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Blue Whale Discovery Departs March-June

Prices

From £995 to £1195
per person (mediumhigh season)
Solo travellers from
£1195 to £1595

Blue whale discovery is one of our bestselling set itinerary tours. As the season of rebirth begins, the Azores come alive with enchanting beauty. Marvel at the grandeur of the blue whales as you view them in their natural habitat whilst learning more about them and their conservation from our experts. April, May and June is the best time to see the baleen whales as they feed offshore on the nutrient rich waters. Our special lookouts ensure we have some of the best sightings worldwide. This holiday will create cherished memories of a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

"WE WERE ON THE CATAMARAN AND A
HUGE GASP WENT UP FROM EVERYONE ON
BOARD: A FIN WHALE SWAM IN FRONT OF
THE BOAT, RAISED ITS HEAD AND OPENED
ITS MOUTH OUT OF THE WATER TO FEED. IT
WAS ONLY A FEW SECONDS, BUT THAT
SIGHT IS ENGRAVED ON MY MEMORY"

Choose your boat

Choose from either a large stable catamaran for great vantage points, toilet facilities and indoor/outdoor seating, or our faster hard-hulled rigid inflatable boat (RIB) for an exhilarating ride and to get close to the action quickly

Specialists in whale and dolphin wildlife holidays working with the best expert marine biologist guides and responsible boat operators



there is time, you can explore the local area and enjoy dinner in one of the excellent restaurants near the old town centre or at the marina.

Day 2: On the second day, after a leisurely morning spent exploring the town's architecture and botanical gardens. Head down to the boat base where you will embark upon your first halfday trip when you have the best opportunity to see the majestic blue, fin and humpback whales in their natural ocean habitat. The ocean's secrets shall be shared with you, and the best ways to spot them revealed!

Days 3-4:

Each of these days has the possibility for new adventure. The final itinerary is decided by our experts upon your arrival, we leave these days open to allow for tours to be scheduled for the best possible weather conditions and sightings.

Day 5: Free day and a chance to immerse yourself in the island's wonders. Whether it be trekking through the mountains or gliding along the water in lakes set in volcanic craters, the choice is yours to make.

Day 6: An enchanting geothermal tour awaits where you will see hot springs, geysers, and bubbling mud pools. You will bathe in hot springs set in stunning award winning botanical gardens. A dip in the hot thermal lake can be a truly magical experience.

Day 7: A free day, unless you choose to add another tour , you could venture upon the waves once more, seeking to glimpse the giants of the sea, or explore the local lava caves. Speak to us about adding an extra tour to your holiday.

Day 8: Departure day. Transfer to the airport from your hotel.



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Climate

The Azores temperate climate and the ocean breezes ensure the islands are cooler than mainland Europe in the summer. This makes it the perfect holiday destination!

Winter average temp: 16-19°C Spring/Summer average temp: 22-30°C

This holiday includes a full day tour to the incredible volcanic village of Furnas. This geothermal wonder features bubbling mud pools, geysers and hot mineral pools for bathing. Ask us if you would like to spend longer here!

What's Included?

- Three half day trips to sea at the optimum time to see migrating blue, fin & humpback whales in addition to resident species.
- Full day geothermal tour to Furnas with "Cozido" lunch included.
- Talks from local marine biologists
- 7 nights accommodation
- Services of local personnel at our boat base
- All airport transfers

How to book

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Azores Ocean Discovery Year Round

Prices

From £895 to £1195 per person (low-high season)
Solo travellers from £995 to £1495

This holiday is very similar to our Spring Blue Whale discovery, however outside of the Spring season our focus is on discovering an array of dolphin and whale species as they feed from the rich phytoplankton in the area. The Azores is one of the best destinations worldwide for whale watching and we get incredible sightings year after year. You can marvel at the grandeur of these animals while you view them in their natural habitat. You will also have a chance to learn more about them and their conservation from our experts. This holiday is guaranteed to create cherished memories and provide a once-in-a-lifetime experience.



Why not add some extra tours to your itinerary? You can browse our tours

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Day 1: Transfer to the hotel from the airport. If there is time, you can explore the local area and enjoy dinner in one of the excellent restaurants near the old town centre or at the marina.

Day 2: On the second day, after a leisurely morning spent exploring the town's architecture and botanical gardens. Head down to the boat base where you will embark upon your first half-day trip to spot the whales and other wondrous marine creatures. The ocean's secrets shall be shared with you, and the best ways to spot them revealed.

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Day 8: Departure day. Transfer to the airport from your hotel.



What's Included?

Three half day trips to sea with a choice of boats

• Full day geothermal tour to Furnas with "Cozido" lunch included.

- Talks from local marine biologists
- 7 nights accommodation
- Services of local personnel at our boat base
- All airport transfers



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Upgrades are available if you would like to stay near the harbour or in a 5* hotel, just let us know!

What's Included?

If you would like to add more trips to sea, island activities or land

tours to this itinerary

then please enquire

about tailor-made.

- Two half day trips to sea whale and whale watching with a choice of boats
- Full day geothermal tour to Furnas with "Cozido" lunch included
- Full day jeep and activity tour to Sete
 Cidades with lunch in local restaurant
 and kayaking or cycling around the lakes
- Talks from local marine biologists on the boats
- 7 nights B & B accommodation
- All airport transfers

Climate

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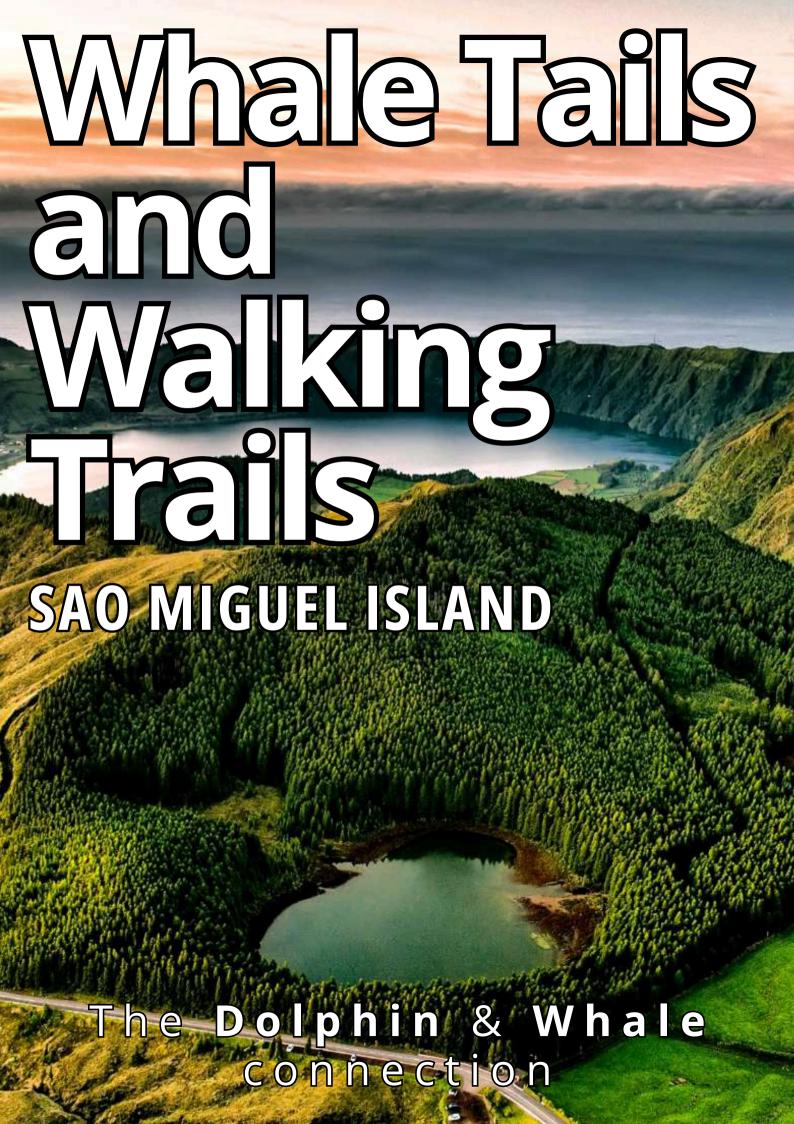
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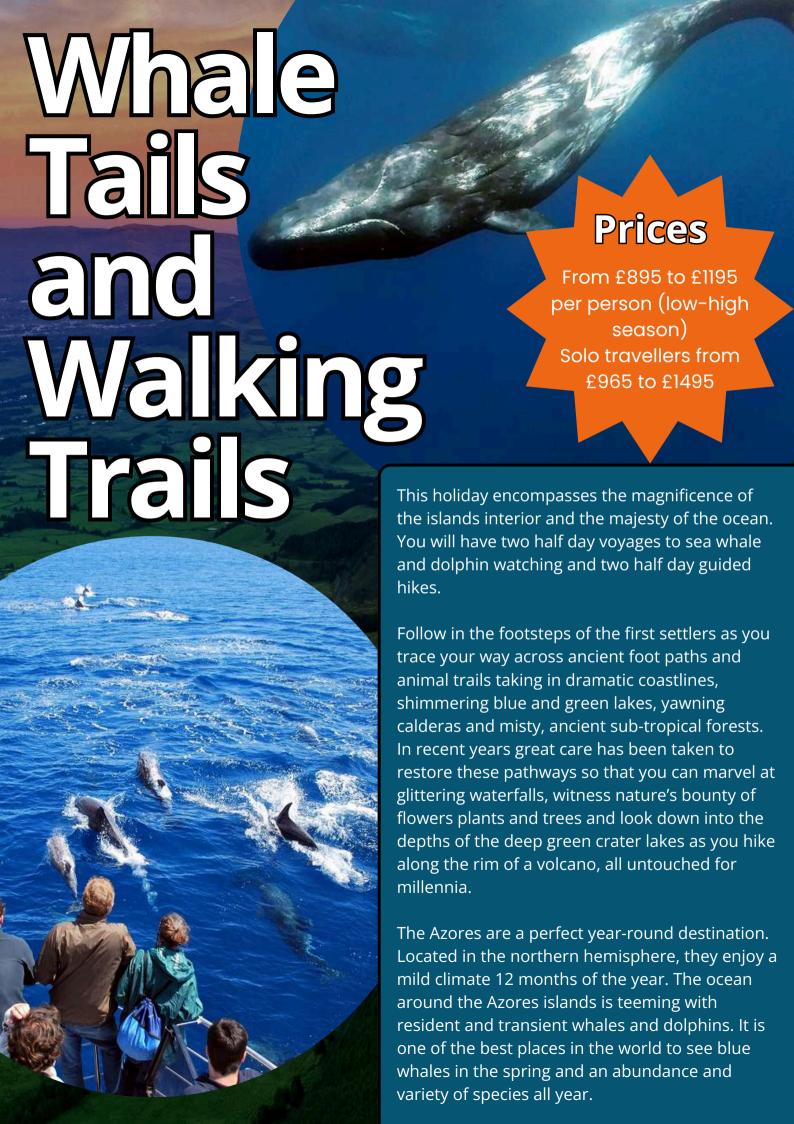


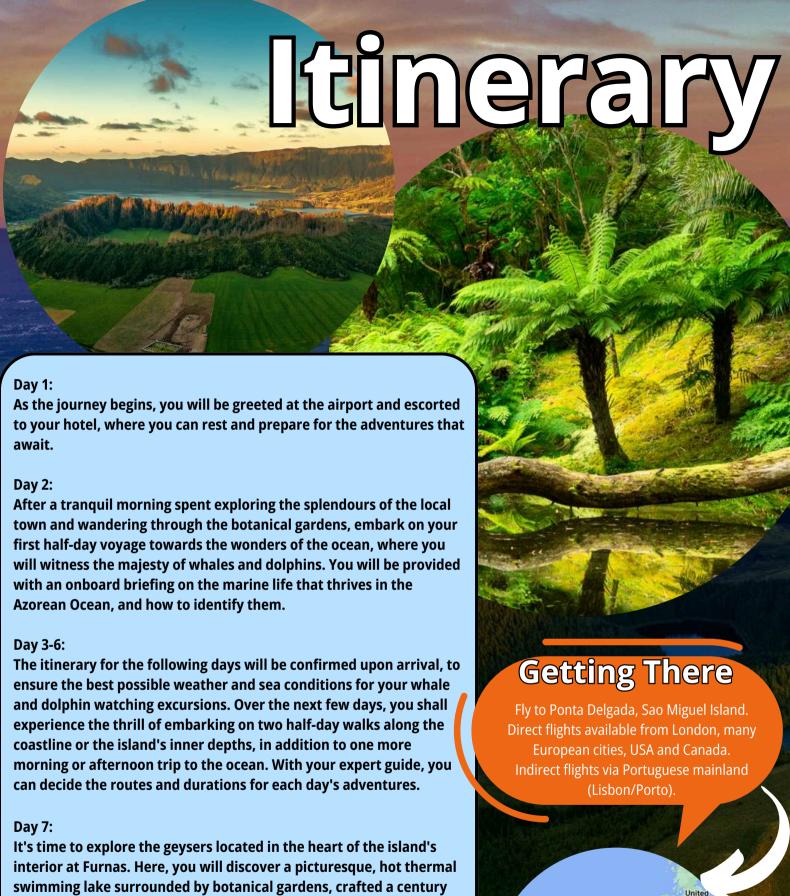
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It's time to explore the geysers located in the heart of the island's interior at Furnas. Here, you will discover a picturesque, hot therma swimming lake surrounded by botanical gardens, crafted a century ago by the esteemed Kew gardeners. Immerse yourself in the mineral-rich waters and learn about the geothermal activity on the island. Take this opportunity to unwind, reflect on the wonders you have experienced thus far, and appreciate the beauty of nature.

Day 8:

Depending on your departure time, there may be time for one final shopping spree or an additional morning boat trip. After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home, enriched with memories of a remarkable adventure.

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Upgrade to the 5 star harbour front Azor Octant for a truly luxurious experience



What's Included?

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- Two half day trips to sea dolphin and whale watching
- Two half day guided walking tours
- Talks from local marine biologists
- 7 nights accommodation
- Services of local personnel at our boat base who co-ordinate your entire holiday program
- All airport transfers from/to Ponta Delgada airport.

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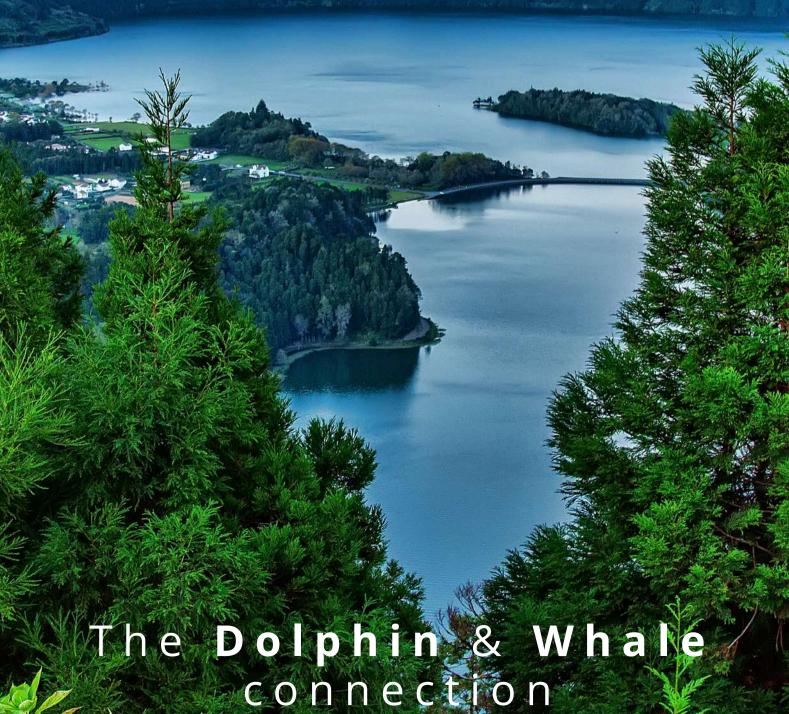


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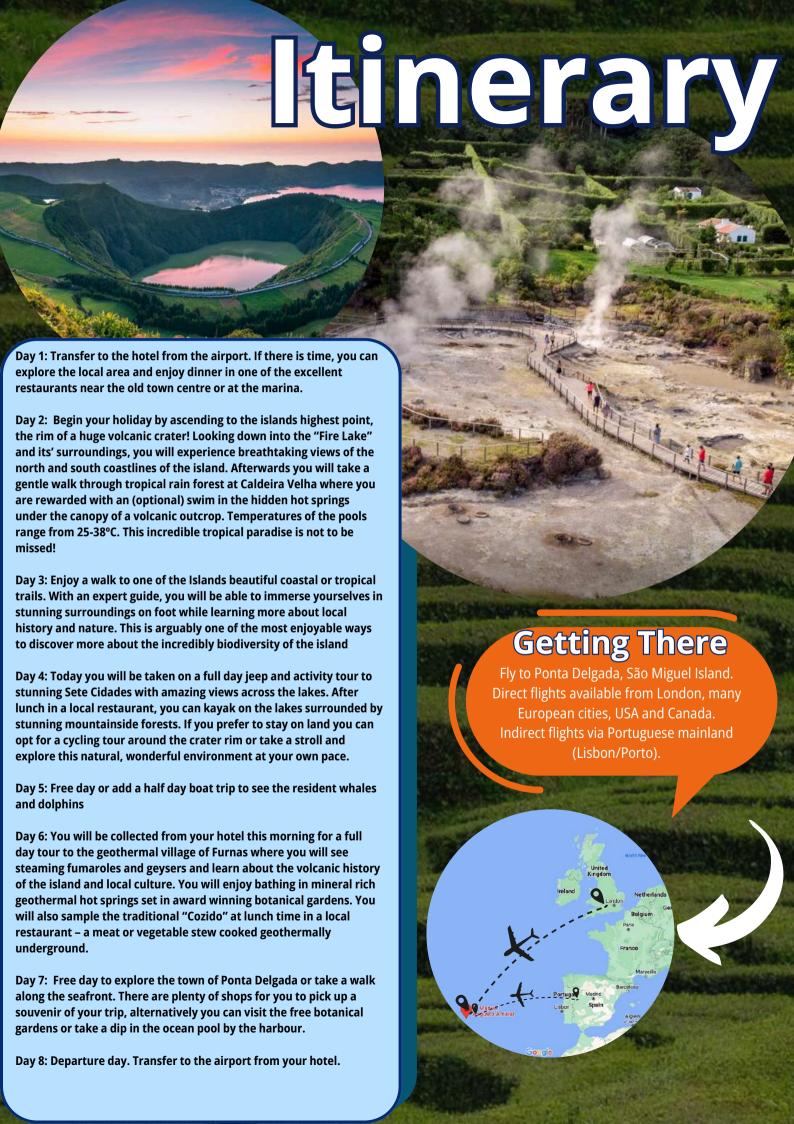












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Ask us about upgrading to a 5 star property near the harbour to enjoy sea views from your room



tailor-made holidays!

What's Included?

- Half day guided walk to an area of outstanding natural beauty
- Full day geothermal tour to Furnas with "Cozido" lunch included
- Full day jeep and activity tour to Sete Cidades with lunch in local restaurant and kayaking or cycling around the lakes
- Half day Lagoa do Fogo & Caldeira Velha
- 7 nights B & B accommodation
- All airport transfers

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Azores Island Hopper

SÃO MIGUEL & PICO ISLAND





10 DAY ITINERARY

Prices start from £1495 per person (based on 2 people sharing)

Embark on an unforgettable island-hopping adventure in the Azores, exploring the breathtaking beauty of Pico Island and São Miguel Island. Start on São Miguel with visits to the iconic Sete Cidades twin lakes and the otherworldly Furnas volcanic region, famous for its

hot springs and geysers. Then, hop over to Pico Island for a thrilling whale-watching expedition and a tour of its UNESCO World Heritage vineyards. Enjoy wine tastings paired with delicious tapas, all set against stunning coastal views. Each night, retreat to luxury accommodations that blend modern comforts with the Azores' natural beauty. This trip promises a perfect blend of adventure, relaxation, and gourmet delights, showcasing the best of the Azores' natural and cultural treasures. Join us for an unparalleled experience in one of the world's most enchanting archipelagos.



Itinerary

Discover the Azores: A 10-Day Island-Hopping Adventure

Day 1: Arrival in São Miguel

Arrive in Ponta Delgada and transfer to your luxury accommodation. Settle in and relax in the beautiful surroundings.

Day 2: Sete Cidades Twin Lakes

Visit the stunning Sete Cidades twin lakes. Wander through the lush caldera and take in breathtaking views of the vibrant blue and green waters.

Day 3: Furnas Volcanic Region

Explore the Furnas volcanic region with its bubbling hot springs and geysers. Enjoy the rejuvenating waters of Terra Nostra Garden and stroll through its botanical wonders.

Day 4: Nordeste's Hidden Gems

Discover the picturesque Nordeste region and the Ribeira dos Caldeirões Natural Park with its cascading waterfalls and verdant valleys.

Day 5: Lagoa do Fogo and Caldeira Velha

Visit the stunning Lagoa do Fogo crater lake and relax at the Caldeira Velha hot springs, surrounded by natural beauty.

Day 6: Travel to Pico Island

Fly to Pico Island and check into your luxury accommodation. Enjoy the dramatic landscapes and serene atmosphere.

Day 7: Whale Watching and Wine Tasting

Embark on a whale-watching expedition to see majestic sperm whales and dolphins. Explore Pico's UNESCO World Heritage vineyards and enjoy wine tastings paired with tapas.

Day 8: Island Tour of Pico

Take a comprehensive tour of Pico Island, visiting charming villages, volcanic formations, and historical sites, capturing the island's rugged charm.

Day 9: Leisure Day on Pico

Enjoy a day of leisure at your luxury accommodation or explore more of Pico Island at your own pace.

Day 10: Departure

Transfer to the airport, departing with cherished memories of your island-hopping adventure through the Azores.

Join us for an extraordinary escape blending adventure, relaxation, and cultural immersion, showcasing the unparalleled beauty of the Azores.



This trip includes some of the best accommodation that the Azores has to offer. On Sao Miguel you can choose between a harbour front hotel with sea views or a luxury boutique property with spa facilities and stunning gardens. On Pico Island you can either stay in stunning self catering accommodation overlooking the sea with your own terrace or at a cliff top hotel

We have a wide selection of accommodation available so if there is something particular you like, just let us know!

Climate

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Getting There

Fly to Sao Miguel airport - Ponta Delgada (PDL), or Pico's airport (PIX). Direct flights available to PDL but flights to Pico would be via Lisbon or Porto, mainland Portugal



How to book

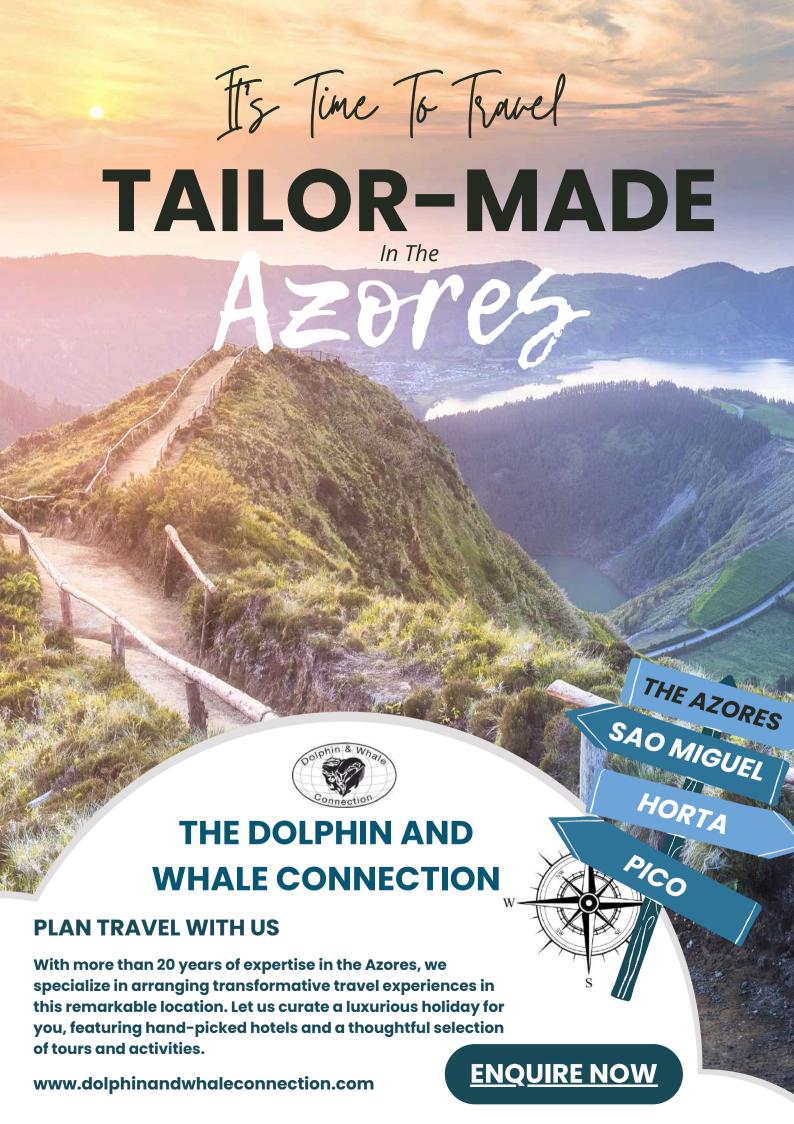
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Nestled in the Atlantic lies the majestic Azores, Europe's very own "Hawaii." With its enchanting crater lakes, bubbling fumaroles, vibrant wildlife, and jaw-dropping hikes, this gem is a paradise waiting to be explored. Our passion for the Azores inspired us to create a business dedicated to sustainable travel, giving back to the local community and preserving this magical place.

Ready for an adventure? Chat with our tailor-made travel expert to craft a once-in-a-lifetime journey just for you. We've got all the insider tips and connections to make your Azores experience unforgettable!

A Journey through Time and Beauty

Dive into the rich history and breathtaking beauty of the Azores, where lush habitats and world renown whale watching await.

Whether you're passionate about spotting majestic whales in the wild or eager to soak up the region's past, we'll tailor your trip to match your interests and unveil the archipelago's most captivating spots.

Stroll through enchanting botanical gardens, then unwind in rejuvenating hot springs for the ultimate mind-body escape.

Our hand-picked hotels promise incredible service and unique experiences. Picture waking up in a cliff top villa on a remote island in the middle of the Atlantic, being surrounded by Dolphins on a small boat in the middle of the ocean, seeing blue whales in their natural habitat and bathing in geothermal pools under the stars at night! Sounds like a dream? It can all be part of the package!

DOLPHIN AND WHALE CONNECTION

TRAVEL Tinerary

DAY EXPLORE PONTA DELGADA

Arrive at Ponta Delgada and meet your driver for transfer to your hotel, spend the afternoon settling in and exploring the

immediate area

DAY VOLCANIC VILLAGE

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Visit the volcanic village of Furnas, enjoy walking through the botanical gardens and exploring the area before trying a local Azorean dish cooked using geothermal heat underground. In

the afternoon enjoy bathing in the hot mineral pools

DAY WHALE WATCHING & LAGOA DO FOGO

Take your first trip to sea for whale watching in the morning before visiting the 'Fire Lake' Lagoa do Fogo in the afternoon for breathtaking views and an opportunity to bath in the hot

springs at Caldeira Velha national park

DAY SETE CIDADES

In the morning take your 4x4 tour to the stunning twin lakes of

Sete Cidades with an off road experience of a lifetime. After lunch at a local restaurant you will have the opportunity to

explore the area by kayak or mountain bike

DAY NORDESTE & WATERFALLS

You will stop off at breathtaking viewpoints as you journey to the town of Nordeste. After lunch at a local restaurant explore

Ribeira dos Caldeirões, a nature park with stunning waterfalls

DAY WHALE WATCHING

0 6 Meet for another adventure to sea looking for more dolphin

and whale species

DAY EXPLORE THE ISLAND

0 7 In the morning enjoy a leisurely breakfast and time in your

hotel before departing on a scenic afternoon walk through

stunning vistas and forests

DAY ISLET OF VILA FRANCA

Set sail for an unforgettable day of ocean adventures, visiting the famous Islet of Vila Franca, complete with whale watching

on your way to the islet and snorkeling in the afternoon

DAY DEPARTURE DAY

08

09

Explore the local region and gift shops before being picked up

for your transfer home

*This is a sample itinerary only. Trips can be of any duration.



Holiday Comparison

Holiday Name	Whale Watching	Furnas Volcanic Region	Sete Cidades (twin lakes)	Guided Walks (variety available)	Lagoa do Fogo 'fire lake'	Nordeste North Shore	Vinyard Tour (Pico)	Pico Island Tour
Blue Whale/Ocean discovery (operate at different times of the year)	x3	x1						
Island Explorer	x2	x1	x1					
Whale Tails & walking trails	x2			x2			÷	
Island Discovery		x1	x1	x1	x1			
Island Hopper	x1	x1	x1		x1	x1	x1	x1