



RECOMENDADO
PELA CASA REAL
PORTUGUESA

IN & OUT



PESTANA
POUSADA CONVENTO
VILA VIÇOSA
HISTORIC HOTEL
PORTUGAL

The attractions of the Pousada are the Cloister, the 16th and 17th century furniture and the marvelous recipes.

IN

Take a dip in the heart of Alentejo and the village that witnessed the birth of the great mentor of afternoon tea in England, Queen Catherine of Bragança, Princess of Portugal and Queen Consort of England by marriage to the King, King Carlos II of England.

Staying at the Pousada do Convento das Chagas de Cristo is a unique, dreamy and historical experience. Lose yourself between rooms and corridors, stairways and round arches: one of the most noble and opulent convents of Portugal awaits you.

The first thing you need to know about this extraordinary place is that you are in the religious home built over 500 years to serve as a Pantheon to the ladies of the House of Bragança, the second most powerful noble house of the country, immediately after the Royal House. Inserted into the Ducal Palace, the convent, the church and the palace bear witness to a rich historical period, and thanks to Dom João IV, the Restorer, bearing a beauty and wealth that are difficult to match.

You will sleep in the Clare nuns convent that became the destiny of many second daughters (or illegitimate daughters) of the noble families and, thanks to successive donations and gifts, one of the most opulent prayer spaces for Portugal.



Feel the emotion of travelling through time, simultaneously enjoying the comfort, rest and luxury you deserve.

IN



The Pousada benefits from an incomparable atmosphere; the today's 10 theme rooms used to be oratories and retreats.

IN





FACILITIES

- Historical Surroundings
- Facilities for the Disabled
- Outdoor Swimming Pool
- Games Room
- Parking
- Restaurant
- Groups Room
- Bar
- Minibar
- Gardens
- WiFi Access
- Safe
- Cable TV
- Voltage 220 Volts
- 34 Rooms
- 5 Suites
- Dam 55 km
- River Beach 55 km

Convento das Chagas, Terreiro do Paço
7160-251 Vila Viçosa

GPS
N: 38 46.899
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RESTAURANT OF THE POUSADA



ROYAL APPROVAL

Thanks to its privileged connection to the House of Bragança, the Pousada Vila Viçosa is the venue of an annual lunch of the Portuguese royal house. But here, any title-less guest receives the same attention as the most illustrious royal heir. The restaurant Antigo Refeitório, located in the convent's old dining hall, has fully recovered ceiling frescos and tables placed to receive you with all the grandeur that this region, known as the regional embassy of local gastronomy, has to offer.

The D. Carlos restaurant is open for private events or on days when the inn is more occupied. This room overlooks the patio where you can dine or take part in a Summer barbecue. We are sure that in winter you'll dispense with such an option; it is better to stay by the fire and warm up with the fabulous tomato soup from the menu.



IN



RESTAURANT OF THE POUSADA

SPECIALITIES

Tomato soup with sausages and poached
egg, golden cod, recipe from 1942

Crispy Serpa Cheese with Elvas Plums

Pousada de Elvas' Golden
Cod (1942 recipe)

Roasted Lamb Alentejo Style

Manjar das Chagas

Number of seats: 50

The dishes are subject to change without prior notice.

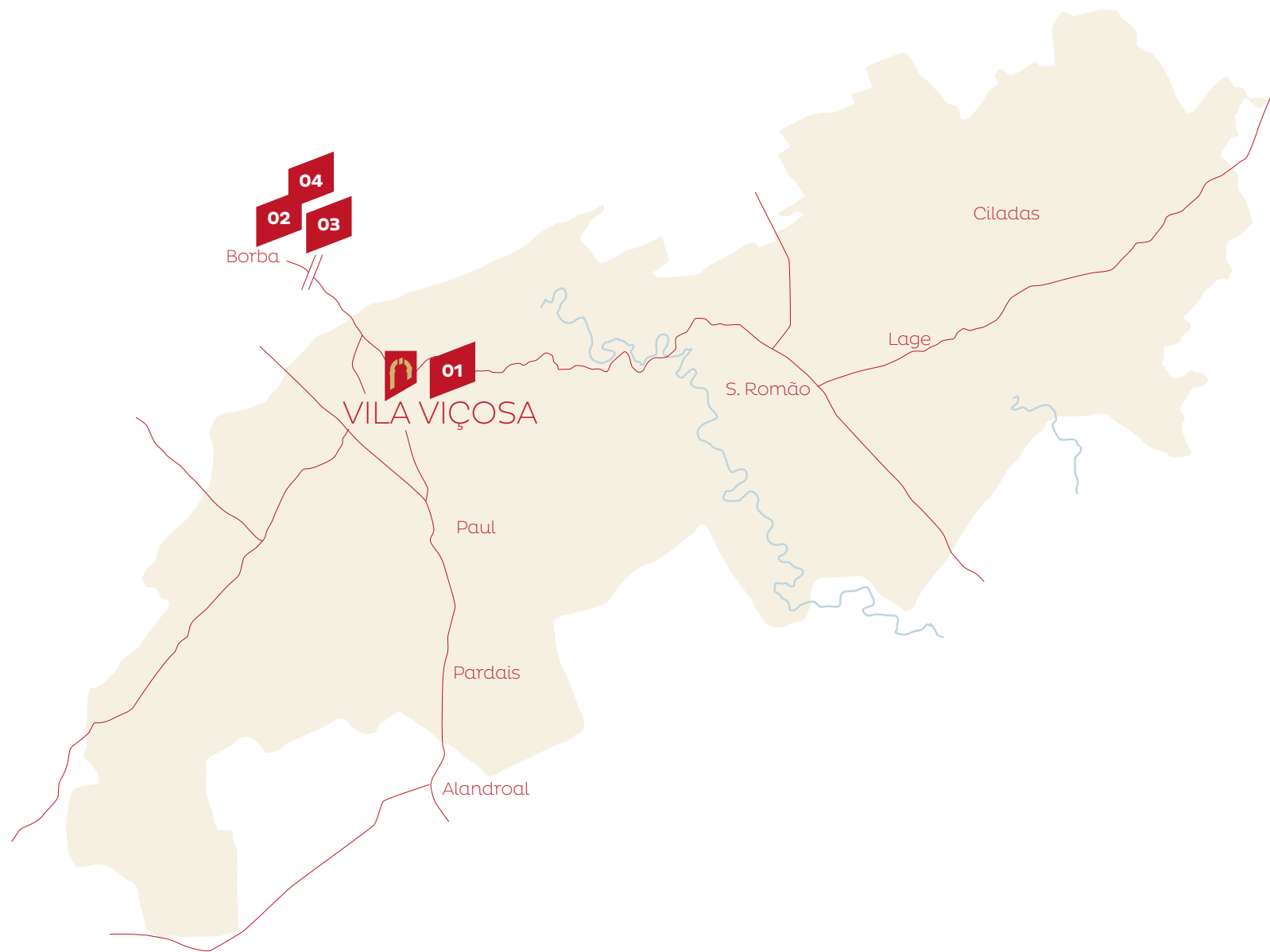
King Dinis ordered the construction of the castle and the wall surrounding the town, which helped to stop the Spanish army in the 17th century.

OUT

Located in the Alto Alentejo, between Elvas, Borba and Redondo, Vila Viçosa is a quiet village full of history and attractive activities.

It is the hometown of the famous and passionate poetess Florbela Espanca and a land of churches, monasteries, chapels, hermitages and convents. It is also internationally known for the abundant marble quarries in the region. In 1461, it became part of the Dukedom of Bragança, and in 1502, begun the construction of the “Paço Ducal” (Ducal Palace), the most emblematic monument of Vila Viçosa.

From visits to innumerable museums and monuments to balloon rides, discover the secrets and the legends of this region known as the “Princess of Alentejo”.



- 01** FLORBELA ESPANCA MOVIE-THEATRE
- 02** AZENHAS DA SEDA
- 03** MORA RIVER AQUARIUM
- 04** WADNATURE

TO DO

Take advantage of the tranquillity and the peace of the Alentejo to rest, but do not miss the region's small great wonders. From varied pedestrian walks to exciting hot-air balloon flights, you can appreciate the fabulous landscape of plains. One of the most interesting activities in Vila Viçosa municipality is birdwatching; some of the most endangered species live here, like the Bonelli's Eagle, the Black Stork and the Spoonbill. Set aside an afternoon to get to know the wine cellars and have a walk in the country. As an alternative, you can also drive to the nearby city of Évora, a few kilometres away. "Romarias" (pilgrimages) are the right occasion for festivities, tradition, gastronomy and guaranteed entertainment. If you have the chance, see the "Romaria do Santuário de Nossa Senhora da Boa Nova", where you will find all the customs and the true essence of Alentejo Culture.

OUT



TO DO

ACTIVITIES

FLORBELA ESPANCA MOVIE-THEATRE
Avenida Bento de Jesus Caraça
Vila Viçosa

AZENHAS DA SEDA
Moinho do Arieira - Mora

MORA RIVER AQUARIUM
Parque Ecológico do Gameiro,
Cabeção - Mora

WADNATURE
Passeios de Kayak e Aulas
de Astronomia no Castelo
da Juromenha

BIRDWATCHING

PATHWAYS

HIKING

BALLOON RIDES

WINE ROUTES

JOÃO PORTUGAL RAMOS CELLAR
Vila Santa - Estremoz

BORBA CELLAR
Largo Gago Coutinho e Sacadura Cabral, 25 - Borba

EVENTS

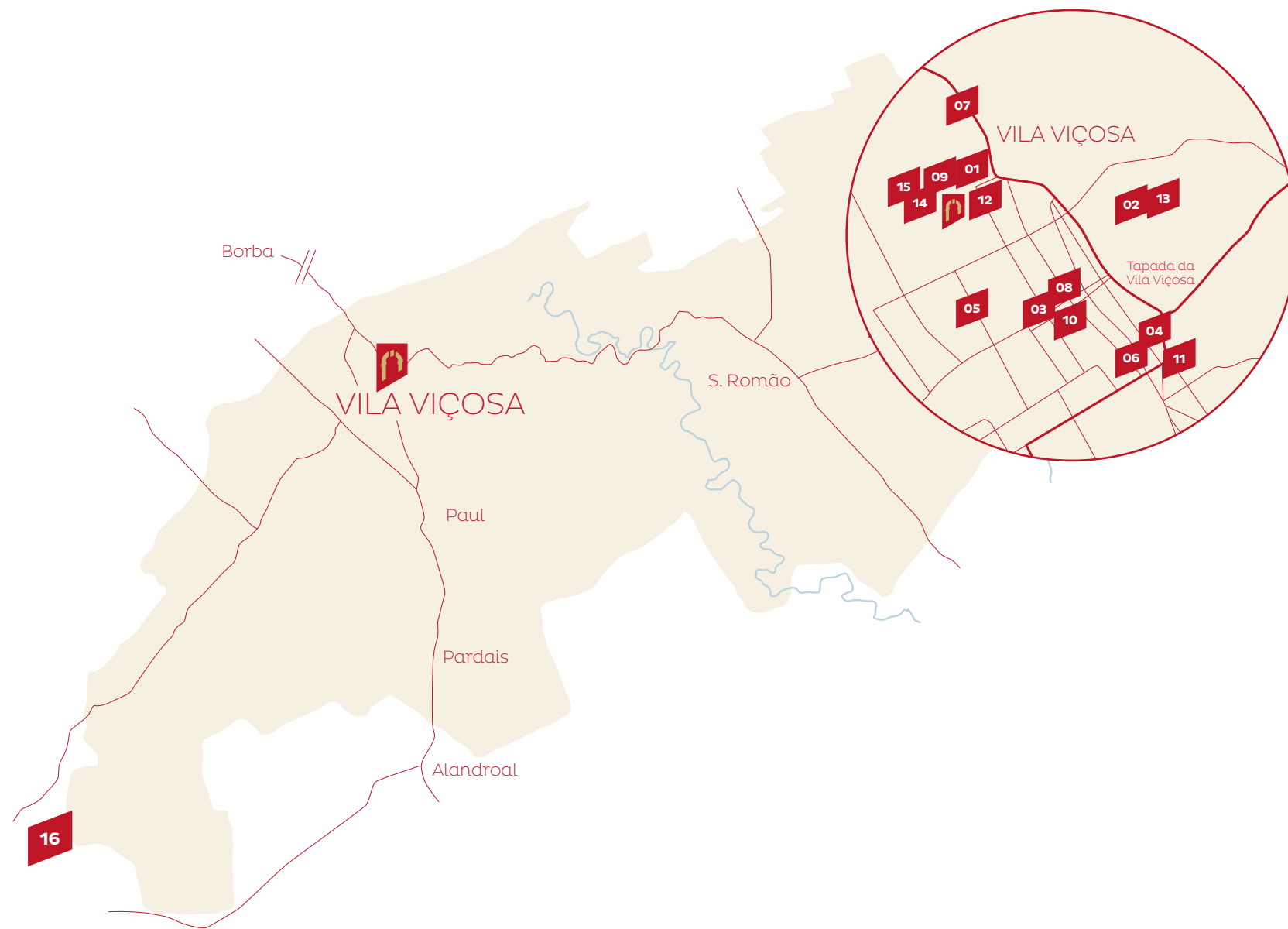
**“NOSSA SENHORA DA BOA
NOVA SANTUARY” PILGRIMAGE
TERENA**
April - May

VILA VIÇOSA FAIR
January and August

CAPUCHOS FESTIVAL
September

**IMACULADA CONCEIÇÃO DE MARIA
SANTÍSSIMA FESTIVITY**
8th of December

OUT



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| 01 DUCAL PALACE | 07 NÓS PORTAL | 13 HUNTING MUSEUM |
| 02 VILA VIÇOSA CASTLE | 08 MUNICIPAL HISTORICAL ARCHIVE | 14 MUSEUM OF COACHES |
| 03 SÃO JOÃO EVANGELISTA CHURCH | 09 CASA DE BRAGANÇA HISTORICAL ARCHIVE | 15 MUSEU AGRÍCOLA E ETNOGRÁFICO DE VILA VIÇOSA |
| 04 NOSSA SENHORA DA CONCEIÇÃO SANCTUARY | 10 MARBLE MUSEUM | |
| 05 LAPA CHURCH | 11 ARCHEOLOGY MUSEUM | 16 MENDES & MURTEIRA |
| 06 ESPERANÇA CONVENT | 12 ARMORY MUSEUM | |

TO SEE

Vila Viçosa has always been regarded as the jewel of the Alentejo considering the royal endowments and donations. The museums and monuments in the city centre, the Historic Municipal Archive and the Marble Quarries Natural Reserve are a charming cultural route no guest should miss. The “Chagas de Cristo” Convent is a jewel of history, beliefs and legends. The Medieval Castle was erected when the Christians were fighting against the Muslims on the Peninsula, but the Ducal Palace is the most emblematic monument of Vila Viçosa. Similarly to the “Terreiro do Paço” in Lisbon, its façade is totally covered with marble and inspired by the Italian Renaissance style. In its interior, precious art collections once belonging to King D. Manuel II are exhibited and are

OUT



TO SEE

DUCAL PALACE
Terreiro do Paço - Vila Viçosa

VILA VIÇOSA CASTLE
Avenida Duques de Bragança
Vila Viçosa

SÃO JOÃO EVANGELISTA CHURCH
Praça da República - Vila Viçosa

**NOSSA SENHORA
DA CONCEIÇÃO SANCTUARY**
Vila Viçosa

LAPA CHURCH
Campo da Restauração - Vila Viçosa

ESPERANÇA CONVENT
Largo Mouzinho de Albuquerque
Vila Viçosa

NÓS PORTAL
Vila Viçosa

MUNICIPAL HISTORICAL ARCHIVE
Praça da República - Vila Viçosa

**CASA DE BRAGANÇA
HISTORICAL ARCHIVE**
Terreiro do Paço
Palácio Ducal de Vila Viçosa

MARBLE MUSEUM
Olival da Gradinha,
Av. Duque D. Jaime - Vila Viçosa

ARCHEOLOGY MUSEUM
Avenida Duques de Bragança
Vila Viçosa

ARMORY MUSEUM
Terreiro do Paço - Vila Viçosa

HUNTING MUSEUM
Castelo de Vila Viçosa

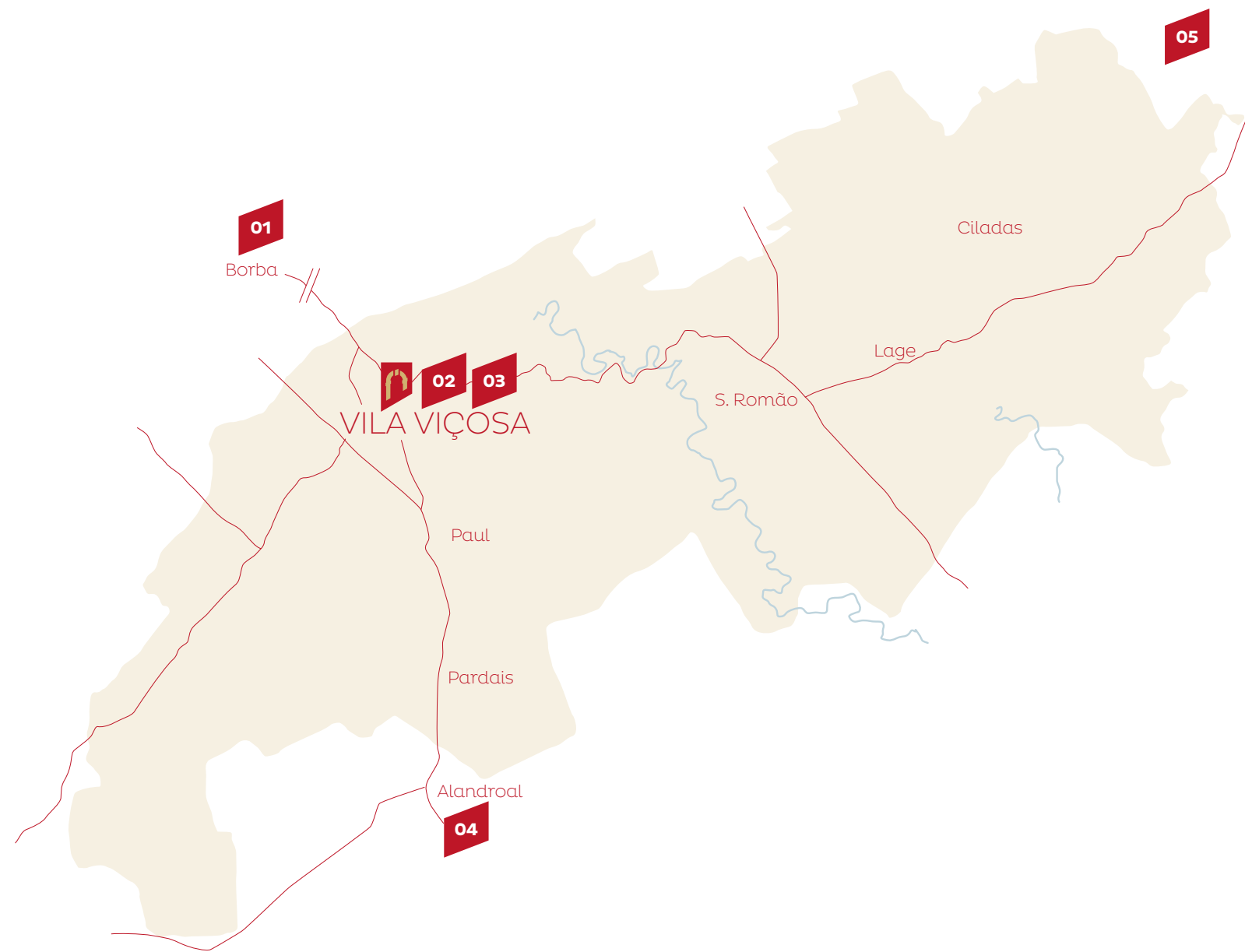
MUSEUM OF COACHES
Terreiro do Paço - Vila Viçosa

**MUSEU AGRÍCOLA E ETNOGRÁFICO
DE VILA VIÇOSA**
Antiga estação da CP - Vila Viçosa

GUIDED TOURS

MENDES & MURTEIRA
Rua 31 de Janeiro, 15 A - Évora

OUT



- 01** POUSADA RAINHA SANTA ISABEL
- 02** OS CUCOS
- 03** TAVERNA DOS CONJURADOS

- 04** A MARIA
- 05** A BOLOTA

TO EAT

Flavour, calm and abundance are the basis of Alentejo cuisine; the results are extremely well elaborated dishes, always with a special touch making the difference.

From cheeses to wines, including the fabulous smoked sausages and the bread – innumerable dishes will entice you, offering a gastronomic experience you will enjoy again and again.

OUT





TO EAT

POUSADA RAINHA SANTA ISABEL
Largo de D. Diniz - Estremoz

OS CUCOS
Mata Municipal - Vila Viçosa

TAVERNA DOS CONJURADOS
Largo 25 de Abril - Vila Viçosa

A MARIA
Rua João de Deus 12 - Alandroal

A BOLOTA
Rua Madre Teresa - Terrugem

TYPICAL DISHES

Alentejo Tomato Soup,
Cação de Coentrada (Coriander Soup with Dogfish),
Alentejo Roasted Lamb.

DESSERTS

Sericaia with Plums from Elvas.

BEVERAGES

Montes Claros Red Wine and Quinta do Carmo White Wine.

OUT



Pousada Amares - Mosteiro de Amares
Pousada Crato - Mosteiro do Crato
Pousada Faro - Palácio de Estoi
Pousada Guimarães - Mosteiro de Guimarães
Pousada Lisboa - Terreiro do Paço



Pousada Alcácer do Sal - Castelo de Alcácer
Pousada Alvito - Castelo de Alvito
Pousada Angra do Heroísmo
Pousada Arraiolos - Convento de Arraiolos
Pousada Beja - Convento de Beja
Pousada Belmonte - Convento de Belmonte
Pousada Évora - Convento de Évora
Pousada Estremoz - Castelo de Estremoz
Pousada Horta - Castelo da Horta
Pousada Óbidos - Castelo de Óbidos
Pousada Palmela - Castelo de Palmela
Pousada Queluz - Palácio de Queluz
Pousada Serra da Estrela
Pousada Tavira - Convento de Tavira
Pousada Viana do Castelo
Pousada Vila Pouca da Beira - Convento de Vila P. da Beira
Pousada Vila Viçosa - Convento de Vila Viçosa
Pousada Viseu



Pousada Gerês - Caniçada
Pousada Marvão
Pousada Sagres
Pousada Valença
Pousada Ourém
Pousada Ria
Pousada Alijó
Pousada Condeixa - Coimbra
Pousada Bragança
Pousada Marão

