AZORES · PORTUGAL

The Azores

Nine volcanic islands in the mid-Atlantic, where sperm whales and Risso's dolphins live year-round off Pico and Faial, blue and fin whales pass in spring, Cory's shearwaters wail at dusk and the rare Azores bullfinch feeds in São Miguel's laurel forest.

96 animals

21 mammals, 46 birds, 3 reptiles, 1 amphibian, 5 fish, 8 other sea life, 9 butterflies and 3 dragonflies

Best time: Apr to Oct

Seen _____ of 96

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01 Whales and dolphins 18

- ☐ Sperm Whale
- ☐ Common Dolphin
- ☐ Common Bottlenose Dolphin
- ☐ Risso's Dolphin
- ☐ Atlantic Spotted Dolphin
- ☐ Striped Dolphin
- ☐ Short-finned Pilot Whale
- ☐ Blue Whale
- ☐ Fin Whale
- ☐ Sei Whale
- ☐ Humpback Whale Rare
- ☐ Minke Whale Rare
- ☐ False Killer Whale Rare
- ☐ Orca Rare
- ☐ Rough-toothed Dolphin Rare
- ☐ Sowerby's Beaked Whale Rare
- ☐ Cuvier's Beaked Whale Rare
- ☐ Northern Bottlenose Whale Rare

02 Land mammals 3

- ☐ Azorean Bat
- ☐ European Rabbit
- ☐ Least Weasel Rare

03 Shearwaters, petrels and seabirds 17

- ☐ Cory's Shearwater
- ☐ Yellow-legged Gull
- ☐ Common Tern
- ☐ Roseate Tern
- ☐ Great Shearwater
- ☐ Sooty Shearwater
- ☐ Wilson's Storm Petrel Rare

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03 Shearwaters, petrels and seabirds continued

- ☐ Northern Gannet
- ☐ Skua (Great)
- ☐ Skua (Pomarine)
- ☐ Lesser Black-backed Gull
- ☐ Black-headed Gull
- ☐ Monteiro's Storm Petrel Rare
- ☐ Band-rumped Storm Petrel Rare
- ☐ Bulwer's Petrel Rare
- ☐ Barolo Shearwater Rare
- ☐ Manx Shearwater Rare

04 Shore and wetland birds 10

- ☐ Ruddy Turnstone
- ☐ Sanderling
- ☐ Kentish Plover
- ☐ Whimbrel
- ☐ Common Snipe
- ☐ Eurasian Woodcock
- ☐ Grey Heron
- ☐ Little Egret
- ☐ Mallard
- ☐ Common Moorhen

05 Buzzards, owls and pigeons 6

- ☐ Common Buzzard
- ☐ Rock Dove
- ☐ Common Wood Pigeon
- ☐ Eurasian Collared Dove
- ☐ Common Quail
- ☐ Long-eared Owl Rare

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06 Forest, farm and village birds 13

- [ ] Azores Bullfinch
- [ ] Azores Chaffinch
- [ ] Atlantic Canary
- [ ] Grey Wagtail
- [ ] European Robin
- [ ] Common Blackbird
- [ ] Eurasian Blackcap
- [ ] Goldcrest
- [ ] European Starling
- [ ] European Goldfinch
- [ ] House Sparrow
- [ ] European Greenfinch
- [ ] Common Waxbill

07 Lizards and frogs 2

- [ ] Madeira Lizard
- [ ] Perez's Frog

08 Sharks, turtles and ocean life 11

- [ ] Blue Shark
- [ ] Sicklefin Devil Ray Rare
- [ ] Whale Shark Rare
- [ ] Shortfin Mako Rare
- [ ] Common Stingray
- [ ] Ocean Sunfish

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08 Sharks, turtles and ocean life continued

- [ ] Portuguese Man o' War
- [ ] By-the-wind Sailor
- [ ] Common Octopus
- [ ] Loggerhead Sea Turtle
- [ ] Leatherback Turtle Rare

09 Reef fish 4

- [ ] Ornate Wrasse
- [ ] Mediterranean Parrotfish
- [ ] Azores Chromis
- [ ] Dusky Grouper

10 Butterflies and dragonflies 12

- [ ] Red Admiral
- [ ] Clouded Yellow
- [ ] Small Copper
- [ ] Cabbage White
- [ ] Large White
- [ ] Painted Lady
- [ ] Long-tailed Blue
- [ ] Monarch
- [ ] Azores Grayling
- [ ] Emperor Dragonfly
- [ ] Red-veined Darter
- [ ] Citrine Forktail

My trip

FROM _____ TO _____

TRAVELLING WITH _____

STAYING AT _____ SEEN _____ OF 96

FIRST ANIMAL WE SAW _____

BEST MOMENT _____

FIELD NOTES AND SKETCHES

KEEP IT IN WILDER

Tick them off in the app

Scan to open this checklist in Wilder. Add your photos, see your whole trip, earn badges and the Azores passport stamp, and watch your life list grow.

A guide, not a guarantee: what you see depends on season, luck and patience. Give wildlife space and never feed it. Follow the local rules on distance.