The Pousada was erected from the ruins of the 8th century medieval castle. It is recognized as a "Luxury & Design Hotel"; the architectonic remodeling of the building conciliates the traces of the past with a modern design, inviting the guest to live in an atmosphere in which different periods coexist.

Surrounded by the extraordinary landscape of the Sado Valley, the charm of this Pousada begins in its interior, where a museum area offers its visitors the chance to appreciate a collection of archaeological vestiges of the Phoenician, Roman and Arabic culture.
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Enjoy the serenity of the Alentejo Region in the town’s most emblematic building: the castle of Alcácer do Sal.
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“Hall of Columns” is the name of the restaurant of the Pousada D. Afonso II, the former Aracoeli Convent. In this restaurant, with capacity for 140 people and an atmosphere of utmost refinement, the best dishes of the Region are served: from lamb to codfish, eels and cuttlefish strips – everything is delicious. Keep some space for the wonderful desserts; you will not be able to resist the temptations of the Alcácer do Sal Convent Cake. Take advantage of the terrace to enjoy a relaxing afternoon, tasting an aromatic coffee accompanied by a piece of Pine Nut Tart.
RESTAURANT OF THE POUSADA

SPECIALITIES

Peas Basket with Bacon and poached Egg

Fried Codfish “Patanisca”

Pork Tenderloin with Green Asparagus and Regional Garnish “Migas”

Pine Nut Tart

Restaurant capacity: 75

The dishes are subject to change without prior notice.
"The Emperor’s City of Salt” was occupied and coveted by Phoenicians, Greeks, Romans, Visigoths, Muslims and Christians.

Alcácer do Sal is the Alentejo, its coastline and its history. It is also one of Europe’s oldest towns, its foundation dating back to the time of the Phoenicians. Here you will find vestiges of the Mesolithic Ages and of the presence of Romans, Celts and Arabs. It was the scenery of many conquests and reconquests amidst the territorial disputes between the Kings of Portugal and the Moorish invaders. It was also one of the most important ports of the Iberian Peninsula and even minted coins at the beginning of the 1st century B.C.

Intimately linked to the Sado River, Alcácer is a quiet and friendly city; its houses are spread close to the river in a landscape dominated by the old castle. Embedded in one of the most extensive natural beauty landscapes in Southern Portugal, in which the Estuário do Sado Nature Reserve is located, Alcácer do Sal is rich in breathtaking plains and beaches that are well worth visiting.
From balloon rides to boat excursions to see the dolphins in the Sado River, the region surrounding Alcacer has many wonders to offer. For all those wishing to enjoy a day in the sun and the serenity of the Alentejo Region, visiting the Comporta or Carvalhal beaches is a good option. You can also drive a little further to the south and spend the afternoon at the Santo André Lagoon and later visit Sines, to appreciate the friendly character of this region, famous for its Music of the World Festival. For fun days with the family, two good suggestions are the Estuário do Sado Nature Park and the Badoça Park.
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ACTIVITIES

BIRD WATCHING
Sado’s Estuary

BADOSA PARK
Herdade da Badosar
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Tel.: +351 269 708 850
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NATURAL RESERVE
OF THE SADO ESTUARY

FISHING

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TRADITIONAL GAMES

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EXCURSIONS ON THE SADO RIVER

EXCURSION TO WATCH THE DOLPHINS

PASSEIOS E COMPANHIA
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HIKING
Senhor dos Mártires Route,
Passeio dos Negros.

BALLOON Rides

BEACHES

PEGO DO ALTAR RESERVOIR

VALE GAIO RESERVOIR DAM

COMPARTA

CARVALHAL

SANTO ANDRÉ LAGOON

WATER SPORTS
Canoeing; Rowing; Diving.

WINE ROUTES

HERDADE DA MONTEIRA
Alcácer do sal
Tel.: +351 932 705 807

EVENTS

MAY - MONTH OF CULTURE
May

TORRÃO FAIR
August

PIMEL - TRADITIONAL FAIR OF THE PINE
NUT AND HONEY
June

NEW OCTOBER FAIR
October

WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL – SINES
July

OUT
TO SEE

Alcácer do Sal is a council with an extremely rich heritage. At an architectural level, the Alcácer Castle, the Senhor dos Mártires Sanctuary, the Onze Mil Virgens Chapel and the Santiago church stand out. In Torrão, it is worth visiting the "Solar dos Viscondes" — a mixture of "Pombal" style with the structure of 18th century aristocratic Baroque. Without leaving the Pousada, visit the Museum Centre of the Alcácer Castle, of an enormous archaeological importance.

You can also visit the “salt galleons”, the traditional, and unique in the world, boats of the Sado River, with an enormous ethnographic value; an important element in the history of Alcácer, when salt was regarded as “white gold”.

OUT
TO SEE

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TORRÃO ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM
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SANTA MARIA DO CASTELO CHURCH
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ALCÁcer DO SAL ROMAN FORUM
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SANTUARY
ROMAN VILLA
Santa Catarina

ALCácer DO SAL CASTLE
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VISCOUNTS OF TORRÃO SOLAR
Rua de Beja – Torrão

SINES CASTLE
Largo Porta do Bocage – Sines

THATCHED HUTS
Carrasqueira

SALT GALLEONS
The gastronomy of Alcácer do Sal is rich in fish, game and local products like rice and pine nuts. In the typical style of the Alentejo Region, everything is well aromatized with herbs. Traditional sausages and cheeses constitute, along with the wine, some of the most typical and appreciated specialities in any corner of the Alentejo Region. Among the characteristic dishes, the "açorda", the roasted lamb, the fish soup, the beans, the rabbit Cristovão style and the eel stew. Among the conventual desserts, we have the sweet eggs, the "Pinhoadas", the "Salatinos" and the Royal Cake, which are the most authentic and popular confectioneries.
TO EAT

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A ESCOLA
Estrada Nacional, 253 - Alcácer do Sal
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HORTELÃ DA RIBEIRA
Avenida João Soares Branco, 15
7580-166 Alcácer do Sal
Tel.: +351 927 462 789

TYPICAL DISHES
River Shrimp, Clams Soup with Spinach, Razor Shell Rice, Pinhoadas.

DESSERTS
Salacianos, Honey Cake, Pine Nuts Pie, Torrão Cheesecake, Egg Lozenges, Royal Cake.

BEVERAGES

OUT