



Dear Members and Friends,

We had a great time at our first get-together at Casa Inglesa in Portimão. It was a very cheerful and lively group of 36 people that made the effort to attend, despite the awful weather and the pouring rain. Thank you everyone!

Our March activity will be a visit to **ALVOR BIODIVERSITY STATION**. We will have the great and unique opportunity to have our own professional guide, Miguel Rodrigues, a biologist, nature guide and a passionate science communicator. License RNAAT nº: 1252/2024. This trail is a fascinating walk along the riverside area of Alvor and will allow us to discover a great diversity of native fauna and flora.

The tour starts at the waterfront of Alvor and we will proceed walking up the small hill, then towards the North until we reach the Abicada dam. The return to the starting point is made by a different track, in the opposite direction. We will be able to see some of the most typical species of the Algarve's limestone coast, while enjoying a privileged view over the Ria of Alvor. However, the main goal of this two-hour outdoor tour is to meet new people, have fun together and return home with an even greater curiosity about the richness of the local heritage.

Place to visit: EBio de Alvor - Alvor Biodiversity Station

When: Wednesday, March 19th of 2025

Starting time: 09:45 am

End of activity: 12:00 pm

Meeting point: Antiga Lota de Alvor (old fish market - riverfront) <https://maps.app.goo.gl/qv6SfauN13tbRkrC6>

Total distance to be covered: 4.7 km

Difficulty level: Low - Slightly uneven terrain, with only small slopes, but sometimes the ground can be somewhat irregular.

Accumulated elevation: 56 m

Type of trail: road, footpath and trail

Guide fee - price per person: 12€ Members / 15€ non-Members (extra charge of 3€ each goes to charity)

Payment: cash only - at the meeting point

Minimum number of participants: 8

Maximum number of participants: 15 - If more than 15 people confirm their attendance, we may organise a second tour for the next day, March 20th, always with a minimum of 8 participants. In case of bad weather conditions, the tour/tours will be rescheduled.

Suggested:

- Comfortable clothing, adequate to the weather forecast
- Walking shoes or boots with good ground grip (if possible, avoid sneakers/shoes with flat sole)
- Hat, sunscreen and water

Parking: In front of Complexo Desportivo de Alvor (sports centre)

To confirm your attendance, please reply to my email.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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