

Living in Portugal

In the 1960s and 1970s, Portugal witnessed the construction of a range of social structures, encompassing social housing complexes spurred by the SAAL process, as well as a network of municipal markets and leisure facilities. Portuguese architects undertook the task of addressing the country's significant housing precarity through their designs, responding to a deficit of 600,000 homes. During this period, 25% of the population resided in uninhabitable conditions, 52% lacked access to water, 53% lived without electricity, 60% lacked sewage systems, and 67% lacked sanitary facilities.

Throughout our six-day stay, we will immerse ourselves in Portugal's rich architectural heritage. Although time constraints will permit only a glimpse, this promises to be an authentic experience of 'living' Portugal. We will explore significant locations, interact with locals, and enjoy communal dining experiences.

Our exploration will primarily focus on the architectural output of this era. The influential works of Álvaro Siza and Fernando Távora will serve as key focal points of our study. Nevertheless, we will also delve into the contributions of other architects spanning various historical periods.

Our journey will commence in Lisbon and encompass visits to Évora, Alcobaça, Aveiro, Santa Maria da Feira, Porto, Caminha, and other notable destinations.

The estimated cost per person is CHF 750.00, which covers transportation, overnight accommodations, entry fees, and two group dinners.

Please be aware that this cost does not include travel by train or plane to Lisbon/Porto, as participants are responsible for arranging these parts of their travel independently.

