

# Villa Homem

Region: Portugal   Sleeps: 12

## Overview

The magnificent, contemporary Villa Homem is located in the quiet coastal village of Afife, just ten minutes north of the jewel of the Costa Verde, Viana do Castelo. Afife enjoys a fabulous micro-climate and the perfect beach location. With sea views and just minutes to walk to the silver sands, the location could not be better for those anxious to get in the surf. The captivating Viana do Castelo is north of Porto and close to the border with Spain's Galicia. It is blessed with an appealing medieval centre, an attractive riverfront and gorgeous beaches. Its old quarter showcases narrow lanes and leafy boulevards brimming with Manueline manors and Rococo palaces. Guests staying at Villa Homem enjoy fabulous days on the beach, trips to beautiful towns and cities, river adventures of the Rio Lima estuary and countryside jaunts in the Lima valley. The hosts of Villa Homem are very happy to organise thrilling watersports adventures, other activities and private chefs or indulgent wellness packages. Villa Homem is a sprawling property with six bedrooms sleeping twelve guests.

The villa is a sleek masterpiece of contemporary architecture designed to be totally integrated with the natural surroundings. Its sensational living spaces face the Atlantic Ocean with astonishing panorama. The outside space is a delight with a superb swimming pool that is ideal for sensitive skins without chlorine.

The villa's superb living space is located in the single storey section of the villa with beautiful views out to the pool, garden and the sea. A sumptuous corner sofa and trendy chairs sit at one end of the room enjoying the views and perfectly placed to also enjoy the television and the contemporary log burning stove on cooler evenings. The delightful dining area is at the other end of the room. Next door, the chef's dream of a kitchen offers the best of appliances and a generous space in which to cook up a storm. A full wall of doors open to the terrace where you can enjoy alfresco dining with a sea view.

The second part of the villa enjoys completely different architecture. On the outside there is natural toned render, concrete blocks and stunning wooden doors and inside, again the walls are whitewashed and very striking against rich wooden floors and colourful rugs. Most of the bedrooms are all in white with minimalist styling and luxury linens on the beds. Four of the bedrooms enjoy double or kingsize beds and the remainder boast twins. There are five and a half glorious bathrooms in total, most of which are ensuite. They are beautifully tiled, some with vibrant colours in stark contrast to the dazzling white walls and linens. All of the bathrooms are beautifully fitted with a mix of baths and showers. Some of the bedrooms have direct access to the terrace and pool while others are on the upper floor.

Villa Homem enjoys wonderful outdoor space but that ocean will be beckoning you in from the minute you arrive!





## Facilities

Air-Con • Historical Sites • Wine Tasting • Walk to Village • Private Pool • Ideal for Kids • Special Offer • Has Discount • Ideal for Teens • Cots (Cribs) • Walk to Beach • Beach Nearby • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • <1hr to Airport • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Safety Deposit Box • Satellite TV • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Fenced Grounds

# Interior & Grounds

## The Villa

Villa Homem is super well equipped with everything you might need to spend your perfect vacations. It's located in Afife, a small area 10 minutes away from the city center, known by its micro-climate and the perfect beach location for holidays. The house is walking distance to a supermarket, restaurants, atm and the train station. Nearby you'll find amazing waterfalls where you can trek along the mountain.

### Ground Floor

- Ample living room with comfortable seating, satellite TV and access to the garden
- Open plan dining area for 8 people and access to the garden
- Well equipped kitchen with central island and access to the terrace
- Bedroom with a double bed, access to the terrace and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with double bed and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with two single beds
- Shower room
- Guest toilet

### First Floor

- Master bedroom with double bed and en-suite shower room
- Bedroom with two single beds
- Bedroom with a trundle bed
- Shower room

### Exterior Grounds

- Private swimming pool
- Large terrace and garden area
- Covered terrace
- Outdoor dining
- Various sun loungers
- Outdoor shower
- Garden furniture
- Various parasols
- Private parking
- Barbecue

### Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Heating
- Cot Available
- Washing machine
- Tumble dryer
- Hair dryer
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body soap
- Safe

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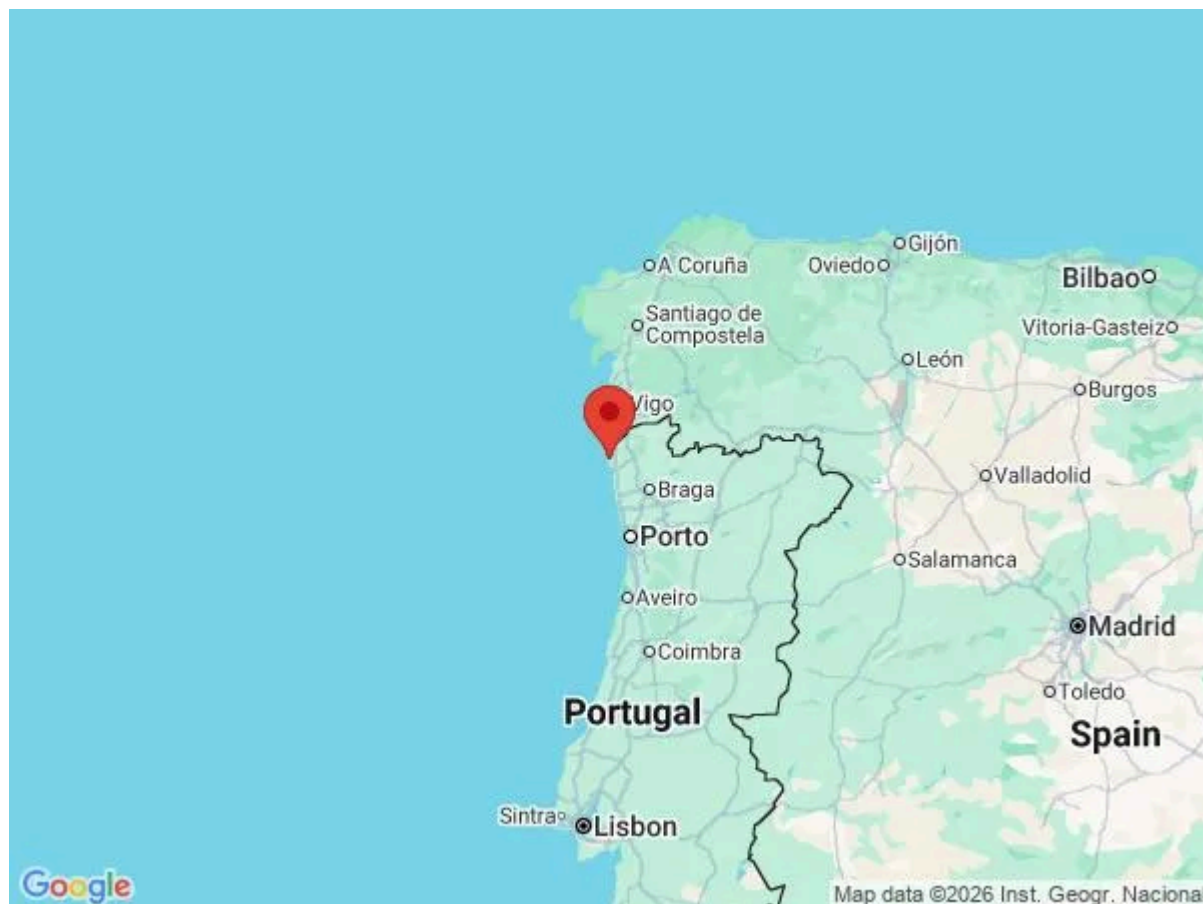
## Location & Local Information

Villa Homem is located next to the beach in the lovely village of Afife. It is walking distance to a supermarket for provisions or your hosts will happily arrange food delivery for you. The beach is absolutely fabulous but you can also hike to amazing waterfalls and trek along the mountains. It is a wonderful area for those that love the outdoors. You can ride horses on the beach or in the mountains.

Just south of the villa is the captivating, historic city of Viana do Castelo. The pearly white, neo-Byzantine Santa Luzia Church presides over the city, sitting high on the hilltop in all its majesty. Viana do Castelo's compact historic centre boasts extravagant religious buildings, charming cafes, elegant plazas, incredible mansions and narrow shopping streets which open onto the banks of the Lima River.

Ponte de Lima is one of the most characterful and picturesque towns of Northern Portugal, on the southern banks of the Lima River. You should definitely make the time to visit. The location has been the main river crossing since the Romans constructed a bridge in 1AD. There is a delightful mix of grand religious buildings, houses from times gone by and pretty plazas. There are interesting museums as well as colourful flower gardens and stunning natural scenery all around. The Ponte do Lima is an excellent centre for adventure activities such as the Ecovia cycling route, kayaking along the Lima River, mountain biking or hiking in the Serra D'Arga or birdwatching in the Lagoas de Bertandos. You can river bathe in Labruja.

Further south, Braga is regarded as one of the main religious centres of Portugal, with the oldest cathedral and many Gothic churches. You will hear a cocophony of different church bells ringing out on the hour! It is the third largest city of Portugal and is a delight to explore. Braga is an enthralling university city and the setting for Bom Jesus do Monte, a fine monument. The historic centre is fully pedestrianised which is great for tourists. There are pretty city gardens, charming plazas and busy shopping streets.



Afife is very close to the Galicia border. If you decide to take a trip into Galicia, Tui is an absolute wonder. It boasts a beautiful historic centre and an excellent range of gourmet dining as well as excellent shops. Tui is located south of the Pontevedra province and sits on the edge of the Minho River, opposite the Portuguese town of Valenca. The towns are connected by a nineteenth century bridge. Valenca do Minho is located on the hillside overlooking the left bank of the Minho and on the main road that links the Spanish Santiago de Compostela with Porto. Tourists flock to the town to buy embroidered tablecloths and sheets, the speciality of the town.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Porto Airport (83 km)</b>
Nearest Airport 2	<b>Vigo Airport (Spain) (70 km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Areia Bar (6 km)</b>
Nearest Beach	<b>Afife Beach (1 km)</b>
Nearest Ferry Port	<b>Caminha Ferry Port (14 km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>Restaurante Marina (1 km)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Supermercado Coviran (800 m)</b>
Nearest Tennis	<b>Codesal Tennis Club (Spain) (15 km)</b>
Nearest Town/City	<b>Afife (300 m)</b>
Nearest Village	<b>Bandeira (350 m)</b>

## What we love

- Villa Homem is a stunning property, contemporary, sleek, stylish and beautifully furnished throughout. It is brilliant for a large group of guests and never feels crowded!
- The villa enjoys a wonderful seafront location. How amazing to be able to gaze across to the sea!
- There are fantastic hiking, biking and kayaking opportunities close to the villa plus there are some magical beaches. Your hosts will be happy to help with your adventures
- The local wines and food are absolutely delicious!

## What you should know...

- This sensational villa is located close to the Spanish border. You can easily combine your holiday with a visit to Galicia crossing the Minho River
- The villa is just north of the stunning Viana do Castelo and close enough to visit Braga and Porto. You can enjoy a very diverse holiday experience when picking this property
- Please let us know if we can help arrange watersports, activity sessions, private chefs or anything else that might make your holiday even better. The hosts of this villa are very happy to arrange horseback riding tours, canyoning, kiteboarding, surfing, windsurfing, stand up paddle sunrise and sunset tours, wakeboarding and trekking. You can also have a private chef for a celebration meal, grocery delivery, personal trainers, yoga and pilates or a masseur

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €500 charged to client's credit card by the owner before/upon arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** Between 4.30 - 8 pm
- **Departure time:** 11 am
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Bed linen, bath and pool towels are included in the rental price.
- **Pets welcome?:** On request only and with prior agreement with the owner.
- **Changeover day:** Flexible.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Extra €125, paid to Oliver's Travels with the balance. 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?:** Not permitted.
- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights during low season.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Tax:** Tourist Tax included in the rental price.
- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included in rental price.