

Caminho Das Amendoeiras 4, Bom Sucesso Resort, Bom Sucesso,  
Vau 2510-662, Obidos, Portugal

**Getting there (From Lisbon Airport (85 km (ish) including 71 km on motorway):**

In Summary the directions are: **Take the A8 until Junction 13 and follow the signs to Bom Sucesso.**

But **to get to the A8, you will initially need to follow the signs to the A1.**

In detail ...

- Keep left as you leave the airport (whilst driving on the right!). As soon as you leave the airport (either passing the multi-storey car hire car park on your right or coming out of it), you will be given a choice of a slip road up to the right or going down into a small tunnel. Do not take the slip road to the right. Keep left and go down into the tunnel. After a couple of hundred metres, you will come to a large roundabout. You need to go around the roundabout and take the last exit 3/4 of the way around signposted **A1 NORTE**. This is a tricky roundabout, due to the mad Lisbonite drivers, four lanes of traffic and two sets of traffic lights as you circumnavigate the damn thing. My recommendation is to stay in the 2<sup>nd</sup> last outside lane until the last set of traffic lights before taking the exit. I find closing my eyes helps, too.
- After a few hundred meters, follow signs towards **A1 and A8 OESTE/LOURES**
- Keep in the right lane and follow signs towards **A8** and later **A8 NORTE/LEIRIA** for 65 Km. You will need to keep your wits about you as the signs don't always give you the amount of warning you would wish.
- There is one toll – do not go in the lanes with the green V above it – unless you have a pre-paid car tag thingy. This is the automatic pre pay lane. It will cost you €30+ if you do. I know. I did it. Once. Take any of the other lanes with a green light showing. At the first booth, stop and collect a ticket. The next booth is before **Exit 13** when a nice lady will ask you to pay a toll of €4.85 ish. (Unless you said yes to the car rental place to the automatic toll thingy – which is a great idea by the way and then ignore the last few sentences completely.)
- Take **EXIT 13** - towards A-DA-GORDA and turn left.
- 1 km later, **turn left towards AMOREIRA** (and look out for BOM SUCESSO signs).
- 3 km further on, **at AMOREIRA**, you will come upon a set of traffic lights. **Turn right in the direction of VAU/BOM SUCESSO**
- 3.2km further on, in the middle of Vau, you will come to a small and ornate roundabout. Go straight on. 4km later, through winding eucalypt forests, you will come to Óbidos Lagoon, and another big roundabout. Take the exit up the hill towards the resort entrance.
- Drive up the hill about 2km. The perimeter wall of the resort will be on your left and an enormous yet totally unfinished equestrian resort will be on your right.
- Turn left into the entrance to the resort, stopping to say wave to the security guard. They will let you in. If they stop for a chat, say you are staying at Caminho Das Amendoeiras No. 4. (Vaguely pronounced *Cameeno dash Armendwayrush Quatro*). The main roundabout complete with fountain will be ahead of you with **reception on the right**.
- To get to our villa, turn right at this roundabout. Continue on past the shops on your right and the 10<sup>th</sup> green on your left.
- Take the next right. The back of a row of townhouses will be on your left and some stylish box-like villas on your right.
- Turn left at the next road, which is Caminho Das Amendoeiras. Our villa is on the left hand side, the second to last one at the end (number 4).
- Welcome!