

Casa Clare

Far from the madding crowd...but not quite.....



“Delightful and charming property in the heart of Alvor town”

“Perfect location, a little gem”

“A really well presented former fisherman's cottage in the heart of Alvor”



**Rua dos Pescadores 33,
Alvor, The Algarve, Portugal**
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Once a typical fisherman's house, situated in the best location possible in Alvor right beside the marina / main restaurant area, Casa Clare offers four people comfortable, convenient home-from-home accommodation with its two bedrooms, traditional barbeque, large patio and roof terrace offering stunning views over the marina as far as Lagos (on a clear day) and spectacular star gazing by night!

With a Mediterranean climate of hot, dry summers and mild winters, summer temperatures are high, but moderated by the sea breeze. It is said that the Algarve has one of the best all year climates in Europe. Alvor, in the Western Algarve is testament to that! It is perfectly located, close to the sea and countryside it is the optimal destination for those seeking a versatile holiday. Alvor is a 50 minute drive from Faro airport.

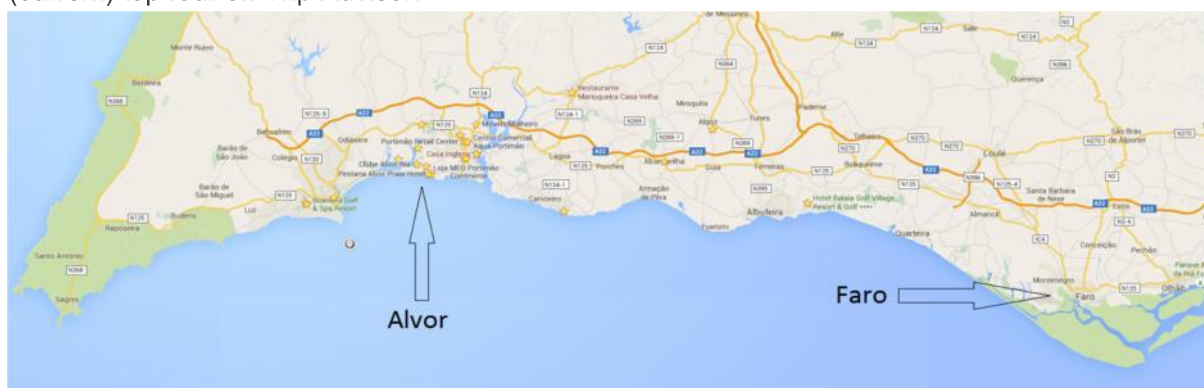


Village life is pleasant, you can wander to the market hall or bakery in the morning and buy your fresh fruit, fish and bread and spend your afternoons relaxing on the beach. For the more

energetic there's golf, horseback riding, water sports and a wide selection of excursions (land & sea, all available within 100 metres of Casa Clare).



Steps immediately outside Casa Clare on Rua dos Pescadores lead down to the main restaurant area / marina. Alvor boasts 115 restaurants and Casa Clare is almost equidistant from the (current) top four on Trip Advisor!





Our fully equipped kitchen will make home cooking a pleasure and should the weather warrant it, the dining suite in the living room provides for comfortable eating indoors.

This room also boasts two large Italian sofas with matching foot stools. The entertainment unit housing a 50" smart TV, books and games and a stand-alone



wood burning stove creates a cosy homely feel on the rare cool day or chilly night. Of course there is air-conditioning! There is wifi

throughout the house and terraced areas.

But who wants to be indoors? Eating out at home is such a joy.....the aromatic scent of fresh herbs, coupled with the sizzling sound of fresh fish or meat on the charcoal is mouth-watering at any time of day!



Breakfast outside on the patio is extra special with cheerful birdsong and the faint sounds of the fishermen returning with their late night or early morning catch!



There's no need for a clock here, the local church bells ring in the hours and lively antics and calls of the seagulls announce mealtimes!



Sundowners on the rooftop to the sound of the wind blowing through the rigging and halyards of sailboats in the marina, the fading light "through dark clouds a red rose peeping and an amber gleam*" eases the day into the night. (**Afanasy Afanasyevich Fet*)



The master bedroom to the rear of the property is en-suite (shower & toilet); it has air-conditioning, an electric fan and satellite TV. There is ample storage in the wardrobe, two bedside lockers and vanity unit.



The second bedroom to the front of the house also has twin beds, a large wardrobe, bedside lockers, vanity unit and under window storage.



There is an electric fan and a Windows 10 PC for guest use and a separate guest shower and toilet. All beds are made up with luxurious Egyptian cotton linen and Egyptian cotton guest towels are also provided.



Both shower rooms have extractor systems and heated towel rails. Both bedrooms have hair dryers and hot & cold fans.



There is a large safety deposit box (can hold 2 laptops) in the living room.

Suitability: Casa Clare is best suited for responsible adults due to the tiled and graded floors, multiple steps and a high terrace. It may not be suitable for the very elderly or infirm. It is not wheelchair friendly.

Smoking is not permitted in the house and pets are not allowed.

Casa Clare is on a pedestrian only street. There is free on-street parking in Alvor (30 to 100 metres from the property).

Features & Facilities

- Air-conditioning / heating / fans
- Internet access/Wi-Fi
- Windows 10 Computer
- 50" Smart TV living room with Netflix & Chromecast, small TV main bedroom - both with basic Satellite channels
- DVD player
- Bluetooth speaker system
- Kettle, microwave, toaster, coffee pod machine, citrus juicer, mixer, ice crusher
- Dishwasher, Fridge/freezer, washing machine, tumble dryer, induction hob, electric grill/oven
- 2 hairdryers
- Travel cot with mattress
- 2 umbrellas
- Shopping trolley & reusable shopping bags
- Large safety deposit box
- Linen and towels (indoor & beach)
- BBQ, garden furniture (tables, chairs, loungers)
- (2) beach umbrellas, (2) beach chairs, (2) beach mats & windbreaker
- 4 body boards
- Clothes line (fixed & folding)
- Picnic basket (backpack style with plates, cutlery, glasses, built-in cool section & 2 removable bottle coolers).

Some other useful information.....



Wining & Dining Recommendations	Distance from Casa Clare (in metres)
Bar O Arco Da Velha – for turbot	70
Salsa Bistro – for lamb chops	80
Churrasqueira Mercado de Alvor – chicken peri peri	210
Restaurante Ruccula – everything	100
Piccolo Mondo – pizza	160
Dom Joao – monkfish kebabs and fillet steak	930
Caravela – everything	170
Lusitania – monkfish kebabs & great sangria	30
Silmar Restaurante and Snack-bar – tuna salad and dorado	180
Casa d'Avo Maria – menu del dia / plato del dia	1200
Navagator – cataplana	100
Green Door – traditional	20
Atrium - all under one roof! Sharing Sangria!	30
Leinster House – great music!	140
Sunset Bar – best cocktails in town!	80

Other distances from Casa Clare	metres
Marina / boat trips	90
Boardwalk	400
Beach	800
Estuary walk (start of)	90
Mini-market	160
Butcher	160
Fresh Fruit, Veg, Fish Market	200
Pharmacy	400
Supermarket Ali Super	500
Supermarket Pingo Doce	600
Catholic Church (Mass in English Saturdays 6.30 pm)	200
Free on street parking (from)	30

Some things to do locally.....

4.5km of boardwalks and a 2.5km beach



Wild flowers on the estuary walk



Fishing and sailing on the estuary



Fisherman's hut on the estuary



Kayaking from nearby Lagos



Collecting cockles and razorfish on the estuary when the tide is out



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How to get to Casa Clare.....

There are several car hire options from Faro airport however a car is not essential for Casa Clare as it is in the heart of the village and walking distance to the beach.

There are several companies offering transfers to and from Faro airport.

Private transfers can be arranged at the time of booking. We use 'A22 Transfers' who are located in Alvor and know the area well. Details on www.A22transfers.com Tel + 351 913 558 915

Alternatively we have found 'ResortHoppa' competitive for their shuttle service www.resorthoppa.com

If getting a minibus / coach the suggested best drop off / collection point in Alvor is 'Restaurant A Ribeira' at the roundabout in the marina 80 metres from the house. If getting a private transfer in a smaller vehicle that can navigate the narrower streets near Casa Clare, we suggest the drop off point is 'The Green Door Restaurant' which is 20 metres from Casa Clare, on the same street, Rua dos Pescadores.

Casa Clare



Weather difference: Ireland and Alvor

Temperature on average 7c warmer throughout the year

Monthly rainfall on average 27mm less throughout the year

On average 6 hours more sunshine daily throughout the year

Casa Clare Luxury accomodation in Alvor, Portugal Central location

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Average high temperature C

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Averages
Dublin	7	7	10	11	15	17	19	19	17	13	10	8	13
Alvor	16	16	17	19	22	24	27	27	26	22	19	17	21
Diff	9	9	7	8	7	7	8	8	9	9	9	9	8

Average Low temperature C

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Averages
Dublin	3	3	4	5	7	10	12	12	10	8	5	5	7
Alvor	10	10	11	12	14	16	18	18	18	16	13	11	14
Diff	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	8	8	8	6	7

Average temperature C throughout the day

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Averages
Dublin	5	5	7	8	11	14	16	16	14	11	8	7	10
Alvor	13	13	14	15	18	20	22	23	22	19	16	14	17
Diff	8	8	7	7	7	6	6	7	8	8	8	7	7

Average rain MM per month

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Averages
Dublin	70	60	70	50	50	70	50	80	60	80	60	80	65
Alvor	49	67	37	44	15	5	3	3	9	64	85	79	38
Diff	-21	7	-33	-6	-35	-65	-47	-77	-51	-16	25	-1	-27

Average daily sunshine hours

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Averages
Dublin	2	3	4	6	6	6	6	5	4	4	2	2	4
Alvor	6	7	9	10	12	13	14	12	10	9	8	6	10
Diff	4	4	5	4	6	7	8	7	6	5	6	4	6