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# GRAND HOUSE

VILA REAL DE SANTO ANTÓNIO / ALGARVE

Portugal





## The revival of a Grand Dame

Situated in the Algarve's eastern most corner,  
nestled across the river from Spain,  
Grand House is a revived Grand Dame  
that received a new lease of life,  
becoming the first five-star hotel  
in the historical town of Vila Real de Santo António.

*Ain't Life Grand?*



## Joie de vivre of the Roaring Twenties

Only the true insiders among the world's globetrotting glitterati know about this unspoiled corner of Portugal's eastern Algarve.

Tucked along the riverbanks in the former fishing village of Vila Real de Santo António, overlooking a charming marina, Grand House pays homage to the joie de vivre of the roaring twenties.



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THE COUNTRY IS RESPLENDENT WITH HISTORIC PALACES,  
CONVENTS AND RURAL ESTATES TURNED INTO HOTELS.  
BUT GRAND HOUSE EMBODIES A DIFFERENT MOMENT IN HISTORY.  
THERE IS A SENSE THAT NOTHING IS OFF-LIMITS.

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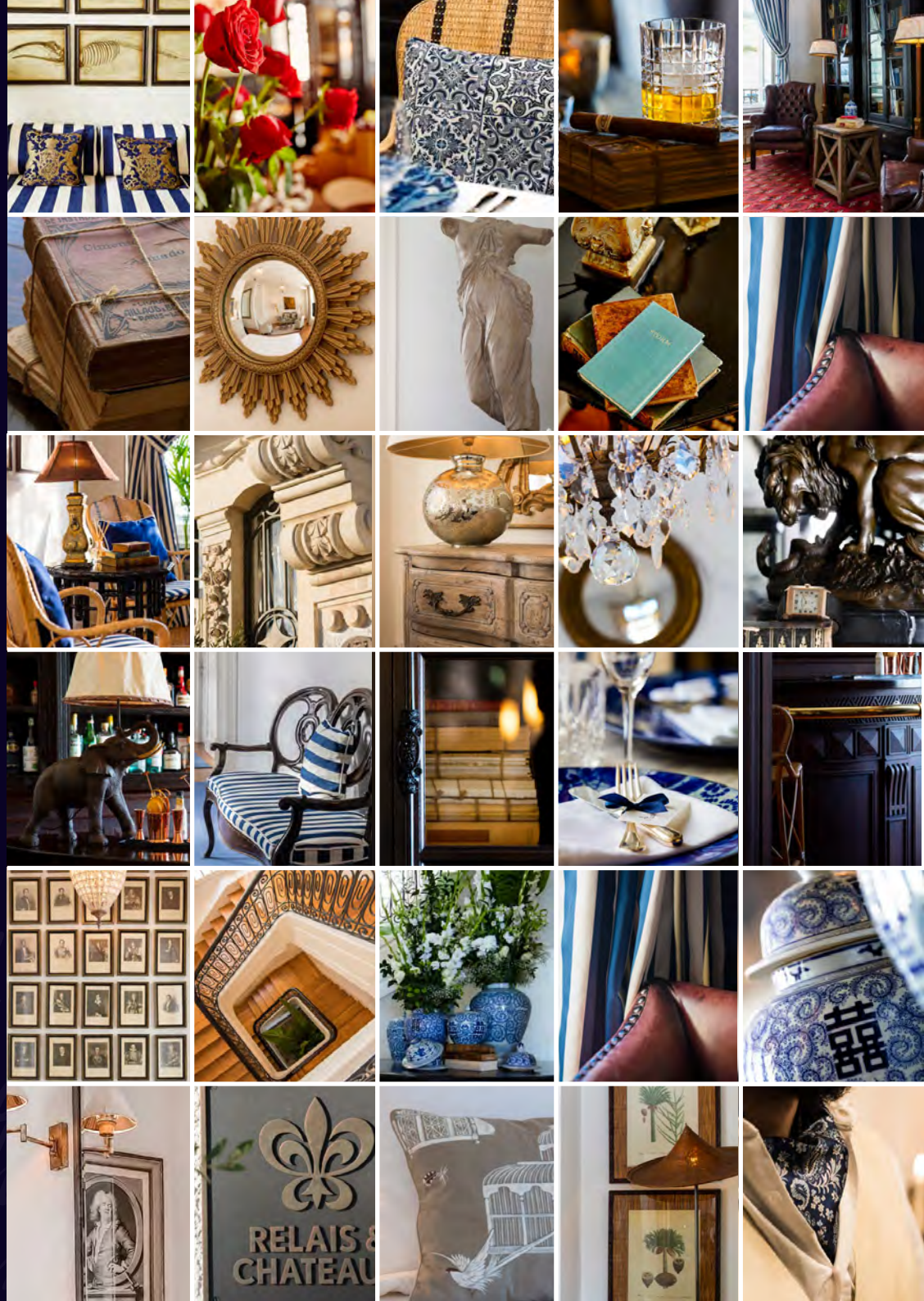




# Grand Style

Climb the impressive stone staircase that greets you at the entrance and you'll find a Roaring Twenties vibe that we would describe as 'both nautical and colonial, with a touch of 'gentleman's club' – and a hint of Casablanca.

We envision our Grand House as an opulent family residence rather than a hotel, emphasizing the highest level of attention to detail.



*The first time I saw the Grand House, I knew it was the kind of place where you'd find the best of both worlds.*





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THE 26-ROOM HIDEAWAY HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED INTO  
A SHOWSTOPPING RETREAT FOR AESTHETES AND THE MOST HARD-TO-PLEASE URBANISTS,  
WITH JOLLY, WELCOMING STAFF AND THE HOTEL'S CHARMING PORTUGUESE WATER DOG.  
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## Grand Living

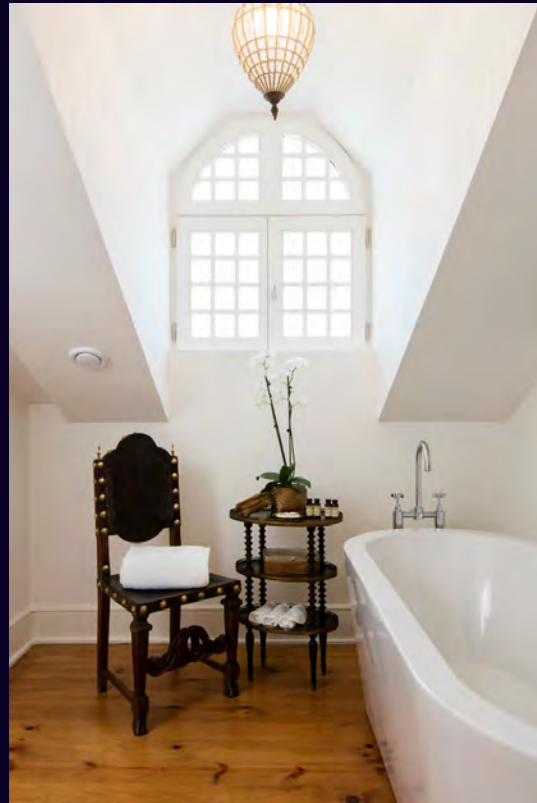
Light-infused spaces,  
comfortable beds, and fresh flowers  
– our living spaces embody true grandeur  
with meticulous attention to detail.

Honoring the hotel's rich history,  
the rooms and suites feature an array of period details,  
including intricate molding, antique pieces,  
and glamorous crystal-festooned chandeliers.









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 GRAND HOUSE - IF ONLY THERE WERE A WARM-CLIMATE EQUIVALENT  
 TO THE WORD 'HYGGE'.  
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Robb Report



## Grand Cuisine

At the Grand Salon,  
experience the tastes, smells, sounds, and sights  
of the Eastern Algarve coming alive on your plate.

The culinary ethos of the Grand Salon  
is to harmoniously blend international refinement  
and eclecticism with the exceptional quality  
and authenticity of local produce,  
cultivating a devoted following among true connoisseurs  
of the good life and fine dining.





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AMAZEMENT SETS IN AS SOON AS YOU ENTER THE GRAND SALON.  
SUDDENLY, THE WORD “RESTAURANT” PALES.

No matter how many adjectives are put in front of you, none describe the feeling of someone who, from one step to the next, enters a film set. Casablanca crosses our minds, our thoughts wander to the jazz-inspired soundtrack, but the blue of the Guadiana, which comes in through the window and is paired with the decorative features inside, brings us back to the real world in colour. This is one of the few times that reality beats the dream.

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## Grand Café

Merely 50 meters along the avenue, within the original historic customs house (VRSA's oldest building), our newest venue, the Grand Café, welcomes you in Grand Style. Beyond being a haven for delectable snacks, dainty treats, and signature homemade pastries, the Grand Café beckons as a refuge for forging connections. Here, you can engage with the local community, as well as fellow Grand guests and visitors, all the while lounging in the ambiance of the waterfront promenade.





## Grand Nights

In the Grand Salon Bar, it's just you and a 100-year-old mahogany counter that whispers tales of bygone nights, filled with Negronis and Absinthe.

The salty night breeze drifts in through open balconies as our Grand Alchemist works magic, crafting true miracles in every glass.

Trust us, they take their Hemingway Specials and Tom Collinses very seriously.

On the hotel's rooftop at the Grand Secret Garden, you'll discover the ideal vantage point to watch the night unfold over the cityscape.



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# GRAND BEACH CLUB

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## Grand Beach Club

Embodying the motto "Ain't life Grand?",  
our waterside restaurant and bar  
is a place made for the moment.  
Grab a Cocktail, lose yourself in the sea  
and enjoy modern comfort food  
showcasing the very best of land and sea.

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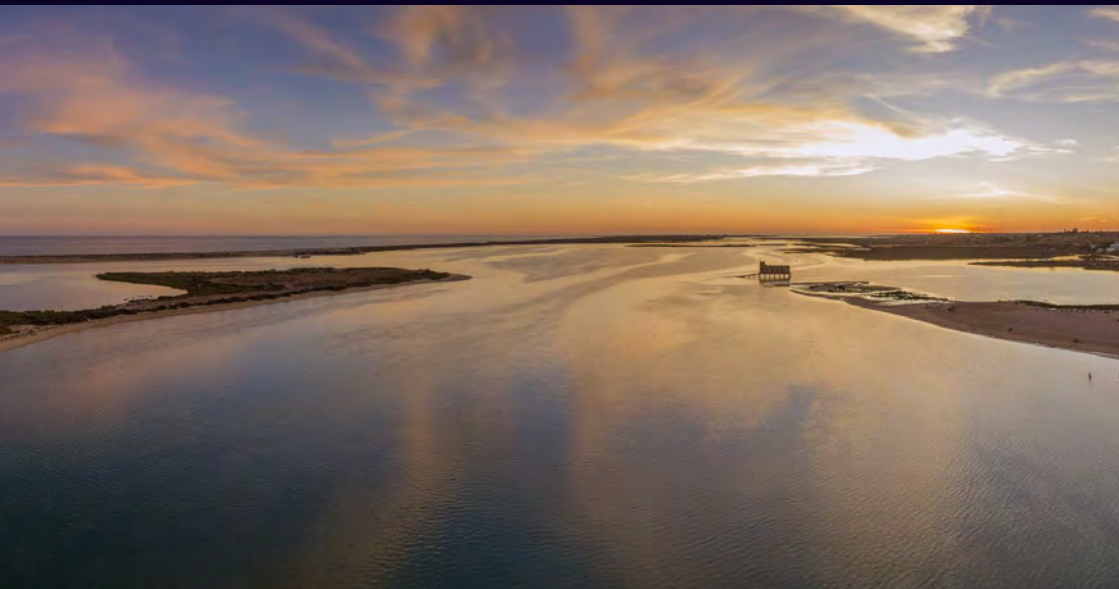


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After sunbed napping, you won't want to leave, so I recommend you drift to the bar, cocktail in hand, where the late-afternoon beats are the joyful soundtrack to watch the sunset put on its show while the fishing boats come back home accompanied by seagulls.

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## Destination Saudade

With its empty beaches, quaint, century-old towns and lip-smacking fresh seafood, Portugal's Eastern Algarve is an undiscovered gem.

One of the country's best-kept secrets, this special destination is a tribute to tradition, a song of saudade, an emotional state of mind that describes the Portuguese soul and identity by preserving ancient history, a unique cultural heritage, traditional crafts and a unique ecosystem.





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 Nearby you have the Knights Templar fort of Castro Marim and under its shadow, the ancient salt pans used since Roman times where you can go for mud/salt baths before heading a few kilometers west to the beautiful beaches of Cacela Velha and the start of the Ria Formosa Natural Park.

THIS IS ALTOGETHER SOME OF THE MOST AUTHENTIC ALGARVE AT ITS FINEST AND A FAR CRY FROM THE OVERTOURISTED CENTRAL BELT - AND MADE ALL THE MORE TANTALIZING NOW THAT A SMART BOUTIQUE HOTEL, THE RELAIS CHATEAUX GRAND HOUSE, HAS OPENED.

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# Grand Experiences

Vila Real de Santo António wets its feet  
on the Rio Guadiana waters,  
leans against the dunes of Monte Gordo,  
watches over the Atlantic from the stronghold  
and guards the gold of the Algarve in the salt pans.

We would love to take you on a Grand Journey  
into the heart of the authentic Eastern Algarve.  
Join us and be delighted by the unexpected,  
captivated by the thrill of discovery, and ultimately  
gain a deeper understanding of its people, nature, and traditions  
around a seaside table featuring herb-infused cuisine  
served with warmth and hospitality.





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Grand Moments  
& Grand Memories*

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