Villa Estora

Region: Portugal **Sleeps:** 2

Overview

With a fully working mill and waterwheel and a delightful interior, Villa Estora offers an utterly unique and cosy home on the riverside.

This romantic getaway home is anything but ordinary – the working mill itself has been preserved while the rustic stone walls and tiled roof are evidence of the careful restoration completed in 1983. A cosy and spacious interior welcomes you inside the villa.

The furniture is made from high-quality wood and includes a charming dining table, a comfortable bench and a small coffee table surrounded by chairs. There is an open fireplace where you can enjoy a log fire on a cool evening.

Traditional, colourful patterned items adorn the walls, complementing the rustic stone behind them and the exposed wooden beams in the ceiling.

There is a fully-equipped, wonderfully traditional stone kitchen to ensure that you're able to prepare your meals when you don't fancy the lovely restaurants nearby. The beautiful living area overlooks the gentle river running below via a set of balcony doors.

There is one bedroom with a delightful solid wood bed frame and a matching set of bedside tables, also enjoying an extensive collection of windows looking out to the beautiful scene below. The spacious bathroom includes a shower, WC and bidet. The design is rustic and charming like the rest of the home and is thoroughly clean and pleasant.

Of course, the most exciting part is what's beyond the four walls of the villa, with an original working mill and waterwheel joining the home to the river itself. The villa is









one of only a handful of old granite and more modern houses which line the stream to create something of a small community here, connected by the quaint Roman bridge.

The Arga mountain range is the perfect backdrop to this charming village, offering many opportunities for exploring nearby whether on foot or by bikes which can be rented across the region. At 7.8km from the nearest town, Villa Estora will allow you to enjoy the real lifestyle of rural Portugal and taste the clean air of the countryside while retaining some available amenities.

Facilities

Air-Con • Fishing • Wine Tasting • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Not for little ones • <1hr to Airport • Romantic • Walking/Hiking Paths • Special Offer • Has Offer • Has Discount • Not For Little Ones • Quirky (Unique) • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Waterfront • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Pool/Snooker • Indoor Games • Satellite TV • Heating

Interior & Grounds

The Villa

Villa Estora is located a few kilometres from Ponte de Lima, next to the Roman bridge of the River Estorãos. There is one room, and it can accommodate up to 2 people

Ground Floor
- Traditional styled living room with comfortable seating and access to the garden
- Open plan dining area for 4 people
- Well equipped kitchennette
- Bathroom
- Bedroom with double bed

Exterior Grounds
- Small garden
- Outdoor dining
- Direct access to the river
- Private parking
- Babrbecue

Additional Facilities
- Wi-Fi connection
- Air conditioning
- Central heating
- Satellite TV

Registration Number: RNET n.º 497









Location & Local Information

Enveloped in vineyards and rolling hills of green, Villa Estora is located in the beautiful Minho region, in the foothills of Serra da Arga mountains.

Situated near to the spa town of Gerês, the traditional village of Lindoso and the beautiful old village of Ponte de Lima, you are ideally located to enjoy the quaint communities as well as the slow pace of life of rural Portugal. The town of Braga, the capital of the district, is about 35 minutes away and hosts many relics of the region's diverse history.

Minho is a fantastic, mostly rural region on the northernmost Atlantic tip of Portugal, bordering the Spanish region of Galiza, with which it shares many attributes. Minho is perhaps most famous as the home of the Vinho Verde, a crisp, dry white wine (although as the name suggests, it is, in fact, green!) best enjoyed with a local fish dish.

Very lovely, and very affordable. Minho is particularly special as it features the country's only National Park, the Parque Nacional da Peneda-Gerês, which is less than half an hour from Villa Estora, with around 72,000 ha of land. It is a mountainous nature reserve that includes prehistoric remains, walking trails, rugged hills as well as deer, wolves and golden eagles!

Portugal itself is a small, fascinating country at the most Western point of mainland Europe. The capital, Lisbon, is known for its lively nightlife, with endless bars and clubs full of fun-loving locals and tourists alike, but also has plenty of fascinating history (check out Belém, jam-packed with monuments!) and undulating terrain, famously termed the 'city of the seven hills'.

From Lisbon, it is very quick to travel by the domestic high-speed train line to the city of Braga, which will connect you reasonably quickly to Villa Estora although both Porto and Vigo airport is within 40 miles!







With a vast coastline with the mighty Atlantic Ocean, Portugal is a real paradise for the keen surfer, or indeed even those looking to try it for the first time. And for those less keen on surfing, the beaches of Portugal are still well worth a visit for their beautifully clear waters and beautiful sands.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Porto Airport (81 km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**Caminha Ferry Port (46 km)**
Nearest Village	**Estoraos (1 km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Ponte de Lima (9 km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Acude Restuarnate (8 km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**Pincho's Bar (9 km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Merceria Canadelo (3 km)**
Nearest Beach	**Norte Beach (25 km)**
Nearest Golf	**Estela Golf Course (53 km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Codesal Tennis Club (67 km)**

What we love

- The enchanting landscape which surrounds the villa is an absolute treat to view from home and nearby – be sure to explore it!
- There is an authentic sense of the history of the mill thanks to a careful restoration in 1983, creating a perfect blend of traditional style with modern comforts including central heating, as well as an open fireplace to keep you warm on the cool evenings
- Ideally located to access the Parque Nacional da Peneda-Gerês, you can enjoy a lovely day of exploring Portugal's only National Park – just on the doorstep!
- Fall asleep to the soothing sound of the running river below, and wake to the gentle birdsong in the garden as you embrace the rural way of life!

What you should know...

- Unfortunately, there's no capacity for children or extra guests here as there are no extra beds or cribs available
- There's no internet or WiFi available in Villa Estora – use this opportunity to enjoy nature, fresh air and a more straightforward way of life!
- We must warn you there's a church nearby with a bell that rings every 15 minutes – it's a charming part of the local culture and a gentle tune, but it might bother some guests more than others

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** Credit cards details may be requested as guarantee

- **Arrival time:** Between 2 - 8 pm

- **Departure time:** 12 am

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

- **Linen & towels included?:** Bed linen and bath towels are included in the rental price.

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

- **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?:** Not permitted.

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights

- **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.