



# XLII City of Porto Minigolf Tournament

21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014

Porto - Portugal





## 42<sup>nd</sup> Tournament Porto city's festivities

This is an historical and very dear tournament to us as it celebrates St. John's festivities, the patron saint of Porto. We have received international players for this tournament in 1998, 1999, 2000 and last year its international status has been reinstated. So we hope we have the chance to welcome you to this beautiful city in 2014.

The **participation is free** and combining low cost flights and reasonably priced hotel offers, you can enjoy a few days of fun and playing minigolf at our town with a low budget.

Further details concerning the tournament:

**Organisation:** Clube de Minigolfe do Porto

**Courses:** Av. D. Carlos I, Foz do Douro, Porto

**Categories:** **Individual** - Men, Ladies, Male Seniors, Boys, Girls, Male Kids, Female Kids, Male Veterans (minimum of 3 players to validate a category)  
**Pairs** - 2 players from different starting groups  
Starting groups: A (Men and Male Seniors), B (all other categories)

**Competition:** Pairs - 4 rounds (Saturday)

Individual - 6 rounds (Saturday and Sunday)

**Applications and information:** [geral@clubeminigolfeporto.com](mailto:geral@clubeminigolfeporto.com)

**Deadline for enrolment:** 15<sup>th</sup> June 2014

### Schedule:

#### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

08:00 - 09:45 Free practice

10:00 - 18:00 4 rounds, Group A - Concrete, Miniature, Concrete, Miniature

Group B - Miniature, Concrete, Miniature, Concrete

Evening Dinner party and awards' ceremony for the pairs competition

#### Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014

10:00 - 13:00 2 rounds, Group A - Miniature, Concrete

Group B - Concrete, Miniature

13:30 Awards' ceremony

## Flights

Everyday it's becoming easier and cheaper to fly to Porto. All the major airlines, including low cost airlines such as Ryanair and EasyJet, fly to this historic and beautiful city. You will find that visiting Porto can be quite affordable.

Just to give you a clue, here are a few examples of cities with cheap direct flights to Porto:



Find a cheap flight for you here: <http://www.skyscanner.pt/voos-para/opo/voos-baratos-para-porto-aeroporto.html> or search directly in one of these: [www.ryanair.com](http://www.ryanair.com) / [www.easyjet.com](http://www.easyjet.com)

## Accommodation

A few suggestions:

### Ipanema Porto

Rua do Campo Alegre, 156/172

<http://www.hfhotels.com/gb/>

### Park Hotel (Gaia)

Rua da Bélgica, 3172

<http://www.parkhotel.pt/>

**Finding your way around Porto**

### Ibis (Gaia)

Rua Mártir de São Sebastião, 247

<http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1274-ibis-porto-gaia/>

Find more at: [www.booking.com](http://www.booking.com)



### - Rental cars

You can pick-up a car at the Airport, at the city centre or some other place around the city, depending on the company you hire.

Here are a few useful links:

**Europcar** (<http://www.europcar.pt/>)

**Hertz**

(<https://www.hertz.pt/rentacar/reservation/>)

**Turiscar** (<http://www.turiscar.pt/>)

**Autoeurope** (<http://www.autoeurope.pt/>)

### - Taxi

Airport > Minigolf course  
approx. 15km -> 20min -> **15€**


City Centre > Minigolf course  
approx. 6km -> 10-15min -> **7€**

Cais de Gaia / Wine Cellars > Minigolf course  
approx. 7km -> 15min -> **7.5€**

Just dial: +351 912 301 251 / +351 917 555 085

### - Bus

If you would like to use the bus, make sure you buy your ticket in advance (at one of the many

'Payshops, just look for this sign - ) as it will be cheaper than buying it inside the bus (1.20€ / 1.85€). These tickets can be used both for the bus and the METRO.

You will find these bus lines within a walking distance from the minigolf course all of which connect with METRO stops somewhere along their routes:

**500** - Matosinhos (2 min)

(In Matosinhos you will find exquisite grilled fish and a lot of good restaurants and coffee shops overlooking the sea.)

**200** – City Centre (7min)

**204** – City Centre (7 min)

### - Metro

This is a fast and reliable means of transportation if you're looking to visit Porto and its outskirts.

The ticket is the same as for the bus and once you validate it you can travel as much as you want for one hour. But be careful to check carefully across how many zones you will be travelling and to buy the appropriate ticket (if you're travelling across two zones, you should have a Z2 ticket, if you're travelling across three zones, a Z3, and so on).

Here you can find maps and timetables: <http://www.metrodoporto.pt/en>

## Typical food

### - Francesinha

The most typical dish from Porto: a sandwich with a good steak, some fresh sausage and ham, covered in cheese and in a hot sauce made with tomato, beer, meat and a whole lot more. It usually comes with a side of home-made French fries, can have a fried egg on top of it and goes well with some cold beer. [learn more at <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Francesinha>]

You can find a good one here:

#### **Cufra**

Av. da Boavista, n.2504  
+351 91 623 03 18

#### **Cufra Grill**

Edifício  
Transparente 2<sup>nd</sup>  
floor  
+351 229 387 884



### - Bacalhau (Codfish)

It's said that *bacalhau* can be cooked in more than a hundred ways, and all of them are good. So be sure to try as many as you can.

You can find it here, as well as many well-prepared meat dishes.

#### **Bom Feitio**

Vielha do Castelo, 10 Leça da Palmeira  
+351 911 567 764

#### **Casarão do Castelo**

Rua Santa Catarina, 74 Leça da Palmeira  
+351 229 951 626

If you're looking for Italian or just traditional Portuguese food, you are sure to find some here, and quite close to the minigolf course:

#### **Varanda do Sol**

Rua Coronel Raul Peres, 244 Foz do Douro  
+351 226 186 302

## Port Wine Cellars

#### **Graham (9h30 – 18h)**

On foot: Rua Rei Ramiro, 514  
By car: Rua do Agro, 141  
+351 223 776 484

#### **Quinta do Noval (10h – 19h)**

Av. Diogo Leite, 256  
+351 223 770 282

#### **Ramos Pinto (10h – 18h)**

Av. Ramos Pinto, 380  
+351 936 809 283

#### **Kopke (10h – 19h)**

Av. Diogo Leite, 310/312  
+351 223 746 660

For a night out:

**- Porto Cruz**

Largo Miguel Bombarda, 23 (near Cais de Gaia)

For more cellars and further details please visit: <http://www.cavesvinhodoporto.com>

**St. John's evening: the longest day of the year (23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> of June)**

This is actually the longest day of the year, not only due to the sunlight time, but also because it is the one night when people from all ages and backgrounds come out to the streets and walk around and interact with each other. They “hit” each other with plastic hammers and force smelly garlic on each other’s noses. So if you’re going out, be aware, everyone will try to “hit” you, and the best you can do is “hit” them back.



There are also fireworks everywhere, but they are especially beautiful over the river, at 00.00. And you also spot on every corner groups of friends or families preparing and releasing hot air balloons into the sky.





## **European Championship – Porto 2012**

As you probably know, the European Championship in 2012 took place right here, in Porto. This championship turned out to be a great experience both for the organizing team and for the more than 100 players that came here and were a part of it. There are a lot of reasons why everyone loved it here, these are just a few:

### **- the minigolf course**

It's a beautiful and renovated course with miniature golf and concrete lanes. Most of the players of the European Championship were quite happy with the course, its location and surroundings and they gave us great feedback.

### **- the location**

The course is located in a municipal garden, surrounded by palm trees, and by the sea, so you can actually smell and look at the ocean while you're playing minigolf. More precisely, this area is where the river meets the ocean, hence it's name (Foz).

### **- the temperature and the beach just across the street**

In June, you can count on an average temperature of 25°C, so when you're done playing minigolf or if you just need a break, it will only take you a minute to cross the street and get to the beach. And after a good swim and some sunbathing, you can come back to the course and enjoy some fresh air under the trees of the minigolf course.

Hope to see you here soon!