

ALTER DO CHÃO

SEDA CASTLE ROUTE

Code: ALT PR2

Geographical location: Seda, Alter do Chão

Type: Circular walk

Main themes: Rurality, Heritage

Distance: 10.4 Km

Approximate duration: 3 to 4 hours

Type of surface: Country paths and secondary roads

Ascent/descent: 245 m

Minimum altitude: 132 m

Maximum altitude: 197 m

Level of difficulty: Low

Certifications: Approved by the FPCM (Portuguese Camping and Mountaineering Federation)

Start and finish: The gardens at the Seda Swimming Pool Complex

Geographical coordinates: N39°11'19,65" W07°47'08,20"

Geographical coordinates: 39.188791° -7.785619°

Where to park: Public car park at the site

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Arriving in the town of Seda is like plunging into the best of worlds, with stunning landscapes and historical heritage around every corner. A former advance defence structure, with its hilltop castle dominating the landscape, the town's whitewashed houses now stand along the crest of the hill and are surrounded by fields of rare beauty along the Seda Stream. The magnificent Vila Formosa Roman Bridge straddles the stream.

This outing affords moments of rare beauty as you walk along the banks of the Seda Stream and admire the vineyards stretching for as far as the eye can see. After a short urban section at the start, the whole of the rest of the route takes you along easy-to-access country paths and roads amid sublime scenery.



