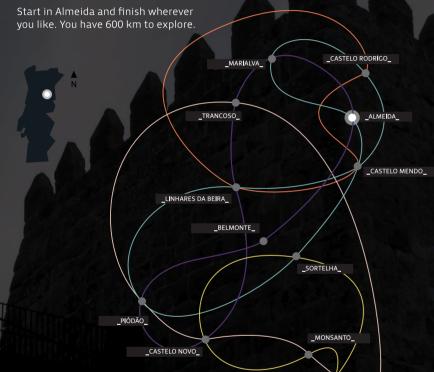
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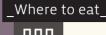






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OUR HISTORY, **YOUR TIMÉ**







12 VILLAGES. ENDLESS ENJOYMENT

Wander the narrow streets of a centuries-old village. Take up position where soldiers once faced each other in battle. Or just enjoy the beauty of a wild landscape.

Portugal's Historical Villages in Beira Interior are a unique destination for tourists and history lovers and are guardians of testimony that dates back centuries.

The guides do much more than contemplate slower times and genuine experiences. There are days full of excitement, extreme sports, hikes, good food, river beaches, culture and landscapes everything you need for enjoyable days.

Life here is excitement. And the rest is history.

Start by exploring the two villages closest to Almeida. then go on to the rest.

CASTELO MENDO 19 km

CASTELO RODRIGO

21 km



Total immersion in history A village that preserves the most genuine marks of the centuries in its architecture, traditions and inhabitants

Every April, the most authentic medieval fair on the most authentic stage









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ALMEIDA



The warm, yellow colours of the houses make you want to explore every street. And up at the top, the castle guards stories worth hearing.

A few minutes away, Serra da Marofa has a forest full of biodiversity where we find the famous replica of the Cristo Rei statue.

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ALMEIDA

PEARL OF THE INLAND REGIONS

Because of the need to modernise its outdated medieval structures. after the Restoration (1641) Almeida set about building a new war infrastructure that was suited to the new artillery and would enable it to control the border.

The stronghold is hexagonal in shape and consists of six bulwarks, each with its own ravelin. The town within the walls still has a substantial number of military buildings and very interesting civil architecture.





16th century house Façade with narrow door to first floor (dwelling) and wide door (trade) with signs of Jewish presence



- 1 São Francisco or Cruz double doors, 17th century 2 - Former Nossa Senhora do Loreto Convent and Barracks and Military Hospital. 16th. 17th and 18th
- 3 Casa Nobre mansion, 17th/18th century 4 - Casamatas, 17th/18th century (now the Military

Casamatas (Military History Museum)

Today, the 20 underground rooms beneath the S. João de Deus Stronghold house the Military History Museum.



Historical recreation Historical re-enactment of the Siege of Almeida in

- 5 Casa da Roda dos Expostos, 19th century (dated 1843) 6 - Casa Quinhentista mansion, 16th
- 7 Praca Alta square 8 - Doble Ravelin- Blood Hospital, 18th
- 9 Armoury and guardhouse, 19th century 10 D'EL Rey Horse Riding Centre, 20th century (former ammunition depot in the 17th century)
- 11 Double doors of Santo António, 17th century 12 - Almeida Castle, 13th-14th / 16th
- 13 Torre do Relógio clock tower, 1830 14 House with coat of arms Brigadier Vicente Delgado Freire, 18th / 19th
- 15 House of Field Marshall Manuel Leitão de Carvalho / Leitões Palace, late 17th / 1st quarter 18th century

- 16 House with coat of arms of António Pereira Fontão Júnior, 18th century 17 - House of João Dantas da Cunha, 18th
- century (dated 1769) 18 - Terreiro Velho, 20th century 19 - Corpo da Guarda Principal main
- guards barracks, 18th century (1790) 20 - Beira General Inspectorate / Praça de Almeida Governors' House, late 17th / early 18th century
- 21 Quartel das esquadras barracks, 18th century (1736-1750)
- 22 Misericórdia Church, 17th century 23 - Casa da Câmara, 16th century 24 - Casa dos Vedores Gerais (General
- Inspectors' House) 25 - Praca Alta square



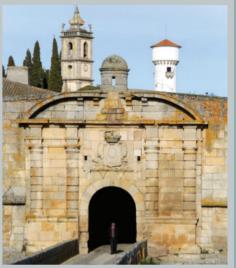
Picadeiro D'EL Rey horse-riding centre Old ammunition depot, which in the 17th and 18th century was also the artillery regiment's barracks

Quartel das esquadras barracks, dated 18th century (1736-1750), once the infantry barracks



São Francisco or Cruz

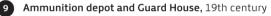
Porta Magistral gate.



TOWN GATES

Today, the fortress that once served as a link is now known for its two large gates that open onto the square and three posterns, which were of an exclusively military nature. In line with the new international fortification methods. Almeida's fortress played an extraordinary defensive role that surprises its visitors.





- The ammunition depots are located in the St^a Bárbara or Paiol Ravelin. Corpo da Guarda Principal main guards barracks, 18th century (1790) Current headquarters of the Almeida municipal council
- 20 Beira General Inspectorate / Praça de Almeida Governors' House, late 17th / early 18th century
- Now Almeida Court Misericórdia Church, 17th century
 - The church backed onto the old hospital, now Lar da Misericórdia care







Casa da Roda dos Expostos Dated 1843 and currently a museum, which illustrates its former social role.