

ChamuSca

The heart of Ribatejo



TRAVEL

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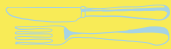
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Chamusca,

the Heart of Ribatejo

To visit Chamusca is to experience the Heart of Ribatejo, a land filled with charms and traditions, inhabited by people who are proud to belong here.

Its diverse landscapes of great natural value, combined with a rich built heritage and traditions, create the cultural identity of a region that is worth visiting.

Here the food is hearty and delicious, the land is picturesque, festivities are lively and nature is diverse, as only the Heart of Ribatejo knows how to be.

Chamusca has a Mediterranean climate, and is characterized by the scents from its woodlands and cork oak forest, and by the sounds of birds, with rice fields stretching as far as the eye can see. Lose yourself in this town that once was the stage of many stories and traditions.

CENTRALITY

Located in the district of Santarém, it benefits from a privileged geographical location. It's a municipality that stands out for its centrality.

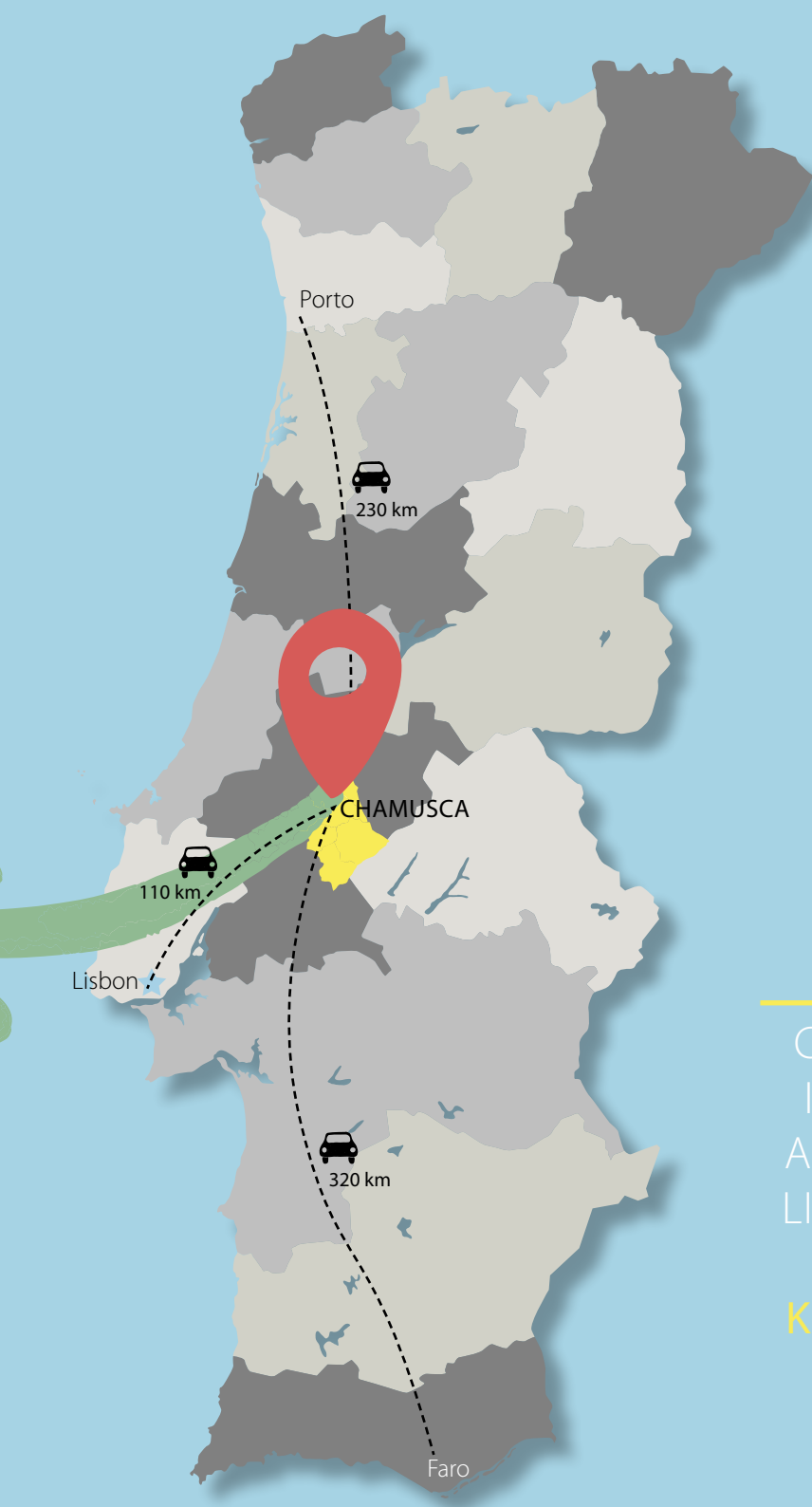
There are 740 km² to discover!

Chamusca is served by Rodoviária do Tejo, a public transport company, with several buses arriving daily in the municipality, coming from Lisbon and Santarém.

Rodoviária do Tejo

For regional transport timetables, check:
www.rodotejo.pt





Porto



230 km



CHAMUSCA



110 km

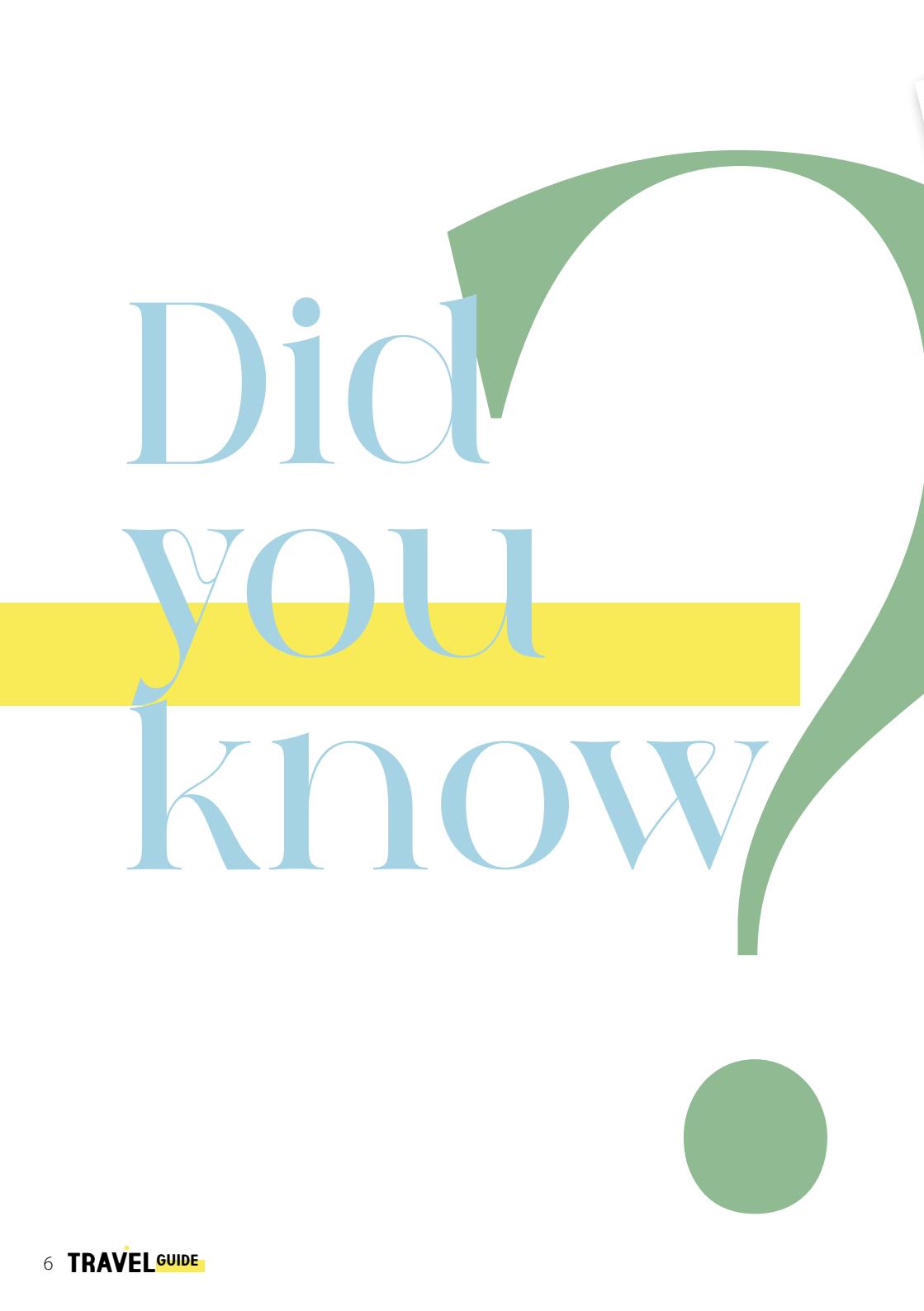
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320 km

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CAN YOU
IMAGINE
A REGION
LIKE THIS?
**GET TO
KNOW IT!**



Did
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THE NAME OF THE LAND

One of the legends about the name Chamusca says that there once was a fire when, amidst all the smoke, a small cloud appeared which poured water until the fire was extinguished. As a result, the land smouldered, burned, scorched. And so it was named Chamusca [scorch].

SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS

Did you know there's a Fountain, nicknamed Snow White, that was very useful when there was no running water yet? Walking along the streets of the town, you can also find seven small fountains that the locals nicknamed "Seven Dwarves".

JOSÉ CID, BORN AND RAISED IN CHAMUSCA

José Cid, an internationally known Portuguese musician, was born in 1942 and always holds his motherland - Chamusca - close to his heart.

Did
you
know?

PIN'ARTE FESTIVAL ENGAGES ULME

Be amazed by PIN'ARTE - Urban Art Festival in a Rural Context that has given life and colour to this parish through wall paintings done in several streets. Take the opportunity and visit the Baloioço do Pinéu, considered one of the best swings to relax by Rádio Comercial radio station, but don't forget your camera because you'll take the most beautiful photographs there.

THE COURAGE OF A PEOPLE

Among the great deeds of the people from Chamusca, their attitude at the time of the French Invasions stands out, when the fishermen burned many of their boats to prevent the French troops that were quartered on the other bank of the River Tagus from crossing over, in order to defend their land.

THE BEST ORANGES ARE IN CARREGUEIRA

This location is famous for its orange groves, meaning that here is where you'll find the juiciest, tastiest and most fragrant oranges we know.

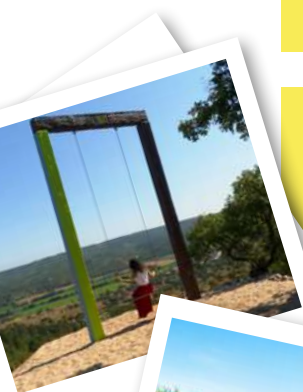
BAIRRO - RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE SPACE

BAIRRO is a new urban area for the whole family, featuring a modern skate park, an outdoor crossfit area, a renovated playground and a landscaped leisure area, for all ages.



BAIRRO

ESPACO LÚDICO E DE LAZER
CHAMUSCA



PLACES

WITH History

The lands of Chamusca and Ulme were donated to Sir Ruy Gomes da Silva during 1449, under the rule of King Afonso V's, who ended up establishing his residence here.

Chamusca was initially incorporated into the decree of Santarém, being later granted the statute of town and municipal administrative centre, together with Ulme, in 1561 by royal charter during the rule of Queen Catarina.

The standing purple lion armed in blue is proof that it once belonged to the famous 'Casa dos Silvas' [Silvas Noble Family], as it comes from the family's coat of arms used from the mid-15th century until the Portuguese Restoration. A heritage that still endures today due to being an integral part of the Coat of Arms of Chamusca Town (approved by the Government in May 1934).

From 1643 onwards, after the reign of the Filipes' line of kings, Chamusca became part of the Casa das Rainhas' heritage - Estates belonging to the Portuguese Queens - remaining so until 1833. Some of the most important figures in the Portugal's history passed through here, namely the armies of King Afonso Henriques, King Sancho I and King Manuel, among others.





HERMITAGE OF NOSSA SENHORA DO PRANTO | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.354484, -8.480313

This simple Hermitage, owned by Santa Casa da Misericórdia, was built at the end of the 17th century. Anyone who sees its simple façade cannot imagine that this chapel's interior is decorated with tiles dated from the 17th and 18th centuries. Legend has it that the people, grateful for not having been invaded by the French, ordered the construction of this magnificent hermitage, which houses one of the cannonballs fired in retaliation against Chamusca.

NOSSA SENHORA DO PRANTO VIEWPOINT

GPS: 39.3536244, -8.4745536 | CHAMUSCA

The horizon stretches as far as the eye can see from this viewpoint, which is considered a paradise on earth. From here you can see the region's magnificent scenery, with the River Tagus as a backdrop. Go up to the old elevated water tank, known as the 'Mirante' [lookout] and once there look at the marshlands from one side and the heathlands from the other, to live up to the viewpoint's name.



HERMITAGE OF SENHOR DO BONFIM | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.54202, -8.467053

Small 18th century temple located in one of the highest points of Chamusca Town. Inside, the main altar in gilded woodcarving and the figure of Senhor Jesus do Bonfim [Lord Jesus of Bonfim], represented on the tiled cross, stand out. Due to being an important element of devotion for the families of the soldiers who fought in the Colonial War, it was thanks to this devotion that the Stations of the Cross was formed, which includes this hermitage. Outside, through the Viewpoint, you can also enjoy the vast landscape of Ribatejo's marshlands, known as Lezíria.



PARISH CHURCH OF S. BRÁS/MOTHER CHURCH | CHAMUSCA

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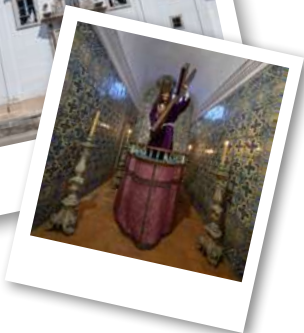
This church's construction was commissioned by Sir João da Silva, second donee of Chamusca and Ulme, in the 16th century. From its initial construction, only the Manueline-style portal on the main façade, topped by the Silvas' coat of arms, and a side portal also in Manueline style remain. Its interior, composed of a single nave, features 18th-century gilded wood-carving and 17th-century tiles on the main altar and the two side altars. Here the main elements are the image of S. Brás, patron saint of the church, the image of S. Sebastião, the image of the Senhor Morto [Dead Lord], and also the tombstone of Sir João da Silva and Lady Joana Henriques, his wife, on the floor of the main chapel.



MISERICÓRDIA CHURCH | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.355657, -8.483354

This church, owned by Santa Casa da Misericórdia, was built during the 17th century and features a Mannerist architectural design, with two bell towers on the main façade. Its interior is covered with a set of 18th century tiles, and you can also find the image of the Senhor Morto. The image of Senhor Jesus da Misericórdia [Lord Jesus of Mercy], on the main altar, is used during the procession of Senhor da Misericórdia, better known as 'Procissão dos Fogaréus', which is the oldest and most important procession in the municipality, always held on Good Friday.



CHURCH OF S. PEDRO | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.357818, -8.482882

This church was built in the 17th century. Inside, you'll find the main altarpiece with a simple design which includes a painting of Nossa Senhora do Ó, dating from the 17th century to 18th century transitional period.



CHURCH OF NOSSA SENHORA DA PIEDADE E DAS SETE DORES | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.359174, -8.482045

Commissioned by Manuel Roiz Laranjinha, this church was built in 1753 and inaugurated in 1759. With a simple architectural design, inspired in the Rococo style, this church features a gilded wood-carving altarpiece on the main altar where the image of Nossa Senhora da Piedade e das Sete Dores, commonly known as Pietà, stands out.



CHAMUSCA BRIDGE | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.380749, -8.456245

Named Ponte João Joaquim Isidro dos Reis, a name it shares with the main person responsible for its construction, the Chamusca Bridge still stands out today as one of the municipality's most important and iconic works of art. Its construction enabled not only the development of Chamusca, but also that of the entire region, making the crossing between the two banks of the river easier. The monument built between 1908 and 1909, is an important example of civil iron architecture in Portugal.



ESTRADA DO CAMPO WINDMILL CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.333652, -8.499112

Considered to be a monument to the field worker, the purpose of the Estrada do Campo Windmill was to relieve the thirst of the cattle and workers who worked in the fields. This windmill was also a prime spot for lunch breaks in the fields after bull runs.





BULLRING | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.362328, -8.478433

This project, designed by Carlos Augusto Pedros and built thanks to the support of the inhabitants of Chamusca, was inaugurated on 3 August 1919. It is an example of Revivalist architecture with Neo-Arab influences, where the main façade is coated in tiles. Owned by Santa Casa da Misericórdia, it is considered to be one of the Town's main monuments since it has an important role in the local *afición* and bullfighting culture. One of the most important bullfights in the entire Ribatejo region is held here on Ascension Day.

"CHAFARIZ DA BOTICA" FOUNTAIN |

CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.358015, -8.483022

Inaugurated on 31 December 1875, this fountain is a representative element of the 19th century Portuguese public and civil architecture. It is located on Rua General Humberto Delgado and is also known as Chafariz de S. Pedro or even Chafariz Novo. Its names are linked to its surroundings, where you can visit the Church of S. Pedro, and where there used to be a chemist's shop called Botica.



AGRICULTURAL CLUB | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.355953, -8.482749

Built in 1912, the head office building of the Clube Agrícola Chamusquense was created from the merger of two former associations, the Grémio Agrícola Chamusquense and the Clube União Chamusquense. Today, it is an important element of the Town's civil architecture due to its Art Nouveau-style design. The stained glass window on the main façade, the tiles that surround the entire building and also different wrought iron elements stand out from its structure.





S. FRANCISCO BUILDING | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.3555,9, -8.479490

The old Church of S. Francisco, belonging to the Third Order of Penance, started to be built in 1741 and was finished half a century later. Upon the extinction of the Order, in 1898, it came under the possession of Santa Casa da Misericórdia, being classified as property of Municipal Interest on 12/09/1978. Former Asylum of Chamusca from 1912 to 1997. Nowadays, following remodelling works, this building is the Congress Centre, a place with different multipurpose spaces, including accommodation for groups.

CHAMUSCA MOVIE THEATRE | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.358878, -8.480566

This building, which is owned by Santa Casa da Misericórdia, was inaugurated on 29 December 1943. It is located in Largo 25 de Abril and features a modernist architectural design, typical of that time. It was built in order to respond to the needs of the population of Chamusca, who still has a strong connection to theatre and performing arts in general. In 2004 it was subject to remodelling works.



CHURCH OF SANTA MARIA DO PINHEIRO GRANDE | PINHEIRO GRANDE

GPS coordinates: 39.393820, -8.437526

Built in 1930 on the Old Church's location, which belonged to the Order of the Templars, it was burned down on Three Kings Day's eve in 1921. It is a simple temple where the image of Santa Maria [Saint Mary] stands out.



CHURCH OF SANTA BÁRBARA | CARREGUEIRA

GPS coordinates: 39.420130, -8.415109

Simple recently constructed temple. The stone-built image associated with the worship of the Divine Holy Spirit stands out.



THE VILLAGE OF ARRIPIADO | ARRIPIADO

GPS coordinates: 39.4555646, -8.3911389

There are beautiful flowery nooks to be found in this typical village whose white houses spread along the hillside, in turn reflected on the waters of the River Tagus. Flowers are part of this riverside Village's tradition, where even a street and a square are named after them - rua das flores and largo das flores.

On every street, square or stairway, we can also find several toponymy-related fun facts, which are almost always and invariably accompanied by a small story about the origin of their names.



The Legend of Arripiado

Legend has it that at the time of the Moorish invasions, the Castle of Almourol was inhabited by a Moorish couple and their daughter, Ari. One day, while passing through this town, Ari fell in love with a Christian boy, but this relationship was not accepted by her parents and, to prevent Ari from escaping, they attached a rope to her leg and to another object - in Portuguese this was called "pear-am-na" [i.e. tied her]. And so the story of 'Ari + peada' gave rise to Arripiada, which became Arripiado over time.

ALMOUROL VIEWPOINT | CARREGUEIRA

GPS coordinates: 39.4576434,-8.3765192

Here you can enjoy the scenic beauty of the River Tagus banks and the enchantment of the Castle of Almourol, all of which is guarded, so to speak, by a sculpture by Master João Cutileiro representing a Templar Warrior.



CHURCH OF S. MARCOS | CARREGUEIRA

GPS coordinates: 39.454863, -8.398031

The Chapel of S. Marcos used to exist on the riverside part of the village of Arripiado in times gone by, but due to its small size and location next to the River Tagus, it was subject to constant damage caused by winter floods. For this reason, the chapel was demolished and the current Church of S. Marcos was built, whose façade came from the former Church of Santa Apolónia in Lisbon.



CHURCH OF SANTA MARIA DE ULME | ULME

GPS coordinates: 39.3153409, -8.4294936

The current church, inaugurated on 1 November 1961, stands where the old one used to be, which was demolished in 1954. This simple church houses an image of Saint Benedict (also known as the African or Black Saint), as well as an Ançã stone image of Saint Sebastian. It also has a small museum where you can admire beautiful funerary stelae.



**CHURCH OF DIVINO ESPÍRITO SANTO OR
CHURCH OF NOSSA SENHORA DOS REMÉDIOS**
| VALE DE CAVALOS

GPS coordinates: 39.290230, -8.519932

This temple, built in the 18th century, has three different dates inside, the oldest, 1727, appears under the pulpit, the year 1739 is above the main door and the date of 1750 appears in the sacristy.



CHURCH OF NOSSA SENHORA DE FÁTIMA | PARREIRA

GPS coordinates: 39.215127, -8.399287

Simple church from the mid-20th century.



CHURCH OF NOSSA SENHORA DA CONCEIÇÃO
CHOUTO

GPS coordinates: 39.271754, -8.352164

Church built in the early 17th century, referred to in the "relatório dos párocos" [parish priests' report] of 1758.





MOVE

THROUGH
AND FOR

Nature



Discovering the natural charms of the Municipality of Chamusca is a unique and attractive proposition given its landscape diversity, and unique places and spaces, where the fauna and flora provide us with a calm environment of rare natural beauty.

Chamusca has numerous landscapes, from its lands of Borda-d'água, some of the most fertile in Europe, to the heathlands [Charneca] in the transition to Alentejo, mainly occupied by woodlands and cork oak forests. Cork oak and pine tree heathlands as far as the eye can see, crossed by green valleys where bulls, horses and sheep graze. A region that offers great conditions to rest and engage in outdoor activities in union with nature.

Its warm climate and relaxed lifestyle surrounded by nature are the perfect calling card of these beautiful lands located in the heart of the Ribatejo.

Here you can rest in the gardens, stroll along the riverside paths and set out to discover the ancient traditions that the inhabitants of Chamusca still preserve. Despite being close to large urban centres, it's far away enough to offer the quality of life that is no longer found there. The calm, peacefulness and serenity that so many seek.

Connect with nature in its purest state.

HERE
 YOU CAN
 BREATHE,
 LIVE,
 AND FEEL !



MUNICIPAL PARK | CHAMUSCA
GPS coordinates: 39.359039, -8.480769

Located next to the Paços do Concelho [City Hall] building, this land was known as Horta da Misericórdia until the end of the 19th century, and it encompasses the vegetable garden from the former building that is now the City Hall. This park includes several specimens of tropical plants, as well as different leisure and recreational spaces, paying tribute to Dr. João Joaquim Isidro dos Reis.



CHAMUSCA

JARDIM DA REPÚBLICA PUBLIC GARDEN | CHAMUSCA

GPS coordinates: 39.357319, -8.480976

This is a leisure space where we can discover a set of elements that help outline the history of Chamusca. Here you can find the Bandstand of Chamusca, which is why this space is commonly called "Jardim do Coreto" [Bandstand Garden], and the monument in honour of Infante D. Henrique.

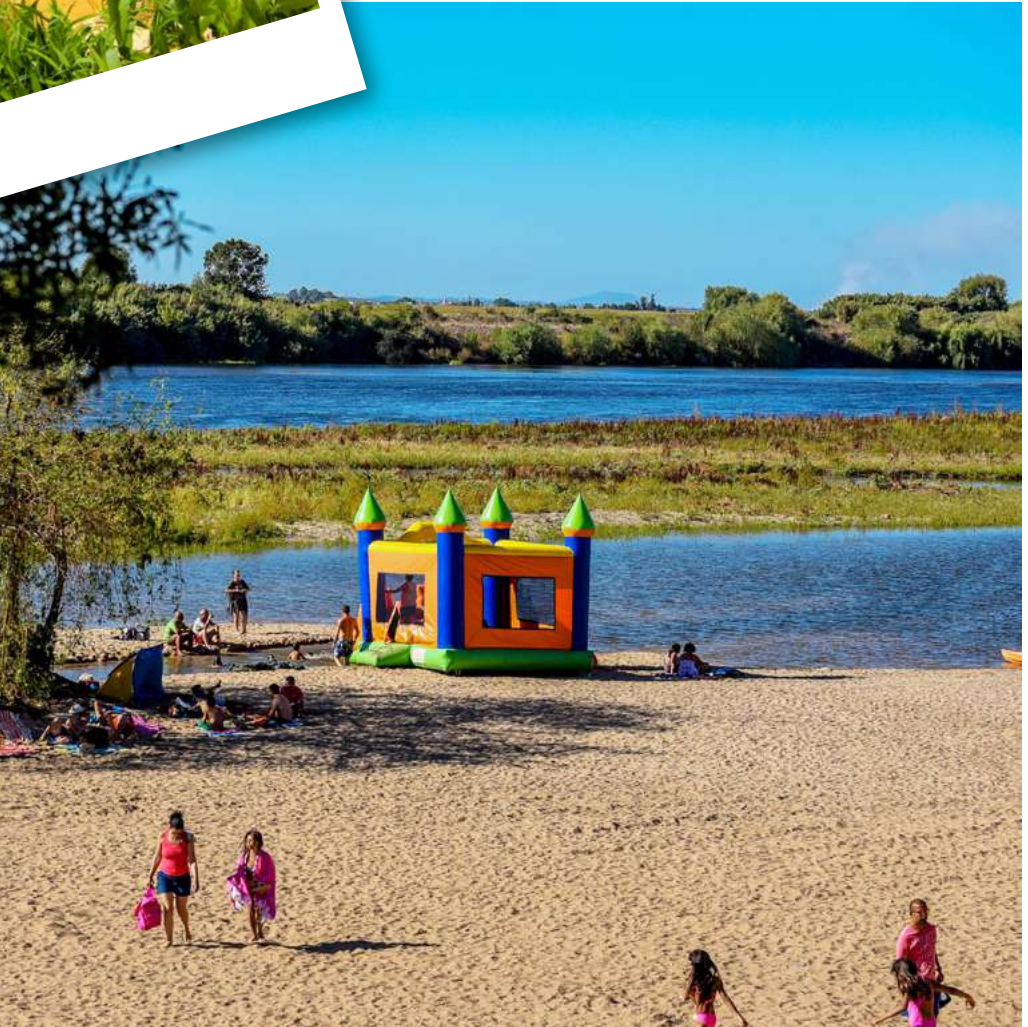


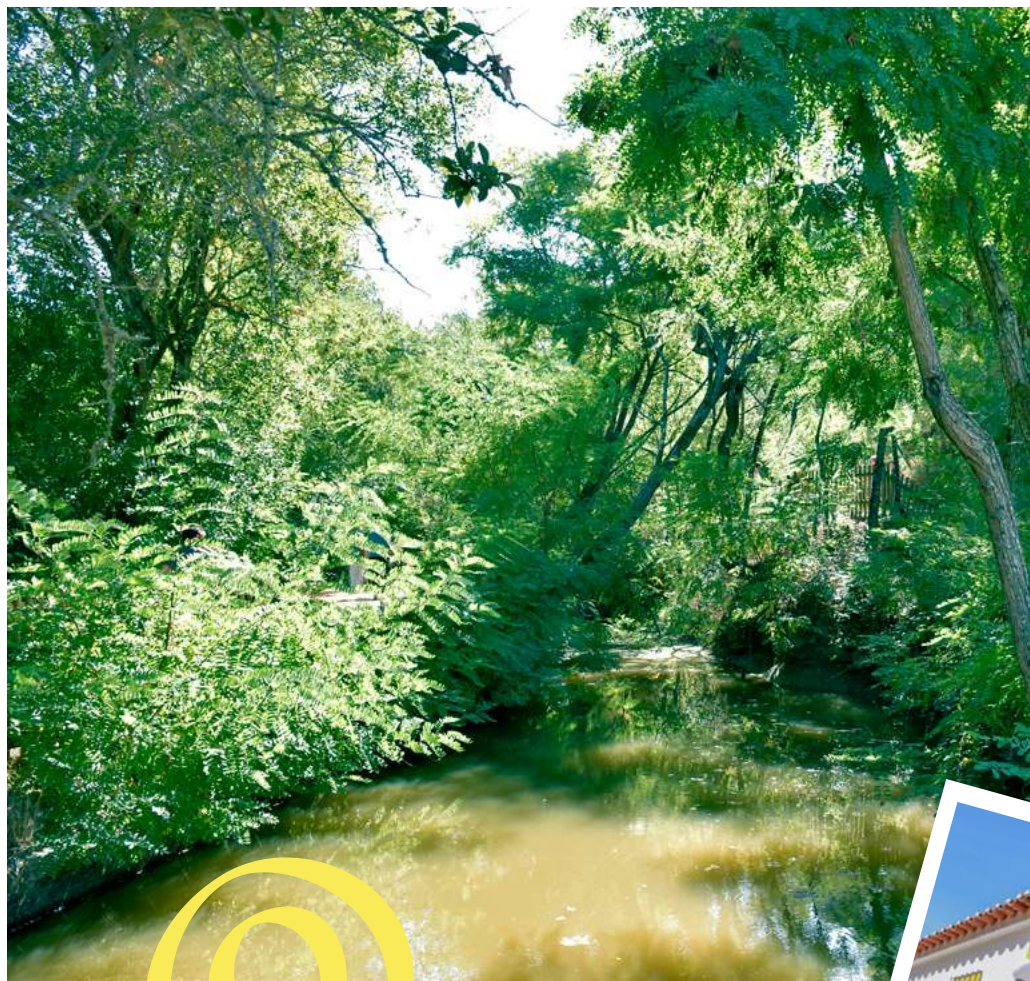


PORTO DAS MULHERES [WOMEN RIVER PORT] | [CHAMUSCA](#)
GPS coordinates: 39.3601536, -8.4890319

It was once an important river port, before the railways and road transport, which enabled crossing between the two banks in the “barcos d’água acima” [upriver boats], as the vessels that sailed up the River Tagus were known back then. They transported vegetables, cork, wine and straw, as well as people and sometimes animals. It was the main port of Chamusca due to being close to the town centre, and it was also here where women washed clothes, which gave rise to its name. Up until the last century, it was a place of residence for River Tagus fishermen. Now you can pick Porto das Mulheres to rest by the riverside.







CARREGUEIRA





"MÃE D'ÁGUA" LEISURE SPACE |

CARREGUEIRA

GPS coordinates: 39.416395, -8.409129

This is a green space of great natural beauty, with a water spring, an old drinking fountain for animals that was converted to a public washing well, and the reconstruction of an old watermill. People say that whoever drinks its water will wed in Carregueira.





RIBEIRA DA FOZ BIODIVERSITY STATION | CARREGUEIRA

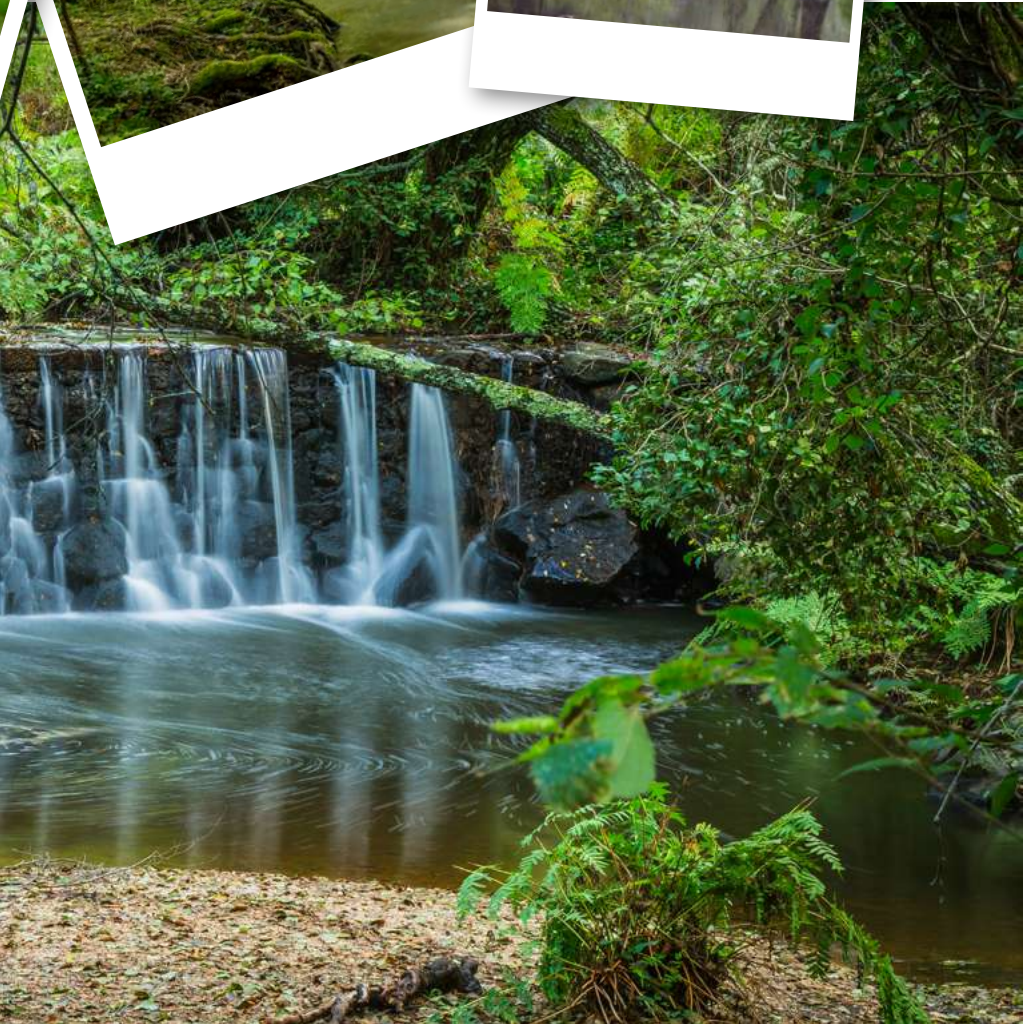
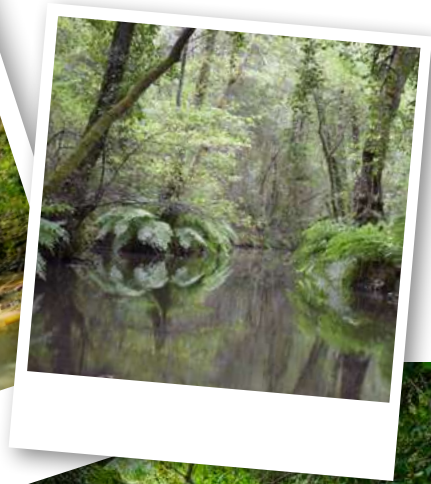
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It is an authentic nature conservation oasis, where you'll be able to feel the power of fresh air and admire the fauna and flora. Ribeira da Foz Biodiversity Station (EBIO) includes a trail of almost 2 km, with 9 information panels on biodiversity focusing on insects and plants.

Its lush vegetation and the constant sound of running water will catch everyone's attention. Oaks, cork oaks and holm oaks keep this secret safe, and among the various species you can find, the Eurasian sparrowhawk stands out, as it is one of the birds of prey that nests in the area. We can also find one of the few riparian woodlands in the region that is still quite well preserved, which is the habitat for the biodiversity of these wetlands.

This is the biological wealth you'll be able to discover, so prepare your shoes to "hit the road" because you will not be disappointed!







Nowadays CHAMUSCA is a lovely Portuguese Town, in the heart of Ribatejo, a place ruled and characterised by the River Tagus.

The River and its ports were once elements of wealth and interaction, as Chamusca had crossing barges until the beginning of the 20th century, of which the one that connects Arripiado to Tancos still exists. In fact, the town's history is intrinsically

linked to the River, to its communication and production, enabling trade and the transport of goods between regions.

Being the municipality's main natural resource, today the River Tagus is used for fishing and irrigating agricultural fields in the marshlands, but above all it's an important tourist resource for enjoying nature and water sports.



The River Tagus

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The marshlands

The municipality of Chamusca, which is deeply linked to farming and cattle raising, is located on the left bank of the River Tagus and includes the sub-region of Lezíria do Tejo [River Tagus marshlands]. This is a cultural region with deep rooted traditions, good weather conditions and fertile soils, with a proclivity for intensive irrigation agriculture where melon, tomato, cereals or fruit crops thrive.

With landscapes as far as the eye can see, in these lands you can glimpse magnificent cattle pastures that can be admired as if they were a real painting.

It's also usual to see bulls and horses throughout the marshlands since they share the territory with its inhabitants, an ancestral connection that connects mankind to the land and cattle, and which is maintained to this day. For all these reasons, the marshlands of Chamusca have always had a very important role in the identity of its people.

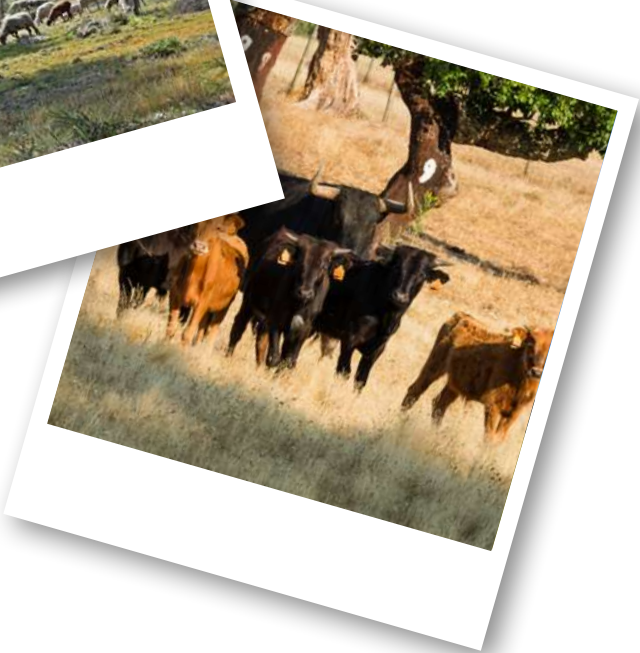
Rice fields of Ulme

The transition landscape from the marshlands to the heathlands is marked by the vast rice fields, located on the banks of a stream called Ribeira de Ulme. Rice is still harvested here, just like it has been for centuries. April and May are the months for planting rice, which usually comes from nurseries. The harvest is made in September, followed by the threshing.

Until a few years ago, there were about twenty water mills in operation along this stream. The rice fields are one of the most exciting and striking landscapes of the municipality of Chamusca, so come and get to know them!









The Heathlands

This is a region with a unique setting, where the woodlands interact with the splendour of Lezíria do Tejo. Here, in the heathlands of Ribatejo, is where we admire the diverse fauna in its natural habitat. The cork oak is the heathlands' main source of wealth, resulting in a multitude of products, from the wood used to traditionally make charcoal

in earth ovens spread across the heathlands, the acorn that fed pigs' herds and, of course, cork, the prime product used for industrial production. It is also under these cork oaks that the mushrooms from the heathlands of Ribatejo grow, which also contribute to the local economy.

OBSERVATÓRIO DA CHARNECA [HEATHLANDS LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORY]

| CHOUTO

GPS coordinates: 39.264761, -8.304904

The Observatório da Charneca [Heathlands Observatory] results from the restoration of an old barn and agricultural warehouse that were adapted into a space to hold conferences, meetings and events. Tourist entertainment activities promoted by the company Casal do Gavião do Meio are carried out here, where you can take part in rural activities, such as olive picking, sheep shearing and watching cork extraction, as well taking tours in the heathlands and cork oak forests.

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THE FIGHTING BULL

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THE HORSE

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Walking

Trails

There are numerous trails and paths to discover in Chamusca, both for regular hikers and occasional adventurers. There are options to suit everyone, all year round, whether you are with a tour guide or on your own.

For those who like to walk, we suggest two walking tours, to enjoy during a pleasant vacation in nature and benefiting from the best Chamusca has to offer.

Terra Branca Walking Circuit:

Distance: 7.09 km / Duration: 2 hrs /

Difficulty level: Easy



Walking Tour from the Heathlands to

River Tagus Banks: Distance: 10 km /

Duration: 3 hrs / Difficulty level: Easy

LEZÍRIA DO TEJO WALKING TRAIL NETWORK

Starting off from Jardim do Coreto garden, set out to discover the history of Chamusca Town, the heathland fields of Ribatejo and the River Tagus banks. Due to being a figure-eight trail, it allows you to choose between several options such as walking the full 10 km length or shorter options. Along the way you can also discover the local fauna and flora - especially the French lavender and the cork oak forest - between the town streets and the dirt roads, where the agricultural fields are also located.

For more information and to purchase a digital version of this travel guide please visit: www.visitribatejo.pt/pt/rede-de-percursos-pedestres-da-lezíria-do-tejo



DA CHARNECA ÀS MARGENS DO TEJO

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LOCALIZAÇÃO
Chamusca

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AEROPORTOS
Lisboa: 108 km | Porto: 228 km | Faro: 323 km

TODO ANO
ÉPOCA
ACONSELHADA

137 m

SUBIDA
ACUMULADA

137 m

DESCIDA
ACUMULADA

132 m

ALTITUDE
MÁXIMA

15 m

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MÍNIMA

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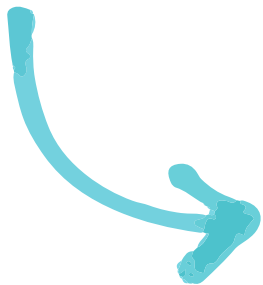
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10 km

EXTENSÃO

3 h

DURAÇÃO
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You can also discover 2 tourist circuits that promise to be a pleasant way to discover the Heart of Ribatejo. With a mild climate and about 3 000 hours of sunshine per year, Chamusca has a wide range of architectural and natural heritage, and there are several suggestions for all those who like to combine nature discovery, outdoor activities and passionate experiences.

HEATLANDS OF RIBATEJO CIRCUIT

It starts off near Estrada do Campo, at the Chamusca's south exit. If you want to get to know the municipality's southern area, this circuit will surprise you. Starting from Vale de Cavalos, passing through Parreira and Chouto and ending in Semideiro and Ulme, this is the trail that will allow you to enter into the heart of the heathlands, with a landscape that will dazzle you at each turn. Along this trail you'll find cattle ranches and the extensive rice fields of Ribeira de Ulme. We suggest that you admire the bulls grazing freely, so to do that choose the section towards Pego da Curva, Casal do Gorjão and then take the EN 243 towards Chouto.

Distance: 84 km / Difficulty level: Moderate



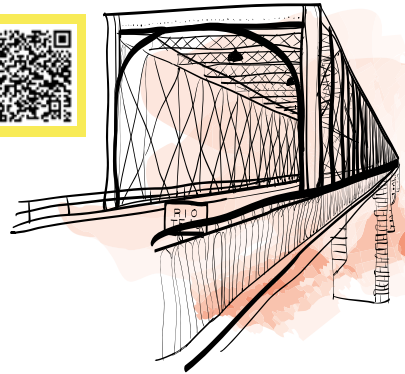


BORDA D'ÁGUA CIRCUIT

This circuit takes the visitor along the northern part of the municipality. Departing from the century-old Chamusca Bridge, you'll be able to visit Pinheiro Grande, one of the oldest villages in the municipality, where you'll find a viewpoint with an excellent view over the marshlands and the River Tagus. While heading north, we suggest a visit to "Mãe d'Água", an ideal spot to enjoy nature. Arripiado village is a mandatory stop as it features many relaxing options: from the riverside park to the bar with a breathtaking view, up to São Marcos Pier, where you can cross the river by taking a small boat. To finish off on a high note, there's nothing better than visiting the Viewpoint of Almourol, with a unique view over the Castle that gives the viewpoint its name.

Distance: 11.44 km / Difficulty level: Easy

For more information, check the Municipality's App



GRAND TOUR

Travel Agency and Tour Operator

Tourism promotion through cultural visits, walking trails, itineraries and circuits throughout the country and Europe.

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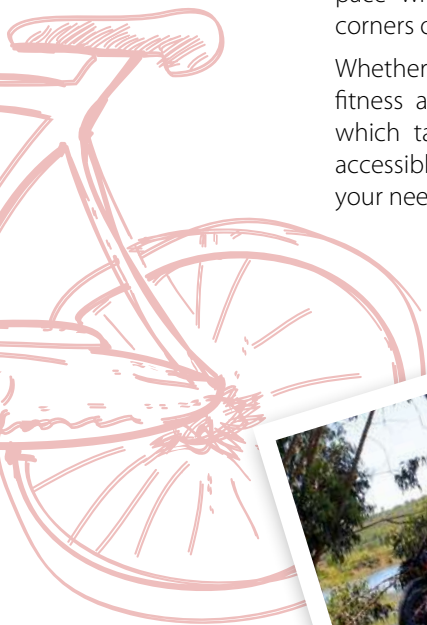
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Mountain Biking

The Municipality of Chamusca offers its visitors the most beautiful landscapes, which are ideal for cycling.

And so we propose a set of mountain bike circuits you can choose according to your pace which pass through the beautiful corners of the municipality.

Whether you prefer doing more serious fitness activities or some active tourism which takes you through otherwise inaccessible places, we have circuits to suit your needs.



CYCLING CENTRE OF ARRIPIADO

GPS coordinates: 39.454128, -8.398379

The Cycling Centre of Arripiado, which is located in the centre of Arripiado, on the south side of the River Tagus, features all the amenities of a cycling centre, namely restrooms, changing rooms and a service station for washing and minor repairs, and also has two more service stations - one in front of the City Market of Chamusca and another in the centre of Chouto Village.

In order to further promote sustainable tourism, visiting the region by bicycle is presented as a sustainable option. This Centre's users can choose to walk trails of less than a day's duration, but they can also carry out longer walks, with overnight stays, which link the various existing trails.

The cross-country trails have several connections between them, which include the region's most iconic places for doing this kind of sport.

The Cycling Centre has seven trails and one connection, totalling 362 km and four difficulty levels.

For more information, go to www.cyclinportugal.pt and <https://www.responsibletrails.pt/>



Awaken your SENSES

At Chamusca the food is hearty and delicious, the land is picturesque, festivities are lively and nature is diverse, as only the Heart of Ribatejo knows how to be.

Lose yourself in this town that once was the stage of many stories and traditions. Discover Chamusca, admire its traditions and be surprised by the way the locals welcome visitors, friendly tradition-honouring people who like to entertain.

In Chamusca every festivity must have the typical dance fandango, bullfighting, the pride of the campino [the cattle herder of Ribatejo] and a good variety of traditional food, where there's always room for one more. Local shops are just a stone's throw away and all products come straight from

the land and are of excellent quality.

The municipality of Chamusca is the stage for several events throughout the year, as a result of a people's cultural identity, from religious festivities to more cheerful ones, here there's plenty of good music, traditional games, bullfights, as well as traditional sweets and snacks. This is the historic and future legacy of the municipality.

**THE TRADITION
OF RIBATEJO
CANNOT BE
EXPLAINED,
IT HAS TO BE LIVED.**



GASTRONOMY

Passed down from generation to generation, traditional gastronomy highlights the wealth of Chamusca. This is due to the knowledge of its people, seasoned with flavours of a cuisine made with high quality regional products, which gave rise to typical dishes that reflected the work done in the fields. Now tradition and innovation go hand in hand, creating recipes to eat and beg for more!

TRADITIONAL DISHES:

Bread and Kale Stew with Roasted Cod
Pinéu-style Meat [fried pork]
Eel Stew
Shad Açorda [shad stew]
Ribatejo-style Oven Roast Kid
Beans, Pork and Veggies Stew

TRADITIONAL SWEETS:

Trouxas de Ovos [sweet egg rolls]
Egg Lamprey
Queijinhos do Céu [egg and almond sweets]
Peixe Doce [almond biscuit shaped as a fish]
Fios de Ovos [sweet egg threads]
Assorted Honey Breads
Golden Soup
Custard Puddings





CITY MARKET OF CHAMUSCA | **CHAMUSCA**

GPS coordinates: 39.356734, -8.482441

In 1903, the space where the City Market's modern building stands was marked out, then the floor was paved and a railing was built, and a metal roof was built the following year. But the outdoor market was already taking place in that square before that. After several remodelling works, the City Market is currently a mandatory stop given its bold and modern exterior.

RESTAURANTS

TAVERNA DO AREAL

Address: Estrada 16 de Setembro,
2140-000 **CHAMUSCA**
Contacts: +351 249 760 209 | +351 913 385 280
Capacity: 100 seats
Opening hours: 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Sundays at
lunchtime only
Closed: Monday



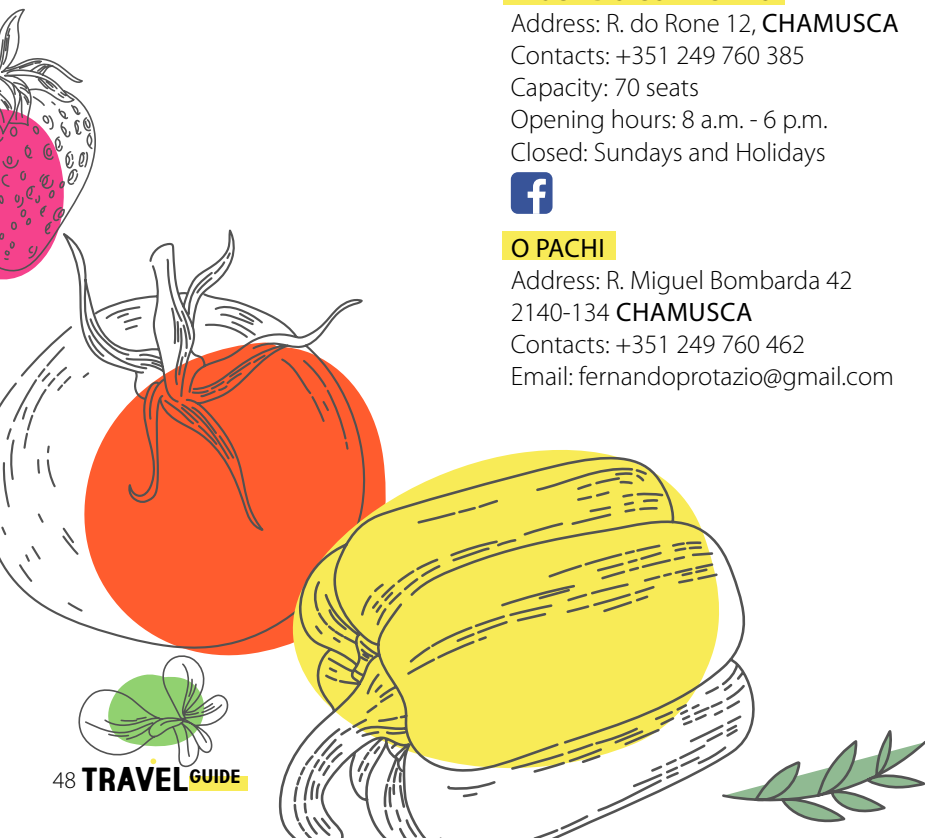
TASCA DO CORTICEIRO

Address: R. do Rone 12, **CHAMUSCA**
Contacts: +351 249 760 385
Capacity: 70 seats
Opening hours: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Closed: Sundays and Holidays



O PACHI

Address: R. Miguel Bombarda 42
2140-134 **CHAMUSCA**
Contacts: +351 249 760 462
Email: fernandoprotazio@gmail.com



Capacity: 40 seats

Opening hours: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
(Dinners with reservation only)

Closed: Sunday



O CHORA

Address: R. do Vimioso n.1,
2140-107 **CHAMUSCA**

Contacts: +351 966 586 065

Email: geral@ochora.pt

Capacity: 50 seats

Opening hours: Mondays to Fridays - 9
a.m. - 4 p.m.; Saturdays - 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.;
Dinner by reservation for 10 people, min.

Closed: Sunday



PARAGEM DA PONTE

Address: Ponte da Chamusca [Chamusca
Bridge]

2140-309 **PINHEIRO GRANDE**

Contacts: +351 249 768 232

Capacity: 300 seats

Opening hours: Mondays to Sundays
6 a.m. - 9 p.m.



TABERNA DA RITA

Address: Largo Bernardino José Monteiro,
15 2140-307 **PINHEIRO GRANDE**

Contacts: +351 249 740 000

Email: taberna.rita@mail.telepac.pt

Capacity: 125 seats

Opening hours: 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.; 7 p.m. -
10 p.m.

Closed: Sundays at dinnertime
and Mondays



ALGAZ

Address: R. do Algaz 1,
2140-666 **CARREGUEIRA**

Contacts: +351 933 328 944

Email: restauranteoalgaz@gmail.com

Capacity: 75 seats

Opening hours: 11:30 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Closed: Tuesday



O CARCAVELO

Address: Rua Direita (EN 118)

2140-665 **CARREGUEIRA**

Contacts: +351 249 740 347 | +351 916 809 259

Email: tasquinhacarcavelo@gmail.com

Capacity: 100 seats

Opening hours: 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Closed: Monday



O MOÇO

Address: Rua 5 de Outubro, nº46.

2140-515 **PARREIRA**

Contacts: +351 249 771 241 | +351 938 757 764

Capacity: 24 seats

Opening hours: 6 a.m. - 12 a.m.



CAFÉ RAPOSO

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385 **ULME**

Contacts: +351 249 770 377 | +351 932 694 976

Email: catarina_craposo@hotmail.com

Capacity: 43 seats

Opening hours: 6:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.



O BOM TEMPERO

Address: Rua Visconde Santa Margarida, nº19 2140-142 **CHAMUSCA**
Contacts: +351 910 369 643
Capacity: 8 seats
Opening hours: 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.; 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Closed: Monday



CAFÉ-RESTAURANTE O CAVALEIRO

Address: N118 22-17
VALE DE CAVALOS
Contacts: +351 914 171 017 | +351 961 554 118 Capacity: 70 seats
Opening hours: 12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.



PIZZBURG

Address: Mercado Municipal da Chamusca [City Market of Chamusca]
CHAMUSCA
Contacts: +351 932 508 163
Opening hours: 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.; 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Closed: Monday



MALU SOPAS E PETISCOS

Address: Mercado Municipal da Chamusca [City Market of Chamusca]
CHAMUSCA
Contacts: +351 912 637 359
Email: geral.malu67@gmail.com
Opening hours: Sundays to Thursdays - from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.;
Fridays and Saturdays - from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Closed: Monday



CHINESE RESTAURANT - BOM AMIGO

Address: Rua Direita de S. Pedro (Edifício Soltejo N3) 2140-097 **CHAMUSCA**
Contacts: +351 968 848 601 | +351 249 760 026
Opening hours: 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.; 6:30 p.m. - 11 p.m.

COFFEE SHOP AND RESTAURANT - CAFÉ RESTAURANTE CLARA FLOR

Address: Nacional 118 **PINHEIRO GRANDE**
Contacts: +351 249 741 055 | +351 917 231 410
Capacity: 60 seats
Opening hours: 7 a.m. - 12 a.m.
Closed: Sunday

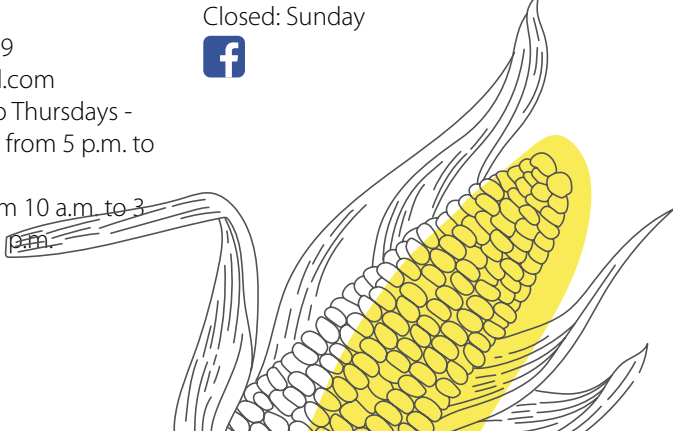


RESTAURANTE O JOEL

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Contacts: +351 249 110 577
Capacity: 40 seats
Opening hours: 7 a.m. - 2 a.m.

TAVERNA SANTA MARIA

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Opening hours: 9 a.m. - 12 a.m.
Closed: Sunday



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Contacts: +351 963 712 211

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Contacts: +351 936 160 394

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Website: <https://www.casadoportocarvao.pt/>

HERDADE DOS CORDEIROS

Agrotourism Property - registration no. 9850

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Casal de Vale Carros

2140-415 **VALE DE CAVALOS**

Contacts: +351 919 387 179

Email: geral@herdadedoscordeiros.pt

Website: <https://www.herdadedoscordeiros.pt/>

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CASA DAS HORTENSES

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EVENTS

JOGO DO QUARTÃO [ASH WEDNESDAY MATCH]

Annual | Ash Wednesday

Carnival in Chamusca is filled with tradition. On Ash Wednesday, men gather for a lunch of turnip leaves and cod, paired with good wine. Then the traditional “Jogo do Quartão” begins. In this ritual, men form a circle where they throw clay pitchers to each other, and whoever drops the pitcher on the floor has to pay a “round” to all participants at the nearest establishment.





MUSHROOM FESTIVAL OF PARREIRA

Annual | March | Organisation: Chamusca Municipality and Union of Civil Parishes of Parreira and Chouto

The Mushroom Festival of Parreira is a gastronomic initiative that promotes this local product from our heathlands of Ribatejo, while highlighting the local flavours and knowledge of this civil parish.



ASCENSION WEEK

Annual | May | Organisation: Chamusca Municipality

Ascension Day is the best in Chamusca! This tradition is very much alive in Chamusca town. Originally a religious tradition, today this is the highlight of the festivities, attracting thousands of visitors from all over the region. "From Easter to Ascension, forty days go by", this is our biggest celebration, right in the middle of spring, when nature is in bloom, the days are sunny and there is immense joy coming from the land and mankind. Ascension Day is the highlight of festivities due the famous bull run, when bulls enter Rua Direita de S. Pedro and go up to the Bull Ring.



ST. PETER'S AND COWBELL FAIR

Annual | June | Organisation: Chamusca Municipality and Union of Civil Parishes of Parreira and Chouto

This festivity is celebrated by the people of Chouto village. It was known as the "levante" fair [a fair that has to be set every day], in which cowbells were sold for wild cattle. Currently, this festivity has a lot of musical entertainment, and folklore, and it is also an occasion used to promote and display local products.

*Feira de
S. Pedro
e de Chacalho*
CHOUTO

FESTIVITIES OF ARRIPIADO

Annual | August | Organisation: Chamusca Municipality and Civil Parish of Carregueira

This is a festivity near the river and for people of all ages, featuring smiles spread across the riverside gardens, popular gastronomy where all flavours have a place, concerts, folklore, sports activities and boat rides. On 15 August the tradition is renewed with the procession along the river, where S. Marcos will visit Nossa Senhora da Conceição at the neighbouring village of Tancos, in a moving display of faith seen in every face.





“JÁ TE DOU O ARROZ” FESTIVAL

Annual | September | Organisation: Chamusca Municipality and Civil Parish of Ulme

The “Já Te Dou O Arroz” festival, hosted by the civil parish of Ulme in the municipality of Chamusca, is an event dedicated to rice, a traditional local product from this civil parish, a place with large expanses of rice fields that are a source of wealth for many families.



EH! TOIRO

Annual | October | Organisation: Chamusca Municipality and Eh! Toiro Association of Chamusca

With our Bull Ring’s magical beauty as a witness, EH! Toiro is a huge party arena featuring the sounds of fado, pasodoble dancing, bulls entering the arena, campinos, bullfighters and a huge crowd applauding, taking part in the collective pleasure of a party where bonds are shared.



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Union of Civil Parishes of Parreira and Chouto
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Civil Parish of Vale de Cavalos
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Civil Parish of Ulme
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Chamusca Volunteer Fire Brigade
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