



# Madeira individually – the Levada Trek

## Highlights

- > Discover the hidden world of the levadas
- > Experience intoxicating views
- > Admire the elegance of the waterways
- > Wander the island from north to south

## Profile

- > From accommodation to accommodation
- > With 6 selected hikes of your choice
- > Luggage transport from accommodation to accommodation

## Included Services

- > Airport transfer from/to Funchal airport
- > 7 nights in selected accommodations, rooms with bath/shower and WC
- > Transfers according to itinerary
- > Luggage transport from accommodation to accommodation
- > Detailed route description and maps
- > Meals according to the itinerary
- > ASI tour book
- > 7 x breakfast

Water is the artery of life. The Madeirans were so convinced of this that they created something unique on their island: a network of waterways more than a thousand kilometres long. It runs through Madeira, cuts through the island and makes its way through the highest mountains. A monumental structure was created. These "levadas" made Madeira fertile and brought modest prosperity. Our journey takes you from the origins of the levadas in the heart of the island to the terraced fields. You will see the elegant way in which this construction merged with nature as you hike a network of paths created as a by-product of building the levadas. It is one of its kind in the world and absolutely fascinating.

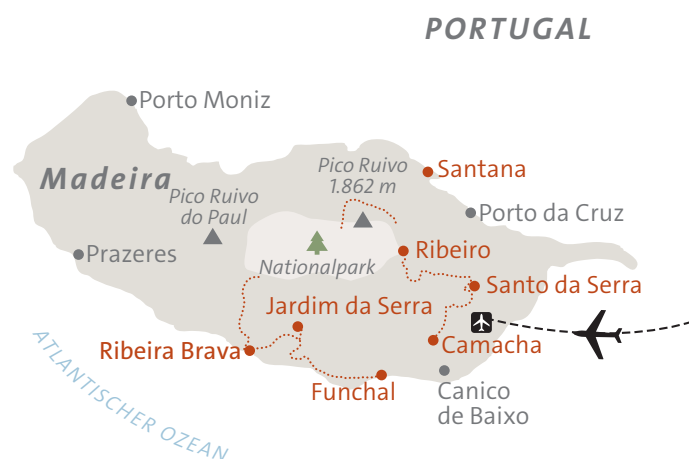
**Trip type**  
Trekking trips, hiking trips

**Minimum number of participants:**  
from 1 person

**Area covered**  
Portugal

**Length of trip**  
8 days

**Travel Code**  
2PTFNC010T





## Day 1 Welcome to Madeira

Individual travel to Madeira You will be picked up from the airport. After a short drive, you will arrive at your hotel in Camacha.

### Details of journey

**S** Distance approx. 16km **🕒** Driving time approx. 15 min

**🏠** Accommodation  
Quinta da Moscadinha \*\*\*  
Caminho Mun. dos Caboucos n°19  
9135-378 Camacha PT

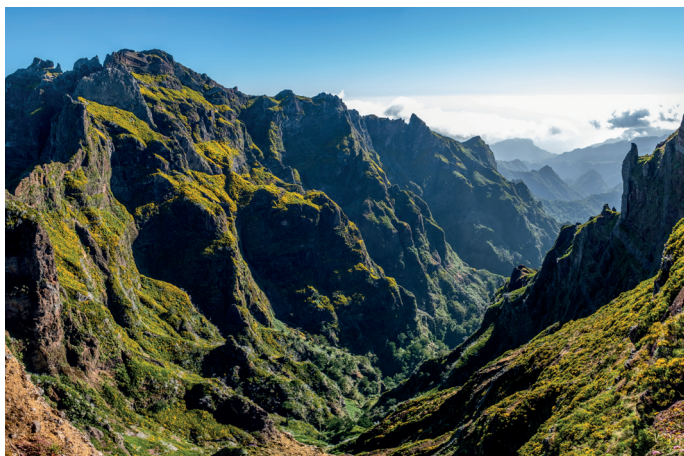
## Day 2 The fruits of the water

You start right from the hotel in Camacha: if you want to, you can enjoy the atmosphere of the place, known as the basket-weaving village of the island. But if you prefer, you can go straight to the Levada dos Tornos. At almost 600 metres above sea level, it leads through lovingly-landscaped vegetable gardens, vineyards and settlements and finally connects the two villages of Camacha and Santo da Serra.

### Daily tour

**⬆️** Ascent approx. 450 m **⬇️** Descent approx. 450 m **S** Distance approx. 15 km **🕒** Walking time approx. 4 h

**🍴** Meals Breakfast **🏠** Accommodation  
Quinta Cova do Milho \*\*\*\*S  
Caminho do Poiso  
9100-275 Santo Antonio da Serra PT



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## Day 4 To the heart of the island

After breakfast you will be taken to Queimadas. Today, the Levada do Calderao Verde takes you into the evergreen heart of the island. Today, you decide for yourself how far you want to go: the levada leads you first through tunnels, past pools and water houses into the „Green Cauldron“. If you want to, you can hike to the „Hell’s Cauldron“ where the mother of the levada is. The descent leads to Ilha, a small hamlet with a panoramic view.

### Daily tour

**⬆️** Ascent approx. 50 m **⬇️** Descent approx. 400 m **S** Distance approx. 8.5 km **🕒** Walking time approx. 4 h

### Details of journey

**S** Distance approx. 30 km **🕒** Driving time approx. 5 h  
**🍴** Meals Breakfast **🏠** Accommodation  
Quinta do Furão \*\*\*\*  
Achada do Gramacho  
9230 Santana PT





## Day 5 The water mountains

The day begins with a trip to the Encumeada Pass: Madeira's meteorological divide and watershed. Today you hike along a vertical levada that directly follows the shape of the landscape to bring water to a lower altitude. The origin of the levada is the „sponge“ of the island: the plateau of Paul da Serra – Madeira's largest natural reservoir. Walking towards Tabua and Ribeira Brava, you can enjoy the view of the western Picos of the Serra de Água and the vastness of the Atlantic.

### Daily tour

↗ Ascent approx. 450 m   ↘ Descent approx. 670 m   S Distance approx. 10 km   ⌚ Walking time approx. 4 h

### Details of journey

S Distance approx. 41km   ⌚ Driving time approx. 1 h

🍴 Meals Breakfast   🏠 Accommodation Hotel do Campo \*\*\*\* Estrada da Banda de Além nº25 9350-232 Ribeira Brava PT

## Day 6 The sunny side of the island

An easy, exhilarating hike involving a spectacular view over the steep coast of the south at Cabo Girao awaits you today. You start in Ribeira Brava, hike up the ridge, reach Boa Morte and walk along the levada to Jardim da Serra.

### Daily tour

↗ Ascent approx. 780 m   ↘ Descent approx. 530 m   S Distance approx. 18 km   ⌚ Walking time approx. 4 h 50

### Details of journey

S Distance approx. 3 km   ⌚ Driving time approx. 15 min

🍴 Meals Breakfast   🏠 Accommodation Quinta do Jardim da Serra \*\*\*\*\* Estrada do Chote Nº 4/6 - Jardim da Serra 9325 - 140 Camara de Lobos Madeira PT



## Day 7 On the king's road to Funchal

The last stage of the Levada Trek takes you to the charming capital of Madeira, Funchal. You walk from Jardim da Serra on the Levada Norte to the original fishing village of Camara de Lobos. From here, the Caminho do Rei – the king's road – leads along the coast of Madeira. The Levada do Piornais irrigates the terraces and fields in the old suburbs of Funchal: a last encounter with the fruitful levada, in the middle of the capital.

### Daily tour

↗ Ascent approx. 190 m   ↘ Descent approx. 490 m   S Distance approx. 9.5 km   ⌚ Walking time approx. 3 h 30

### Details of journey

S Distance approx. 3 km   ⌚ Driving time approx. 10 min

🍴 Meals Breakfast   🏠 Accommodation Quinta do Jardim da Serra \*\*\*\*\* Estrada do Chote Nº 4/6 - Jardim da Serra 9325 - 140 Camara de Lobos Madeira PT

## Day 8 Farewell to Madeira

Drive to the airport and individual flight back home.

### Details of journey

S Distance approx. 23km   ⌚ Driving time approx. 20 min

🍴 Meals Breakfast

