

THE FIVE ISLAND TOUR OF THE AZORES

TERCEIRA - SAO JORGE - PICO - FAIAL - SÃO MIGUEL

14 Days / 13 Nights



Tour Highlights:

- round-trip direct flights to/from the Azores* and internal flights & boat trips within the islands
- 13 nights' accommodation in Silver or Gold plan, bed & breakfast basis (*option to upgrade to half-board*)
- transfers upon arrivals and departures
- English-speaking guides throughout
- full-day tour of Terceira, including lunch
- full-day tour of São Jorge, including lunch
- full-day tour of Pico, including lunch
- full-day tour of Faial, including lunch
- full-day tour of São Miguel (Furnas), including lunch
- ample free time at leisure or for activities from our handpicked selection

♦ **TAP Portugal flights** to Terceira Island and from São Miguel Island / connecting in Lisbon

GENERAL INFORMATION:

About this program

Our carefully designed small group programs offer expansive itineraries, as well as providing choice and free time. Whilst you will be traveling alongside others, you will have the freedom of the independent traveller.

We include services and tours for everybody, such as transfers and sightseeing, while offer a wide range of optional programs to choose from and do independently. The itineraries are well-balanced in terms of activities and time at leisure, on your own.

We recommend this tour for ages 6 and above.

Silver & Gold Plans

This program is operated in **Silver and Gold** plans. The itinerary provided will be the same, however we offer a choice in terms of the accommodation based on your preference and budget.

In partnership with:



PACKAGE INCLUDING: ATOL protected • Round-trip airfare from/to London Heathrow airport on TAP Portugal flights • Intra-island flight tickets: as per the itinerary • 13 nights' hotel accommodation on bed & breakfast basis • arrival & departure transfers between airports, harbours and the hotels mentioned in the itinerary • English-speaking guides throughout all tours • full-day tour of Terceira, including "alcatra" lunch • full-day tour of São Jorge, including lunch • full-day tour of Pico, including lunch • full-day tour of Faial, including lunch • full-day tour of São Miguel (Furnas), including lunch of "cozido" • entrance fees as per the itinerary • symbolic contribution to social & environmental institutions: Rabo de Peixe Sabe Sonhar & Life Priolo • intra-island boat ticket(s) as per the itinerary



ITINERARY

DAY 1 - DEPARTURE – Depart from London Heathrow Airport on your TAP Portugal flight to Terceira Island with a connection in Lisbon. After collecting your luggage, transfer from the airport to your hotel.

DAY 2 - TERCEIRA - Full Day Tour of Terceira: On this tour you will go off the beaten track to visit the finest that the island has to offer, with amazing landscapes, Biscoitos Vineyards, natural swimming pools and the centre of the island. You will also visit the Raminho and Serreta Parishes, the Algar do Carvão, and Serra do Cume viewpoint. You will also discover the history and culture of Terceira, connect with nature, and enjoy a traditional lunch at a small local restaurant (a typical Alcatra lunch). This is a gentle paced, full day tour and a genuinely special experience. Return to the hotel.

DAY 3 - TERCEIRA – Today enjoy a day at leisure or one of the optional activities.

DAY 4 – TERCEIRA/PICO – Transfer to the airport for your flight to the island of Pico. Upon arrival transfer and check-in to your hotel overlooking Madalena harbour to enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

DAY 5 – PICO/SÃO JORGE/PICO – Walk across to the harbour to board your ferry to São Jorge Island. Right after arrival enjoy a **Full Day Tour of São Jorge:** departing through the South Coast and stopping at several viewpoints to admire the splendid sights of the coastal “Fajãs” (Ouidor, Cubres and Caldeira Santo Cristo). Visit the handicrafts cooperative with beautiful woven articles. Have a short stop at Calheta and Manadas to include the 18th Century Church of Santa Bárbara. Continue to Urzelina to see the church tower, the only remain of the volcanic eruption of 1808. Before arriving to the harbour of Velas, visit the park of Sete Fontes. In the afternoon board the ferry to return to Pico.

DAY 6 – PICO – Full Day Tour of Pico: Departure from Madalena through the north coast towards Cachorro and Lajido. Continue to São Roque to visit the Whale Factory and the natural swimming pools. Continue by the mountain road to arrive at the lake of Capitão, at 900 metres above sea level. Stop at Lajes to visit the Whalers' Museum. Stop for lunch. Progress along the south coast, short stop at Mistérios de São João, then drive to São Mateus to visit the church. Proceed in the direction of Criação Velha, where Pico's vineyards have been under UNESCO's World Patrimony since 2004. Return to Madalena for overnight.

DAY 7 – PICO/FAIAL – Today transfer by foot to the harbour for the ferry taking you to your next island: Faial. Following disembarkation, transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

DAY 8 - FAIAL – Depart from Horta on a **full-day tour of Faial** in the direction of Flamengos, to visit the Botanic Garden of the island. Continue to the Natural Reserve of the Caldeira of Faial, surrounded by the blue hydrangeas. Head towards Ribeira das Cabras viewpoint, along Serra of Feteira. Following lunch, descent to the Fajã in Praia do Norte and visit the Capelinhos Volcano Interpretation Centre to learn about the Volcano that erupted from 1957-1958. On the way back to Horta, there will be quick stop at Varadouro to admire the Morro of Castelo Branco. While already back in Horta end the tour in Monte da Guia and enjoy one of the best views of the city and the Bay of Porto Pim.

DAY 9 - FAIAL – Today is on your own, at leisure or to partake in one of the optional activities.

DAY 10 - FAIAL/SÃO MIGUEL - Transfer to the airport for your flight to the island of São Miguel. Transfer to the hotel, the rest of the day is free to start discovering Ponta Delgada.

DAY 11 - SÃO MIGUEL - Depart from Ponta Delgada to **Furnas** by the south road for a **full-day tour**. Following your first stop at the village of Vila Franca do Campo, arrive in Furnas valley, passing by the lake. Visit to the botanical garden and the hot springs (time for a swim in the thermal natural hot water swimming pool). Today's lunch is the traditional “cozido”, a stew considered part of the Portuguese heritage While returning to Ponta Delgada by the north coast stop at a tea plantation and at the Santa Iria viewpoint.

DAY 12 & 13 - SÃO MIGUEL – Enjoy the last days of your holiday at your own leisure, perhaps join some optional activities, explore the shopping opportunities, or simply relax before heading home.

DAY 14 – RETURN TO THE UK - Transfer to the airport for your TAP Portugal flight back to London Heathrow with a connection in Lisbon.

ACCOMMODATION

	Nights	Silver Plan	Gold Plan
Terceira	3	Hotel Azoris Angra Garden	Hotel Terceira Mar
		<i>Classic Room</i>	<i>Standard Room</i>
Pico	3	Hotel Caravelas	Hotel Caravelas
		<i>Standard Room</i>	<i>Standard Room</i>
Faial	3	Hotel Azoris Faial Garden	Hotel Azoris Faial Garden
		<i>Classic Room</i>	<i>Executive Sea view Room</i>
Sao Miguel	4	Hotel Azoris Royal Garden	Hotel Azoris Royal Garden
		<i>Classic Room</i>	<i>Executive Room</i>

For more information regarding the hotels please click on the links above.

We reserve the right to change the hotels listed, however should this occur the replacement hotel will be within the same category and with similar facilities.

OTHER INFORMATION

NOTES:

- The days / times of the tours may change
- We recommend this tour for ages 6 and above

Not Included:

- meals other than those mentioned in the itinerary, half-board option is available
- tips & hotel extras

Preliminary intra-island flight information:

Terceira – São Jorge: 10:20 – 10:55

Faial – São Miguel: 15:10 – 16:05

Preliminary intra-island ferry information:

São Jorge - Pico: 20:15 – 21:35

Pico – Faial: 11:30 – 12:00

If you wish to book any Optional Activities feel free to have a look at the corresponding product on our website, alternatively download the respective document OR contact us.

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