

Fun things to do!

Poços;

Poços are natural ponds that often have a small waterfall. Wonderful for swimming in or for strolling around.

In the neighborhood we have two poços;

Poço azul and Poço negro. Both can be easily looked up on Google maps. Poço azul is 10/15 min drive and poço negro 30 min

Parque Urbana das Nogueiras

The totally renovated city park is a great outing with little kids. Plenty to play and with the water mill and river it is a wonderful place to picnic or walk.

Bioparque in Carvalhais

This park has a large outdoor pool with a small climbing course. Next to the park are several old water mills, some of which are still in use. Worth taking a look at.

Quinta da Comenda

1000-year-old organic wine farm where they grow delicious organic wine and vegetables. You can get a tour and wine tasting there. On Saturdays at 11:00 they sell their organic vegetables and produce. They also have regular events.

Quinta d'Arminho

An agriculture farm set up and run by João and Raquel. They grow hundreds of vegetables and fruits and have animals. Fun and interesting visit with children. 44 min drive. Instagram: quintad'arminho, contact them in advance.

Covas do Monte

This is a mini village in the mountains where you imagine yourself back in time. A little stroll around the village and the drive itself are well worth it. Afterwards it is nice to drive on to the village of Pena. This village has a restaurant with a fantastic view. Here you can enjoy a delicious meat platter, with meat from the village itself. You can only pay with cash here!

Drave

Drave is an abandoned village near Covas do Monte. Through a bumpy dirt road you can get pretty close by car but the last part you have to walk. However, we always put the car at the top of the mountain because the dirt road to the village is quite demanding. If you do this, it takes half an hour to walk down to the village and back up again, which is quite tough.

Serra da Estrella

This is the largest mountain range and, according to many, the most beautiful natural park in Portugal. It is a bit of a drive

(1 hour) but if you have time it is definitely worth it.

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Lets go surfing "Surfers Camp"

Just over an hour's drive from Deveza is the beach town of Esmoriz. Here a good friend of ours has his own surf school. You can easily rent a board here and go explore the waves yourself or if you have no experience you can take a lesson here. The owner Rui is an experienced surfer and mega skilled at giving surf lessons. Definitely fun as a daytrip!

Passadiços do Paiva (hike)

A beautiful hike of about 8 km, which is considered one of the most beautiful hikes in Portugal, where you also pass by the huge footbridge of 512 meters long. In high season it is advisable to buy tickets:

<https://reservas.passadicosdopaiva.pt/en/bilhetes>

More info about this route can be found on this nice blog: <https://travelaar.nl/passadicos-do-paiva-portugal/>

Beautiful, picturesque places to walk through:

Santa Cruz da trapa, Vouzela, Termas (part of São Pedro do Sul)

Hiking trails

On the site <https://www.cm-spsul.pt/conteudo.asp?idcat=160> you can find hiking trails in SPS.

Yoga with Donna

Our good friend Donna teaches wonderful Vinyasa and yin yoga. She teaches in her studio in the village, but private lessons at Deveza are also a possibility. Let us know if you are interested!

Massage

We have a regular on-site masseuse. She gives the finest massages on her massage table. Pay cash.

Paddleboarding

A local in the village, named David, provides Paddleboarding trips. He takes you out on the river or lake and shows you the Portuguese flora and fauna on the board.

Grande hotel Termas Spa

The most beautiful spa of Portugal! Enjoy the luxurious pools, hot tubs, a sauna and an outside area with cocktail bar. Let us know if you want to go and you'll get a Deveza Discount.

Viseu

Viseu is a beautiful city to spend an afternoon walking around in. It has a beautiful old center with plenty of terraces. When the cathedral is open, it is definitely worth going inside. There are also many restaurants here to enjoy a good meal.

Douro valley

East of Porto lies the Douro Valley, a beautiful rolling wine region. A must to tour through!

Tip: make sure you have enough cash with you when you go out, regularly you can't pay with non-Portuguese debit cards at Portuguese ATMs in restaurants!