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## Prayers and hope

Prayers continue for the safe return of Madeleine McCann who has been missing for almost two weeks.

New photos have been issued showing the unusual feature in her right eye called a black flash where the pupil colouring runs into the iris. High profile stars and business people have put up large sums of money in excess of two and a half million pounds in an attempt to persuade anyone with information leading to her safe return to come forward.

Portuguese bikers rode the length of the country distributing leaflets showing recent pictures of Maddy. In England, her favourite football team, Everton, played their premiership match wearing shirts with her photo on them. In the UK and Portugal many people including children have tied yellow ribbons around rail-

ings as a symbol of hope that she will be returned to her family safely. In Fátima many pilgrims were seen carrying posters of the child. At a church service in Luz on Saturday, the day Madeleine turned four years old, Gerry McCann said her disappearance had unleashed a "tidal wave" of devastation on the family.

The police continue to interview potential suspects and witnesses and have been supported by three experts from the UK to assist in their search. A number of newspapers in the UK and Portugal have also added to the reward money offered.

In a press conference on Monday morning Gerry McCann told reporters that the couple have set up a fighting fund to sup-

port an ongoing search for their daughter. Donations from the public are being managed with the help of a legal team from the UK to ensure no stone is left unturned in the investigation. McCann said: "Since the lawyers have come here we have visibly felt a burden being lifted from our shoulders." He also thanked the media for the excellent job in keeping the profile of the case so high, and also the staff at the Mark Warner resort. Twelve people have been interviewed including the McCanns and recordings will be kept as video evidence for any future trial. This unusual step has been taken as many of the witnesses reside overseas, primarily in Britain.

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• Children tie yellow ribbons next to a poster of Madeleine McCann in Luz.

### Freeport bomb alert

An anonymous bomb threat led to the evacuation of Freeport shopping centre in Alcochete on Sunday. A man had called the Setúbal Public Security Police from a public telephone saying he was going to place two bombs in large shopping centres in the district. The evacuation went smoothly, without panic and the centre reopened to the public at around 6.45 pm when the authorities declared the threat a false alarm. Other shopping centres in the area were also checked but no bomb was found, and it seems that Freeport was the only centre evacuated.

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# Blair steps down

Tony Blair travelled to his Sedgefield constituency to make his announcement to around 250 of his local supporters in the town of Trimdon. The Labour party leader told the audience at the Labour Club of his decision to officially hand in his resignation to the Queen on June 27.

He made a thoughtful and

emotional speech about the last ten years during which Britain has been under his leadership declaring Britain now a leader and not a follower on the world stage. He also considered that expectations were probably too high back in 1997. "Sometimes in decisions you are alone with your own instincts," referring to

September 11 when he decided to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with his ally, as he later chose to do in Afghanistan, Iraq and other situations. On the subject of the Iraq war he acknowledged, "for many it simply isn't worth it," and went on to say, "the blowback from removing Saddam was costly," adding, "I apologise for the times

I have fallen short." Reflecting overall he said: "Hand on heart, I did what I thought was right." Ending on a patriotic note he added that Britain was the best nation in the world. He believes Britain to have changed significantly over the last ten years and is in much better shape for his successor.

• A radiant Blair waves to his supporters



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USA

## Battles against nature

Springtime across America has brought some of the most challenging weather patterns and natural disasters, with flooding in the Midwest, fires around Hollywood and tornadoes in Kansas. A fire that has been burning for three weeks in southern Georgia has so far damaged around 170 square miles of forest and swamp land causing smoke to drift across much of Florida. Last week we reported the tornadoes in Kansas, devastating the town of Greenberg and now flooding has followed with thunderstorms across the flat plains.

In Missouri the aptly named village of Big Lake turned into its namesake, with all but one hardy resident retreating from the flooding that reached roof-level in some homes. In Los Angeles fires caused damage throughout Griffith Park over an area of 800 acres close to the famous Griffith Observatory. There were also wildfires along the Canadian border in northeast Minnesota, destroying homes and businesses in its path. All in all a challenging week for rescue and fire services throughout the country.

## Marine accused

Staff Sergeant Frank Wuterich, the marine who led the unit accused of killing 24 Iraqi civilians, is under investigation for the unlawful killing of five men in Haditha as they stood with their hands in the air. It is alleged that he tried to cover up the incident where the five men were shot dead by telling his comrades to lie about what happened, blaming the deaths on the Iraqi army. Three other marines have also been charged with second degree murder. Iraqi witnesses claim Wuterich shot the men in retaliation for a roadside bomb that killed Lance Corporal

Miguel Terrazas when their convoy passed through in November 2005. Sergeant Dela Cruz, also present on the day, testified that Wuterich was distressed about the death of Terrazas known as TJ and after the explosion which ripped Terrazas' body in half he shot dead the five men as they stood next to a car, with their hands raised. He claims to have seen Wuterich shoot the men in the upper body before he himself sprayed the bodies with bullets. The Marine Corps agreed to give Sergeant Dela Cruz immunity from charges in exchange for his testimony in court.

## Elections

Current East Timor prime minister José Ramos Horta has won the presidential election by a huge majority of an estimated 73 per cent. The Nobel peace prize winner said: "I'm happy with the results. I will carry out my duties according to the constitution and listen to advice from everybody so that I can take East Timor to a better future." In a statement prior to voting, opposition candidate Francisco Guterres, said the party would respect the results.

## Abortion case

A 17 year old girl, pregnant with a baby unable to survive beyond three days, is to be allowed to travel to the UK for an abortion. The teenager, currently in the legal care of the Irish health service, won a high court case in Dublin to be able to travel to Britain and is supported by her estranged mother.

## Iraq visit

US Vice President Dick Cheney visited Iraq last week staying overnight at an army camp at Speicher, near Tikrit, a predominantly Sunni province not far from the home town of former leader Saddam Hussein. The area has many supporters of the dead leader. He used the visit to encourage Iraqi leaders to move quickly to reach power-sharing deals in a bid to quash sectarian violence saying: "We are here, above all, because the terrorists who have declared war on America and other free nations have made Iraq the central front in that war."

## Olmert survives vote

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert has survived his third no-confidence vote in parliament following heavy criticism of his handling of the Lebanon war. He is accused of failure to exercise "judgement, responsibility and prudence" during the 34-day war in 2006 and has been subjected to an official enquiry focusing on these areas of concern. Olmert acknowledges the investigation and wants to remain in office in order to put the subsequent findings into practice.

## BRAZIL

# Abortion debate

On Thursday evening Pope Benedict XVI addressed around 40,000 young adults in the Pecaembu stadium in São Paulo at the beginning of his five day tour of Brazil.

He stressed to the enthusiastic audience the need to respect life "from the moment of conception until natural death". Brazil is currently debating the issue of abortion led predominantly by the health minister who believes the operation should be allowed in certain circumstances. The Catholic Church represents around 64 per cent of the Brazilian population falling by around 1 per cent each year due to the rise in evangelical Christianity. The Pontiff talked of the challenge of convincing Catholics to remain with the faith in the country which houses the largest number of Catholics in the world. In referring to the decision made in Mexico City on abortion, he said that those supporting the law and medical workers who performed abortions would be excommunicated from the church although there was some confusion about this when a Vatican spokesman later said that the Pope would not excommunicate anyone but such people would "exclude themselves from Communion".



• The Pop embraces an Indian participant at the Pecaembu Stadium in Sao Paulo

## AFRICA

## Child soldiers to be discharged

The government of Chad has agreed a deal with the United Nations Children's Fund (Unicef) to remove children serving in the national army. Chad formally denied the existence of underage soldiers but due to a high profile campaign by Unicef and an in-

vestigation that found over 300 child soldiers at one single location, they have agreed to take action to resolve the situation. While it is suggested the army did not deliberately sign up children, the recruiters overlooked the question of age if the child

lied. A large number of children were found to be between eight and 11 years old with forged birth certificates. It is also acknowledged that it may be difficult to persuade these minors to leave the army and to return to their communities.

## TURKEY

## Constitutional amendment

The parliament in Turkey approved an amendment to allow the president to be directly elected by the population appealing to those protesting about the forthcoming elections. The change is said to be a likely cause for

further tensions in the country where the government has been heavily criticised by secular-minded citizens protesting about the possibility that the new government will lean towards the Islamic religion. The reforms, if

passed into law, will mean the new president will be elected for a five year term, renewable for five more years, but many say the amendments have been rushed through and have not been subject to rigorous debate.

## FRANCE

## Sarkozy sails into storm

The newly-elected president has already been the source of controversy before even taking office. As is the custom in France the newly-elected president is taking a short time to recuperate from the gruelling election process before taking over as leader. Sarkozy has taken time out with his wife Cecila and son Louis to celebrate victory and relax on a luxury yacht around Malta sparking criticism by many socialists and fuelling ongoing protests from those who oppose his leadership. The yacht belongs to French billionaire Vincent Bollore and is available for hire at €200,000 per week. Mr. Sarkozy told reporters that he was taking two and a half days out to relax on a trip that did not cost the French people one cent, saying: "I do not intend to hide, I do not intend to lie, I do not intend to apologise."

## NORTHERN IRELAND

## Return of devolution

A ceremony was held last week at Stormont to celebrate the new power-sharing government headed by Martin McGuinness of Sinn Fein and Ian Paisley of the DUP. At midnight on Tuesday 8 May five years of direct rule by London ended and the devolved government took control over decision making. Tony Blair and Bertie Ahern, Irish Prime Minister, attended the historic event. Ian Paisley said Northern Ireland was now "on the road to prosperity". Martin McGuinness said that he is confident they can work together. The only demonstrators at the event were protesting against the war in Iraq. Peter Hain, Northern Ireland secretary, commented on the new beginning as resolving the most "intractable source of political conflict in Europe."

## UK

## Civil servant prosecuted

David Keogh, 50, a civil servant has been jailed for six months and ordered to pay £5,000 to the prosecution for taking it upon himself to publish details of a private meeting between US President George Bush and Prime Minister Tony Blair. He was convicted of breaching the Official Secrets Act by leaking a memo containing details of a private meeting on Iraq between the two leaders in April 2004. Keogh was employed as a government communications specialist and was responsible for the distribution of the memo to a select group. The recipient of the four page document, Leo O'Connor, 44, was sentenced to three months in jail. O'Connor put the secret memo onto the desk of an unnamed politician, known to be a Labour anti-war supporter, who called the police immediately. The document was marked secret and confidential causing much of the trial to be held behind closed doors. The memo allegedly contained information regarding M16 but the exact contents are unknown. Keogh, who opposed the war in Iraq, maintained the right to leak the information as he was alarmed by the content, suggesting Bush was a "madman", and had felt the need to disclose the information to Parliament.

## Women behind trash TV

Sir Patrick Moore has stirred up a hornets' nest by accusing the BBC of reducing the quality of programming over time because it is run by women. The longest-running presenter on TV, appearing in the Sky at Night for 50 years, described female newsreaders as "joke" and suggested the best way forward would be to have different channels for men and women. "I would like to see two independent wavelengths - one controlled by women, and one for us, controlled by men," he said.

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## Property of the week



### Exquisite country home

*This villa has been carefully built in typical rustic style and offers tranquillity and comfort – the perfect home...*

Nestling in the renowned Serra e Mar development near Penina and Portimão, the villa overlooks stunning natural terrain to the peaks of Monchique and Picota. One of the delightful features of the master bedroom, the only room on the first floor of the property, is this magnificent view. The room is accessed via a spiral staircase and has an en-suite shower room, fitted wardrobes and a generous terrace with direct access to the ground floor via exterior stairs.

On the ground floor there are two further bedrooms, one with an en-suite shower room and another bathroom with bath.

The lounge boasts a fireplace and has a lovely beamed ceiling and an archway leading to the dining room, adjacent to the kitchen. The kitchen is a cosy, practical room with fitted cupboards, a store cupboard and access to a small enclosed courtyard. The lounge French doors lead onto a covered private terrace with bougainvillea trailing along the roof. This terrace has a built-in barbeque

and lends itself perfectly for entertaining, offering shade, access to the house and breathtaking views.

The garden surrounding the property has been maintained to an excellent standard with a variety of resplendent plants and mature trees. A stunning carpet of flowers lines the slope leading down to the pool area where the views of both the house and garden and the surrounding countryside can be enjoyed. The kidney-shaped pool is surrounded by typical Portuguese terracing, ideal for lazing around, and the whole pool area is fenced and gated, a bonus for those intending to use the property for rental income. The land continues right down into a rural valley, its gentle slopes covered in fig, almond and olive trees.

The property sits at the end of a cul-de-sac and has a wide driveway that leads to a single car garage and offers parking for visitors. To the side of the house is another secluded terrace.

For those seeking something special for a home or a rental property, a visit to this property is a must.



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**Praia da Rocha** - Studio including bathroom with hydromassage bath, A/C, fully equipped kitchen and large veranda. Condominium with 2 pools and garage space. €110,000.00. Contact: Duplo 5 Lda - AMI 4324. Tel: 282 485 271/966 468 626. mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Lagos** - Apt close to pool and beach. Comprising bedroom, living room, kitchenette and bathroom. Area: 43,50m². Ref: APT-116. €98,000. Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321 . ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

Apartment T1

**Alvor** - Apartment in Alvor comprising 2 bedroom, bathroom, living room, kitchen. Ref: A46 . €115.000. Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373 . rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Portimão** - One bed (+1) apt, furnished & equipped . €70,000. Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 7524. Tel: 96646826 / 965063833 . mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Quinta da Praia - Nice one bed one bath apt in complex with private pool. Walking distance to Alvor beach and village. Ref: a 993-gr. €160,000. Contact: Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 . Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - Bemposta - Lovely refurbished one bed apt on top floor. Located in a residential area halfway on Alvor and Portimão road. Ref: a164-gr. €119,500. Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 . Email: info@sulgar.com

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**Quarteira** - Semi-new apartment comprising living room, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom and veranda. Ref: 401.A. €130,000. Contact: Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob - AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090 . Email: info@vilasibericas.com

**Praia da Luz** - Apt 5 mins to beach with sea view. 60m². Bedroom with fitted wardrobes, semi-equipped kitchen and small veranda €125,000. Private sale. Tel: 913 460 824 .

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**Lagos** - Apartment with sea view and close to beach. Comprising living room, equipped kitchen, 3 balconies and 2 storage rooms. Area 150m². Ref: APT-117. €227,500. Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321 . Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com



**Lagos** - Furnished apartment comprising a living room, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom and balcony. €89,000. Contact: Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321 . Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Lagos** - Meia Praia - Lovely sea view and close to the beach. Equipped kitchen, parking lot heated swimming pool and central vacuuming. Area 90m². Ref: APT-126. €260,000. Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321 . Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Alvor** - One bed furnished apt. 5 mins from the centre. Living room with fireplace. Area 65m². Ref: 1337. €110,000. Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430 . Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Praia da Rocha** - One bedroom apartment, furnished with garage space. Excellent views of the beach as this apartment is located on the main street. Area 97m². Ref: 1349. €149,000. Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430 . Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Portimão** - One bedroom apartment, pool, tennis and beach only 400m. €127,500. Contact: Abel Santos Lda- AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988 . Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt

**Ferragudo** - 1 bedroom apartment on 3rd floor with balcony and storeroom. Located not far from the centre of this beautiful fishing village. Close to all amenities such as shops, bars and restaurants and within walking distance of the beach. €97,000. Contact: Private Sale. Tel: 919 718 622 .

**Armação de Pera** - Furnished apartment near the beach, market and post office. €70,000. Private Sale. Tel: 962 440 077 .



**Silves** - 1 bedroom apartment in the historic centre of Silves with beautiful views. Ref: 1612. €65,000. Minita Lda - Silves- AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Odemira** - Almogrove - T1 apt with the possibility to build further bedrooms in the loft. New in 2005 with modern comforts such as gas central heating. Double garage, attic, veranda and BBQ. Set in a tranquil area and only 1km from the stunning Almogrove beach. €125,000. Private Sale. Tel: 914 469 485 . jdelwest@hotmail.com

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Apartment T2

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**Armação de Pera** - Apartment very well located, comprising lounge, kitchen, 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, veranda, communal pool. Sea view. Furnished. Area 80m². Ref: A16 . €130,000. Contact: Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373 . Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Salema** - Salema Beach Magnificent and spacious 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms ground floor apartment with garden. Sold fully furnished. Located only 10 mins from the beaches and supermarket. Great letting potential. Ref: PPI8639. €145,000. PPI Estate Agents- AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: pauloventura@ppiestateagents.com

**Portimão** - Praia de Vau - 2 bedroom 3rd floor apartment with superb sea views from large balconies. Very spacious & ideally located. Ref: a160gr. €325,000. Contact: Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 . Email: info@sulgar.com

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**Alvor** - Vila Marachique - 2 bedroom apartment fully air-conditioned and fully furnished to a high standard. Situated in a very popular holiday complex. Ref: a159gr. €198,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 Email: info@sulgar.com

**Portimão** - Praia de Vau - 1st floor 2 bedroom apartment with sea view. In popular residential area minutes from beaches. Ref: a896gr . €175,000. Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 . Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - Dunas holiday complex - 2 bedroom furnished apartment with underground parking space. Ref: a125gr . €173,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 . info@sulgar.com

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**Vilamoura** - Good quality and fully furnished two bedroom apt with views over the Millennium golf course. Ref: JP713 €270,000. €270,000. Julies Properties Lda-AMI 6838. Tel: 289 798 196 sales@julesproperties.co.uk

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**Alcoutim** - Gurreiros do Rio Prime river front location. Semi-detached with large terrace/ balcony. Good investment. €149,000. Private Sale. Tel: 281 547 031. townandcountrymc@hotmail.com

**Faro** - Penha - 2 bedroom apartment with parking, good finishing's. The last apartment available! . €155,000. Contact: Vilas Costa Lda - AMI 1609. Tel: 919 034 487 . Email: vilacosta@vilascosta.com

**Faro** - Campina - Apartment like new (5 years). Furnished and equipped, 2 covered verandas. Ref: 284 . €130,000. Contact: Vilas Costa Lda - AMI 1609. Tel: 919 034 487 . Email: vilacosta@vilascosta.com

**Ferragudo** - New fully equipped and furnished apartment with carport only 2 mins from the beach. Comprising 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms (1 en-suite). Excellent price (o.n.o.). €159,000. Contact: Private Sale. Tel: 919 266 387. Email: email andrew@ferragudo.net

Excellent investment opportunity

**Caramujeira - Lagoa:** Villa in fantastic location, near the beaches of Albandeira, Benagil and Marinha. Four bedrooms, two bathrooms, lounge with fireplace, dining area, equipped kitchen, garage, garden, walled and fenced, swimming pool. Sea view. Furnished. Ref: V185 - €440,000.00



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## Apartment T3

**Salema** - Apartment located a 10 minute walk from the beach with large lounge/dining room with fire place. Comprises a balcony with exceptional sea views. Fully fitted kitchen and 3 good sized bedrooms a bathroom and a shower room. Laundry area and off road parking. Built in late 2003 this property covers a total of 124m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: PPI8968. €249,000. Contact: PPI Estate Agents- AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. dino@ppestateagents.com

**Ferragudo** - Apt in quiet area with private garage. Area 135m<sup>2</sup>. €189.500. Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 7524. Tel: 96646826 / 965063833. mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Portimão** - 1st floor apt in good location. 135m<sup>2</sup> with 40m<sup>2</sup> terrace and wooden house (office). €140,000. Contact: Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 7524. Tel: 96646826 / 965063833. mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Oasis Parque - 3 bedroom first floor apartment. In good decorative order & fully furnished. Close to all the holiday complex facilities inc indoor and outdoor pools. Ref: a120gr. €225,000. Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com



**Tavira** - This attractive first floor 3 bedroom apartment is situated 5 mins by car from the centre of town. Prepared for central heating and air conditioning. €144,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. Email: belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Jardin de Bemposta - 3 bedroom apartment, raised ground floor. Situated in village type development. ref a162gr. €119,000. Contact: Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com

**Portimão** - Spacious 3 bedroom 3rd floor apartment with views over Portimão and towards Monchique. Ideal starter home. Ref: a144-gr. €85,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - Just on Market!!! Club Alvor Ria 3 bed ground floor apartment over looking pool area with sea and harbour views. Fully furnished to a high quality. Underground parking. Ref: a145-gr. €365,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - Spacious 3 bed ground floor apt with private garden. Short walk to centre and beaches. Ref: a137-gr. €265,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 Email: info@sulgar.com

**Praia da Rocha** - 3 bed furnished apt with terrace. Garage space. Area 115m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 1257. €185,000. Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Lagos** - Chincato - 3 bed apt comprising, living room, equipped kitchen, 1 bathroom, 1 w.c. and 2 balconies. Area 100m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: APT-134. €120,000. Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321. Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Alvor** - 3 bedroom duplex, semi-new in the centre of Alvor. South facing with sea views. Ref: 1314. €365,000. Contact: Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Vila Real St Antonio** - T3 in closed condominium, nearly new with good sized areas. Comprising suite, hydromassage bath, equipped kitchen, BBQ, garage, video porter. Close to the river. Ref: 2618. €165,000. ERA-Get a House Lda - AMI 6498. Tel: 963 543 582. Email: vrsa@getvrsa.com

**Vilamoura** - In an exclusive area of Vilamoura, 3 bedrooms, 2 storage areas and garage, swimming pool. Area 140m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: a169. €275,000. Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011/969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

**Portimão** - Praia do Vau Near the beach and with sea views. New bathrooms and kitchen. Area 118m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: A625. €275,000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Lagos** - Renovated apartment in the town centre. Area 121.6m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: A621. €159,000. Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Alvor** - Walking distance from the beach and village. In a quiet residential zone. Area 122m<sup>2</sup>. A606. €270,000. Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Portimão** - Bemposta - Spacious apt. Fully furnished, spa, fireplace and fully fitted kitchen. Area 128m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: A534. €165,000. Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Portimão** - Monte de Bemposta spacious 3rd floor apartment (147 m<sup>2</sup>) with lovely clear views to the sea and Monchique. 3 large double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms (1 en-suite). Large living room with fireplace. Fully fitted kitchen, including all equipment. Basement garage space. Excellent condition. €179,000. Private Sale. Tel: 912 268 175.



**Lagoa** - Lagoa Sol - Ground floor apartment close to amenities. Comprising 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms (1 en-suite), living room, fully fitted and equipped kitchen. Easily maintained courtyard garden, double glazing and central heating. Available furnished for €185,000 or unfurnished, €175,000. P.O.A. Private Sale. Tel: 282 381 048 / 966 616 846. Email: lesley.pryce@sapo.pt

**Porches** - Duplex apartment in closed condominium with sea view. Direct access to the beach which is only 20m away. Ground floor comprising 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms and first floor with fully fitted kitchen, pantry, toilet and lounge with fireplace. Spacious balconies. Air conditioning and electric heating. Elegantly furnished. Swimming pool, garden and elevator. Garage place. 162m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: A75. €350,000. Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

## Apartment T4+

**Lagoa** - Parchal - New 4 bedroom apartment, equipped kitchen, 2 bathrooms and verandas. Ref: 180-06 B. €150,000. Contact: Praia Oriente Lda - AMI 6643. Tel: 282 419 243 Email: sales@praiaoriente.com

**Albufeira** - Magnificent apartment with spacious rooms, fully equipped. Located at the entrance of Albufeira within a gated condominium. Area 194m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 12319. €392,773. Contact: Longevity - AMI 5946. Tel: 289 321 051. Email: realestate@longevity.com

**Tavira** - Stunning apartment equipped with domestic system located in a quiet unspoilt area of Tavira 2km away from the beach. Area: 158 m<sup>2</sup>. €279,505. Contact: Longevity - AMI 5946. Tel: 289 321 051. Email: realestate@longevity.com

## Villa V1

**Vila do Bispo** - Barão de S. Miguel - Lovely cottage set in a typical village. Recently renovated and comprising spacious living room, kitchen fitted with hob, haven, fridge and boiler. Mezzanine with space enough for a double bed. Additionally there's a bathroom and private backyard. Ideal for vacations. Ref: PPI 8938. €85,000. PPI Estate Agents-AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: pauloventura@ppestateagents.com

**Vila do Bispo** - Figueira - Newly restored 100m<sup>2</sup> house in village centre. Close to beaches, golf and nature park. Tastefully restored in mediterranean style which will not disappoint. Currently 1 but would make 2 bed. €168,000. Contact: Private Sale. Tel: 917 127 428. Email: algarvesurveyors@hotmail.com

**Tavira** - Small old townhouse in the historical centre. Located on a calm street. Good investment. Ref: M 007. €75,000. BRUHN Mediação Imobil. unip. Lda AMI 7025. Tel: 281 321 188. bruhnrealestate@sapo.pt

## Villa V2

**Silves** - 2 bed townhouse in central Silves. Immaculately maintained. Spacious accommodation & 2 large terraces. Ref: 1598. €159,000. Minita Ida - Silves- AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Tavira** - Villa within walking distance to town. 2 beds, large terrace w/ lovely view of Tavira. €180,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277 belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Boliqueime** - Typical renovated Algarvean house on 1,043 m<sup>2</sup> of land. Located in a quite rural area close to the Boliqueime only 15 minutes from Quarteira and Vilamoura and beaches. Consists of 2 bedrooms (one w/ wardrobe), 2 bathrooms, lounge/dinning room, equipped kitchen,pantry, spacious cobbled patio with parking for 2 cars or more, backyard. Annex w/1 bedroom, bathroom a small laundry and patio. Ref: 103. €245,000. Contact: Natália Flores Carreira - AMI 632. Tel: 289 369 155. Email: nataliacarreira@mail.telepac.com

**Tavira** - Altura - Attractive 2 bed villa approx. 2kms from the beach and 5kms from various golf courses. On plot 918.23m<sup>2</sup>. Swimming pool. Sold furnished and equipped. €350,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. Email: belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Porches** - Semi-detached Villa only 5 minutes from the local beaches. Comprising of 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, lounge with fireplace, equipped kitchen, balcony, backyard. Furnished. Excellent investment. Area 130m<sup>2</sup> on plot 330m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: VG90. €175,000. Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com



**Silves** - 2 bedroom villa & 2 apartments with swimming pool. Special panoramic views. Ref: 1535. €480,000. Minita Ida - Silves- AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**West Coast** - Budens - Lovely Village house comprising on the ground floor large living room with fireplace, kitchen, cloakroom, and backyard with BBQ area. On the first floor 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom. Nice views from the roof terrace. Ref: PPI8790. €198,000. Contact: PPI Estate Agents- AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppestateagents.com

**Alvor** - Alto Golf - Single storey cottage next to driving range. Two beds, wood burning stove, master bedroom with dressing area and bathroom en-suite. Ref: a128-gr. €298,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com



**Vila Nova de Cacela** - Charming 2 bed algarvean renovated house, approx. 5kms from Altura beach, 1,000m<sup>2</sup> of land, garage. €280,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Ferragudo** - Old townhouse renovated in the village centre. Area 65m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: T493. €160,000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Alcantarilha** - Pêra - 2 bed villa in private condominium with communal pool and tennis court. 2 suites. Furnished and equipped. 2 min. from Amendoeiras Golf course. Area: 140m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 0050. €200,000. Laforet Portimão-AMI 7170. Tel: 282 457 640. Email: portimao@laforet.pt

**West Coast** - Budens - Parque da Floresta Golf Resort- townhouse with magnificent ocean views has 2 spacious bedrooms (with nice en-suite bathrooms), fully fitted kitchen, large living/dining room with fireplace, a store room, toilet, garden, a nice roof terrace and communal swimming pool. Owners enjoy 40% reduction on Golf rights. Built in 2001. Sold fully furnished. Ref: PPI 8903. €250,000. Contact: PPI Estate Agents- AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppestateagents.com

**S.Bras de Alportel** - Two nice villas sent in large courtyard with tranquility of the countryside yet 10 mins away from São Bras. and amenities. Each villa has 2 bedrooms, lounge, bathroom, kitchen and large patio. One villa en-suite, conservatory, garden and tool shed. €350,000. Private Sale. Tel: 289 845 478/969 340 842.

**Tavira** - Morenos - Rustic renovated country house with good access. A house with charm, in a calm valley in the mountains. Plot 469m<sup>2</sup> and house 133m<sup>2</sup>. A small garden with small fruit trees, easy to maintain. Big kitchen. Ref: M 012. €265,000. BRUHN Mediação Imobil. unip. Lda-AMI 7025. Tel: 281 321 188. Email: bruhnrealestate@sapo.pt

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**Tavira** - Cabanas - Pretty 3 bed villa situated in an urbanisation w/ swimming pool, restaurant and bar. 1km from Benamor golf course. Close to shops and restaurants. Roof terrace w/ lovely views of the sea. €285,000. Contact: Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277 belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Tavira** - In the centre of town. 3 bedrooms (3 floors), in a quiet location within a private residential area w/ restricted access to the public. Roof terrace. €200,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277 belosantospedras@hotmail.com



**Silves** - 3 bedroom villa with pool set in beautiful gardens. Area 234m<sup>2</sup> on plot 3,540m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 1435. €650,000. Contact: Minita Ida - Silves- AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Tavira** - Located in the Tavira area a lovely 3 bedroom villa set in 4,200m<sup>2</sup> of land with beautiful gardens, swimming pool and spacious terracing. Large garage + workshop. 2 floors. €475,000. Contact: Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. Email: belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Albufeira** - Beautiful villa with established garden and pool. Located at São Rafael beach and a few minutes from centre of Albufeira. Two floors: The ground floor consists of hall, equipped kitchen (w/ patio), laundry, living room, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, store, terrace, garage. 1st floor 1 bathroom, 1 bedroom, terrace ref: VSR 20. €639,000. Natália Flores Carreira - AMI 632. Tel: 289 369 155. nataliacarreira@mail.telepac.com

**Tavira** - Cabanas - Pretty 3 bed villa situated in an urbanisation w/ swimming pool, restaurant and bar. 1km from Benamor golf course. Close to shops and restaurants. Roof terrace w/ lovely views of the sea. €285,000. Contact: Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. Email: belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Tavira** - Located in the Tavira area a lovely 3 bedroom villa set in 4,200m<sup>2</sup> of land with beautiful gardens, swimming pool and spacious terracing. Large garage + workshop. 2 floors. €475,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Tavira** - Manta Rota - Attractive 3/4 bed villa with paved front and back garden. Air conditioned. 2 floors. Within walking distance of the beach and shops. 5 mins from golf course. €280,000. Este Algarve Propriedad, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277 belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Alcantarilha** - Semi-detached villa comprising 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 1 bathroom, living room and dining room, fully fitted kitchen, pantry and garage. Garden and swimming pool. Ref: VG156. €265,500. Contact: Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Alcantarilha** - Pêra - Townhouse in a private condominium with swimming pool and tennis court. Comprising of 3 bedrooms (1 en-suite), 3 bathrooms, lounge, equipped kitchen, and terrace. Quiet and beautiful area. Excellent investment. Area 128m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: VG90. €200,000. Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Lagos** - Townhouse comprising on the ground floor a spacious open plan living/dining room with a fully fitted kitchen, and cloakroom. Small balcony with a brick BBQ. Upstairs 3 spacious bedrooms, with 2 bathrooms. Wonderful roof terrace with sea views. Basement ideal as an independent one bed apt. Total Area 235m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: PPI7954. €260,000. PPI Estate Agents- AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppestateagents.com

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**Ferragudo** - 3/4 bedroomed townhouse on 3 levels. Solar panel, air con, health spa. Large developed garden and patio. Set in a quiet location. 5 mins walk to Praia Grande beach and to the village square. €440,000. Private Sale. Tel: 967 107 260.

**Salema Beach** - Nice and traditional cottage on the beach front. Comprising living room, dining room, fitted kitchen, bathroom and 3 bedrooms (1 on the ground floor and 2 in the attic). Area 28m<sup>2</sup>. Excellent investment opportunity. Ref: PPI9908. €169,000. Contact: PPI Estate Agents-AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppiestateagents.com

**Silves** - 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom villa with pool close to Silves. Fully renovated & air conditioned. Quiet tranquil location. Ref: 1592. €295,000. Contact: Minita Ida - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Silves** - Exceptionally well renovated terraced cottage w/ 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Beautiful countryside location. Ref: 1611. €175,000. Contact: Minita Ida - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com



**Alcantarilha** - Villa with sea view comprising 3 beds, 3 baths, lounge with fireplace, fully fitted kitchen. Garage. Pool. Garden. Pre-installation of central heating. Ref: V804 €361,000. Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Portimão** - Monte Canelas - 3 bed villa in a luxury residential area. Air conditioning, central vacuum cleaner, surround sound. Large swimming pool and garden. Garage. Ref: 0029. €400,000. Laforet Portimão-AMI 7170. Tel: 282 457 640. Email: portimao@laforet.pt

**Ferragudo** - 3 bed villa with a high of standard finishings. Furnished and equipped. Large pool and garden. BBQ and storage room. 2 min. from Golf course. Ref: 0034. €395,000. Laforet Portimão-AMI 7170. Tel: 282 457 640. portimao@laforet.pt

**Almancil** - Very beautiful townhouse situated in a calm area, comprising 3 beds, 2 baths, living room + fireplace, kitchen, garage and garden. 250m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 404.M €378,000. Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob -AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090. Email: info@vilasibericas.com

**Alvor** - Penina - 3 bedroom detached villa on 2 floors with pool. Located on the championship golf course of Penina. Ref: v939gr. €495,000. Contact: Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - Montes de Alvor - 3 bedroom villa with pool in the development of Santo Antonio. Situated in a quiet position. Ref: v943gr. €450,000. Sulgar Lda -AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alcalar** - Lovely single storey 3 bedroom villa with kidney shaped pool and separate jacuzzi. Ref: v954gr. €385,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - Monte Canelas - 3 bed villa with wonderful views to mountains and pool with wooden decking area. Ref: v166gr. €375,000. Contact: Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062 info@sulgar.com

**Vila do Bispo** - Figueira - Rare opportunity. 3 bed villa in unrivalled location. Nature park setting with sea view and access to secluded beach. Pool, borehole, solar and generator powered. Good quality rentals. One-off chance. €750,000. Contact: Private Sale. Tel: 917 127 428. Email: algarvesurveys@hotmail.com



**Alvor** - 3/4 bedroom villa situated in quiet cul de sac with beautiful countryside views. Ref: 1610. €650,000. Contact: Minita Ida - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Lagos** - São Sebastião - Lovely villa comprising living and dining room with fireplace, 3 bedrooms (2 en-suite), garage, garden and swimming pool. Area 225m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: M131. €475,000. Contact: Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321. Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Alcantarilha** - Detached villa with pool. 3 bed, 2 bath, garage and A/C. Built in 2006. Open country and distant sea views. €375,000. Contact: Private Sale. Tel: 937 221 404/282 322 571.

**Burgau** - Charming villa close to local beach with converted garage. Ref: 410V. €595,000. Contact: John D Griffiths Med Imob Soc. Unip. Lda- AMI 6491. Tel: 282 760 416/919 763 707. Email: info@johndgriffiths.com

**Vila do Bispo** - Near Zavial 3 bedroom country villa close to local beaches. Very secluded. Area 11,000m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 399V. €449,500. John D Griffiths Med Imob Soc. Unip. Lda- AMI 6491. Tel: 282 760 416/919 763 707. Email: info@johndgriffiths.com

**Silves** - 3 bedroom villa close to Silves with swimming pool and stunning views to coast and mountains. Ref: 1586. €395,000. Contact: Minita Ida - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Alvor** - 3 bedroom villa in Alvor centre. Fully furnished and equipped. Shop with all stock included, views of Alvor river. Ref: viv316. €395,000. Contact: Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Mexilhoeira Grande** - 3 bedroom villa with area 250m<sup>2</sup> plus T1 annex. Land around villa is 7.250m<sup>2</sup>. Fully furnished. Gardens, pool and panoramic views. Ref: viv313. €550,000. Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Bemposta - villa with 205m<sup>2</sup> land. Three floors, large garage, fully equipped kitchen and A/C. Ref: viv1290. €290,000. Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Portimão** - Outstanding 3 bedroom villa with pool plus a cottage. Set in 2 acres of land with an orchard. Ref: 1485. €550,000. Minita Ida - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Olhão** - Moncarapacho - Stunning 3 bedroom all en-suite villa with pool. Sea views from the master bedroom and 360 degree views from the roof terrace. 2 years old. Well worth a look. Ref: JP638 €450,000. Julies Properties Lda-AMI 6838. Tel: 289 798 196. Email: sales@juliesproperties.co.uk

**Monchique** - Uniquely designed 3-4 bedroom villa in a superb location. Complete privacy and stunning coastal views. Courtyard entrance, living room with central fireplace, a new fitted kitchen, utility and drying rooms. The master bedroom is en-suite and a 2nd double bedroom has an en-suite shower room. Includes a separate ground floor guest suite with an open plan kitchen/living area, double bedroom and large bathroom. The suite has space to make a 2nd double bedroom. Triple glazed windows, mosquito netting, underfloor central heating. Grounds of 18780m<sup>2</sup> with two water mines, mature garden with well and a pool. Ample car parking plus garage. Excellent condition throughout. €650,000. Contact: First Reality Lda - AMI 7198. Tel: 282 911 838. Email: firstreality@sapo.pt

**Algoz** - 3 bedroom villa on plot 900m<sup>2</sup> with pool and garden. Set in a quiet location. €375,000. Contact: Abel Santos Lda- AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt



**Beja** - 3 bed L shaped mobile home, 2 shower rooms, open plan lounge / kitchen / diner w/ oven, hob, extractor fan, integrated dishwasher and fridge. Requires moving to a new location. €59,000. Private Sale. 918 768 998/969 746 259

**Olhão** - Moncarapacho - open plan villa w/ pool, set in peaceful countryside with striking sea views. 2 bathrooms (1 en-suite), 40m<sup>2</sup> carport, separate BBQ area, small patio roof, gas heating, closed fireplace, 180m<sup>2</sup> covered area, 2280m<sup>2</sup> land. Unique rustic location but not remote! For sale by owner. €420,000. Private Sale. Tel: 938 433 045. Email: maryalgarve@hotmail.com

**Vila Nova de Cacela** - Excellent dwelling good opportunity only 100m to the beach. Ref: 2711. €265,000. Contact: ERA-Get a House Lda -AMI 6498. Tel: 963 543 969. Email: vrsa@getvrsa

**Vila Real St Antonio** - Altura - Semi-detached V3 with garage situated in a calm zone with good sized areas, equipped kitchen and furnished. Ref: 2735. €200,000. Contact: ERA-Get a House Lda -AMI 6498. Tel: 963 328 038. Email: vrsa@getvrsa

**Loulé** - Quaint villa with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms in a lovely rural region south of Loulé. Lounge with beamed ceiling, fireplace, kitchen, utility, bedroom radiators and pleasant covered terraces. Garden with small pool, shared borehole and storage room. Ref: V328. €320,000. Contact: Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011 / 969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

**Faro** - Gambelas - 3 bedroomed dwelling plus office, 3 bathrooms. Area 540m<sup>2</sup>. Like new (6 years). Secluded location. Ref: 298. €325,000. Contact: Vilas Costa Lda - AMI 1609. Tel: 919 034 487. Email: vilacosta@vilacosta.com

**Villa V4**

**Tavira** - Santo Estevão - 4 bed villa 1 km from the village and 5kms from Tavira. In the countryside. Fenced land w/ 2,500m<sup>2</sup>. Swimming pool. Garage. 2 floors. Annex w/ cane ceiling. €475,000. Contact: Este Algarve Propriedade, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. Email: belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Tavira** - Manta Rota - A very comfortable 4/5 bedroomed villa surrounded by 910m<sup>2</sup> of fenced/walled garden. Pool. Within walking distance of the beach and shops. 5 mins from golf course. In the most beautiful area of the village. €585,000. Este Algarve Propriedade, Lda- AMI 504. Tel: 281 951 165/281 370 277. Email: belosantospedras@hotmail.com

**Lagos** - Brand new linked villa located in Meia Praia comprising 4 bedrooms (1 en-suite), 1 bathroom and 2 shower rooms, big living/dining room with fireplace, large kitchen, store room, big garage, spacious terraces with some sea views, backyard, pre-installation for air conditioning and central heating. Built in 2004. Built area 200m<sup>2</sup> + garage with 70m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: PPI9019C. € 375 000. PPI Estate Agents- AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppiestateagents.com

**Aljezur** - Villa V4 - Modern lines, fully equipped. Fabulous view and located in a rural zone near the beach. Area 220m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 0015. €420,000. Laforet Portimão-AMI 7170. Tel: 282 457 640. Email: portimao@laforet.pt



**S.B. de Messines** - Impressive 4 bed villa with swimming pool set in over 3 hectares of land with breathtaking views. Ref: 1624. €545,000. Contact: Minita Ida - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Portimão** - Alto Alfarrobal - Villa with pool, garden, garage, laundry, kitchen with fireplace, lounge, dining room, bedrooms with verandas, BBQ. €390,000. Duplo 5 - AMI 7524. Tel: 966468626 / 965063833. Email: mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Lagos** - Areas from 250m<sup>2</sup>, equipped kitchen, 4 bedrooms (3 en-suite), jacuzzi, sauna and heated swimming pool. Ref: M174. €725,000. Contact: Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321. Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Faro** - Santa Bárbara de Nexe - Semi-new 4 bed villa with a spectacular view. Ground floor - living and dining room with fireplace, equipped kitchen, laundry room, wc, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms with radiators and terraces. First floor - 2 bedrooms, and 2 bathrooms, also with radiators and terraces. Swimming pool, BBQ, garage and car port. Ref: 398.M. €695,000. Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob - AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090. Email: info@vilasibericas.com



**Carvoeiro** - Villa in excellent location with sea view. Comprising 4+1 bedrooms, 3+1 bathrooms, kitchen, lounge, tool shed, garage, garden, swimming pool. Ref: V665. €450,000. Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Almancil** - Varandas do Lago - Luxury villa with excellent finishings. 4 beds, 5 baths, 2 dressing rooms sitting room with fireplace, dining room, fully equipped kitchen with terrace and BBQ, laundry room. Garage and garden with pool. Ref: 403. M. €1,400,000. Contact: Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob - AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090. Email: info@vilasibericas.com

**Alvor** - Alto Golf - A wonderful furnished 4 bed villa with pool. Ref: v146gr. €895,000. Sulgar Lda - AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com

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**Silves** - 4 bedroom townhouse with landscaped gardens & 2 bedroom apartment. Ref: 1446. €335.000. Minita Lda - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**S.B. de Messines** - Impressive 4 bed villa with swimming pool set in over 3 hectares of land with breathtaking views. Ref: 1624. €545.000. Contact: Minita Lda - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Carvoeiro** - Single storey villa on Gramacho (Pestana) Golf Resort overlooking 1st Green. 4 bedroom 5 bathroom (3 en-suite). Spacious kitchen. Private pool, garage, roof terrace, A/C and solar heating. Ideal as permanent home or rental investment. Golf right membership included in sale. €795.000. Private Sale. Tel: 282 340 946/917 844 518.

**Silves** - Impressive 4 bedroom villa in a beautiful and tranquil location. Ref: 1607. €695.000. Contact: Minita Lda - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Olhão** - Pechao - 10.800m<sup>2</sup> plot housing a stunning 4 bedroom villa with pool. Luxury at its best in a great area. Ref: JP601. €1.150.000. Contact: Julies Properties Lda-AMI 6838. Tel: 289 798 196. Email: sales@juliesproperties.co.uk



**Carvoeiro** - Caramujeira - Beautiful villa with sea view. 10 mins walk from Praia da Marinha beach. Comprising 4 bed, 4 bath, lounge with fireplace, kitchen, plus annex with 1 bedroom, 1 wc, kitchen and lounge. Terrace, garden and pool. Excellent investment. Ref: V187. €1.275.000. Rogério Bruxo - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Porches** - 4 bedroom villa with pool, garden and sea view. Plot 1.000m<sup>2</sup>. €780.000. Contact: Abel Santos Lda-AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt

**Carvoeiro** - Villa with sea view on plot 3.437m<sup>2</sup>. 4 bedrooms, pool and garden. €600.000. Contact: Abel Santos Lda-AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt

**Porches** - 4 bedroom villa 170m<sup>2</sup> with sea view and only 500m to the beach. €250.000. Contact: Abel Santos Lda-AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt

**Ferragudo** - Semi-detached villa - 2 two bedroomed apartments perfect for living and rental. Located near to all amenities and walking distance to the beach. €300.000. Private Sale. Tel: 282 461 651.

**Loulé** - Sobradinho - Nicely styled villa with the tranquility of the countryside yet not far from the city. Sea view. Many essential modern conveniences such as A/C, underfloor heating, double glazing. Attractively priced. Ref: 1001-0548. €595.000. Contact: Azul Properties - AMI 5604. Tel: 289 422 871. Email: office@azul-properties.com

**Portimão** - Penina Golf - 4 bedroom colonial style villa in an enviable location on front line golf. Built in 1982. Ref: 241218. €875.000. Contact: Sadler's Med. Imob. Lda - AMI 7374. Tel: 282 789 336/912 176 588. Email: sophie.hollow@sadlersproperty.com

**Praia da Luz** - Fabulous 4 bedroom modern villa. With lovely sea views over Luz Bay. Swimming pool, annex and 247m<sup>2</sup> of accommodation. Ref: 237392. €1.175.000. Contact: Sadler's Mediação Imobil. Lda - AMI 7374. Tel: 282 789 336/912 176 588. Email: sophie.hollow@sadlersproperty.com

### Villa V5

**Alvor** - Penina - Individually designed 5 bedroom villa of over 300m<sup>2</sup> on the famous championship golf course. Ref: v165gr. €985.000. Sulgar Lda-AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com

**Olhão** - Moncarapacho Traditional villa converted into 3 separate self contained living areas. 2 acre plot with an orange grove and good access. Ref: JP615. €575.000. €575.000. Julies Properties Lda-AMI 6838. Tel: 289 798 196. Email: sales@juliesproperties.co.uk

**Lagos** - A stunningly presented 5 bedroom villa close to the centre of town with swimming pool. Built area 276m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 236788. €495.000. Contact: Sadler's Mediação Imobil. Lda AMI 7374. Tel: 282 789 336/912 176 588. Email: sophie.hollow@sadlersproperty.com

**Monchique** - Unique manor house in the historic spa village of Caldas with separate guest apartment. Ref: V517. €1.150.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Alvor** - Ladeira da Nora Beautiful villa, all bedrooms en-suite, pool, garden & garage. Area 384m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: V432. €695.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Alcalar** - Villa and T2 apartment, both with fitted kitchens. Garden, pool, lake. Plot 6250m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: V370. €980.000. Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

### Villa V6+

**Lagos** - Meia Praia - Magnificent V6+2 villa in 1000m<sup>2</sup> plot with 4 separated studios. All ceilings in solid wood. Air conditioning and log-burning fire. Cottage. Patio and exquisite pool (16x7m). Spectacular sea views. Architect Karl Hiller. One of a kind! P.O.A. RE/MAX Global AMI:5453. Tel: 912 246 283. Email: alberto.pinheiro@clix.pt

**Alte** - Pretty traditional guesthouse with 6 spacious bedrooms each with double bed and private bathroom. Situated in one of few places in south Portugal that maintains the traditional architectural style, besides being a genuine Portuguese village maintaining a wonderful community spirit. Ref: 141.E. €350.000. Contact: Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob - AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090. Email: info@vilasibericas.com



**Lagoa** - Parchal - Semi-detached villa comprising 7 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, lounge with fireplace, fully fitted kitchen, pantry, laundry and study. Spacious basement and garage for 2 cars. Garden and BBQ. Ref: Vg131. €305.000. Contact: Rogério Bruxo Med Imob - AMI 2132. Tel: 282 342 373. Email: rogeriobruxo@rogeriobruxo.com

**Alvor** - Serra e Mar - Spacious 6 bed villa & featured pool with volley ball court set in beautiful mature gardens. Ref: 1432. €695.000. Minita Lda - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Lagos** - 3 floor house located in town centre with good rental possibilities. 3 independent apartments. Area 200m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: M-124. €350.000. Contact: Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321. Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Vila Real St Antonio** - Casa Pombalina comprising 2 floors, 8 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms and large divisions. Situated in the historical centre with views of the river. Ref: 2713. €350.000. Contact: ERA-Ged a House Lda AMI 6498. Tel: 963 543 569. Email: vrsa@getvrsa

**Burgau** - With breathtaking uninterrupted views of the ocean this 6 bedroom property with pool, is totally unique. Ref: 242145. €995.000. Contact: Sadler's Mediação Imobil. Lda AMI 7374. Tel: 282 789 336/912 176 588. Email: sophie.hollow@sadlersproperty.com

### New Build

**Boliqueime** - Superb villa V4 under construction on 1.188m<sup>2</sup> of land with panoramic views of the coast. Located in a calm area. Basement: Garage for 4 cars or more, store room. Ground Floor: Entrance hall, 2 beds, 2 baths, lounge/dinning room w/ fireplace, equipped kitchen, pantry, covered terraces. 1st floor: Hall, 2 beds, dressing room, 2 baths en-suite, covered terraces. Equipped with surveillance monitor, alarm, ambient music, Electrical under floor heating in all bathrooms, pre-installation of A/C. 899000 Ref: 105 Contact: Natalia Flores Carreira Lda - AMI 632. Tel: 289 369 155/6. Email: nataliacarreira@mail.telepac.pt

**West Coast** - Almádena - Brand new townhouse comprising on the ground floor a big living room with fireplace, a small storage under the stairs, a shower room and a spacious kitchen. On the first floor 3 bedrooms and a big bathroom. The front bedroom has a nice balcony with country views. Nice BBQ area. Plot 126m<sup>2</sup>, built area 114.70m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: PPI8937. €215.000. Contact: PPI Estate Agents-AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppiateagents.com

**Aljezur** - Vale da Telha - Brand new villa currently under construction will be comprised of 3 bedrooms (1 en suite), 1 bathroom and 1 shower room, big living/dining room with fire place, garage, swimming pool, roof terrace and spacious garden. The villa is equipped with double glazed and central heating. Ref: PPI9014C. €250.000. Contact: PPI Estate Agents-AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppiateagents.com

**Aljezur** - New linked villas close to the sea and in the Natural Park. Villas with 2, 3 or 4 bedrooms with communal swimming pool, garage and private parking space. Each villa has also a private plot. This can be a unique opportunity for an investment. Built areas from 97.27m<sup>2</sup> up to 156.18m<sup>2</sup>. Prices between: €180.000 up to €217.500. Ref: PPI9014A. Contact: PPI Estate Agents-AMI 3238. Tel: 282 698 621/969 779 664. Email: dino@ppiateagents.com

**Praia da Luz** - Private condominium - (one of 10 Villas). Quality new 3 bed villa. Private pool & garden. 5 mins from Praia da Luz. Plot 650m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 010-0002. €395.000. Contact: Laforet Portimão-AMI 7170. Tel: 282 457 640. Email: portimao@laforet.pt

**Alvor** - Sesmarias - Brand new V2, V3 and V4 villas with garden, pool and sea view from €202.000. RE/MAX Global AMI:5453. Tel: 912 246 283. Email: alberto.pinheiro@clix.pt

**Alvor** - Monte Canelas - Newly built traditional style 3 bedroom villa with pool in the popular development. Ref: v969gr. €430.000. Contact: Sulgar Lda AMI 6478. Tel: 282 458 062. Email: info@sulgar.com

**Alvor** - New apartment with 2+1 bedrooms with garage space. Near to the centre of Alvor and beach. Excellent finishings. Area 143,60m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 728B. €200.000. Contact: Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com



**Ferragudo** - Bela Vista - 2 semi-detached V3+1 homes with garage and garden. Views to mountains, city and river. Price for each house. €387.000. Contact: Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 4324. Tel: 282 485 271/966 468 626. Email: mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Fuzeta** - New 3 bedroom villa. 2 family home with ocean view. Furnished. 2 kitchens, basement, yard and terrace. €235.000. Private Sale. Tel: 919 282 405.

**Lagos** - Villa with 4 bedrooms (3 en-suite), equipped kitchen, jacuzzi, sauna and heated swimming pool. Area 350m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: M-174. €725.000. Contact: Ricardo Augusto Med. Imob. Lda-AMI 7049. Tel: 282 768 183 / 919 194 321. Email: ra\_imobiliaria@portugalmail.com

**Praia da Rocha** - New 2 bedroom apartment with swimming pool and garage space. Area 127m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 721A. €182.500. Contact: Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Ma Partilha - 2 bedroom apartments, 5 minutes from Alvor. New with swimming pool. Each apartment has a garage space. Area 88m<sup>2</sup>. Prices from €150.000. Ref: 1299. Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**S.B. de Messines** - Near Barragem do Funcho an unfinished house 90m<sup>2</sup> and warehouse 20m<sup>2</sup> on plot 18.000m<sup>2</sup>. Near water, spectacular views. For private sale only. Tel: 936681205 or 282332800 (week days after 8pm). €270.000. Private sale.

**Porches** - 2 bedroom apartments, pool, 880m to the beach. Prices from €115.000. P.O.A. Contact: Abel Santos Lda-AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt



**Ferragudo** - Bela Vista - New 4 bed villa with pool, garden and garage with same ground area as house. Views over river and future marina. Built area 535m<sup>2</sup> on plot with 975m<sup>2</sup>. €750.000. Contact: Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 4324. Tel: 282 485 271/966 468 626. Email: mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Almancil** - Small condominium in centre of the Golden Triangle. Completed in 2007 to a high standard. Will comprise of 11 townhouses with 1-3 bedrooms with air conditioning, large basement which may be used for a games room or bedroom and garage parking for each townhouse. Situated around a large communal swimming pool but each having own patio and garden area. A very special opportunity! Covered Area from 174m<sup>2</sup> to 230m<sup>2</sup> + uncovered terraces. Prices from €299.000 to €380.000. Ref: 468. Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011 / 969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

**Vilamoura** - A new development of apts and town houses on the Millenium golf course. 4 Olympic size pools. From €265.000 to €787.000. Ref: 241195. Sadler's Med. Imob. Lda - AMI 7374. Tel: 282 789 336/912 176 588. Email: sophie.hollow@sadlersproperty.com



**Silves** - Odelouca exceptional 3 bedroom, 3 bathroom villa close to completion with fantastic views to the countryside. Many unique finishing touches. Ref: 1368. €280.000. Minita Lda - AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Tavira** - Apartments in historic centre with garage from €110.000. Contact: Goffland-Med.Imob.Lda - AMI 7407. Tel: 281 380 930/917 225 959.

**Between Almancil and Loulé** - New V3 homes with very good finishings. 3 beds, 3 bathrooms (2 en-suite), spacious living/dining room with fireplace and private plot of land, Only 7km from the beach and also has possibility to build own pool. Area: 202,77m<sup>2</sup> on plot approx. 640m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 424. €320.000. Contact: Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011 / 969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

**Almancil** - Near the beaches of the golden triangle (Quinta do Lago - Vale do lobo). Newly constructed, 3 bedroomed villa, 2 bathrooms, large basement and garage, private garden, air con, excellent exposure to the sun. Area 330m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: V476. €275.000. Contact: Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011 / 969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

### Estates / Quintas

**Silves** - Quinta with semidetached old house close to Poço Barreto. Urban area 280 m<sup>2</sup>. - Land area: 3.160 m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: F512. €80.000. Coelho Correia AMI 3201. Tel: 282 343 326. Email: info@coelho-correia.com

**Odemira** - Sabóia - Farm with 38.000m<sup>2</sup>. Located in calm rural area just 1 km from village. This habitable farmhouse consists of ground floor with entrance hall, 2 beds, large lounge, pantry, laundry, garage, small BBQ. 1st floor: 2 beds (1 en-suite), bathroom, living/dining room, equipped kitchen, pantry, balcony, 2 wells, garden w/ fountain, close to river and dam. Good access. Ref: 106. €225.000. Natalia Flores Carreira Lda - AMI 632. Tel: 289 369 155/6. Email: nataliacarreira@mail.telepac.pt

**Portimão** - 3 bedroom farmhouse/villa with pool. Includes guest cottage and a ruin. Ref: 1597. €350.000. Minita Lda - AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Silves** - Imposing 4/5 bed quinta plus additional plot of land. Quinta 320m<sup>2</sup> set in 19.360m<sup>2</sup> of land plus 2nd plot of 35.520m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 1616. €585.000. Minita Lda - Silves-AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

**Portimão** - Algarvean cottage oozing charm on 20.000m<sup>2</sup> land. Ref: 1486. €315.000. Minita Lda - AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. sales@minitarealestate.com



**SM da Serra** - Newly constructed and renovated farmhouse in a lovely quiet village with built area of 171m<sup>2</sup> situated in 98.680m<sup>2</sup> of land full of cork and medronho trees. Comprising 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms (1 outside), office, open plan living/dining area with two salamanders. Tastefully decorated with high quality furnishings. Triple glazed Swedish windows. Fully equipped kitchen. Spectacular panoramic mountain views. 155 newly planted various fruit & pine trees with automatic irrigation. Stable for horses and three outside buildings for small animals. A small river that crosses part of the land and a large well. Borehole, electricity and phone line. 9kms from Messines, 3km from S. Marcos da Serra. €279.000. Private Sale. Tel: 966 321 883. Email: alexdecor@clix.pt

**Carvoeiro** - Farm with land 14.000m<sup>2</sup>. 2 old houses + storage. Beaches 1.5km. €300.000. Contact: Abel Santos Lda- AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt

**Monchique** - Near Monchique - 3 bedroomed house with private lake on 25 hectares of land. Open plan living & dining room, fitted kitchen. Area 312m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: V544. €650.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com



**Silves** - Large farmhouse fill of character on the outskirts of Silves. Good income potential. Ref: 1230. €650.000. Contact: Minita Lda - Silves- AMI 777. Tel: 282 444 510. Email: sales@minitarealestate.com

## Land

**Loulé** - Querenca - Land 4.000m<sup>2</sup> with project for traditional Quinta 250m<sup>2</sup>. €145.000. Private Sale. Tel: 289 417 079.

**Olhão** - Laranjeiro - Land 3840m<sup>2</sup> w/ruin , electricity and water. Located in a quiet area with sea & mountain views. Permission to build 300m<sup>2</sup> house. €150.000. Private Sale. Tel: 964240694.

**Portimão** - Aldeia das Sobreiras - Bemposta - 380m<sup>2</sup>. Good access. €77.500. Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 7524. Tel: 966468626 / 965063833. Email: mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Monchique** - 2 hectares with medronho and eucalyptus trees. €15.000. Contact: Duplo 5 Med Imob - AMI 7524. Tel: 966468626 / 965063833. Email: mabasantos@hotmail.com

**Loulé** - Pereiras de Quarteira - Land with 2 ruins. Good location and access. 16.612 m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 290. T. €430.000. Contact: Vilas Costa Lda - AMI 1609. Tel: 919 034 487. Email: vilacosta@vilascosta.com

**Aljezur** - Odeceixe - very attractive 8 hectares of flat, fertile land. Permission for 300m<sup>2</sup> new build. Electric and water. Many pine trees. Close to West Coast. The next hotspot in the Algarve. €195.000. Private Sale. Tel: 917 127 428. Email: algarvesurveys@hotmail.com

**Mexilhoeira Grande** - Land with 1.200m<sup>2</sup> to build a villa. Ref: ter159. €100.000. Contact: Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Land near the centre of Alvor with an area of 360m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: ter155. €95.000. Contact: Globalplano Real Estate - AMI 3156. Tel: 282 459 430. Email: globalplano@hotmail.com

**Alcoutim** - 1.000m<sup>2</sup> fenced and gated plot on the river close to Alcoutim. Electric, bore hole, telephone with a static caravan. Lovely setting. Ref: JP629. €96.700. Contact: Julies Properties Lda-AMI 6838. Tel: 289 798 196. Email: sales@juliesproperties.co.uk

**Faro** - Estói - 9.000m<sup>2</sup> plot with approved project to build a 200m<sup>2</sup> villa with pool. Ref: JP410. €157.500. Contact: Julies Properties Lda-AMI 6838. Tel: 289 798 196. Email: sales@juliesproperties.co.uk

**Portimão** - Plots from 430m<sup>2</sup> with permission to build a villa. Prices from €75.000. Contact: Abel Santos Lda- AMI 523. Tel: 282 341 988. Email: abelsantos@net.sapo.pt

**Castro Marim** - More than 4 hectares of totally flat land with 680m<sup>2</sup> of ruins. Possibility of rural tourism. Near to the Castro Marim golf course. Ref: 2740. €350.000. Contact: ERA-Get a House Lda - AMI 6498. Tel: 963 543 569. Email: vrsa@getvrsa

**Faro** - Estói - Unique opportunity! Plot of land with sea views, situated in a quiet area, in land, only 10 min from Faro airport and just a few minutes walking distance from the centre of Estói. Has ruin of 198m<sup>2</sup>, which can be extended up to 250m<sup>2</sup> plus basement. Very good access road and easy connections to water, electricity and sewage. Ref: t235. €110.000. Contact: Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011 / 969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

**Southern Alentejo** - Santana de Serra about 30 mins inland from Albufeira. A greenfield plot at the top end of picturesque hillside village with permission to build a two storey house of around 220m<sup>2</sup> on plot 30m<sup>2</sup>. Excellent road access. Water, sewerage, electricity and telephone access. Walking distance from local amenities, school, health centre, bars and restaurants. Just needs project to suit buyers needs. €23.400. Private Sale. Tel: 965 242 732 / 917 147 584

**Tavira** - Vale Du Ebrós - approx. 20km north of Tavira, near new Monte Rei golf complex. Plot approx 1000m<sup>2</sup>. Set on gentle slope in a tranquil area, close to all amenities. Electricity on site. Water: bore hole or pipe from existing users. Tarmac road to plot. Sea & country view. Two ruins with numbers, should allow approx 180m<sup>2</sup> to be built, subject to usual planning conditions. €70.000. Private Sale. Tel: 0044 120 284 9747. Email: mirish@hotmail.co.uk

**Portimão** - Penina - Plot with plan approved for villa with pool. Area 1600 m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: V508. €1.000.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Alvor** - Montes de Alvor - 550m<sup>2</sup> located in a quiet area surrounded by other villas. Permission to build 220m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: P592. €275.000. Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

## To Renovate

**Boliqueime** - Habitabile old house in land of 1.070m<sup>2</sup>. This house w/ country view and only ten minutes driving from the Vilamoura and Quarteira beaches, consists of: - 5 Beds - 2 Lounge/Dining Room - 2 Kitchens - 2 Baths - 2 Terraces - 1 Store room - 1 Water deposit - Public lake - Cistern - Garden Ref: CCTB-35 €350000. Natalia Flores Carreira Lda - AMI 632. Tel: 289 369 155/6. Email: nataliacarreira@mail.telepac.pt

**Leiria** - Pedrógão Grande. Central Portugal two old houses, easy restoration project. €95.000 o.n.o. Private Sale. Tel: 966 402 520.

**Ourique** - House in the centre of Ourique with terrace and garage. Area 200m<sup>2</sup>. Needs repairs. €80.000. Private Sale. Tel: 919 373 334 / 919 688 158. Email: re\_constrói@sapo.pt

**Vila Nova de Cacela** - Cacela Velha - one storey buildings with 700m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: 2749. €535.000. Contact: ERA-Get a House Lda AMI 6498. Tel: 918 702 976. Email: vrsa@getvrsa

**Loulé** - Fonte Santa - T1 in a quiet residential area 200m from the beach. Small improvements necessary. Guaranteed increase in value. A good investment. Ref: a143. €115.000. Contact: Inside Villas Med Imob Lda - AMI 5931. Tel: 289 399 011 / 969 023 983. Email: mail@inside-villas.com

**Monchique** - Fantastic potential in a stunning location in the Monchique hills. Built in 1972 an un-missable renovation opportunity with views to the coast. Ref: 240988. €475.000. Contact: Sadler's Med.Imob. Lda AMI 7374. Tel: 282 789 336/912 176 588. Email: sophie.hollow@sadlersproperty.com

**Monchique** - Grandiose 5 beds, 5 baths property with outbuildings to be restored to former glory. Masses of original features from a bygone era. Land 18160 m<sup>2</sup> with pool. Walking distance to Monchique. Ref: 1684. €840.000. First Reality Lda - AMI 7198. Tel: 282 911 838. Email: firstreality@sapo.pt

**Loulé** - Benafim - Townhouse for renovation, 3 floors incl basement which can be converted into bedroom. Traditional 1930's building needs renovating but without plans as structure sound, Great opportunity. Sea views from the top floor, and great feature like vaulted ceilings. €37.500. Contact: Private Sale. Tel: 914 300 664/289 432 865. Email: vinclarke@mac.com

## Ruins / Rebuild

**Loulé** - São Sebastião - Old house 230m<sup>2</sup> on land 830m<sup>2</sup>. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, office, living room, kitchen and land to build up to 235m<sup>2</sup> plus one dependent out house designated "oven house". Good opportunity to rebuild. Ref: 402.M. €180.000. Contact: Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob - AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090. Email: info@vilasibericas.com

**Silves** - Odelouca - Unfinished 2 bedroomed house on plot 5500m<sup>2</sup> in the countryside. Area 80m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: V577. €80.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Marmeleite** - Besteiro - Ruin near Monchique and Marmeleite on plot 6 hectares. Area: 83.4m2. Ref: V585. €65.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

## Bars

**Praia da Rocha** - Snack bar fully equipped. Licence to work until 4.00am. Ref: C479. €115.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Praia da Rocha** - Bar fully equipped with seats outside. Area 85m<sup>2</sup>. Ref: C450. €250.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Albufeira** - Fully equipped restaurant in Albufeira (Strip). Large sunny terrace, approx. 80 covers. €325.000. Private Sale. Tel: 917 313 207.

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**Quarteira** - Shop for sale. Well located, inside shopping centre opposite fish market. Area 24.5m<sup>2</sup>. Price negotiable. €45.000. Private Sale. Tel: 914 692 317.

**Praia da Rocha** - Perfume shop for sale. Ref: C520. €170.000. Contact: Algarve Real Estate Centre - AMI 6350. Tel: 282 420 970. Email: info@algarve-real-estate-centre.com

**Portimão** - Residential area with commercial spaces. Great business potential, storage in underground level and very easy car parking. Other commercial spaces are available with different sizes. For sale and for renting. Prices from €70.415. Ref: 122121006-17-21. Contact: RE/MAX Sinergia Lic. AMI: 7089. Tel: 282 491 059. Email: sinergia@remax.pt

**Portimão** - If you are looking to expand your company, you will find in this great business centre the luxury, the comfort and the professionalism you are looking for. Ref: 122121001-113. €670.000. RE/MAX Sinergia Lic. AMI: 7089. Tel: 282 491 059. Email: sinergia@remax.pt

**Portimão** - Fantastic Warehouses in Parchal, 2 minutes away from Portimão, with the possibility to be attached. Situated behind Angel Pilot. From €297.500. Ref: 122121001-117. RE/MAX Sinergia Lic. AMI: 7089. Tel: 282 491 059. Email: sinergia@remax.pt

## Property for rent

**Algoz - Wanted** - Needs for long term rent in Poço Barreto, Algoz or Silves area. P.O.A. Private Rental. Tel: 914 016 943.

**Alvor - Wanted** - T1 apt. Honest and responsible lady seeks 1 bed apt for annual rent. Near beach and within walking distance of shops, bus etc. Up to €400 per month. Tel: 919 917 018. annbergin@gmail.com

**Carvoeiro - Wanted** - Country house/cottage for long term rent in Carvoeiro/ Sesmarias area. P.O.A. Private Rental. Tel: 934 297 776.

**Almancil** - Apt with 2 beds, 2 baths, living room, kitchen, pantry and terrace. Including parking in the basement. Price per month. Ref: 289.R. €650. Vilas Ibéricas Soc Med Imob - AMI 1513. Tel: 289 391 090. Email: info@vilasibericas.com

**Silves** - Ample T1 in city centre, with 700m<sup>2</sup> yard. €250 per month for 1 person plus €50 per additional persons. Private Rental. Tel: 914 437 941 / 960 140 097. Email: hlcarneiro@hotmail.com

**Alvor** - Furnished 3 bed apt, large balcony with stunning views over Praia dos 3 Irmãos. 3 bathrooms, fully equipped kitchen and living room. Available right now for long-term rental. P.O.A. Contact: Private Rental. Tel: 963 679 897

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# Mini-EU summit in Sintra

Durão Barroso, or Manuel Barroso as he now prefers to be called, President of the European Commission, presided over a mini-summit last Saturday in the Portuguese town of Sintra.

Along with Barroso were German Chancellor Angela Merkel as Council President, Hans-Gert Pöttering as European Parliament President, and the prime ministers of Portugal and Slovenia, José Sócrates and Janez Jansa as representatives for the next two upcoming EU presidencies. The group reflected on the European Constitution and future challenges for Europe. After the summit a source for the European Commission claimed that the EU Treaty may be finalised by December of this year, whilst the EU is under the presidency of Portugal. The Treaty will substitute the previously presented and rejected Constitution.

Portugal will take over as President of the European Union in July.



• From left to right Janez Jansa, Angela Merkel, Jose Manuel Barroso, Jose Socrates and Hans-Gert Poettering. . Photo Lusa

## Immigration Law

Parliament passed a new immigration law last Thursday which has been subject to much criticism from immigrant associations across the nation.

The Platform for Immigrant Community Representative Structures (PERCIP) demonstrated disapproval of the law claiming: "The expectations of thousands of immigrants and their associations were deceived as the new law does not foresee the regulation of all immigrants who are working and living in Portugal, opening up only a few exceptions which comprise the minority."

Paulo Portas, leader of the CDS-PP told reporters, "The law has positive aspects, but the government made a mistake, in Article 59, introducing weak criteria. People can become immigrants with a declaration of interest from any employer, regardless." It seems that such a loophole would be advantageous for human traffickers, especially if the control of

such immigrants is not upheld.

The new law states that foreigners seeking work in Portugal may be issued temporary residence permits if their qualifications are sufficient to register on the employment exchange. Such immigrants will be required to present a valid employment contract or legitimate offers of employment. A revised visa system for guest workers and the concession of residence permits to researchers and highly qualified foreign employees are also contained in the law. Companies employing illegal immigrants will be subject to large fines and marriages of convenience are considered illegal.

The law was passed by the votes of the PS and PSD with the CDS-PP and BE voting against and the Greens and the PCP abstaining.

## Addict support

The Piaget Agency for Development (Apdes) in Porto invited Theo van Dam, renowned for his work in support of drug addicts throughout Europe, to be the patron in their endeavour to create a Portuguese association for the support of drug users.

One of the pioneers of needle exchange programmes, Dutchman van Dam told Lusa: "Human beings must be treated with dignity," deploring the fact that he had found Portuguese drug addicts living in "horrible conditions". Van Dam has helped found over 50 associations all over Europe and presented various simple projects that could be developed in Portugal in order to help drug users, apart from the more common syringe exchange schemes and safe injection sites. The workshops delivered by van Dam were attended by various representatives of the Drug

Drug Addiction Institute, the National Association of Pharmacies, Joaquim Urbano Hospital, the Matosinhos GNR and Public Security Police and Judicial Police from Porto.

Alina Sousa, spokesperson for Apdes a non-profit organisation, told Lusa that a meeting to organise the foundation of the Association in Defence of Drug Users is to be held on 6 June. "Apdes has two teams working with drug users supplying syringe kits and aluminium foil," Sousa said, adding that the association intended to introduce mobile units to operate in areas where drugs are consumed.

## Profitable retirement

The number of retirees receiving monthly pensions over €4.000 grew by 12,3 per cent in 2006 with 378 new public employees receiving the so-called *golden* pension. The majority of people receiving these large retirement benefits are politicians, magistrates, hospital administrators, teachers, diplomats and military personnel.

## Eco- adventure

Last weekend saw the first trans-Portugal rally with vehicles powered only by ecological fuels such as vegetable oils or biodiesel. The vehicles departed from Bragança on Saturday and the rally ended in Quarteira on Sunday. The organisers hope to raise the awareness of the general public and the government to the use of alternative fuels.

## Fishermen dead

Two fishermen were found dead in their bunks on board the vessel Santa Cristina which was moored at the time in the Galician town of Cangas, to the north of Vigo. It was suspected that both, age 28 and 36, died of an overdose. The bodies were subjected to an autopsy before being returned to their families in the Aveiro district.

## Youths saved

Two teenagers were saved from drowning with the help of two students and two gypsy men last week. Apparently the four rescuers managed to pull Jaime Silva and Tiago Araújo, 15 and 16 years old respectively, out of the water where they carried out mouth-to-mouth resuscitation in order to save the boys who were both unconscious. Meanwhile a bar owner had contacted the local bombeiros who arrived on the scene within 20 minutes and continued the resuscitation process. Both boys were taken to hospital but were discharged quite quickly, continuing recovery at home.

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# Lisbon council falls

At midnight last Wednesday the executive council in Lisbon was dissolved with all opposition councillors abdicating their positions, as well as 20 of the 26 elected PSD councillors.

Leader of the council, Carmona Rodrigues, refused to resign and was allegedly supported by Fontão de Carvalho, Gabriela Seara (both with suspended terms of office), Pedro Feist, Remédio Pires and Fernando Santana. Last week it was reported that all PSD councillors had agreed to resign after party leader Marques Mendes had requested the same in order to provoke council elections. Although these six councillors did not step down, their solidarity is not enough to prevent the election of a new executive.

The fall of the Lisbon council was to be officially communicated to the Civil Governor's office last Friday after Rodrigues and his team had collated all the necessary documents relating to the matter.

"I was elected by the people of my city and now I leave because of the votes of the [political] parties," Rodrigues claimed,

apologising to the public last Thursday for "not achieving and improving more", adding that he always acted in the name of "responsibility". He would not confirm whether he intended to stand again in the next elections. His right-hand man, currently suspended from his position as deputy Mayor, Fontão de Carvalho, blamed Left Bloc councillor José Sá Fernandes for the collapse of the council saying Fernandes had "contributed in many ways to this conclusion."

By Friday four names were confirmed in the election race. The first to make the announcement was Helena Roseta who is to stand as an independent candidate after resigning as a militant Socialist. Furthermore, Ruben de Carvalho has been confirmed as the Communist/CDU candidate in coalition with the Greens (OV) by party leader Jerónimo de Sousa and also Sá Fernandes for the Left Bloc

(BE). On going to press, no firm decision had been reached by the Socialist Party, but rumours mentioned current minister for the state and interior, António Costa, although party leader and prime minister Sócrates confirmed that this was "pure speculation." Leader of the National Renovation Party (see *get real* editions 12, 13 and 14) José Pinto Coelho will also be standing for the position as council leader in order to fight "corruption". Over the weekend it was reported that Marques Mendes, leader of the PSD, favoured Fernando Seara, head of Sintra council as the party candidate.

The National Election Commission has, as yet, not confirmed dates for the elections but 8 and 15 of July have been suggested and possibly even the first day of July. The Civil Governor is duty bound to hold the elections within 40 to 60 days from the date of dissolution.

# Afghanistan action

This week a contingent of the Portuguese army, said to be mostly commandos, are to serve as part of an international force in Kandahar. According to a source at the defence ministry the soldiers will be mainly conducting patrols but the area is known to be classified as high risk. Cavaco Silva confirmed that there were risks involved but was confident about the ability of the soldiers. "The mission in Afghanistan is a risky one but we cannot forget that it is contributing to a peace mission in the region, and we hope to the reduction of world terrorism as well as the fight against drug trafficking," he told reporters, remembering that Portuguese forces were also present in Lebanon and Kosovo, also missions of risk. He concluded: "Portugal is part of the international community that wants peace. The defence of our country today goes beyond our own borders."

# Public TV under the eye

Entidade Reguladora para a Comunicação Social (ERC), the regulating body for the media, presented the rules it intends to adopt in relation to party political pluralism within the public television network to the minister for parliamentary affairs last week.

The rules outline an evaluation of news programmes shown on Portuguese public TV stations RTP1, RTP2 and RTP-N which will monitor political representation. The new regulations come on the heels of various complaints by political parties such as the PSD and PCP of discrimination by RTP1 in the programme "Pros e Contras" (For and Against). At present neither SIC nor TVI will be subject to such scrutiny although some political parties feel they should not be excluded for being private.

# Thousands flock to Fátima

The largest group ever of faithful pilgrims gathered at the Catholic shrine of Fátima in central Portugal this weekend on the 90th anniversary of the sighting of the Virgin Mary by three young shepherds, all now deceased. Many had travelled on foot from all over Portugal.

Due to the unusually large number of visitors access to the shrine was not easy and before the candle procession at 10 pm on Saturday the director of the Civil Protection called for pilgrims not to force their way in. By mid-afternoon on Saturday there were no more parking spaces in the town and even residents were experiencing difficulty in reaching their homes. After the procession and service pilgrims were delighted with the news that Pope Benedict XVI had announced his intention to visit Fátima within the next few years. Pope John Paul II visited Fátima in 1982 and 1991.

One Spanish pilgrim died, age 80, and many others were treated at campaign hospitals set up in the area during the celebrations.

As can be seen in the background of the picture on the right, some pilgrims approached the shrine on their knees,



# Officer shoots ex

Last week on Tuesday a 33 year old GNR officer, Carlos Borges, killed his ex-girlfriend whilst she was in the company of another young man. It seems that the 21 year old victim had given a lift to a school colleague and the officer had followed them to the spot where the shooting occurred, approximately 100 metres from the colleagues home. The first shot fired by Borges personal, legally registered weapon lodged into an electricity post and in the ensuing confusion Borges managed to fire three shots into the victim's neck causing her immediate demise. Afterwards the officer shot himself in the temple and was declared brain dead but continued to show vital signs. Borges had apparently been pursuing the girl since their relationship of three years finished about a month ago.

# Negative news

Mariano Gago, minister for science, technology and higher education issued an official despatch to the Independent University (UnI) and to SIDES, the company that manages the institution, which withdraws public interest recognition of the establishment. This declaration, released to Lusa, substantiated the decision on the final report of the Director General of Higher Education which states that it has been "unequivocally proven that the UnI does not retain the minimum legal conditions required to be recognised as an institute of public interest." This decision runs alongside the current process of compulsory closure of the establishment, but recognition of public interest is essential for the UnI to function legally.

In a statement to Lusa the management and faculty declared that they "contest the spirit of the communication," claiming it contained "arguments that, at least, imply a substantial amount of subjectivity." It was further stressed that: "The Independent University is far from closing its doors and classes continue with even more students, as is public knowledge."

# Lunar real estate

American businessman, Dennis Hope, was in Portugal last week to promote his enterprise, Lunar Embassy, selling property "with views to the earth".

Hope claims to be the owner of the "only real estate agency legally qualified to sell property in space". The project began in 1980 when Hope filed a declaration of ownership, initially with the land registry in San Francisco, and subsequently with the US and Russian governments and the General Assembly of the United

Nations, laying claim to the moon and other planets. His missives received no reply and today the Lunar Embassy has sold lunar plots to many, including the rich and famous. Property is available from €25 per hectare and the deal is sealed with a Lunar deed.

Allegedly, the business has so far made around €4.4 million all

over the world.

As a warning to the Portuguese, legal advisor for DECO, Luis Salvador Pisco, stressed the fact that: "In legal terms this is a situation in which the people cannot claim they have been subject to fraud as it is all too evident what is going on. I doubt any court would side with the claimant."

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# Everyone ought to believe in something... I believe I'll go fishing.



A day on the high seas beckoned. I had two friends taking a break from the grey of North Yorkshire and a fishing expedition was suggested. I found myself at the harbour in Portimão handing over a deposit for a Monday expedition of *bottom fishing*. I hadn't fished much since my teenage years but I was sure the old techniques would soon come back...

• By Paul Rees

We found free parking by the Clube Naval in Portimão and boarded our vessel, the Nitucha, a cheery red-painted boat settled on the smooth morning water.

"We have had a cancellation so it's just you three," came a voice from the bridge, straight out of East Enders. "Hey ho, and off we go," we cheered, as I found a seat near the back end which later I was reliably informed was the stern.

Before we passed the harbour walls we were given a full safety drill including the precise location of two inflatable lifeboats that are inspected annually despite never having been used. There is a first aid kit and sensible information is imparted, with special details given when there are children on board. The location of the beer facility was also noted but studiously avoided by the Skipper who, after all, has a boat to run.

#### Frightening facts

To the strains of some gentle blues music a welcome coffee was produced from the ever-ready kettle and a get-together ensued over the photo album of *Fearsome Sharks and Other Creatures*

*Captured*, showing stills of first-timers looking shocked alongside their hoisted, silvery prey. The real horror is a picture of a great white shark landed 12 years ago which, at 1.100 kilos, caused a stir. The hapless creature had swum into a net three miles offshore from Portimão sending many seasoned fishermen into spasms on inspection of the landed body. We, however, were *bottom fishing* which I expected to be a rather more relaxed affair.

Perhaps not, as the album also contained severe pictorial warnings as to which fish are poisonous and not to be handled, such as the weaver fish (*peixe aranha*) and the scorpion fish (*rascasso*). As a once only experience the skipper has been punctured by weaver fish spines resulting in his hand swelling to the size of a boxing glove, severe pains in the glands under the arm and, when the swelling subsided with a dousing of household vinegar, the loss of several layers of skin on the affected area.

#### Fishing grounds

Our gasps of horror at these poisonous sea devils were clearly taken as signs of maritime encouragement and coloured maps

of the seabed were swiftly produced showing our destination, a rocky seabed seven miles off Carvoeiro. Reaching our fishing grounds involved navigating over mud and sandbanks. Each area is used for different types of fishing by the many craft that are licensed to fish commercially. There are the night-time squid boats that are a familiar and somehow romantic site for us landlubbers, the four daily trawlers sweeping all into their huge nets, the small netting boats and the pot boats that catch the octopus, squid and cuttlefish that end up as daily restaurant fare.

The *doca pesca* on the Arade river near Portimão's old iron bridge is the central point for the local fishing industry as all catches must be landed there to be sold and taxes levied on sales. If you are served a fish with a tell-tale harpoon wound you can correctly surmise the fish has evaded all tax and should thus taste all the better.

#### Fish & fishermen

On the topic of fish, where are all the tuna? They breed in the Mediterranean and then funnel past Gibraltar, swinging south along the coast of north Africa or

north along the Algarve. North or south is determined by the warmth of the current and Africa does win out most years. The other missing fish is the sardine, so linked with Portugal's past image. These have been so over-fished that those left breed far away from danger. Looking back at the Ferragudo shore from our boat we could see several chimneys of the derelict sardine factories soon to be incorporated into another marina. There is one chimney in Parchal in the Lidl carpark, if you want a close look at one, and another at the Boca do Rio hotel at Mexilhoeira de Carregação where the old steam boilers have been preserved in the bar area with the chimney rising up through the roof.

Are there many opportunities to go big game fishing in the waters of the Algarve? Dave Goodison used to run a game fishing boat out of Albufeira but packed up last winter. Bob Pearson at Vila Real de Santo António is still battling with licences after a boat purchase deal went wrong to the extent that he cannot leave the country until it is sorted out. This leaves our skipper of the day, Clayton Davey, running his service from Portimão. Clayton's

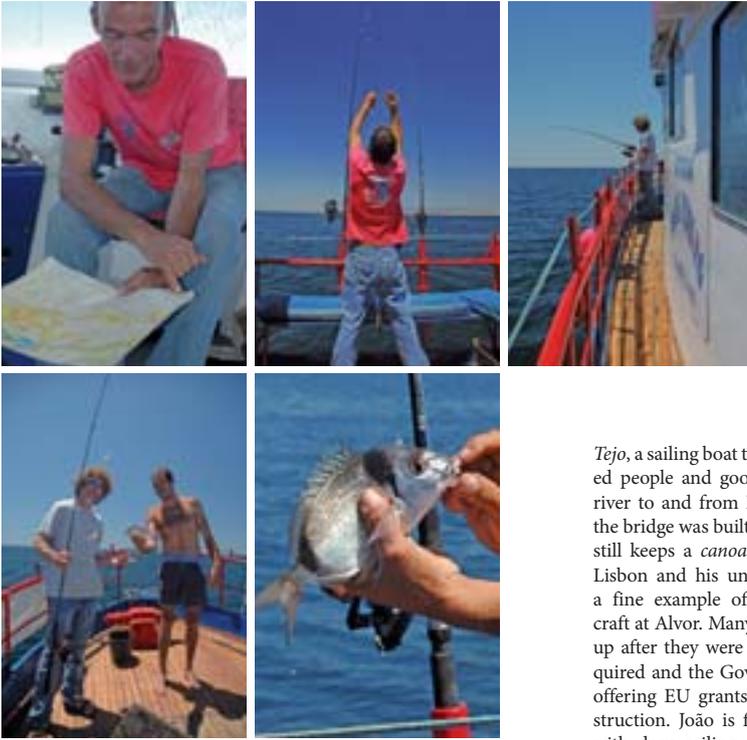
wife, Roz, manages all the bookings and accounts but stays safely on shore.

The shark fishing season is during the summer months and depends for success on the sea temperature rising. The Nitucha goes out daily in the season, and weekends only in the winter months. Night time shark fishing is for the very bold in the summer when the sea temperature reaches 24/25 degrees centigrade.

Two types of fishing tour are on offer. Firstly the big game shark fishing day where most combatants are first timers and a good day can be had by fishermen and women and paying spectators. The second, upon which your intrepid correspondent found himself with two incredulous friends, is the bottom fishing tour which is guaranteed to produce something for everyone, surely?

#### Seaworthy, not seasick

Clayton bought the boat four years ago from Fred Steel as part of the new skipper's life realignment programme. The Nitucha is a robust 14 metre sea-going cruiser which feels safe and sturdy. It was built in Lisbon to withstand heavy seas and it does not bob around a lot, avoiding the involuntary *mal*



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de mer ground-baiting to which many are susceptible. The keel was laid (*good use of old sea-dog terminology! Ed.*) in 1958 and the hull is now stripped and sanded every year, the wooden decks are re-oiled and larger engine maintenance carried out. There is a toilet or *head* (which is useful in personal emergencies).

Fun kit aboard includes the GPS system which shows the location of the craft and the harbour and lots of flags to help steer you about safely. There is a fish-finder gismo indicating when there are fish under the boat and at what depth. All the rods necessary are provided as is ample bait of shrimp and shellfish for our trip.

**Life changes**

Skipper Clayton Davey hails from south east London and was in the building trade until his mid-life crisis hit at exactly 40. His parents are expert fishers who were champions in 1978 in the UK. When presented with Clayton's change of career, "I am going to be a shark fisherman", the astonishment was total. They can now watch with some pride from their home in Ferragudo as their son chugs out to sea every day. Clayton had onshore fishing

experience, otherwise known as angling, but had certainly never owned a seagoing vessel equipped for a potentially dangerous sport.

Clayton displayed an easy charm to sooth us softies and loves the job that he admits is now a full time obsession. "The hardest thing was going back to school at 40 years old," which is exactly what he had to do to gain his skipper's licence. With plenty of practice on a wealthy friend's boat in the UK, followed by an intensive three week course in Plymouth, Clayton's first step towards his dream was taken. Moving to the Algarve with Roz and youngest son, Clayton spent valuable time shadowing Nitucha's vendor Fred prior to taking command. This helped Clayton familiarise himself with the fishing areas, the boat and the many particular regulations from the Harbour Master and Maritime Police who are tough and seemingly random in their ever-increasing desire to issue fines for long forgotten or freshly-issued regulations.

**In good hands**

João the deckhand has worked on the Nitucha for two years. His grandfather used to run a *cano*

*Tejo*, a sailing boat that transport people and goods across the river to and from Lisbon before the bridge was built in 1975. João still keeps a *cano* de Tejo near Lisbon and his uncle maintains a fine example of this historic craft at Alvor. Many were broken up after they were no longer required and the Government was offering EU grants for their destruction. João is from a family with deep sailing roots and his own maritime knowledge is most reassuring.

**Wildlife preservation**

Clayton explained his hatred of fish: "Can't stand them, I will eat fish fingers and fish cakes as there is precious little fish in them, covered in dressing naturally." This makes him an ideal fish conservationist and the care taken over the catch is endearing. Some of the fish we caught, when hauled to the surface, had disended swim bladders which were pricked to release the air. After recuperation in a handy bucket of sea water, all but one survived and were returned to the sea.

Clayton is part of the international cooperative shark tagging programme run by the US Government's National Marine Fisheries Service. This continuing research into the biology of large Atlantic sharks started in 1960 with just 100 volunteers. The programme has since been extended and now includes 6.500 people distributed along the Atlantic and Gulf coast of North America and Europe. Numbered tags sent to participants are attached to the base of each shark's dorsal fin.

An accompanying data card is filled in after tagging, logging the shark's weight, date and location of capture, sex and the size of fishing gear used to catch it. When a tagged shark is re-caught the tag is retrieved and sent on to the US. Between 1962 and 2004 over 188.000 sharks have been tagged and 11.000 have been recaptured. Distances between taggings vary from nil to 3.740 nautical miles. In total three species, the blue shark, shortfin mako and tiger shark travelled over 3.000 nautical miles. The longest period between taggings of the same specimen is just under 28 years. The data provides valuable information on migration and the extent of fish movements including rate, routes, abundance, age and growth.

Sharks tagged on the Nitucha have been re-caught off Tenerife

and the Azores, coastal Spain and west coast Portugal often by the same intrepid long line fisherman, one Jaime Mejuto from A Coruña who has re-caught 23 to date. I suspect he is no longer married.

The Nitucha has also caught a naval shell casing (spent), a foul-smelling dead shark and has witnessed a whale circling the boat and the surfacing of an alarmingly large submarine on exercise, luckily one of ours.

**A great day out**

Despite my amateur fumbblings we certainly caught our fish supper and sufficient for a fine *cataplana* for João, including horse mackerel, Spanish mackerel, red gurnard, sea bream, black bream, *besugo* and something called *bongo* that was thrown back immediately. We did not catch octopus, cuttlefish, moray eel (thank heavens) cuckoo wrass or *bicas* although these are often hooked.

We spent a total of seven hours on board for €50 a head. I loved it as you not only get to view the Algarve coast from the sea, which is beautiful, but you learn lots about our maritime environment from Clayton and João who, after all, spend a third of their life afloat and have a wealth of experience to impart cheerily.



Photos by Karen Padgett

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# ...on Burgau.

Jackie Teasdale made the move to Burgau last July, in the peak of the summer, leaving behind a life in the UK. She chose the little western Algarvean village because it is unspoilt and you can still stroll around the streets enjoying the atmosphere without being consumed by tourism. Only a ten minute drive into Lagos, it is in Jackie's opinion, one of the best towns in the Algarve, with everything to hand. According to the sign on the way in, Burgau has 7.000 inhabitants but it is hard to believe they live here all year round.



## Why Burgau?

Jackie told us that it reminds her very much of a traditional Cornish fishing village with its painted boats, amazing beach, rambling streets and small cafés. Along the coastline are beautiful cliff-top walks, one taking you all the way to Luz and in the opposite direction you will find the Almadena fort with views over the ocean and you can see Salema in the distance. You can watch the boats going in and out and chill out in a café away from everything and still be in the busy resort of Lagos in a matter of a few minutes. Overall the decision to move here was based on value for money, location and distance from the sea.

Two car parks overlook the

beach and even in peak season it is usually possible to find a space. Because of the steep roads and pathways the one drawback is that it is difficult to manoeuvre prams or wheelchairs around.

## Availability of schools

The Vale Verde School is within a few minutes' walk and has been open for around three years now serving the ex-pat community. This is a secondary level school. The Barlavento English School in Espiche is a well-established primary school for children of all nationalities following the UK curriculum. It has an excellent reputation. There are of course Portuguese schools as well for those who

want their children to be fluent in the Portuguese language.

## Favourite local beaches

Burgau beach is 700 metres from Jackie's home, one of the deciding factors of purchasing the property. While in the UK Jackie dreamed of living within close proximity of the sea and now it is a reality.

## Sport facilities

The Burgau Sports Centre is on the way in to Burgau coming in by the second entrance, at the turn off for Alma Verde. It has squash, tennis, stretch classes and a swimming pool. There is a well established children's club on Saturdays with a great programme of activities for kids,

more extensive in the summer months.

Boa Vista and Parque de Floresta are the two nearest golf courses.

## Comparison between high and low season

Even in August it is still quiet and accessible. Parking in the town may be more difficult and the beach busier but apart from that there is no real difference. In winter it can get pretty cold and you need to get your logs delivered early for the fire before the winter rush. It is quiet but there are still people around.

## Future plans for the area

More building of villas and apartments.





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# Nine injured in motorway accident

A minibus carrying scouts from Estômbar and Ferragudo was involved in a violent accident when it seems that a tyre blew out resulting in all nine occupants suffering injuries.

The accident occurred at around 9.10 am on Saturday on the Via do Infante motorway near to Boliquiteime travelling eastwards. The group were on their way to a scout camp in Alcoutim to conclude a guide course, which involved various Algarve scout groups. The camp was subsequently cancelled.

Among the injured were six children and three adults, four initially considered to be in critical condition. The emergency services arrived rapidly at the scene and totalled 22 people and eight ambulances from the Bombeiros in Loulé, Albufeira and São Bartolomeu de Messines, two Rapid Emergency Medical Vehicles (VMER) and two INEM ambulances. All were taken to Faro District Hospital and after evaluation two of the victims were transferred to São José Hospital in Lisbon due to the



nature of their injuries. These were a 12 year old girl who had suffered damage to her lower jaw and the driver, a 35 year old woman from Ferragudo who suffered a serious back injury. Four of the other victims were transferred to the Barlavento Hospital in Portimão, nearer to

home and the other three, two children aged 11 and 13 and one adult remained at Faro District Hospital.

The cause of the accident was reported to have been a punctured tyre and the Toyota minibus overturned and was completely destroyed.

# Allgarve presentation

The controversial branding exercise is set to become a reality when it will be presented officially here in the Algarve next Saturday at the Lake Resort in Vilamoura.

The presentation of the Allgarve events programme in London, due to take place tomorrow was cancelled last Tuesday by minister for the economy, Manuel Pinho, due to the disappearance of Madeleine McCann. Pinho

claimed it was a "sensible decision" at a time when all were concerned about the missing British child.

The presentation was to have been held in a London hotel where a hall was to be trans-

formed into a golf course allegedly using real grass, as well as counting on the presence of José Mourinho and Cristiano Ronaldo. It is estimated that the promotion represented an investment of a few hundred thousand euros.

The Allgarve concept will be presented in Cannes, France this week on May 17.

## Date set for RTA elections

Hélder Martins returned to work last week and soon announced that elections for his successor would be held on 5 June. Secretary of State for Tourism, Bernardo Trindade, was informed, as well as the members of the Regional Tourism Commission which has scheduled an extraordinary meeting on 18 May at 3 pm.

## Adolescents apprehended in Albufeira

Two 13 year old boys were arrested by the GNR in the early hours of Friday morning. The youths held up two people in the car park of an amusement park using a weapon that was supposedly real and making away with €25, an MP3 player and a mobile phone. A third youth, thought to be about 15, managed to evade arrest. The suspects used a stolen car to make their foiled escape attempt which was later recovered, along with another eight stolen vehicles.

## Vilamoura hosts travel conference

The second Annual Congress of the Triton Travel Group took place last weekend at the Tivoli Marinotel, bringing together around 1,000 British travel agents. Event coordinators, the Algarve Tourism Association, apart from general logistics, also arranged a golf tournament for the participants.

## Bar fight in youth association

The Fontainhas Youth Sport club bar in Albufeira was the scene of a fight "reminiscent of the Far West," according to the chairman of the association, Amável Domingos. The fight resulted in three arrests and various injuries, including injuries to the hand of an officer of the GNR. The original aggressor was a man who had already created confusion in the club on a previous occasion and the club's directors had pondered the possibility of refusing the person entry. After the youth assaulted the chairman around 10 other people, including women and children, joined in the fray, presumably family and friends of the aggressor. The GNR were called to the scene but were received with beer crates and more violence.

## Armed robbery on taxi driver

Last Wednesday the Judicial Police succeeded in arresting two men, 21 and 23 years of age, suspected of armed robbery. A taxi driver had been assaulted by the two men, allegedly Brazilian, the night before, having picked up one of his assailants at the taxi stand in front of Modelo in Albufeira. One man, a passenger, threatened the taxi driver with a gun whilst his accomplice pulled a knife. The incident occurred near Evaristo beach in Galé. The driver gave up €50, apparently all the money he had. Another passing taxi had thought the behaviour of the taxi suspicious and had alerted the authorities.

# Bishop of Europe visits Algarve



The Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe, The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Rowell (pictured left), will be visiting the Algarve over the weekend of May 19 for the licensing and induction of Revd. Haynes Hubbard, the new Anglican Chaplain at St

Vincent's Chaplaincy in the Algarve, a Chaplaincy within the Church of England's Diocese within Europe. Bishop Geoffrey, on his first visit to the

Algarve, says that he is looking forward to formally beginning Haynes Hubbard's ministry by licensing him and values the dedicated work of church leaders and its members since the founding of St. Vincent's 30 years ago.

Revd. Hubbard, 38, has moved from Canada with his wife Susan and their three children to take up the role as Chaplain to the Algarve with responsibility for the congregations at Luz, Almancil and St. Luke's, near Santa Barbara de Nexe. One of Revd. Haynes first tasks will be to appoint a further Chaplain to work with the growing congregations and demands of the Church across the Algarve.

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FLEA MARKETS

ALBUFEIRA

Albufeira: Rua das Escolas, near the municipal cantine Saturday, 19 May

PORTIMÃO

Park of Fairs and Exhibitions Sunday, 20 May 8am to 12.30pm

MARKETS

ALBUFEIRA

Friday, 18 May

ALJEZUR

Aljezur: New Church Monday, 21 May

LOULÉ

Alte: José Cavaco Vieira Square Thursday, 17 May

Loulé: End of the R. da Nossa Senhora da Piedade, facing the Convent of Sto António, when heading Boliqeime/Albufeira Saturday, 19 May

Quarteira: next to the Filipe Jonas public garden Wednesday, 16 May 7am to 3pm

S. B. ALPORTEL Rua Boaventura Passos Saturday, 19 May 8am

TAVIRA

Rua Vale Carangueiro Saturday, 19 May

V. R. STO ANTÓNIO Vila Nova de Cacela Near the Market Sunday, 20 May

English speaking Church Services in the Algarve

Lagoa Christian Fellowship Worship with "Godsquad" for kids. Sunday service 11am to 12.30pm. EN 125 Vale de Louzas near SACL. Mums & Toddlers Group Tuesdays at 10am and Youth Group on Friday evenings. Call Pastor Alípio Amaral: 968 801 237 or www.lagoafellowship.com

Lagos International Community Church Sunday Services with Sunday School for children at 11am, Community Groups Wednesdays, prayer evening on Fridays and Mums & Toddlers Group on Tuesdays at 10am. Urb. Vila Praia de Dona Ana, Lote 118 near Hotel Golfinho Tel 282 086 804. www.icc-lagos.org

Portimão International Christian Fellowship Sunday services at 11am with Sunday School for children. Bible study Tuesdays, Mums & Toddlers Group Wednesdays at 10am at The Bridge (A ponte) Cedipraia shopping centre. Church venue Av. 25 April, 17. Pastor David Borgan 282 461 985 & 914 422 181. Tavira Christian Centre Sunday Service at 10.30am at Rua Almirante Cândido Reis. Jackie 281 322 857 or

Geoff 969 100 121

International Evangelical Church Vale Judeu, Sunday service with Sunday School at 10.30am EN125 4th left from Vilamoura traffic lights. Call Peter Sluimer on 289 328 635.

Church of England Services St Vincent's Anglican Church, Almoncil. Sunday Service at 09.30am Igreja Sra da Fatima EN125 between Quatro Estradas and Almoncil, service conducted by Richard Eyres.

St. Lukes Near St. Barbara, Monte de Palhagueira Gorjões. Holy Communion at 11.30am by Richard Eyres.

Luz Holy Communion at 12pm with Rainbow Club for Children, at Sra da Luz (the church on the beach) conducted by Fr. John Wilson.

Contact Alan Brown for details of all three churches on 289 322 578.

All Saints Anglican Church Community Centre Almoncil. Sung Eucharist 10.30 am every Sunday with Crèche and Adventurers Children's Club. For direction call 282 380 311 or see www.allsaintsalgarve.org.

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Day	Hour	Height (m)	
2007-05-15	01:37	3.46	High Tide
2007-05-15	07:49	0.53	Low Tide
2007-05-15	14:04	3.48	High Tide
2007-05-15	20:12	0.52	Low Tide
2007-05-16	02:26	3.54	High Tide
2007-05-16	08:33	0.47	Low Tide
2007-05-16	14:50	3.59	High Tide
2007-05-16	20:58	0.42	Low Tide
2007-05-17	03:14	3.54	High Tide
2007-05-17	09:16	0.49	Low Tide
2007-05-17	15:35	3.62	High Tide
2007-05-17	21:45	0.41	Low Tide
2007-05-18	04:02	3.46	High Tide
2007-05-18	10:00	0.58	Low Tide
2007-05-18	16:21	3.58	High Tide
2007-05-18	22:32	0.49	Low Tide
2007-05-19	04:51	3.31	High Tide
2007-05-19	10:44	0.73	Low Tide
2007-05-19	17:08	3.46	High Tide
2007-05-19	23:22	0.64	Low Tide
2007-05-20	05:41	3.11	High Tide
2007-05-20	11:31	0.92	Low Tide
2007-05-20	17:58	3.3	High Tide
2007-05-20	00:15	0.83	Low Tide
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2007-05-21	18:52	3.12	High Tide

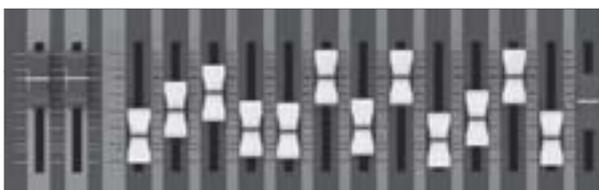
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# Big heart, big muscles

Normally, when somebody decides to join a gym they are not in the best of physical fitness. In the gym the most common forms of workout are those that exert the cardio-vascular systems (heart/circulation) and those that concentrate on building muscle. What should one do? Why? For how long? These are some of the questions that arise which we hope to clarify.

• By Lisa McNamara

When taking the step to exercise regularly, for whatever reason, to lose weight, to lose a belly or excess fat off certain parts of your body or just to breathe more easily, it is necessary to build up stamina in order to sustain a speedier heart rate for a reasonable time.

For beginners cardio training is most important. It is necessary for the body to adapt in order to respond better to the chosen exercise routine. Cardio training will improve the body's resistance to exercise as the heart and lung capacity is improved over time, in turn facilitating the workout as your body adapts. Usually it doesn't take too long for progress to be noticed and after two or three weeks the significant results will be observed and most people notice a tremendous difference in their stamina.

**Women nearly all have that wobbly bum and triceps issue and cardio-vascular workouts will certainly help.**

have a device to measure your heart rate while you are exercising. To ensure you are not putting yourself at risk, you should be working between 60 per cent and 80 per cent of your 220 minus age heart rate, i.e. a 40 year old should not exceed a pulse of 144. If you are working a machine with a resistance that doesn't even make you sweat, you will be wasting your time, as your body will not respond or adapt. The time you spend exercising is also

very important; for example, cycling for five minutes on a bicycle everyday will not improve your resistance. You should do at least 30 to 40 minutes of cardio-vascular training a day, three or more times a week.

This type of workout is the best exercise if your goal is to lose weight. There is nothing better to metabolise your fat than doing cardio-vascular training to use those extra pounds as energy.

## Building brawn

The muscle workout is another type of exercise you can do in a gym. This type of workout is directed more often at specific muscles, usually concentrating on them separately, for example, calves, legs, abdomen, chest, back, shoulders, arms and forearms.

Muscle fitness really helps to define the body in specific areas. For example, ladies, we nearly all have that wobbly bum and triceps issue and, yes, cardio-vascular workouts will certainly help you, but to get far quicker and greater results, focusing on the problem area using weights will definitely give you visual results quite quickly.

We all know how daunting the gym can be, what with all that strange looking apparatus, but in reality, with a little help from an instructor, it is as easy as A-B-C or 1-2-3! As always, it is always advisable to have someone to monitor your performance, ensuring posture and technique are correct.

Adaptations are quickly recognizable, especially in the beginning as you get stronger and more in control of the movements. You can train your muscles everyday as long as you give the muscles you workout 48 hours rest until you work those muscles again. On the inbetween days you work other muscles. For this type of workout it is normal to focus on two muscles a day, a large and a small muscle group, for example, chest and biceps. Remember the weight you use is not as important as technique.

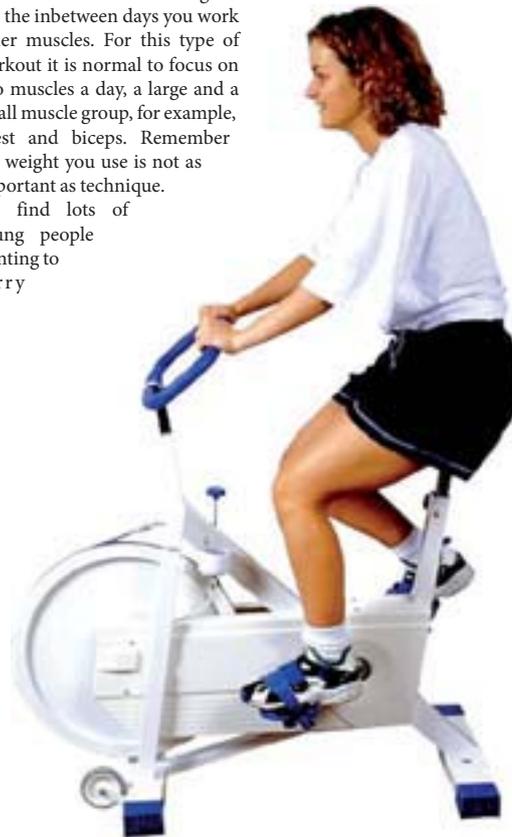
We find lots of young people wanting to carry

more weight instead of getting the technique, and the speed of each movement right, ensuring it isn't too fast! Don't worry about the weight as it is more important to do things slowly and accurately so you can feel your muscles working and better isolate the muscles involved.

Once you have mastered the technique, you can play with the number of exercises, sets, number or repetitions, speed of repetition, time to rest, etc.

## Did you know:

- In order for your body to start burning fat, you need to exercise for over 45 minutes.
- The slower you do your repetitions the more your muscles work.
- The negative part of the exercise should be always slow.
- Don't hold your breath while you exercise your muscles.
- Breathe out when you pull or push the weights.
- Breathe in during the negative part of exercise.
- Use mirrors to ensure you maintain the correct posture.
- Always use proper clothing while exercising, allowing freedom of movement and transpiration.
- You will quickly recover the water you lose whilst exercising. Losing water doesn't mean you lose weight! Make sure you drink while exercising.
- It is extremely important in order to recover salts and minerals that you lose when sweating.
- Always get someone to help you when using maximum weight.
- If you are not sleeping well probably you are over-training.
- Never smoke or drink alcohol after working out.
- What you eat is as important as working out.
- There are lots of natural supplements to help in achieving your goals.



• Cardio-vascular apparatus includes treadmills, rowing machines, bicycles, ellipticals (cross-training machines), steppers, or even swimming.



get ENTERTAINMENT

15 MAY

**CINEMA**  
**FICA 2007 - Algarve International Cinema Festival.** Portimão Cinemas: until 20 May. Centro Cultural de Lagos: 16 to 20 May. Cinemas Cinatrium, Faro: until 17 May. Auditório FNAC, Guia, Albufeira: until 18 May. Cine-Teatro António Pinheiro, Tavira: 18 May.

**Pan's Labyrinth** by Guillermo del Toro. In the fascist Spain of 1944, a girl escapes into an eerie but captivating fantasy world. Cinalgarve, Olhão. 9.30pm.  
 + 19 May: Cine-Teatro António Pinheiro, Tavira. 9.30pm.

**EXHIBITION**  
**32th Algarve International Photographic Art Show.** Participants from more than 60 countries show 1.891 photos. Igreja da Misericórdia de Silves. Until 08 June.

**MUSIC**  
**Algarve Orchestra.** Chamber Music. Biblioteca Central UALG, Faro. 4.30pm.

**TRADE FAIR**  
**ENDIEL 2007 - 15th Meeting for the Development of the Electrical & Electronic Sector.** FIL, Parque das Nações, Lisbon. Until 19 May. 10am to 8pm. Professionals: daily. Public: 18 & 19 May.

16 MAY

**CINEMA**  
**Turtles can fly** by Bahman Ghobadi. Near the Iraqi-Turkish border on the eve of an American invasion, refugee children gauge and await their fate. Indie Lisboa Festival extension. Cinema Santo António - room 3, Faro. 9.30pm. €1 to €3,5.

**MUSIC**  
**The Who.** Pavilhão Atlântico, Lisbon. 8.30pm. €30 to €40.

**Sérgio Godinho (em)** Ligação Directa. Teatro Maria Matos, Lisboa. €15 to €20. Until 20 May. Tickets: 707 234 234.

17 MAY

**CINEMA**  
**Il Caimano (The Crocodile)** by Nanni Moretti. A skewering of Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi. Cine-Teatro António Pinheiro, Tavira. 9.30pm.

**MUSIC**  
**Matthew Dear.** Minimal Techno. Lux, Lisbon.

**Jazz on Fridays.** Eva Parker: sax, soprano and tenor; Herb Robertson: trumpet; Agustí Fernández: piano. CCB, Lisbon. 10.45pm. Free.

**Islamic Festival 2007.** Mértola. Until 20 May. Music + exhibitions + gastronomy.

18 MAY

**CINEMA**  
**Monster's Ball** by Marc Foster. A racist prison guard falls in love with the African American wife of the last prisoner he executed. Biblioteca Municipal de Loulé. 4pm. Free.

**FAIR**  
**Odemira Tourism Fair.** Riverside area, Odemira. Until 20 May.

**MUSIC**  
**Blind Zero.** Portuguese alternative rock. Cine-Teatro, São Brás de Alportel. 10pm. €3,75 to €5.

**Algarve Orchestra.** Portuguese Music. Auditório Municipal de Lagoa. 9.30pm.

**Concert with Camarata Antiqua de Curitiba Choir & Póvoa de Varzim Orchestra.** FIMA 2007 - 29th Algarve International Music Festival. Igreja Matriz de Portimão. 9.30pm. Free.  
 + 19 May: Teatro Municipal de Faro. 9.30pm. €5 to €16.  
 + 20 May: Centro Cultural António Aleixo, Vila Real de Santo António. 9.30pm. Info: 281 510 045.

**Bloc Party.** English indie rock. Coliseu de Lisboa. 9pm. €25 to €150. Tickets: 707 234 234.

**Júlio Iglesias Romantic Tour.** Pavilhão Atlântico, Lisbon. 10pm. €30 to €100. Info: 218 918 409.

**Portuguese Symphony Orchestra** presents Brahms's symphonies. Symphony n.º 3. CCB, Lisbon. 9pm. €5 to €20.

**MUSIC + CINEMA**  
**Premiere Suite para D. Roberto.** 50 years Faro Cine-Club. Teatro Municipal de Faro. 6pm: screening *D. Roberto* by Ernesto de Sousa. 9.30pm: Concert Suite for D. Roberto by Bernardo Sasseti. Piano: Bernardo Sasseti. Double Bass: Carlos Barreto. Bateria: Alexandre Frazão. €6 to €12. Tickets: 289 888 110.

**THEATRE**  
**Loof** by Joe Orton. CCB, Lisbon. 9pm. Until 21 May. 20 May: 5pm. €12 to €15.

**Prantos** by Algarve Theatre Company. Museu Municipal de Faro. 10am & 15pm. Reservations: 289 897 400.

**TRADE FAIR**  
**ExpoFranchising:** Opportunities & Business Fair. FIL, Parque das Nações, Lisbon. Until 20 May.

19 MAY

**CASTING**  
**MTV VJ casting.** Portimão arena.

**DANCE**  
**Lovers and Strangers & Real Fake/Fake Real** by Teresa Ranieri. CCB, Lisbon. 7pm. €4.

**Land of my Dreams** by Algarve Dance Company. Vale do Lobo Auditorium, Loulé. €15 to €25. 9pm. Info: 289 353 322.

**EXHIBITION**  
**A Pre-historic Day.** Recreation of history: what did the people of Alcalar do 5.000 years ago. Centro Interpretativo de Alcalar, Portimão. 10am to 12am / 2pm to 4pm. Info: 282 412 238.

**MUSIC**  
**4th Figueira Accordion & Concertinas Meeting.** Head Office - Sociedade Recreativa Figueirense, Portimão. 9pm. Free.

**Lagoa Choral Week.** Vozes da Rádio. Auditório Municipal de Lagoa. 9.30pm.  
 + 20 May: Coral Ideias do Levante. Igreja do Carvoeiro. 11.15am.  
 + 20 May: Coral da Câmara Municipal de Albufeira. ACD Ferragudo. 9.30pm. Info: www.semanacoraldelagoa.net

**Amsterdam Chamber Music.** Love for music - music for love. Museu do Trajo de São Brás de Alportel. 8.30pm. €21.

**Creamfields Lisbon.** Parque da Bela Vista, Lisbon. 3pm. €45, €50 on the day. Info: www.creamfields-lisbon.pt.

**A Hawk and a Hacksaw & Hun Garngar Ensemble.** Teatro-Circo, Braga. 10pm. €12.

**Choeur Mixte le Forestay.** Choir music. Igreja do Carmo, Faro. 9.30pm.

**Museum Night - Fado Night.** Casa de Fados Arcádia, Faro. 9pm.

**Music on churches.** Josué Nunes: classic guitar, Pedro Loureiro: voice. Igreja da Misericórdia, Tavira. 6pm.

**PHOTO**  
**Silves' perspectives** - 2nd round: Contrasts. Photographic competition. Silves. Info: 282 440 800.

**7th Portimão Photo Run.** Subscriptions until 14 May. Info: Museu Municipal de Portimão 282 412 238.

**SPORTS**  
**Raid BT Trilhos Inter-vivos.** Cross Country Cycling 2007. Alcoutim. 9am.

**STAND-UP**  
**Lisbon Comedy Festival.** Pedro Tochas presents Alcomicos anónimos e um Gajo. Teatro Tivoli, Lisbon. 10pm. €10 to €12.

20 MAY

**CINEMA**  
**Open Season** by Roger Allers and Jill Culton. Animation. A grizzly bear finds himself stranded in the woods 3 days before Open Season. Cine-teatro António Pinheiro, Tavira. 3.30pm.

**FESTIVAL**  
**Vaqueiros in Flower.** Villages in Flower. Vaqueiros, Alcoutim.

**SPORTS**  
**Foursomes week.** Royal Golf Course and Ocean Course, Vale do Lobo, Loulé. Until 26 May.

**Charity Golf Tournament in aid of the Algarve Oncological Association.** Benamor, Tavira. Registration/support contact: (+351) 932 524 253 or e-mail scoringzone@gmail.com.

21 MAY

**EXHIBITION**  
**Equal Opportunities - Recognition & Respect** for gypsy women. Photos. Biblioteca Municipal de Faro. Until 25 May. 9.30am to 7.30pm.

**MUSIC**  
**Acordeon Juvenile Festival.** Cine-teatro António Pinheiro, Tavira. 9.30pm.

FOR YOUR DIARY

**Beyoncé.** Pavilhão Atlântico, Lisboa. 24 May. Info: 218 918 409.

**Art Sullivan.** Coliseu de Lisboa. 25 May. Tickets: 707 234 234.

**Dave Matthews Band.** Pavilhão Atlântico, Lisboa. 25 May. Info: 218 918 409.

**Garden Open Day.** In aid of the I.C.F. Church funds. 26 May. 11am to 4pm. Casa Deva Colegio, Nr. Bensafrim, Lagos. €5 w/ tea or coffee. Info: terry.johnson@gmail.com or 282 687 850.

**London Symphony Orchestra.** Coliseu de Lisboa. 27 May. Reservations: 213 240 585.

**Klaxons.** Avenida dos Aliados, Porto. 01 June.

**Alive Festival.** Pearl Jam + Smashing Pumpkins + Beastie Boys + White Stripes + Linkin Park + Da Weasel. Riverside area, Oeiras. 08 to 10 June. Info: www.oirasalive.com

**Gal Costa Song and Guitar.** 15 June: Hotel Algarve Casino, Portimão. 16 June: Casino de Vilamoura. Reservations: 289 310 000.

**Ney Matogrosso.** Coliseu de Lisboa. 16 June. Reservations: 707 234 234.

**The Rolling Stones.** José Alvalade Stadium, Lisbon. 25 June. Tickets: www.plateaia.iol.pt.

**Nelly Furtado.** Albufeira Municipal Stadium. 27 July. Info: www.pavilhaoatlantico.pt

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**Reign Over Me**  
 After losing his wife and kids in the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Charlie (Adam Sandler) goes into a severe depression and retreats from the world. Luckily, he runs into his old college roommate, Alan (Don Cheadle), who feels sorry for his old friend and does his best to draw him back out.

**Trust the Man**  
 In New York City, actress Rebecca (Julianne Moore) and her stay-at-home husband, Tom (David Duchovny), have a falling out over their sex life. Meanwhile, Tom's younger brother, Tobey (Billy Crudup), can't seem to commit to his aspiring novelist girlfriend, Elaine (Maggie Gyllenhaal).

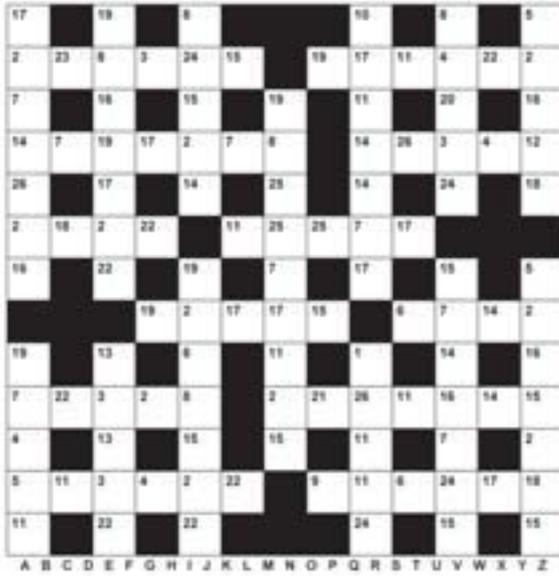
**The Messengers**  
 A family (Dylan McDermott, Penelope Ann Miller, Kristin Stewart) hoping for a quiet, peaceful life on a sunflower farm have their idyllic existence ruined when a mysterious drifter (John Corbett) shows up on their doorstep.



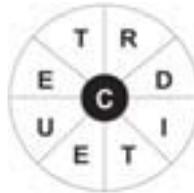
Spektrum are an english electro/funk/punk music band. Formed in 2001, they have two studio albums: *Enter the Spektrum* (2004) and *Fun At The Gymkhana Club* (2006). They will perform at Creamfields Lisbon with The Prodigy, Placebo, Digitalism, Soulwax, Tiefschwarz, M.A.N.D.Y. and many others.

get YOUR FEET UP

**CROSSWORD** Using the starting letters to help you, complete the grid by working out which letter of the alphabet is represented by each number from 1 - 26.



FIND THE 7 DIFFERENCES:



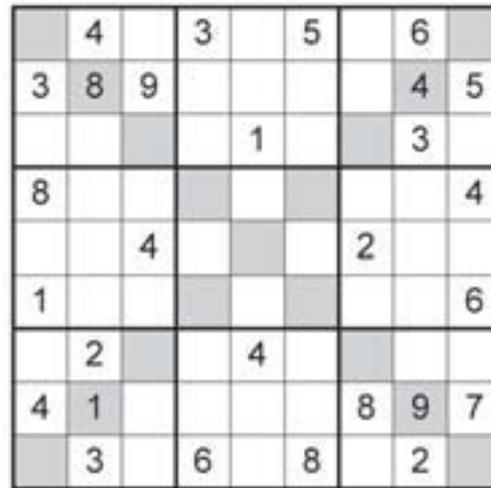
**WORDWHEEL** Make as many words from the nine letters given, using at least three letters; all words must use the central letter and must not use any letter from the wheel more than once. There is at least one nine letter word to be found.

**WORDLADDER**

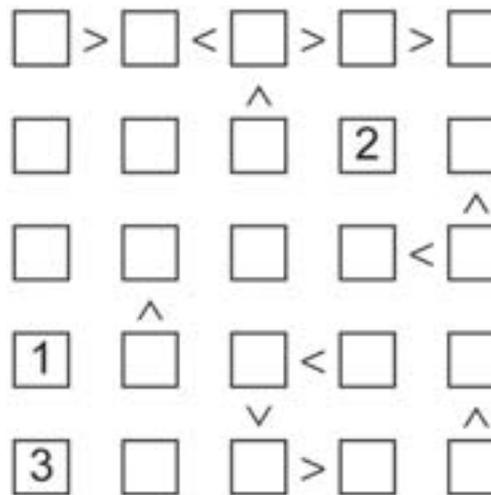


Move from the word at the top of the ladder to the word at the bottom by filling each blank rung of the ladder with a proper word and only changing one letter in the word above at each stage.

**SUDOKU** The numbers 1 - 9 place once only in each row, column, 3 x 3 box and the two main diagonals too.



**FUTOSHIKI** Each row and column contains the numbers 1 - 5 once only, and you must obey the greater and less than relationships between stated cells.



THE *get real* HISTORICAL WEEK:  
source: www.wikipedia.org

- 15 May**  
In 1970 the twin brothers and football players **Frank and Ronald de Boer** were born in the Netherlands. Both played for the Dutch national team as well as many professional clubs in Europe including Al-Rayyan, Ajax, Barcelona and Rangers. Frank represented the *Clockwork Orange* team 112 times and held its captaincy until his retirement after Euro 2004.
- 16 May**  
In 1975 Japanese Junko Tabei became the first woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest. In 1976, Tabei was the first woman to complete the Seven Summits - the highest mountains of each of the seven continents.

- 17 May**  
In 1990 homosexuality was removed from the World Health Organisation's International Classification of Diseases. This day became the **international day against homophobia**.
- 18 May**  
In 1974 the Warsaw radio mast, at the time the **tallest construction ever built**, was completed. Building started in July 1970 and it was 646,38 metres tall. It was located in Konstantynów, Poland, and was used by Warsaw Radio-Television for longwave radio broadcasting. It later collapsed on 08 August 1991.

- 19 May**  
In 1965 female tortoise Tui Malila died. She was the **longest-living animal** according to authenticated records - 188 years old. She was born around 1777 and then given by Captain Cook to the Tongan royal family upon his visit to Tonga, an independent archipelago in the southern Pacific Ocean. She remained in their care until her death.

- 20 May**  
In 1916 the small town of Codell, USA, was **struck by a tornado**. Incredibly, the same town was also hit in 1917 and 1918 on the exact same date. Tornadoes have been observed on every continent except Antarctica. However, most of the world's tornadoes occur in the United States.

- 21 May**  
In 2004 Russian lieutenant colonel Stanislav Petrov won the World Citizen Award for averting a **potential World War III** in 1983. Assuming his instruments were in error, Petrov deliberately did not report what appeared to be a US attack. The computer reports were later shown to have been in error.



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get  
SPORT

## Powerboats in Portimão

Last weekend Portimão hosted the Powerboat Formula One Grand Prix for the ninth time. Thousands lined the Arade River to see American Scott Gillman take the title. The event was the first in the 2007 world title series. Portuguese driver Duarte Benavente (pictured) had to withdraw from the race after only completing 35 of the 60 laps due to motor problems.



## Portuguese League

Football fans will have to wait until next weekend to see which club manages to take the title and which clubs get relegated. The three front runners, Porto,

Sporting and Benfica are now one point behind each other. Porto, with 66 points, drew in their game against Paços de Ferreira. Sporting (65 points) beat Académica by two

goals to nil in the stadium that had hosted the George Michael concert the evening before. Benfica (64 points) also won their game, 0-1, away to Setúbal.

## Spanish Grand Prix

Ferrari's Felipe Massa dominated the Catalunya Grand Prix last weekend winning for the second time in succession with Lewis Hamilton coming second in his fourth race ever in

Formula One, putting him ahead overall in the championship. Spaniard Fernando Alonso came third but nearly crashed on his home circuit when he attempted to overtake Massa around the

outside of the first corner and narrowly missed leaving the track altogether when the two cars touched pitching Alonso sideways into the gravel before he regained control.

## LATE NEWS:

### PORTUGAL

#### Baby for Sale

Nine people were arrested last week in Vila Franca de Xira on suspicion of attempting to sell a four month old baby. Apparently the group, which included the child's mother, contacted an allegedly wealthy woman offering the child for sale. The woman refused but was subsequently followed. The police were alerted and the suspects detained only to be released later. The baby was handed over to the local hospital to be delivered to the responsible authorities. The case is under investigation.

### GAZA

#### Violence begins again

Last Sunday four Palestinians died in fighting that has broken out in Gaza following a period of relative quiet. Hamas also claim that 15 of their supporters were abducted in the region. This is the worst fighting since a ceasefire was established in February resulting in a united government.

### AFGHANISTAN

#### Taliban leader killed

Mullah Dadullah the Afghan Taliban commander has been killed in the Helmand province of southern Afghanistan. His death, initially denied by the Taliban insurgents, has been confirmed following official pictures taken by reporters of his body. Dadullah was a fierce fighter, associated with beheadings of foreign hostages and known within the Taliban to be brutal. He lost a leg in 1996 while fighting in Kabul.

### IRAQ

#### More Bloodshed in Baghdad

A suicide bomber in a truck detonated a bomb killing around 45 and wounding more in continuing violence. This time the target was a meeting in the offices of Kurdesh, the Kurdistan Democratic Party. Ten people also died in a Shia marketplace over the weekend.

### SPAIN

#### Ex-pats have a voice

San Fulgencio, southern Alicante, is holding local elections with more ex-pats running than Spaniards. The huge concentration of British and Germans in the Costa Blanca and Costa del Sol areas has resulted in a large number running as independent candidates eager to have a say in local politics. Until now many have simply enjoyed the quality of life offered but recent scandals in property ownership, including the so-called Land Grab law in Valencia resulting in many ex-pats losing huge sums of money to developers, has persuaded some to have a voice in the local council. One British man, Tony Cabban, has already been elected as a councilor in Javea, running as an independent to challenge issues around urban planning and other property issues presenting major headaches to foreign and local residents alike.

### AUSTRALIA

#### Cricket boycott

John Howard, prime minister of Australia has decided to withdraw his national cricket team from a scheduled tour of Zimbabwe in September of three one-day internationals. Mr Howard said he does not usually mix sport with politics but this time he had to intervene saying that if the tour took place it would be an "enormous propaganda boost" to Zimbabwe, referring to President Robert Mugabe as a "grubby dictator". In his comments to the press he said: "Whilst it pains me both as a cricket lover and as somebody who genuinely believes these things should be left to sporting organisations, it leaves me with no alternative."

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