

The Garden House



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Flowers and Gardens of Madeira



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Exodus Travels

It all began in 1974 with two men and one dream: the desire to travel to far-flung parts of the world, interact with local people and learn more about the amazing planet we all live on. Delving into local traditions, cultures, cuisines and history is what we love, what we're passionate about, and what we're constantly striving to share with our clients.

This ethos has stayed with us for over 40 years and we are now pleased to offer more than 500 sensitively run itineraries to over 100 countries world wide.

Below you'll discover a little more about how we operate.

EXPERTS: We've been doing this for over 40 years - and we remain as driven, passionate and committed to creating brilliant holidays as we ever have.

SECURITY: Exodus hold an Air Traffic Organisers License (ATOL no. 2582), we're also bonded to IATA, and are members of ABTA and FTO. So you know that when you book with Exodus you're fully protected and in safe hands.

For more information visit <u>www.exodus.co.uk/about-exodus</u>

TRUST: You'll find over 10,000 reviews of our holidays online. None modified, deleted or hidden. We learn from your feedback and believe that's why 97% of our customers would recommend us to a friend.

FLEXIBILITY: Want to upgrade your flights? Spend a week relaxing on a beach after your trip? Anything is possible. Speak to one of our experts about flexible travel options and let's make it personal.

SAFETY: We'll meet you from the airport, get you safely from place to place, and provide you with the right kit to tackle every thrilling activity.

LEADERS: Exodus prides itself on working with the best tour leaders in the business.

The dedication, amazing local knowledge, and sheer hard working attitude shown by our leaders helps to make the difference between you having a good trip and the trip of a lifetime!

VALUE: We have always offered the best experience at a fair price. We include much as part of our itineraries meaning you won't have any sudden costs experienced on your trip.

RESPONSIBLE: We always remember that we are only ever guests to the places we visit. We travel courteously, and are always working to improve our impact and give back to communities across the globe.

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This is the first Garden House trip to **Madeira**, but we have had several successful adventures to South Africa, Japan, Holland, Belgium, Ireland and Germany, as well as several locations in the UK.

As with our courses and workshops at the Garden House in Brighton our aim is to provide an exciting programme of activities within a relaxed atmosphere. Those of you who have travelled with us before know that we always try to seek out special places and enjoyable cultural experiences. Our focus is not only on gardens, but on local foods, produce, customs and culture.

BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE:

















ACCOMMODATION

Exodus and the Garden House will arrange your stay in a 4* Hotel in Funchal within walking distance of the amenities, restaurants and bars of this lovely City.

Subject to availability we are requesting the <u>Golden Residence Hotel</u>. Featuring panoramic views and only 3.5 km away from Funchal City, the hotel offers an outdoor pool, a wellness centre, modern rooms with private balconies, equipped with air conditioning, a flat-screen TV, and a kettle. Some rooms have side views of the North Atlantic Ocean.

The Golden Spa offers various health and beauty treatments, including hot stone massages. It also features a heated indoor pool, a gym, and a meditation room. Golden Flavours Restaurant serves regional and international cuisine made with fresh produce from the hotel's vegetable garden. The Golden View Bar serves a variety of drinks.

If the hotel is not available we will recommend a similar standard Hotel and the price will not be affected.





Inclusions:

All accommodation as mentioned in itinerary Transfers throughout
Tours & excursions mentioned in itinerary
All Breakfasts and four lunches
2 suppers on day one and on last evening.

Exclusions:

Tips

Travel Insurance

Personal expenses

Any activities/excursions not mentioned

Optional activities

Visas

Early check-in

Please note that this is a quotation only, and neither reservations for services nor accommodation bookings have been made. Availability of all services is guaranteed upon confirmation of reservation.





TRIP OVERVIEW AND ACCOMMODATION:

Day 1 24.02.2019

♦ Arrival Transfer

♦Guest will be met by Our Local Team

Stroll through the Promenade Gardens

OSupper in the Evening

Day 2 25.02.2019

♦Visit the Laurissilva Forest and walking tour

OLunch in Cantinho da Serra restaurant or similar

Day 3 26.02.2019

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◊Lunch at Vila do Peixe restaurant or similar

Day 4 27.02.2019

♦A memorable tour with Madeira Cook Experience

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♦ Continue to Santa Catarina Park and Quinta Vigia

Day 5 28.02..2019

♦ Gardens around the city and Monte

◊Lunch at Quinta do Monte restaurant

Day 6 01.03.2019

♦Free day

OSupper in the Evening

Day 7 02.03.2019

♦Departure Transfer

FLIGHTS:

 Sun 24 Feb
 Sat 2 Mar

 Dep 07:15
 Dep 17:45

 Arr 11:05
 Arr 21:30

Please note.

Exodus will use flights on EasyJet departing from Gatwick. Times To Be Confirmed. The earlier you book the better the price as late availability is subject to higher costs.





DAY TO DAY ITINERARY:

Day 1: 24 FEB 2019

Arrival Day

Clients on the group flight will be met at the airport arrivals hall by our English Speaking Guide.

A transfer will take you into town and an excursion to the Promenade Gardens is arranged as an introduction to this wonderful destination.

There will be a Supper in the evening for the Group at a local restaurant in Funchal.

Day 2: 25 FEB 2019

Visit the Laurissilva and a short Levada Walk

Driving up the mountain we reach 'Pico do Arieiro', the second highest mountain from the island (1810m). Ribeiro Frio will be the next stop. In the heart of the 'Laurissilva' forest, a gorgeous garden surrounds the trout hatchery.

From here you will have the opportunity to make a short walk to "Balcões" (1h30 walk) to enjoy the magnificent views over the deep valleys surrounded by steep mountains. At the end group will have the opportunity to taste a typical drink «Poncha».

The Mountain tracks will expose you to the magnificent views, eventually arriving at Santana, the most typical village on the island until today, where the peculiar thatching roof houses can be found. A lunch will be served at "Cantinho da Serra" restaurant, a delightful balance of a relaxed ambiance, good food and gracious service. It is slightly hidden away and from the outside looks like a Madeira country house.







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DAY TO DAY ITINERARY:

Day 3: 26 FEB 2019

An Unforgettable Wine Tasting Experience at Vinhos Barbeito

Vinhos Barbeito was founded in 1946 by Mário Barbeito de Vasconcelos and has since then always been run by members of our family.

These handcrafted wines combine the best elements of Madeira's classical tradition with Barbeito's own quest for purity and vineyard and varietal expression.

After exploring the Winery, you will be able to sample a range of 3 or 5 yr old varieties.

The group will then have lunch at the nearby Vila do Peixe restaurant for a set menu lunch and some drinks.





Day 4: 27 FEB 2019

A Memorable Tour City Highlights & Madeira cook experience

This introduction to the city starts at the Cathedral, Largo do Colégio, Municipal Gardens, also known as Donna Amélia Garden, in memory of the Queen, Theater and the most famous wine lodges "Madeira Wine Company" dating back to 1811, is considered one of the best examples of the wine industry on the island. After the visit to the different rooms a wine tasting will delight guests with the different kinds of Madeira wine. Next departure to the charming market "Mercado dos Lavradores", for Madeira cook Experience. This is to present to our guests the unforgettable flavors and to give them a special taste of Madeira, they won't soon forget by making them find out more about our food, people and old market, from our very own 'local' point of view. An unparalleled, food-related experience, where everyone will have the chance to learn how to cook and also taste, their self-made Madeira Flavors! So we would like to challenge you to be part of this local experience and cook with us! After lunch visit to Quinta Vigia, the official residence of the Madeira's President, and the Santa Catarina Park that offers a lovely view over the bay of Funchal, several paths with benches and flanked by many species of the world's flora and a lovely lake with a small island where swans and ducks thrive.





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DAY TO DAY ITINERARY:

Day 5: 28 FEB 2019

Precious Madeira Plants & Flowers Gardens around the city

We will start the journey at The Quinta das Cruzes Garden, this garden offers a broad range of endemic and exotic plants a landscaped park surrounded by centennial trees placed along cobblestone paths. Then continue to the Botanical Garden, endemic flowers of the island, as well as brought from all over the world turn the landscape into a palette of a painter. More than 2000 exotic plants, from all continents, are preserved as in its original environment. Next we take you up to Monte village by cable car, where you will enjoy the spectacular panorama of the city of Funchal. . To restore our energy, lunch will be served at Winter Garden Restaurant at Quinta do Monte (an old Manor House with a very cozy restaurant). After lunch continue to Monte Palace Gardens, occupy an area of 70 000m2 and has been replanted with exotic flora from different Continents. There is large area with typical plants from Laurissilva Forest. For the most adventurous of the group, we suggest descending on the legendary toboggan.



Free Day.

There will be a Supper in the evening for the Group at a local restaurant in Funchal

Day 7: 02 MARCH 2019

Departure Day

A Transfer is arranged for those on the group flight in the late afternoon (subject to flight schedule) for your onward journey to the UK.







