

CATEGORY 2: USER-FRIENDLY GREEN AREAS AND GARDEN PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF GASTRONOMY/THE HOTEL INDUSTRY & COMMERCIAL AREAS



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FATIMA FRADE/ QUINTA SPLENDIDA WELLNESS & BOTANICAL GARDEN (PT, 1993) QUINTA SPLENDIDA WELLNESS & BOTANICAL GARDEN

Quinta Splendida Wellness & Botanical Garden is located on an area of 30.000 m² around a manor house dating back to the early 19th century and is one of Madeira's biggest spas. Opened in 1993, emphasis was placed both on the artistic flair, the old trees, as well as on the local construction style. This is an island inside the island. A team of six gardeners make sure that this becomes visible from everywhere. The garden design shows a continuous flowering across all seasons. The hotel owner closely cooperates with the Botanical Garden Funchal. Over 1.000 plant species and 650 labelled plants, including many endemic species and species from the Canary Islands, grow here. The title "Botanical Garden" was awarded by the government to the Quinta Splendida and is a result of this work and garden design. For the hotel, a large part of vegetables, herbs and fruits are home-grown. Compost, as well as poultry manure, serve as soil improvers. The greenhouse is used as a laboratory for various processings. The herbal treasures from the garden are used in infusions, massages and in foods. The guest accommodations in adjacent low buildings are fully integrated into the green space. A garden serving as the perfect place where life can be enjoyed by the pool or in the garden, surrounded by seating furniture and innovative design.

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