most beautiful panorama by the National Geographic Magazine. The town also boasts St Mary the Great's Cathedral built in the fifteenth century. As well as offering architectural grandeur, Viana do Castelo also offers seaside charm. A little ferry takes you to the magnificent Cabadelo Beach where you can kite surf, bask in the Portuguese sunshine and wander along the wooden promenade.

Other wonderful Minho beaches include Vila Praia de Ancora, Praia de Moledo and Caminha's Foz do Minho Beach next to the River Minho. Visitors also enjoy kayaking in the Minho and Lima rivers.

The gorgeous town of Caminha boasts the ancient Torre do Relogio de Caminha, the clock tower which forms part of the old city walls built in the 12th century and is a national monument. You can climb to the top of the tower to enjoy fabulous views of the town. The Rua Direita or Ricardo Joaquim de Sousa Street is the cobbled main street in the historic centre. Another historic monument is the Igreja Matriz de Caminha where you can admire tiles from the 17th century. Visitors can take a ferry over to Galicia from Caminha.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Porto Airport (82 km)**
Nearest Airport 2	**Vigo Airport (Spain) (46 km)**
Nearest Village	**Ponte de Lima (12 km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Porto (89 km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Rapasto das Lagoas (3 km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**Villa Club (14 km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Intermache (11 km)**

Nearest Beach	**Praia Norte (26 km)**
Nearest Golf	**Estela Golf Course (75 km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Pontevedra Tennis Club (Spain) (28 km)**

What we love

- Casa Rubiaes is comprised of two beautifully renovated farmhouses, both offering dreamy contemporary interior design mixed with fabulous nods from the past
- The villa is set on an amazing wine and agricultural estate with its own private terraces, a garden, alfresco dining and a swimming pool
- The villa enjoys an enviable spot in the Minho hills, within easy reach of Ponte de Lima and Viana do Castelo

What you should know...

- Casa Rubiaes is comprised of two farmhouses, one sleeping up to ten guests and the other up to four. Outside of July and August, it is possible to rent the larger of the farmhouses on its own. Please speak to our Concierge Team if you are interested
- The swimming pool can be heated on request for Euro 250 per week
- Stays of 10 nights or more will enjoy a mid-stay clean
- Being a fully functional agricultural and wine estate, guests may see workers on the estate who are fully aware of the holiday accommodation and will respect their privacy

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €450 charged to client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.

- **Arrival time:** Between 4 - 7 pm

- **Departure time:** 10 am

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.

- **Pets welcome?:** Not allowed.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** First cot and high chair included in the rental price; please enquire before arrival. On the Large family bedroom with double bed, two single beds in mezzanine level and en-suite shower room - please be aware that children should be supervised at all times.

- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. 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 rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & Vaping are not permitted.

- **Minimum stay:** 5 nights during low season. All other durations on request.

- **Heating costs included?:** Not available on this property.

- **Pool heating charge?:** For those who require pool heating, there will be an additional charge of €36 per night (to be paid to Oliver's Travels with the balance). The pool heating is available for a minimum of 7 nights. Please note that like all heated pools, pool heating and water temperature are reliant on weather and outside temperatures.

- **Tax:** Tourist tax is currently not required within the municipality of this villa, however many councils are introducing this across Portugal, so you may be required to pay this at time of travel.

- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.

- **Pool towels included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.