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Azores: São Miguel

8 days: crater lakes, hot springs and whales

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The green island in the middle of the Atlantic: the twin crater lakes of Sete Cidades, Lagoa do Fogo, the hot springs and steaming vents of Furnas, Europe's only tea plantations and whale-watching from Ponta Delgada. Two bases and a rental car. Book everything yourself and keep this guide on your phone: it works offline.

At a glance

ID card
is enough for Czech and other EU citizens (Portugal)

Euro
cards accepted almost everywhere

−2 h
time difference from Central Europe all year

Weather
changes by the hour: check the live webcams before driving to a viewpoint

Lagoa do Fogo
in summer the road to the lake is served by shuttle bus only

Checked

May–Oct
the best months: warmest sea, best chance of clear views

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Day by day

1 **Arrive**

Car at the airport, walk along Ponta Delgada's marina and the city gates.

2 **Sete Cidades**

Vista do Rei and Boca do Inferno viewpoints over the blue and green lakes, walk down to the village.

3 **Whales**

Morning whale-watching boat with a certified operator, afternoon in town.

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... and 5 more days, day by day, in the full guide

What you will see


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Sete Cidades

Twin lakes, one blue and one green, in a huge crater. Clouds often fill it: check the webcam and come back if it is foggy.

Time: half a day


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Lagoa do Fogo

A wild crater lake high in the middle of the island. In summer the access road is served by a shuttle to protect the area.

Time: half a day

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The full guide: Azores: São Miguel

12 pages, in English and Czech. Checked on the date on the cover.

- The whole route day by day, with nights in each place
- When to go, month by month
- Every place with photos and how long to spend
- Getting around, where to stay, money and food
- Manners, safety and a before-you-go checklist
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