



# OAG Overseas Madeira



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# OAG Madeira

## 7 days / 6 nights

## About Your Trip

### Start Location/Finish Location

Funchal

### Accommodation

6 nights Hotel

### Rooming Requirements

Twin Share

### Included Meals

Breakfast (6)

Lunch (5)

Dinner (6)

### Transport

Air conditioned private vehicle

### Leader/Guide

English Speaking Leader  
throughout

### Included Activities

Per Daily itinerary

### Entrance/Admission Fees

Where applicable with  
included activities

### Airport Transfers

Arrival and departure transfers are  
included on a group basis

### Support

24-hour support from our local  
office

### Exclusions

- International Flights
- Any visas required
- Services not mentioned in the itinerary
- Late check out at hotels
- Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- Drinks with included lunches and dinners
- Tips for leaders, guide and driver
- Expenditure of personal nature
- Personal Insurance
- Optional activities



## Safe and responsible travel, always.

As you look to get back on the road, we continue to ensure our trips are safe for everyone. That includes our travellers, our leaders and crew and the people we visit along the way. Our health and safety policies follow recommendations from the World Health Organization and the World Travel & Tourism Council's (WTTC) Safe Travel protocols for tour operators. Before we resume trips in any destination, our itineraries undergo a comprehensive risk assessment and audit, while leaders and suppliers will complete COVID-19 health and safety training. We have also introduced specific policies around testing and vaccination for your safety.



### Who we are

For over 30 years we've been taking travellers around the globe, on small group tours with like-minded Intrepid people. Our extensive COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines ensure your wellbeing is looked after during your travels.



### Safe travels

We're with you every step of the way through our value chain - from our suppliers, to our on ground operations and leaders.



### Certified B Corp

When we became certified as the world's largest travel B Corp in 2018, it was not only our official pledge to be a responsible business, but also a promise to be the best travel company for the world.

## About your Tour Leader

### Tour leader

On this trip you will be accompanied by one of our tour leaders. The aim of the tour leader is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible.

Your leader will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the places visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects. We aim to support local guides who have specialised knowledge of the regions we visit. If you were interested in delving deeper into the local culture at a specific site or location then your leader can recommend a local guide service in most of the main destinations of your trip.

# OAG Madeira Itinerary

## Day 1 - 08th November 2024

### Funchal

Meals included: Dinner

The archipelago of Madeira is located an armful of miles from the Moroccan coast, with a temperate climate thanks to the ocean, the temperatures are stable there all year round, protecting it from heat waves in summer and winter frosts. You will be amazed by the gigantism and the unusual variety of plant species, and by the fascinating variety of landscapes. On foot, by mountain bike, or at sea, we offer you an active discovery of this island, an adventure trip to Madeira not to be missed!

On your arrival at Madeira airport, your guide welcomes you and take you by vehicle to your accommodation located in Funchal where you will stay for the next 6 nights.

If the time of your flight permits, your guide will take you on a walking tour of Funchal. A briefing on your tour will be given to you at the hotel also at the end of the afternoon. A welcome dinner is included at the hotel.

### Included

Group Private Transfer - Based on recommended flights

### Accommodation

Hotel Turim Santa Maria

## Day 2 - 09th November 2024

### Rabaçal and 25 fountains - Waterfall of the Angels - Funchal

Meals included: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner

Transfer to the Paul da Serra plateau at 1290m altitude. We are at the mouth of the longest valley called "Ribeira da Janela", with its 16 km long. Here, two colors predominate: the exuberant green of the original "Laurisilva" forest which covers the mountains, and the blue of the sky and the ocean. At this altitude, it is the heather, which can reach 6 m in size, which dominates the surrounding landscape. The trees form a dark and humid undergrowth favouring the appearance of ferns, moss, mushrooms and the endemic Madeira blueberry bush. This place is ideal for observing the Madeira wren and the Trocaz pigeon, both of which are endemic species.

We reach the forest house of Rabaçal then we go to Risco where we admire the 100m high waterfall. We continue to 25 Fontes where the springs that give the name to this levada gush through the rocks. On the way back, we cross an 800m long tunnel, opening onto the southern slope and its eucalyptus forest. On the way back to Funchal, you pass by the Waterfall of the Angels. The waterfall gracefully descends from the heights of the surrounding cliffs, creating an ethereal mist that dances in the air. The lush greenery that frames the waterfall adds to the idyllic scene, making it a picture-perfect spot for nature enthusiasts and avid photographers.

4/5 hours hiking

Elevation +200m / -200m

Private vehicle - 1 hour drive there and 1 hour drive back

### Accommodation

Hotel Turim Santa Maria

## Day 3 - 10th November 2024

### Crossing the Picos

Meals included: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner

We head towards the Picos (1810m) for a high hike, certainly the most spectacular of your stay.

On foot, we reach Pico Ruivo, the highest point of Madeira at (1861m). This summit takes its name from the colour of the rock, of pyroclastic type which comes from slag and lapilli ejected by volcano eruptions. From Pico Ruivo, we can admire the island in its entirety, the green and wild valleys of the north coast, the Caldeirao Verde valley with Sao Jorge and Santana, Porto da Cruz and the Eagle point but also the Sao Lourenço point which winds through the water.

5 hours hiking

Elevation: +600m / -600m

Private transfer - 40 minutes to Pico do Arreiro / 1 hour from Achada do Teixeira

#### **Accommodation**

Hotel Turim Santa Maria

#### **Day 4 - 11th November 2024**

##### **Fanal Forest- Porto Moniz Natural swimming pools - Cabo Girao**

**Meals included: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner**

Beginning at the Paúl da Serra (Assobiadores) plateau, Vereda do Fanal is 10.8 km long and has an estimated duration of 4 hours, offering hikers the opportunity to cross a wide green area of the indigenous Laurissilva forest.

Here, this forest area endemic of Madeira, a Unesco Natural World Heritage Site, is in a perfect state of conservation and development. This is a area of great natural beauty, which accompanies the whole experience of hiking along Vereda do Fanal.

After the hike, we head towards Porto Moniz to swim in the natural pools, if weather permitting. On the way back to Funchal, we will stop at Cabo Girao, one of the most famous attractions on the island and the highest cliff in Europe (589m). You can walk on the skywalk, a glass platform allowing you to see the void just below us. You can also take the cable car to admire the grandeur of the cliff from the beach below.

4 hours of hiking

Elevation: +270m / -540m

Private transfers- 55 minutes to Paul da Serra/ 35 minutes from Paul da Serra to Porto Moniz/1 hour from Porto Moniz to Funchal

#### **Accommodation**

Hotel Turim Santa Maria

#### **Day 5 - 12th November 2024**

##### **Ponta de Sao Lourenço**

**Meals included: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner**

Short 25-minute transfer to Abra Bay and hike to Pointe de São Lourenço at the eastern end of the island.

We take a narrow and rocky path and progress in a unique universe, entirely mineral, with multicolored cornices. The ocher and red of the basaltic rocks contrast with the deep blue of the ocean, between the peaceful Bay of Abra in the south and the always agitated coast in the north. In good weather, we can see Porto Santo, the desert islands and the central mountain range where the highest peaks are found.

After the picnic, you return to your starting point by boat. A vehicle picks you up to take you back to your hotel where you can enjoy the rest of the day freely.

3-4 hours of hiking

Elevation: +500 / -500

Private transfers- 35 minutes drive there and 35 minutes drive back

**Accommodation**

Hotel Turim Santa Maria

**Day 6 - 13th November 2024**

**Funchal**

**Meals included: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner**

You spend your morning discovering Funchal. On the program, a stroll in the oldtown... alleys that invite you to stroll, then quietly you reach the "Mercado dos lavradores", the famous market of Funchal. This market will charm you with its festival of colours, tropical fruits, vegetables of all kinds but also its flowers, wicker baskets, fish...And its sellers in Madeira costume.

Then you continue your discovery of the city...Cable car, botanical garden and even a wicker sled ride through the streets of Funchal will punctuate this day.

**Accommodation**

Hotel Turim Santa Maria

**Day 7 - 14th November 2024**

**Funchal**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

You will be transferred as a group back to the airport.

**Included**

Group Private Transfer - Based on recommended flights

**END OF SERVICES**

# Booking Conditions

By booking this Intrepid Travel Tailor-Made Adventure, you agree to the Intrepid Standard Booking Conditions <https://www.intrepidtravel.com/au/booking-intrepid/booking-conditions> and any deviations specified below that apply to your Tailor-Made booking as set out below.

If you are making a booking on behalf of a group, you must ensure each traveller has read and agrees to our Booking Conditions before making the booking.

- You must provide a travellers' name list and details including name as per passport, passport number and expiration date, nationality, DOB, gender, rooming requirements, dietary requirements, medical concerns at least 60 days prior to departure of the trip.
- All rates are per person, based on indicated numbers travelling together as one movement. Any changes to the group size at any time before or after confirmation of services will require the trip to be repriced.
- The details set out in your proposal are a quotation only. The pricing and itinerary are subject to availability of accommodation, transport, leaders, and other suppliers at time of booking. We reserve the right to amend and requote itinerary if such suppliers are not available.
- By making your payment, you are agreeing to the most recent itinerary and price quote. All revisions will be subject to requote and additional approval.
- A contract will exist when we accept your deposit.
- If we, or a third-party operator, is required to make amendments to your original proposal, subsequent pricing may become applicable to your booking.
- Any changes to the itinerary made by you AFTER services have been confirmed will require a revised quote and may be subject to an additional charge (as levied by hotels, ground operators or airlines). No additional changes are permitted within 30 days prior to departure.
- Hotels listed in the quote are indicative only and are subject to change. If the hotel listed in the quote is unavailable, we will confirm an alternative hotel of similar standard.
- If complimentary transfers are included, (on a group basis) they are only applicable if going to accommodation booked through us. Please advise flight arrival details (flight number and arrival time) at least 30 days prior to departure if you wish to have this transfer provided. There is no guarantee we can arrange this transfer if we receive these details within 30 days of departure.
- Some Tailor-Made tours, such as our Tailor-Made Australia trips, may have cancellation terms that deviate from those set out in the Intrepid Standard Booking Conditions. Your Tailor-Made consultant will advise you of the cancellation conditions that apply to your booking prior to you paying your deposit.
- You acknowledge that you are choosing to travel at a time where you may be exposed to the COVID-19 virus. We will take all reasonable steps to ensure your safety and may require you to follow additional safety protocols before and during your trip. Depending on the most recent health information available to us, we may require you to comply with mandatory health policies, including the need for proof of vaccination or medical tests. More information can be found on our Covid-19 Customer Information page [here](#). Please note that these policy requirements are subject to change following advice from relevant authorities.