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The Azores

June 3 – 15, 2027

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13 Days • 18 Meals: 11 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 6 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... São Miguel Island, Lagoa das Sete Cidades "Blue & Green Lagoons", Furnas Valley, Home-Hosted Meals, Faial Island, Capelinhos Volcano Interpretation Centre, Terceira Island, Angra do Heroísmo, Natural Volcanic Pools, Lisbon

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 5	Vila Gale Collection Ponta Delgada, Ponta Delgada, Azores
Days 6, 7	Hotel do Canal, Horta
Days 8 – 10	Torel Terra Brava, Terceira, Azores
Days 11, 12	Bessa Hotel Liberdade, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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Day 1: Thursday, June 3, 2027 Overnight Flight From volcanic craters and thermal waters to lush vegetation and picturesque coasts, enjoy the natural splendor of this Portuguese archipelago and see why the Azores are commonly referred to as "the Hawaii of Europe."

Day 2: Friday, June 4, 2027 Ponta Delgada, São Miguel, Azores, Portugal This is the Azores. A set of islands virtually untouched by urban development. Your adventure begins on São Miguel, the largest of the nine volcanic islands. With no scheduled sightseeing today, spend the day as you wish, exploring Ponta Delgada independently, perhaps strolling along the seaside promenade and breathing in the mild air of the Atlantic.

Day 3: Saturday, June 5, 2027 Ponta Delgada - Sete Cidades - Ponta Delgada Get to know Ponta Delgada, the capital city of São Miguel, on a morning walking tour of the area. Discover the city's rich history, culture, and beauty alongside your Tour Manager, seeing highlights like the iconic 18th-century Portas da Cidade and the stunning Igreja Matriz de São Sebastião, and perhaps even catching the farmers market, the vibrant Mercado da Graça. This afternoon, take a ride up to Sete Cidades caldera's highest point and discover some of Mother Nature's finest work: the twin blue and green lakes that make up this caldera and are explained by local legend! On the way back, visit a pineapple plantation and learn about unique cultivation methods on the island, producing pineapples renowned for their sweetness and flavor. This evening, celebrate the beginning of your journey with a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Sunday, June 6, 2027 Ponta Delgada - Furnas - Ponta Delgada Start the day with a visit to one of the few remaining basket weavers on the island. Learn how willow basket making has evolved and how this father-son enterprise has kept this traditional craft alive. Then, **it's your choice!** Enjoy the thermal waters at the Terra Nostra pool,* built in the 18th century by the American consul to the Azores **-OR-** embark on a guided visit to the organic paradise that is the Terra Nostra Botanical Garden. For lunch, enjoy a traditional *cozido das furnas* meal, where your food is cooked in the earth's volcanic heat. Later, continue to the green fields of a nearby tea plantation to learn about this unique crop with a hands-on experience before an evening of leisure in São Miguel. (B, L)

Day 5: Monday, June 7, 2027 Ponta Delgada Today, enjoy a full free day to explore São Miguel at your own pace. Perhaps you will take to the waves on an optional ocean excursion** to watch for whales and dolphins, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Regardless of how you choose to spend your day, gather tonight for a home-hosted dinner in a local village. (B, D)

Day 6: Tuesday, June 8, 2027 Ponta Delgada - Horta, Faial Say *bom dia* (good morning) to Faial with a walking tour of Horta. Its marina and painted murals are a testament to the island's importance to the sailors who have visited the island on voyages crossing the Atlantic. Later, encounter the volcanic vitality of Faial when you take in the surrounding rocky landscape and ash hills with a fascinating visit to the Capelinhos Volcano Interpretation Centre. (B, D)

Day 7: Wednesday, June 9, 2027 Horta The day is yours to enjoy on your own and relax on Faial Island! You may also consider joining an optional tour to Pico*** to encounter the Landscape of the Pico Island Vineyard Culture (UNESCO) and explore this scarcely populated island's scenery, a sublime mixture of lava rock and exotic vegetation. (B)

Day 8: Thursday, June 10, 2027 Horta - Angra do Heroísmo, Terceira Board your flight to Terceira and say hello to the colorful capital of Angra do Heroísmo (UNESCO) with a local guide. Restored in traditional style, the city features white facades and vibrant trims. Learn about the Holy Ghost Chapels, known locally as *Imperios*, and customs surrounding this tradition. Tonight, get a taste of the culture at a local restaurant. (B, D)



Per Person Rates*:

Double \$6,399; Single \$7,699

For bookings made after Nov 04, 2026 call for rates.

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† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

Day 9: Friday, June 11, 2027 Angra do Heroísmo - Biscoitos - Algar do Carvao - Angra do Heroísmo Start your day with a swim* in the natural volcanic pools of Biscoitos. Later, on your way to Algar do Carvao, stop at Serra do Cume viewpoint where views of the agricultural fields and their neat, orderly stone walls will take your breath away. At Algar do Carvao, the "Cavern of Coal," feel the quiet stillness as you descend into this ancient lava tube. Enjoy the evening exploring Angra do Heroísmo as you wish. (B)

Day 10: Saturday, June 12, 2027 Angra do Heroísmo Today, the day is yours to enjoy at your own pace. You may choose to join an optional tour to the western side of Terceira in the morning, sipping coffee at an organic coffee plantation and tasting locally grown bananas along the way and ending at a family-owned cheese factory for a light lunch made up of local products. End the day at a *petiscos* home-hosted dining experience. (B, D)

Day 11: Sunday, June 13, 2027 Angra do Heroísmo - Lisbon Say farewell to the Azores archipelago as you head to Lisbon in continental Europe. Lisbon, known as the city of the seven hills, and the starting point of many of its 15th century explorations, was also the departure point of many of its immigrants that crossed the Atlantic searching for a better life. (B)

Day 12: Monday, June 14, 2027 Lisbon Start your morning with a panoramic tour of Belem. View the imposing 16th-century Jeronimo's Monastery, a masterpiece of Manueline and Gothic architecture, its facade adorned with intricate carvings, maritime motifs, and religious symbols. Then, join a local expert to visit the National Coach Museum, which showcases beautifully decorated coaches from the 16th to 19th centuries and highlights the craftsmanship and artistry with each coach telling a unique story. Enjoy the rest of your afternoon as you wish before gathering tonight for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 13: Tuesday, June 15, 2027 Lisbon - Tour Ends Say *adeus* (goodbye) to Portugal and the Azores as you depart this coastal paradise. (B)

Experience It! Sete Cidades

Sete Cidades is a parish on the island of São Miguel and encompasses a colossal volcanic crater. Within the crater lies two picturesque lakes adjacent to each other and connected by a miniscule strait. Despite their close proximity, one lake appears blue and the other green. Legend claims that the lakes were formed from the tears of a forlorn princess and shepherd that could not be together. The different colors of the lakes represent the hues of the lovers' eyes – green and blue respectively. However, despite the folklore romanticism, the varying colors of the water are actually a result of reflection; the blue lake reflects the sky and the green lake reflects the surrounding earth. Regardless of its origin, the basin contains lush greenery, abundant hydrangeas, and scenic lookouts. The caldera is best explored from the outer rim, where you'll be able to see the entirety of Lagoa das Sete Cidades.

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1380266>

Important Tour Information:

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Travel with an average of 19 people (maximum of 24).

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

******The Whale and Dolphin Watching optional tour may not operate if either weather or sea conditions are adverse.

*******The Pico optional tour may not operate if either weather or sea conditions are adverse, or due to local constraints, especially between November to March.

*Bathing suits and towels are required if partaking in the thermal water pool choice in Terra Nostra Botanical Park and if choosing to swim in the pools at Biscoitos. Swimming in Biscoitos is dependent on weather and ocean conditions.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised, many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Island activities are subject to change due to internal flight arrival times.

The internal flights on this tour are from São Miguel to Faial (55 minutes), Faial to Terceira (30 minutes), and Terceira to Lisbon (2 hours, 30 minutes).

Internal flights are required in order to participate on this tour and are included in the final price, quoted at time of booking.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Travel Requirements:

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of



your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

ETIAS visa waiver requirements are anticipated to begin during the last quarter of 2026, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://travel-europe.europa.eu/etias_en

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of October 28, 2026 are based upon availability. Final payment is due February 25, 2027. Please see your Carefree Travel invoice for all cancellation penalties and further terms and conditions.

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