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A Symphony of colors:

Victor's Portugal Malveira-Guincho – A retreat for individualists on Lisbon's sunny coast

Malveira-Guincho (w&p) - Picturesque seaside resorts and scenic villages, extensive sandy beaches and rugged cliffs: The Costa do Sol, not far from Lisbon, is one of the most beautiful regions on the Portuguese west coast. In the middle of the lush Sintra-Cascais Nature Park - just five minutes from Praia do Guincho and the roaring Atlantic Ocean - lies a series of luxury holiday properties. These have been furnished with great attention to detail by Susanne Kleehaas, Managing Director of **Victor's Residenz-Hotels** – reflecting her own personal style, with a variety of colours and shapes. The result is 24 highly individual gems, which under the name **Victor's Portugal Malveira-Guincho** grant discerning guests the freedom and space to make their personal holiday dreams come true.

The art of (colour) composition

Malveira-Guincho is considered a small paradise - a protected retreat for individualists who are looking for that something special. It is a successful mixture of private estates and holiday domiciles, loosely spread out over an extensive and wonderfully densely planted garden. A security service on the access road ensures absolute privacy around the clock. Guests have the choice between 24 houses: 19 garden villas with a total of three communal pools and five detached pool villas with private pools. Both the garden villas with one to four bedrooms and the pool villas with four bedrooms each can accommodate up to eight residents. The houses, which span several levels, are equipped with everything the heart desires: from the highly functional dream kitchen with the equipment needed to whip up almost any dish, to the tastefully yet comfortably furnished lounges with a separate dining area and open fireplace, to the elegant bedrooms with marble bathrooms and private gardens. The technology is state of the art with Wi-Fi and satellite TV.

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While the design elements in it of themselves are inviting, the real highlight is the personal touch of Susanne Kleehas, who personally designed each of the 24 houses. With a sure sense for furnishings and unique details, the entrepreneur has composed each property in its own impressively lively and highly coherent colour scheme - from subtle white to elegant gold to bright pink. While beige is associated with qualities such as calmness, serenity and security, turquoise is intended to appeal to particularly imaginative people and the warmth of orange has a positive effect on mood. The respective central colour of each house is consistently reflected in the furnishing elements such as carpets, curtains, sofas and wardrobes, and is intelligently combined with surprising yet harmonious colour accents.

Attractive year-round destination

The Costa do Sol, also known as the Portuguese Riviera, is one of the most scenic regions of the Republic on the Atlantic. The maritime climate is not too hot, with an average of 25 degrees in the summer months, and even in winter the thermometer often reaches the 15-degree mark. Therefore, even in the months between October and April, the Riviera is ideal for visitors who appreciate the region's diverse cultural offerings or want to be active.

Lisbon, just 35 kilometers from Victor's Portugal Malveira-Guincho, has established itself as one of the most popular urban vacation destinations in recent years. The "Pearl of Portugal", located at the mouth of the Tejo River, stretches over numerous hills. The city surprises with artistic facades and picturesque squares around every bend. The winding streets offer plenty of opportunities to work off the many culinary temptations such as a glass of port wine, the delicious fish dish Bacalhau or the heavenly Pastéis de Nata. During the day, museums, churches and shopping streets entice visitors; at night, life pulsates in the diverse restaurants, bars, Fado venues and clubs in the Bairro Alto and Alfama neighborhoods. The neighborhood of Belém with its shipyards and harbours, where sailors set sail in the 15th century, in the west of Lisbon is particularly charming. Their rich heritage is still omnipresent in Belém today and is rounded off by extraordinary buildings such as the small fortress, the Torre de Belém. Beautiful views over Tejo River as well as spacious parks and tree-lined plazas distinguish Belém from other parts of Lisbon, so that visitors can easily escape the hustle and bustle of the city here.

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The coastal strip that stretches west from Lisbon to Cabo da Roca, the most western point of mainland Europe, made a name for itself at the end of the 19th century as the summer residence of the Portuguese royal family. Estoril established itself as a posh resort for the rich and famous, with rich greenery, stately villas and one of the largest and oldest casinos in Europe.

This inspired Ian Fleming to write his first James Bond novel, "Casino Royal". The former fishing village of Cascais has retained its 17th-century seafaring splendor - when ships from Africa and America docked at this outpost of Lisbon - thanks to its elegant fortifications, lighthouses and citadel. Today, the stylish coastal town exudes a lively atmosphere with its beautiful centre, well-kept parks, charming restaurants and chic marina.

The cultural stronghold of Sintra, whose old town has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1996, is a must on any visitor's itinerary. Nowhere else in Portugal are so many palaces to be found - including sublime royal castles like the Palácio Nacional da Pena or magnificent private residences like the Quinta da Regaleira with its mysterious gardens crisscrossed by tunnels.

A destination for sun worshippers and active vacationers

Whether art and architecture, nature experiences, sporting activities, shopping or an undisturbed beach holiday - this area has something for everyone. The extensive grounds of Victor's Portugal Malveira-Guincho boast three communal swimming pools, a tennis court and a jogging track.

The wide range of leisure activities in the surrounding area includes tennis, horseback riding, cycling and hiking through the nature park. The greater Lisbon area is also home to some of the finest golf courses in Europe. A full five world-class courses are within just a few kilometres' for Victor's guests. Some of which were designed by the American star architect Robert Trent Jones, such as the two 18-hole courses Quinta da Marinha and Penha Longa.

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Only two kilometers from the holiday home complex is one of the most beautiful beaches in the country: Thanks to steady winds and wild waves, Praia do Guincho is an excellent area for surfers and kite surfers alike and therefore regularly hosts world cups of both sports. Extensive sand dunes in the midst of Mediterranean vegetation characterise the scene. Several casual beach bars and excellent restaurants invite guests to experience the special play of colours at sunset: the beige of the sand, the green of the grasses and the blue of the Atlantic. Other beaches also suitable for swimming can be found along the coastal road around Cascais and Estoril.

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