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Oceanview villas set standard for 'green' luxury on Portugal's Silver Coast

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What makes Joia das Dunas so attractive is its unique combination of contemporary design, eco-friendly features, beachside location, boutique five-star services and proximity to Lisbon.

Signature Residences Worldwide has selected Joia das Dunas, the exclusive boutique beach community on Portugal's spectacular Silver Coast as an outstanding addition to its eclectic collection of luxury off-plan real estate.

Joia das Dunas is proud of its 'green' roots. But unlike other eco-friendly hotels and resorts, green at Joia das Dunas is not code for stripped-down style and design. Joia das Dunas is what happens when you combine a strong commitment to deliver the design standards that a contemporary beach lifestyle demands with an equally strong commitment to protecting the natural environment.

While the eco-buyer will love the green features throughout the 18 stunning contemporary villas - built in a forested and protected nature reserve of 65,000 square metres - the investor will appreciate their potential for capital growth and the style conscious will be fascinated by the contemporary design. "With its fabulous location, high standards and the design and style elements that make a boutique community so special - and exclusive - Joia das Dunas (<http://www.signatureresidencesworldwide.com/Joia-das-Dunas.html>) is a true original", said John Hagelin, director, Signature Residences Worldwide (<http://www.signatureresidencesworldwide.com>).

Owners will have access to the services and amenities of an onsite exquisite 10-room hotel and spa, including indoor pool, gym, restaurant and bar, mini cinema and gourmet food and wine shop.

Sea and dunes at your doorstep

The spacious vacation villas, all with views overlooking the Atlantic Ocean and situated among pine trees, are separated from the sea by 600 metres of impressive sand dunes - hence the name, Joia das Dunas which translates as 'Jewel of the Dunes'. Beyond is the stunning Seixo beach with its high cliffs, silver sand and natural waterfalls. Seixo is one of several beaches to be found along the beautiful Silver Coast, which means you'll never have to fight for space to lay your beach towels.

Ranging in size from 195 square metres to 241 square metres, the villas feature three ensuite bedrooms - your guests will appreciate the luxury of privacy - terraces, barbecue areas for entertaining, fully equipped kitchens, satellite TV, Wi-Fi and hidden underground parking.

Glass walls bring outside in

Renowned Portuguese architect Vasco Vieira has harmonized stunning contemporary architecture with the natural environment in such a way that one can no longer tell where the outside space ends and the inside space begins. Glass walls slide wide open and then disappear as if by magic, revealing the breathtaking vistas that have made Portugal's Silver Coast the new darling of the savvy investor. Built in a similar style to the hotel, the villas all boast double-height ceilings and large windows, to ensure maximum light throughout.

The Silver Coast is one of Europe's most stunning coastlines, with tall cliffs, long sandy beaches and unspoilt towns and villages. Here is where you will taste the real Portugal. As an investment potential, it offers superior value and is significantly less developed than the Algarve, where prices are about 25% higher. In terms of return on investment, the Silver Coast, which enjoys short, mild winters and long, hot summers, has consistently outperformed the Algarve over the last five years.

Playground for jet-setters

Joia das Dunas, located just 35 minutes from the airport and the cultural delights of Lisbon, Portugal's

historic capital that is fast becoming a favourite with international jet-setters, is but a stroll away from the quaint town of Santa Cruz.

Don't be surprised if owning a slice of guilt-free sustainable luxury at Joia das Dunas makes friends green with envy.

Prices from Euro 625,000 (approx. GBP 496,669 / US\$ 892,344). Available from Signature Residences Worldwide (<http://www.signatureresidencesworldwide.com>)

About Signature Residences Worldwide

Signature Residences Worldwide, a leader in the sale of luxury off-plan real estate through its one-stop website www.signatureresidencesworldwide.com, enjoys a solid reputation around the world as a cutting-edge boutique real estate company. A division of W International, a fully integrated property and lifestyle group founded in London in 1999, Signature Residences is an owner-managed business that leverages decades of research and experience to find the world's most luxurious vacation-home buying opportunities — often before they are widely known.

International clients from Europe to North America and from Asia to the Middle East have found in Signature Residences Worldwide the professional, personalised service — with emphasis on integrity and discretion — that only a boutique company can deliver.

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