

5 old-school marisqueiras for SEAFOOD LOVERS

- 16 **A MARISQUEIRA DE MATOSINHOS**
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Matosinhos 📍
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amarisqueirade
matosinhos.com
- This is one of the best *marisqueiras* (seafood eateries) in Porto, located near the harbour. The interiors were recently renovated but the old-school atmosphere and huge salt-water live tank still prevail. The restaurant's clientele is varied, ranging from businessmen at lunchtime to big family gatherings and romantic couples in the evenings.
- 17 **OS LUSÍADAS**
Rua de Tomás
Ribeiro 257
Matosinhos 📍
+351 22 937 8242
restaurantelusiadas.com
- Another seafood institution in Matosinhos. The *azulejo* tile panels on the walls include drawings and excerpts inspired by *The Lusiads*, a Portuguese epic poem written by Luís Vaz de Camões in the 16th century. Of course, all the seafood here is top-notch, but the salt-baked sea bass is a favourite.
- 18 **O GAVETO**
Rua Roberto Ivens 824
Matosinhos 📍
+351 22 937 8796
ogaveto.com
- Although *marisqueira* means seafood eatery, you'll also find other options on the menu of these classic restaurants. Led by head chef Humberto Alonso since 1984, O Gaveto's building is an iconic site due to its recognisable sign in large Gothic letters above the door, and its quirky location at the rotunda. Specialities include the rich seafood rice and lobster *açorda*.

- 19 **MARISQUEIRA ANTIGA**
Rua Roberto Ivens 628
Matosinhos 📍
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esplanada
marisqueira.com
- Marisqueira Antiga, near Matosinhos Beach, has served meals since 1957, making it the oldest *marisqueira* in Porto. It's not cheap, but you are guaranteed the highest-quality fish and seafood. Some locals also come here for the steak with an old-fashioned sauce, not to mention the divine desserts.
- 20 **MARUJO**
Rua de Tomás
Ribeiro 284
Matosinhos 📍
+351 22 400 1940
marujomarisqueira.com
- This large *marisqueira* has been around since 1978. There are plenty of tables here but this is also one of the most popular restaurants for takeaways, with locals often queuing to pick up their food.



5 bars with a MAGNIFICENT VIEW

126 DICK'S BAR

AT: THE YEATMAN HOTEL
Rua do Choupelo
Santa Marinha,
Vila Nova de Gaia 📍
+351 22 013 3100
the-yeatman-hotel.com

Dick Yeatman was a well-known British personality within the port wine trade. This bar named after him is housed in Porto's most luxurious hotel, The Yeatman. Set on a hilltop in Gaia, you are guaranteed to enjoy the very best panoramic views across the River Douro and downtown from its terrace.



127 GUINDALENSE F. C.

Escadas dos
Guindais
Sé 📍
+351 22 203 4246

Nestled alongside Porto's medieval city wall (Muralha Fernandina), this incredibly humble spot belongs to local football team Guindalense. The view over the river and the bridge is really special. If you're up for a bit of exercise, get here by walking up the steep alleyways from the riverfront. It's a gem of a walk. Otherwise, take the funicular railway.

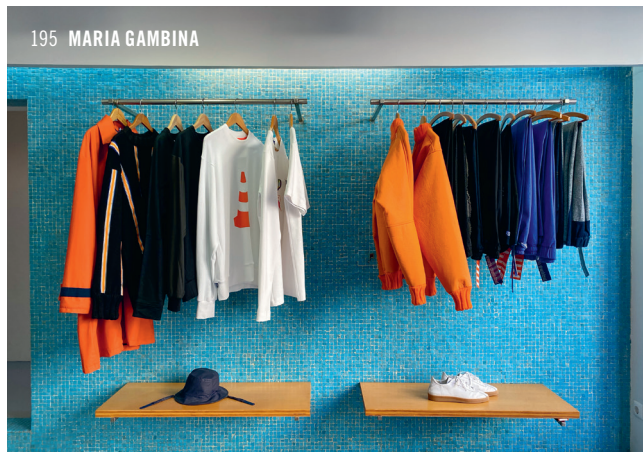


5 shops by LOCAL FASHION DESIGNERS

191 NUNO BALTAZAR

Rua do Bolhão 37
Santo Ildefonso ③
+351 22 605 4982
nunobaltazar.com

Nuno Baltazar is one of the leading fashion designers in Portugal. At his flagship store and studio in downtown Porto, you'll find his latest womenswear and menswear collections, which blend an urban industrial look with elegant shapes. Bespoke tailor services are also available, including a made-to-measure service for brides.



192 KATTY XIOMARA

Rua da Boavista 795
Cedofeita ①
+351 22 013 3784
kattyxiomara.com

Born in Venezuela, Katty Xiomara moved to Porto in 1992 at 18 years old to study fashion. Her collections have made it all the way to the Paris and New York Fashion Week circuits. Her playful womenswear creations don't shy away from vibrant prints, different textures, asymmetry and volume.

193 ANABELA BALDAQUE

Rua do Padre Luís
Cabral 1080
Foz do Douro ⑧
+351 93 405 6264
anabelabaldaque.pt

Local fashion designer Anabela Baldaque launched her own brand in the late 1980s and was one of the designers present at the first Portugal Fashion event in 1995. Her sophisticated collections tend to focus on unique feminine pieces including dresses, blouses and shirts.

194 LUIS BUCHINHO

Rua de Sá da
Bandeira 812
Santo Ildefonso ③
+351 22 201 2776
luisbuchinho.pt

Luis Buchinho's creations stand out for their original knitwear and playful cuts, giving them a modern cosmopolitan look. At his boutique and studio in Rua de Sá da Bandeira, he showcases and sells his collections to a female clientele.

195 MARIA GAMBINA

Rua Fonte da Luz 197
Foz do Douro ⑧
+351 91 722 5724

Maria Gambina is a well-established designer from Porto who has also dedicated herself to teaching fashion design, having mentored many of contemporary Portuguese designers. She finds inspiration for her creations in her passion for music. At her store in Foz, she sells her collections and accessories.



50 BUILDINGS TO ADMIRE

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5 G E M S

to discover in Porto

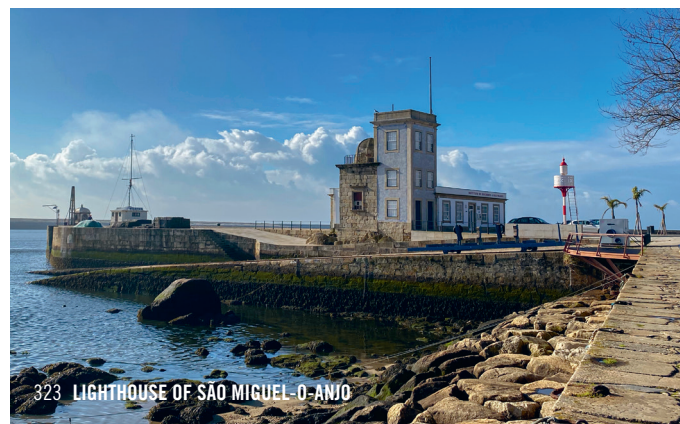
- 321 **PÉRGOLA DA FOZ**
Avenida do Brasil 694
Nevogilde ⑧
- This 1930s neoclassical pergola is an iconic sight on the seafront of Foz do Douro. There are probably not many *Portuenses* who haven't taken a photo here, with the sea in the background. António Enes Baganha, who was one of the most important artists of his generation, was in charge of the project.
- 322 **CHALÉ SUÍÇO**
Rua do Passeio Alegre 900
Foz do Douro ⑧
- The 'Swiss Chalet' is an octagonal cafe in Rua do Passeio Alegre. Built in 1873, it was later bought by the Swiss Jácome Rasker. It's the only kiosk of its type in Porto (there are six other kiosks) with the interior open to the public. Spot the intriguing ram sculpture that sits at the top.
- 323 **LIGHTHOUSE OF SÃO MIGUEL-O-ANJO**
Rua do Passeio Alegre 494
Foz do Douro ⑧
- This lighthouse is Portugal's oldest Renaissance-style building, and one of the oldest in Europe. Completed in 1538, nowadays it also encompasses a chapel and a Fiscal Guard building. Locals know it as 'Pilotos' and in the summer it's a joy to watch kids happily jumping off its sea wall for a refreshing dip.

- 324 **RUA DE SAMPAIO BRUNO**
Santo Ildefonso ③

Calçada Portuguesa is a traditional-style pavement made up of artfully arranged cobblestones, like an abstract or figurative mosaic. In 2005 the impressive *calçada* in Avenida dos Aliados was controversially replaced by granite, and parts were moved to Rua de Sampaio Bruno. You can now enjoy this beautiful 1910s pavement again.

- 325 **CENTRO COMERCIAL STOP**
Rua do Heroísmo 333
Bonfim ⑥
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With the introduction of the mega-malls in the 1990s, many of Porto's older, smaller shopping centres began to fall into decline. At the turn of the millennium, a group of musicians began taking advantage of this by renting spaces at the STOP Shopping Centre, and using them as rehearsal studios. Today STOP still has a few shops, but it's mainly home to an amazing community of musicians.



5 of the **BEST BEACHES** in Porto or nearby

446 **PRAIA DE MATOSINHOS** Matosinhos ⑨

Porto's most popular urban beach is a great choice for those seeking beginner surf lessons, although experienced local surfers enjoy it too. There are a few reputable surf schools here, as well as the beachfront 'transparent building' (as the locals call it) with beach bars and restaurants with outdoor terraces.



449 **PRAIA DE SÃO PEDRO DE MACEDA**

447 **PRAIA DO OURIGO** Foz do Douro ⑧

If you happen to be in the Foz do Douro neighbourhood on a hot day and fancy a dip in the refreshing Atlantic Ocean, then Ourigo beach will be one of your best bets. There aren't as many rocks here compared to the neighbouring beaches, plus you get a nice view of the Felgueiras lighthouse.

448 **PRAIA DE MIRAMAR** Arcozelo ⑩

Miramar is a small and upmarket seaside neighbourhood just south of Vila Nova de Gaia, and 10 kilometres from the centre of the city. Its long sandy beach is famous for the 17th-century chapel that sits on a rocky headland.

449 **PRAIA DE SÃO PEDRO DE MACEDA** Ovar

This beach is a half-an-hour drive from Porto's centre and a favourite for those seeking nature and good surf. Maceda is pretty tranquil even during the summer, with a long stretch of fine sand, and an impressive pine forest as a backdrop. There are no bars or any kind of facilities here, but its wilderness is what makes it special.

450 **PRAIA DA ARDA** Aife

Praia da Arda is located 85 kilometres north of Porto, with many *Portuenses* holidaying here in the summer. Some come just for the day. This is one of the most beautiful beaches in the region, with its extensive sand strip and excellent surf. The legendary Restaurante da Mariana serves an excellent *Robalo com Algas* (boiled sea bass with seaweed).

5 UNUSUAL activities

451 SUPER BOCK — CASA DA CERVEJA

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Leça do Balio,
Matosinhos
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[superbockcasada
cerveja.pt](http://superbockcasada
cerveja.pt)

Super Bock is the most popular beer among *Portuenses*, and Casa da Cerveja is the brewery that makes it. You can experience a two-hour tour that will teach you all about their production methods and the history of this iconic Portuguese brand. At the end, there's a beer tasting with food pairing.

452 KARTÓDROMO CABO DO MUNDO

Rua de Almeiriga
Norte 2242
Perafita ⑨
+351 22 995 9852
[cabodomundo
karting.pt](http://cabodomundo
karting.pt)

Founded in 1979, this outdoor go-karting track is another Porto classic for those who love a bit of adrenaline. Its privileged location means you can drive while enjoying a view of the sea. Many locals had their first four-wheel experience here.

453 GAZETE AZULEJOS

Rua do Duque
de Palmela 230
Bonfim ⑥
+351 91 289 1581
gazeteazulejos.com

In 2016 Alba and Marisa started an impressive online catalogue (azulejosporto.pt) of *azulejo* tiles found on façades all around Porto. This hobby led them to learn about production techniques. They now offer *azulejo* tours and workshops.

454 PORTO BRIDGE CLIMB

Rua do Ouro 68o
Lordelo do Ouro ⑦
+351 92 920 7117
portobridgeclimb.com

In the old days, climbing the Arrábida bridge was a 'secret' night-time activity pursued by thrill-seeking youngsters, although everyone except their parents seemed to know about it. These days you too can give it a go with Porto Bridge Climb. They provide guides and all the equipment to ensure a safe adventure. Sunset slots offer a beautiful experience.

455 CLUBE DE MINIGOLFE DO PORTO

Avenida de
Dom Carlos I
Foz do Douro ⑧
+351 22 618 8150
[clubeminigolfe
porto.com](http://clubeminigolfe
porto.com)

This crazy golf course is a nostalgic activity for many *Portuenses* who have been coming here since the 1970s. There are two fun 18-hole courses: Minigolfe for more advanced players, and Petergolfe for beginners. At the end, you can snap some photos on the podium. As a bonus, it's located in the charming gardens of Passeio Alegre.



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QUIRKY FACTS

about Porto life and culture

471 PORTUGAL IS NAMED AFTER PORTO

Porto fell under the control of the Moors during the invasion of the Iberian Peninsula in 711, including the settlement of *Portus Cale*, a Celtic-Latin ethnonym for what is now known as Vila Nova de Gaia. The word Portugal is based on the transliteration and oral evolution of Latin from *Portus Cale*.

472 TRIPEIROS CHECK: MONUMENTO AOS TRIPEIROS Jardim do Calém Lordelo do Ouro ⑦

In 1415, when Henry the Navigator left Porto on an expedition, the citizens offered up their supply of meat to feed the sailors, leaving behind nothing but by-products such as tripe. This is why Porto's traditional tripe stew plays such an important role in the city's gastronomic culture. It's also why the nickname *Tripeiros* (tripe eaters) was given to the *Portuenses*. The Tripeiros Monument acknowledges the generosity of the people of Porto.

473 FOOTBALL

Portuenses live and breathe football. Most establishments have TVs constantly showing matches. After the revolution of 1974, the city's clubs FC Porto and Boavista FC started thriving, winning trophies both nationally and internationally. From these proud achievements stems the locals' favourite phrase: "*O Porto não é uma cidade, o Porto é uma nação*" ("Porto is not a city, Porto is a nation").

474 PINTO DA COSTA

If you want to have some banter with locals about football you should also know about Jorge Nuno de Lima Pinto da Costa, who has been FC Porto's president since 1982. With more than 60 trophies under his belt, he's arguably the most titled football chairman in the world. Although his reign isn't free from controversy, he's revered by many.

475 PORTO STUDENTS INSPIRED HARRY POTTER

J.K. Rowling lived in Porto in the early 1990s while teaching English as a foreign language. During this time, she's said to have started working on the Harry Potter series, finding inspiration in the grand interior of the Majestic Cafe. The image of Porto's university students in their black cape uniforms is believed to have inspired the Hogwarts student attire.