

CITIZEN CULTURAL HERITAGE WEEK

2 to 6 may 2022

INFOPACK Braga – Portugal

Welcome to Braga!



Located in **Northern Portugal**, the so-called Portuguese Rome was voted **Best European Destination for 2021**.

Braga will appeal to lovers of history and architecture. This city is also a must-see destination for **gourmets**, but also for **shopping addicts** (with one of the largest shopping centres and a wide range of independent shops in the city centre). Braga is also a must-see destination for **spirituality** with sumptuous churches, monasteries and shrines.

Incredibly **romantic** too, Braga is one of the **happiest cities in Europe** and among the one with the best quality of life in the world.

Still thinking about Covid? Braga has been recognized by the OECD for the quick and innovative response of the authorities to stop the epidemic by protecting the most vulnerable.

The city is also committed to **sustainable tourism** and is part of the network of cities with zero CO2 emissions.

City of tradition and modernity, it is dynamic, sparkling, cultural, gastronomic and historical.

UNESCO World Heritage Centre



Located on the top of a hill, with amazing views over Braga, you will find the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte, classified as a **World Heritage Centre by Unesco** in 2019. Under construction for 600 years, it has many architectural influences scattered on its several chapels, the main church, fountains, gardens, and even on the 116 meters (380 feet) staircases, leading from the bottom of the mountain to the entrance of the Sanctuary.

We can even explore the park around it with its caves and viewpoints over Braga.

Before traveling to Portugal, you need to be aware of the public health measures implemented in Portugal : [COVID-19 | Measures implemented in Portugal | www.visitportugal.com](#)

How to reach BRAGA from PORTO airport (OPO)

Airport Shuttle - Getbus

This is probably the best option to get to the city center and it is not expensive. Taking about an hour to get to the city center of Braga, as it makes no stops. The prices are around 9 euros per person.

Book your journey here: [GET BUS® - Aeroporto Porto - Braga - Guimarães - Porto | Get Bus](#)

Train

Braga trains leave from Porto Campanha Station or Porto Sao Bento Station, both in the city of Porto, on a regular basis, taking approximately 40 minutes to an hour depending on the bus you take.

In order to get to the station, you will need to take a Metro or a bus from the airport. The Metro will require taking the E Metro line from the airport, then a switch at Trindade to take the D Line to Sao Bento Station or the C Line to Campanha Station. The bus lines 601 and 602 from the airport go close to Sao Bento Station, but you will need to alight at Carnio and walk for 5 minutes approximately.

The train cost varies dependent on how far in advance tickets are purchased and which train you take. It is therefore very advisable to pre-book tickets via the CP Comboios de Portugal website to ensure the best deal available: [CP - Comboios de Portugal](#)

Taxi

Of course, this is the most convenient and the fastest way to get to the city center of Braga. And the most expensive. The price should be about 70 euros, depending on where you are going in the city of Braga. Just be careful about overcharging. In Portugal, all taxis are mandatory to have fare meters on the dash. Pay only what's on the meter and tip if you want.

[Porto Airport Taxis and Transfers | Book Online \(welcomepickups.com\)](#)

Car

Renting a car to go to Braga is a good option. It will give you the freedom to travel to Braga and explore the sights around Braga, the National Park of Peneda do Gerês, the Douro, and even Porto if you are staying a few days in Portugal. And the trip should take you around 40 minutes.

Bus

There are no direct buses from the airport to Braga. It is possible, but you will need to change at least twice and it can take a bit more than 2 hours.

Practical Information

We are pleased to host the Cultural Citizen Heritage Week at:
André Soares School: Praceta André Soares 39, 4715-012 Braga

HOTELS SUGGESTION

Braga Center Apartments (approx. 1.5 km from André Soares School)

- **2 bedroom flat:** 75 euros/night (2 double beds and a sofa bed - capacity up to 6 people)
- **1 bedroom flat:** 60 euros/night (1 double bed and 1 sofa bed - capacity up to 4 people)
- **Studio flat:** 50 euros/night (1 double bed and 1 double sofa bed - capacity up to 4 people)

<https://bragacenterapartments.com/>

RESTAURANT SUGGESTION

Lunch

- **School canteen:** €1,46 price for students/meal; €4,10 price for teachers/meals
- **Retrokitchen:** daily menu €7/person - <https://goo.gl/maps/bg6ZEYsmd41FSDdc7>
- **Bira dos Namorados:** daily menu €7/person - <https://g.page/bira-dos-namorados-braga?share>

Dinner

- **Bira dos Namorados:** €15/person - <https://g.page/bira-dos-namorados-braga?share>
- **Ruela Eat. Drink:** €12/person - <https://goo.gl/maps/EViXUBpWfokRHVvT6>
- **Taberna Londrina:** €15/person - <https://goo.gl/maps/2CHTjgzS5ZaWXkNs6>
- **Velhos Tempos:** €15/person - <https://goo.gl/maps/i3SZ2jja85unV3RW6>
- **Mostarda & Chocolate:** €15/person - <https://goo.gl/maps/vef2qNAM6fugqUGb9>

Contacts:

National emergency number

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SNS 24 number (if you suspect you have COVID-19)

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ENJOY YOUR STAY IN BRAGA!

We remain at your disposal for any questions and clarifications!