



A very warm welcome to Boa Vista!

In this leaflet you will find information about our apartments and our recommendations for island activities.

Boa Vista is a very relaxing and sportive Island with beautiful white sandy beaches, nice beach clubs, surf centres, kite schools and good restaurants.

Explore the Island with a quad or car or take a tour to experience breath-taking views of nature.

We hope you enjoy your stay in our apartment and have a fantastic time in Sal Rei.



The Bobbywashere team on Boa Vista Dusha, Merlene, Arjen, Henriëtte and Wanda





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1 General Information

Contact

For questions and requests about your reservation, send Arjen a WhatsApp message on +31 6 29 59 7000

In case you need help Whatsapp Wanda on +238 989 74 89 or, in case of emergency, phone her on the same number.

Internet

Wi-Fi password: **Bobbywashere123**

If you want internet access or make phone calls outside your apartment, we recommend you buy a local sim card at the **CVMovel** store opposite to the Shell gas station. You pay CVE 1.000 for 7GB of data and CVE 200 for the SIM card. Bring your passport with you if you want to purchase a SIM card.

Money

In Boa Vista it is possible to **pay with euros** and with the local currency CVE (Cape Verdean Escudos or Scud as the locals say). To make things easy, the local stores and restaurants convert €1 to CVE 100. Actually, €1 is CVE 110. More and more shops and restaurants accept bank or credit cards. If you want to pay cash, there are 3 options of which the first is the cheapest (best exchange rate):

- 1. Change euros at the local bank, here in Sal Rei
- 2. Get escudos from the ATM
- 3. Pay in euros

Energy and water

On the Island you **cannot drink tap water**¹. You can buy 5 litres of drinking water for CVE 175.

Water and electricity are very precious on the Islands.

Water is produced by desalination of seawater and electricity by the operation of diesel generators and from 3 wind turbines.

We would like to ask you to use these resources thoughtfully.

In case of **power failure** do not panic. In Boa Vista this can happen, but it normally takes less than one hour to resolve. A power failure might also mean that you will not have tap water as this is, in some apartments², provided by an electrical pump.

Laundry

Change of **towels** and **bedlinen** and **cleaning** of the apartment is done weekly. It is possible to increase this frequency at an extra cost of CVE 2.000 per cleaning.

There is a launderette where your clothes are washed and neatly folded. You can find it here, inside the shop gallery. Costs are CVE 500 per kilo.

Television

Some of our apartments have a TV. Note that we do not offer memberships like Amazone

¹ Except for the Tud Dret and Ca Julie apartments that are equipped with a water filter

² Ca Julie, Ca Madeira, Ca Greta, Casa Boteto





Prime or Netflix nor do we offer satellite TV. If you want to watch TV you have to connect your own laptop with a HDMI cable using your own subscriptions.

Check In - Check Out

Check In time is normally between 15.00 and 20.00. In case the apartment is already clean you can check-in upon arrival. After 10.00 you can always drop your luggage in your apartment.

For night Check Ins and Check Outs, between 20.00 and 07.00, we charge €20 extra.

The **Check Out** time is 10:00 or earlier. In case you wish to stay longer in the apartment to wait for your flight you can ask us and then we will check whether this is possible.

Please let us know, by Whatsapp, your arrival time (Check In) or desired departure time (Check Out) so we can arrange a taxi for you. Costs for pick-up and return to the airport are included in the apartment rental.

Other

We do **not** ask cleaning fees, and we kindly ask you to leave the apartment as you found it. In the streets of Sal Rei and close to your apartment you will find **garbage containers** where you can drop your garbage bag.

Below are some useful telephone numbers. Land code of Cabo Verde is +238.

Hospital	251 11 67	Olavo (taxi)	593 18 11*
Airport	251 90 00	Alex (pick-up taxi)	523 97 99
Police	251 11 32	Irlando (taxi)	973 74 50

^{*} also Whatsapp

Our small family company only exists by the virtue of the **reviews** of our guests. So please





would you be so kind to leave us a review considering the figure below.

Stars	Symbol	Airbnb	ACTUAL Meaning	Maybe best explained as
5	****	Great	Anything varying from Good to Excellent and beyond	or even
4	****	Good	NOT good enough!	
3	***	Okay	<u>Definitely Substandard</u>	or Co
2	****	Bad	Bad	or Co
1	***	Terrible	Totally Unacceptable and beyond!	€ or or or

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2 Shopping

All our apartments are very close to the beach and the Sal Rei city centre. On the last two pages of this leaflet, you can find maps showing the locations of our apartments on Boa Vista. Note that Sal Rei has no house numbers and only a couple of street names.

There are plenty of **supermarkets** in Sal Rei mostly operated by Chinese people. You can find at least five of them around the town square.

Grocery prices are comparable to that of Europe although fresh fruit usually is usually more expensive.

There is one very big supermarket, named **Boas Compras**, which is located **here**. They have their own taxi service that brings you and your groceries back home for CVE 150.

At the centre of the town square, you can find the **fruits and vegetable market**.

In case you want to buy **fresh fish**, we recommend you visit the **fish market** where you can buy tuna at prices ranging from CVE 400 to 600 a kilo. An alternative is to settle yourself at **Té Manché** at the Sal Rei city pier and buy fish directly from the returning fishermen.

Inevitably, you will be approached by **souvenir** sellers that will invite you to visit their shops. They are harmless but can sometimes be very persistent. If you want to avoid a conversation, we recommend you to not answer them in English but in another language.





3 Restaurants

There are lots of restaurants in Sal Rei and we have made a list of our favourites.

Breakfast

For an extensive breakfast buffet, you can go to the **Ouril Hotel.** The breakfast costs only CVE 600 and includes: coffee/tea, orange juice, omelette, cachupa, fruits, bread, toast, cheese and ham, butter and honey.

The **catchupa cofe shop** serves the best catchupa and cappuccino of Boa Vista next to delicious sandwiches and cakes.

Lunch

Bowl a Vista, in the Sal Rei city centre, is one of our favourites with a breath-taking view on the ocean. They serve fresh salads made from home grown vegetables and they have delicious smoothies.

A bit more expensive but still highly recommended are the Praia Carlote beach clubs **Bahia** and Morabeza that are a 10-15 minutes' walk along the beach (taxi CVE 300) from the city centre.

A good lunch and Boa Vista's best sunbeds can be found at Moby Dick at Cabral beach.

Lots of the Sal Rei residents have their lunch in a local restaurant where a Prato do Dia (plate of the day) is served for CVE 300 usually consisting of rice, beans, salad and fish or chicken. We recommend **Cá Nathalia** where you have a choice between three different plates, fish, meat or vegetarian.

Dinner

Today's favourite is **Sodade**, a lovely restaurant with great food, service and ambiance.

Second best would be **El Mirador**, a Spanish restaurant with an excellent cook. Enjoy typical and delicious Spanish dishes with a spectacular view over the bay of Sal Rei.

Also Cambar d'Sol is recommended. Enjoy your aperitif in their lounge bar with a stunning view over the bay of Sal Rei. You can find them diagonally opposite to the Ouril hotel. For lunch, they also serve a Prato do Dia for CVE 600.

For pizzas and Italian food, we recommend you go to Ca Baby. The food is "ok" but the street terrace is usually filled with cheerful Italian inhabitants of Sal Rei.





Night out

Monday night is the famous reggae night at **Morabeza**. It starts at 11pm and last till early in the morning with live music, nice cocktails and cheerful people!

We recommend the spectacular **Rooftop bar 360** at the fifth floor of the Ouril hotel. Every day they have a different "Cocktail of the day" for CVE 300. On Thursday night there is live music.

Most of the locals start their **Thursday** night out at the Rooftop bar 360, go for dinner at **Grill Siroco** and enjoy the live music over there that starts at 10 pm. Experience the very nice atmosphere together with a mix of locals and tourists.





4 Activities

4.1 Fishing

Boa Vista is famous about their daily fresh fish. The local fishermen wake up around 5.00 am to go fishing with their traditional fishing boats and sell their fish at the local fish market, restaurants, and hotels.

Boat Trips and Fishing Boa Vista offers a Fish, BBQ, Snorkling and Grill tour especially suited to go a day out with friends or family.

For the more adventurous, they have Big Game trips where you go out on the ocean to catch big fish like Tuna or Wahoo.

Check-out their trips and prices on www.btfboavista.com/fishing-trips-boa-vista/ or whatsapp Yara on +238 957 70 90.

4.2 Island discovery

There is a lot of beautiful nature to see on Boa Vista and this is best done with a Quad given the fact that most locations can only be visited off road. It is hard to get lost on Boa Vista since it is an island of only 20 by 30 kilometres.

Quad rental prices range from CVE 6.600 (09.30-14.30), CVE 9.350 (09.30-18.00) to CVE 11.000 (24 hours) and the Quad is delivered at your apartment. You need to be at least 18 years old and have a driver's licence to be allowed to drive. Deposit is CVE 22.000 or €200. Whatsapp Wanda on +238 989 74 89 to organize this adventure for you.

Another option would be to join a **guided Quad tour** where you drive your own Quad led by an experienced guide.

We recommend the four-hour tour to the famous and breath-taking Santa Monica beach, listed in the top 10 of the world's most beautiful beaches.

The more adventurous speed lovers will fancy a **Buggy Excursion** driving mainly off road at high velocities³. An excursion takes 2 hours and about 30 km of driving.

To book these group tours, whatsapp Wanda on +238 989 74 89 who can also arrange for a private tour in your language.

Car rental prices are in the same order of magnitude as a Quad rental for a 4x4 Toyota Hilux which you need when you go off road. The Toyota Jimmy costs around CVE 4.500 a day. We recommend Nanana for the best price. Whatsapp Leida on +238 982 14 36.

La Perla is a little bit more expensive but usually very responsive.

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³ This trip is not allowed for children under 6 years old or pregnant woman





4.3 Kite surfing

Especially during the winter months, Boa Vista has a steady 14+ knots wind which, together with the sandy rock free shores and large variety of kite spots, makes the Island a kite surfers paradise.

BobbyWasHere partners with **KiteKriol**, an IKO certified kite school that is led by local heroes Joke and Yuri - the best kiters from Boa Vista. The school is located on the beach of Carlota, next to the popular beach club Morabeza, at a 10-15 minutes' walk from the Sal Rei city centre. They speak English, French, Portuguese, Spanish and Italian.

The sand is soft, and the sea is free of coral, rocks and other obstacles guaranteeing safe injury-free rides. The wind is offshore, and you can walk up to 5 meters into the sea. KiteKriol has two boats, which they use for lessons and rescue. The team watches every kiter closely and in case something happens they pick you up.

The **kite-storage** comes in very handy when you want to leave your gear at the beach. Rescues are included if you take the storage.

You will love the friendly and relaxed atmosphere and enjoy the fresh drinks and after kite BBQs on the beach that can also be attended by non-kite surfers of course.

Guests of Bobbywashere receive a 10% discount on lessons and gear rental. Click here to find out Kite Kriol's prices.

4.4 Whale watching

Between February and May, the waters of Boa Vista are used by the mighty humpback whales as a breeding ground. Various spectacular whale watching trips are offered in this period. Note that you are going to sail to the open ocean where it sometimes can be quite rough. This activity is not for persons with a weak stomach. Languages Dutch, English, German. Price is around €60 per person, all transfers from and to Sal Rei included. Whatsapp Wanda on +238 989 74 89 to book this adventure for you.

4.5 Turtle Tour

Cape Verde has the third largest population of nesting loggerhead turtles, which makes it perfect for a turtle watching tour where you can watch them laying their eggs on the beach. Most nest on the islands of Boa Vista and Sal between the months of July and October, whilst August is the peak month. Loggerhead turtles lay their eggs at night, so you leave around 08.00 pm and return around midnight. Languages Dutch, English, German. Price is around €60 per person, all transfers from and to Sal Rei included.

Whatsapp Wanda on +238 989 74 89 for a group or private tour.





5 Map

