

Azores Island Hopping

Trip style: Island hopping

Destination: 📍 Portugal

Trip code: AZS14-WHW10

Grades: 1, 2



HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

A necklace of nine volcanic islands set in the North Atlantic Ocean, the Azores is a sub-tropical wonderland that is very much a part of Portugal. You'll get to explore five of the islands, including São Miguel – the forested beauty blessed with volcanic peaks, sparkling lagoons, geothermal spots, and waters that are home to sperm whales, beaked whales, and dolphins. More adventure awaits on the remaining islands, including opportunities to climb to the summit of 2,351-metre-high Mount Pico, enjoy crater rim walks and thermal pool swims, and spend time in the UNESCO-listed city of Angra do Heroísmo on Terceira Island.

WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- Visiting the island of Pico for the tallest mountain in Portugal
- Admiring the lunar landscape of Capelinhos on Faial
- Discovering São Jorge's fajãs (lava-spills)
- Walking inside a lava tube on Terceira
- Taking relaxing soaks in thermal springs
- Marvelling at the blue and green lagoons of Sete Cidades

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Full programme of guided walks led by local HF Holidays Leaders
- Comfortable accommodation
- Half-board (plus six packed lunches)
- Traditional lunch on day 14
- All sightseeing and entrance fees (as per itinerary)
- Air-conditioned transport around the islands
- Travel between the islands by plane or ferry
- Return flights from the UK including hold baggage and airport transfers

ITINERARY

Hotel do Canal - Azores

Situated opposite the marina with views of Pico beyond, this modern 4-star hotel is in keeping with the marine feel of Horta with a decked balcony and nautical photographs. This is a great base for exploring Horta.

Hotel São Jorge, São Jorge - Azores

Hotel Sao Jorge Garden sits with an enviable view overlooking the coast and is just 200m from the centre of Velas. It has small pool in the gardens with views out to the sea as well as a small bar.

Hotel Marina Atlantico, Ponta Delgada - Azores

This four-star hotel has a prominent position next to the Ponta Delgada Marina, just a stone's throw from the ocean. This contemporary hotel was designed with a nod to the island's nautical past.

Hotel Terceira Mar, Terceira - Azores

This four-star hotel sits below Monte Brasil and looks out onto the ocean. It features a restaurant, bar, spa area, infinity saltwater pool, and an indoor heated pool. A great place to spend your time on Terceira.