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Practical Info Guide

Porto city, known by the epithet “*antique, highly noble, always loyal and Invicta*” due to the courage, strength of character and determination of its people, tested in different times of history (discoveries and nineteenth-century civil war) is nowadays a dynamic, innovative and open city, where knowledge and creativity are found in several areas.

From science to culture, arts and sports, from the warmth of its people to its architecture and natural resources, Porto became a world reference. Cultural and leisure facilities such as Casa da Música, the Coliseum, the City Park, Serralves – Museum of Contemporary Art and Park, and the architectonic set of Avenida dos Aliados are just some examples of the city's heritage.



More information about Porto [here!](#)



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Located on the west side of the city, in Foz do Douro, **Universidade Católica Portuguesa** was extended to Porto in 1978 and has, at the moment, eight academic units and eight research centres, providing a stimulating and multicultural academic environment, involving students and researchers from different regions and nationalities.



Accommodation near the *Campus*

[HOTEL BOA-VISTA](#)
[HF IPANEMA PARK](#)
[SHERATON PORTO HOTEL & SPA](#)
[BESSA HOTEL](#)

Restaurants near the *Campus*

[TREZE % RESTAURANT](#)
[PORTAROSSA RESTAURANT](#)
[LAPA LAPA](#)
[PRAIA DA LUZ](#)

[CATÓLICA RESTAURANT](#) (only Lunch)
[FOZ MARKET](#) (closed for dinner)
[VINHOS & GOURMET](#) (only Lunch)
[CAPOEIRA](#)



How to get to the *Campus*

AIRPORT

Francisco Sá Carneiro Airport (Porto) - [[Link](#)] [[Google Maps Location](#)]

RAILWAY STATION

Campanhã Station (Porto) - [[Link](#)] [[Google Maps Location](#)]

Foz campus

Besides the great location near the sea, the Foz *campus* is easily accessible by public transport or other.

www.itinerarium.pt
maps.google.pt/maps

If you come by car from south (Lisbon):

[A1 direction Porto - Ponte da Arrábida - IC1]. After passing the Arrábida bridge, exit in the direction of Bessa Leite / Foz. At the roundabout, take the 3rd exit and continue on Rua Antonio Bessa Leite. Follow the signs for Hotel Ipanema Park. Pass the Hotel, follow the rightmost traffic light and enter the Rua Diogo Botelho. Continue for about 2 km to Praça do Império and re-enter the Rua Diogo Botelho, in the 4th exit at the roundabout. On your right are the University buildings.

If you come by car from north (Braga):

[A3 direction Porto - A1 (South) - IC1]. Take the exit towards Avenida Boavista - Poente and enter Rua Beato Inácio de Azevedo. Turn right into Avenida da Boavista, at about 500m turn left to Avenida Marechal Gomes da Costa, continue to the end of the avenue until finding the Praça do Império roundabout. Get off at the 3rd exit to Rua Diogo Botelho. On your right are the University buildings.

Local phone number: +351 226 196 200

Address: Rua de Diogo Botelho, 1327 | 4169-005 Porto

GPS: +41° 9' 11.57", -8° 40' 17.98"



General information

Visas

Find [here](#) what you have to do.

Health

The emergency number in Portugal is 112.

Currency

- The unit of currency is the Euro. Find [here](#) the Banco de Portugal conversor.
- Most hotels, car-rental agencies, shops, pharmacies, entertainment venues and restaurants will accept Visa and Mastercard.
- ATM's are available in all major tourist, business and shopping areas.
- Taxi drivers generally only accept cash.

Schedules and Working hours

Buses: Every day – 24 hours (plan your inner mobility [here](#)!)

Underground: Every day 6.30 a.m. – 1 a.m.

Banks: Mon-Fri. 8.30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Shopping Centres: Every day 10 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Shops: Mon -Fri. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. Sat. 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Pharmacies: Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. – 7 p. m. also: 24 hour (night) service

Meal times: Lunch: 12 mid-day – 2 p.m. Dinner: 8 p.m. – 10 p.m

Climate

Due to the influence of the Atlantic Ocean, Porto has a pleasant climate throughout the year. The agreeable temperatures in the summer months are an open invitation for a walk by the river.

Find [here](#) the weather in Porto today!

Electricity

Voltage: 220/380 volts at a frequency of 50 Hertz. All sockets follow European standards. To use American-type plugs, a 220-volt transformer should be used together with an adapter plug.



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Emblematic places to visit

- [Casa da Música](#)
- [Rivoli](#)
- [Teatro Nacional de S.João](#)
- [Museu Soares dos Reis](#)
- [Museu Romântico](#)
- [Fundação e Museu de Serralves](#) (near *Campus*)
- [WOW](#)
- [Port wine Cellars](#)
- [Torre dos Clérigos](#)
- [Livraria Lello](#)
- [Alfândega do Porto](#)
- [Palácio da Bolsa](#)
- [Mercado do Bolhão](#)
- [Parque da Cidade](#) (near *Campus*)

For more information about what is happening in the City [click here!](#)

We hope you have a fantastic time on your visit to Porto!