

sal-cape verdes



Fact File

Best Time: October - June.

Launch: Sandy beach with some shore break, occasionally moderate.

Wind Direction: Cross-shore, at times cross offshore

Wind Type: Northeast Trades.

Shorebreak: Normally slight to moderate.

Water Conditions: Generally choppy; up wind flatwater area; on the eastern edge increasing swells.

Suitability: All levels.



Air°C	26	25	25	25	25	26	22	23	24	29	27	26
Water°C	23	22	22	23	24	24	25	26	27	27	26	24

CLUB MISTRAL /SKYRIDERS

Located on beach in front of Hotel Belorizonte. Great access to all conditions. Spacious 2km fine sand beach. Good facilities in centre inc shower/WC nearby restaurant, bar, internet cafe, shop. Storage available.

Kit Range: 2009/10 approx 60 Mistral & Fanatic Boards & 90 rigs. Sail sizes: 4.0-8.8m² North Sails.

Board Hire 1 wk £179 2 wks £299

Instruction: Starter, Progress, Advanced, Unlimited, Kids, Private, Combi Kite package. Joker Voucher Spring & Autumn.

Other Sports: Surfing tuition & rental (Nov-Aug). Diving. Wave sailing excursions. Local fishing trips.

Excursions: Catamaran trip to Boavista Island, Local African arts & crafts in Santa Maria. Local cuisine, 'Catchupa' & drink 'Grogue' – enjoy with care!



The Cape Verde Islands – are a group of 11 islands, just 450kms off the west coast of Africa. Thanks to their position within the winter trade-wind belt, the islands offer perfect wind and wave conditions from November until May.

Since the introduction of direct UK flights, Sal is fast becoming a favourite winter, watersports destination. The bay of Santa Maria is located on the southern tip of this island and its long, fine-grained sandy beach extends over more than four kilometers. When not windsurfing, kitesurfing or diving there are a good choice of bars & restaurants. You will find the local people are friendly, having a very 'laid back' attitude to life.

The Spot & Sailing Conditions

The cross-offshore or sideshore wind from the left enables effortless upwind sailing to the various sections of the beach. From the Club Mistral center you can sail directly from the flat water section into two fantastic wave spots: Both Ponta Leme upwind and Ponta Sino downwind offer great wave sailing with the best conditions December to April. Closer in the swell is more gentle. Trips to local wave spots are recommended including Ponta Sinor, and Ponta Lembedje as well as excursions to Rife and Canoa islands. Ponta Preta is the legendary spot.



Hotel Morabeza



Location: Right on Santa Maria Beach in the south of the Island of Sal approx 20 minutes from the airport. The town of Santa Maria with it's abundance of bars and restaurants is just a short stroll away.

Accommodation: This charming hotel has a relaxed, modern colonial style. It has 114 comfortable and well equipped rooms and suites, with en-suite bath or shower & WC, air-conditioning, ceiling fan, telephone, satellite TV, fridge, safe, balcony or terrace and garden or sea view. Junior Suites and Family Suites/ Duplex rooms (split level) are available.



Facilities: Two swimming pools inc salt water pool with sunbathing area, three restaurants with beach side, buffet and A La Carte dining. Pool, terrace and evening bars are well placed. A range of activities are available including tennis, petanque, mini gym, archery, mini-golf, games room, snooker, table tennis. Regular evening entertainment with local musicians.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: Approximately 5 minutes walk from Club Mistral /Skyriders centre.



Hotel Novorizonte/Belorizonte



Location: 15 minutes drive from the airport and a 15 minutes walk to Santa Maria. Directly on Santa Maria beach.



Accommodation: The bungalow complex comprises of relatively small wooden bungalows (160 rooms with shower in Belorizonte and 125 with baths in Novorizonte), which are clustered around patios and palm trees. Set back from the beach is an additional hotel building with 50 larger rooms. The air conditioned bungalow rooms are well furnished and equipped with shower or bathroom/WC, phone, satellite TV, mini bar, ceiling fan and a patio. The superior rooms in the main hotel building offer the same amenities as the bungalows but are larger and more comfortably furnished.

Facilities: 2 beach restaurants and bars, landscaped garden, a freshwater and 2 salt-water pools, floodlit tennis court and frequent entertainment.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: Club Mistral/Skyriders centre just a short 2 minute walk away.



Hotel Dunas De Sal



Location: 20 minutes walk into Santa Maria positioned 10 minutes walk across the road from the beach.

Accommodation: A two storey building comprising of 48 simply but tastefully designed rooms surrounding a futuristic courtyard. All air conditioned rooms are equipped with private bath, satellite TV, phone, safe and mini bar and a private balcony or terrace.



Facilities: The hotel features a restaurant, 2 bars, 2 swimming pools & sundeck. The hotel has its own spa, fitness gym, a small spa area with beauty and massage centre as well as a steam room. There is a comfortable lounge with wide-screen TV and business centre with internet access. Dive centre on also site. This is a relaxing, quite and friendly hotel designed in a modern & minimalist style.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: A few minutes walk away from the Club Mistral/Skyriders centre.



Prices (7 nights) from:	Low	High
Hotel Morabeza	£798	£1125
Hotel Belorizonte	£599	£899
Hotel Dunas De Sal	£639	£899

Price includes return flights, accommodation & transfers.

SKYRIDERS

Located alongside Club Mistral windsurf centre in front of Hotel Belorizonte. Open November – April. Kite zone directly accessed from centre. Wide 4km long sandy beach. Flat water area leads directly through swell to 2 fantastic wave spots. Accompanied trips to local spot Ponta Sino. Best wave conditions December – April. Rental: North approx 12 boards & 30 kites. Sizes: 3.0 – 16.0m². Insurance payable locally. Storage available.

Kite Hire 1 wk £199 2 wks £319

Instruction: 3 step system, all levels, tricks, private. Combi rental & instruction packages. Equipment insurance available locally.

