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The Algarve coastline

## ...AN ALLURING COASTLINE WITH FANTASTIC SCENERY

The Algarve's wild west – where stunning limestone cliff tops have succumbed to the crashing waves of the Atlantic and life moves at a relaxed pace.

A land away from the tourist towns of the central coast, experience local culture in all its glory as you walk or cycle along quiet roads and sun-kissed tracks. Admire locals wading into the ocean daily at low tide to collect cockles and barnacles, and hardworking fishermen – whose trade has been passed down from their fathers – going out for fish and shellfish to sell to local restaurants.

Gaze at sapphire blue skies reflecting off the crystal waters framed by rugged rocks and eroded cliffs, whilst sleepy fishermen's villages and lush green meadows and

forests shower the landscape. This is a great region for bird-watching and - if you're feeling lucky - dolphin spotting!

Why not stop off to enjoy a coffee with the locals or a lunch in one of the small restaurants? You may not be able to resist the scent of the freshly-caught fish that chefs are grilling, drizzling with olive oil and smattering with sea salt.

*“Portugal in February - quiet but not deserted, good walking and perfect temperature and conditions.”*

Mr Richards

Wrapped around western Algarve's cliff coastline like a green Parka jacket is one of Portugal's protected natural parks, Costa Vicentina – full of grasses dancing in the wind and wild fauna tucked amidst the steep coastal landscapes, perfect for gentle walking.

The historic maritime towns of Sagres and Lagos offer hidden delights – encircled by C14 walls, Lagos has unique stone work and architecture to discover within.

**One to watch:** The red lantern lighthouse at Cabo de São Vicente and Sagres Fortress, built by Henry the Navigator.

# WALK THE ALGARVE'S WILD WEST

WALKING ACTIVITY LEVEL



Cabo de São Vicente



## YOUR HOLIDAY DAY-BY-DAY

### DAY 01 ARRIVE IN SAGRES

Arrive at the **Memmo Baleeira** in the characterful coastal town of Sagres in time for your dinner (included).

### DAY 02 SAGRES TO PEDRALVA 15KM/9.5MI/4HR OR 17KM/11MI/5HR

Follow the Fishermen's Trail to cliff-tops and the impressive Amado beach. Drop down to the village of Carrapateira, then pick up the Rota Vicentina through the Sincera Valley to Aldeia da Pedralva. You stay at the **Aldeia da Pedralva** (with dinner included) for the next two nights.

### DAY 03 AT PEDRALVA

Unwind in the pretty village or enjoy one of two optional walks. Follow a cliff-top trail back to Amado beach or a smaller loop along the Marreiros plateau, with great views.

### DAY 04 PEDRALVA TO VILA DO BISPO 13KM/8MI/3.5HR OR 18KM/11.5MI/5HR

The shorter trail follows the Rota Vicentina, then a meandering trail to the pretty village of Vila do Bispo. The longer trail adds a wonderful loop heading into the Costa Vicentina Natural Park. You stay at the **Hotel Mira Sagres** (pay locally for evening meals).

### DAY 05 AT VILA DO BISPO

Visit the coastal town of Lagos, with its tangled, cobbled lanes. Alternatively, there are two walks: one taking in the cliffs and views above Vila do Bispo; the other through rolling hills and gentle valleys to Raposeira and Guadalupe Chapel.

### DAY 06 VILA DO BISPO TO CABO DE SÃO VICENTE/SAGRES 15KM/9.5MI/4.5HR

Walk to the edge of Europe at Cabo de São Vicente with its lighthouse, museum and small bar. There are fabulous coastal views, offering wonderful photo opportunities. A short transfer takes you back to the **Memmo Baleeira** at Sagres for dinner (payable locally).

### DAY 07 LEAVE SAGRES

- ★★★★★☆ customer rating
- Exclusive Headwater Rep Service
- The crashing Atlantic, the Rota Vicentina and the Fishermen's Trail
- An eclectic mix of hotels, from a rustic village conversion to a chic ★★★★★ hotel
- Delicious Algarvian cuisine

*“Superb views when walking as well as lots of spring flowers and wildlife to enjoy.”*

Mr Kimber

## PRICES FROM

**\$1,265** per person

With departures every two days from January 2nd to May 23rd 2018 and October 10th 2018 to May 23rd 2019

## YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUDES

- 6 nights hotel-to-hotel accommodation in a mix of [icon], [icon], [icon] and [icon] hotels
- All breakfasts and 3 evening meals
- Services of your local Headwater Representative
- Route directions and maps
- Luggage transfers between hotels
- Walking transfers

## OPTIONAL UPGRADES

- Nearest arrival airport: Faro airport
- Local transfers from Faro airport to hotel/return. Inquire for details and timings
- Singles: Please contact us for details and prices
- Room upgrades at selected hotels
- Extra nights in Tavira
- City break add-ons in Faro or Lisbon

## WHERE YOU STAY



Memmo Baleeira  
★★★★



Aldeia da Pedralva  
[icon]



Hotel Mira Sagres  
★★★