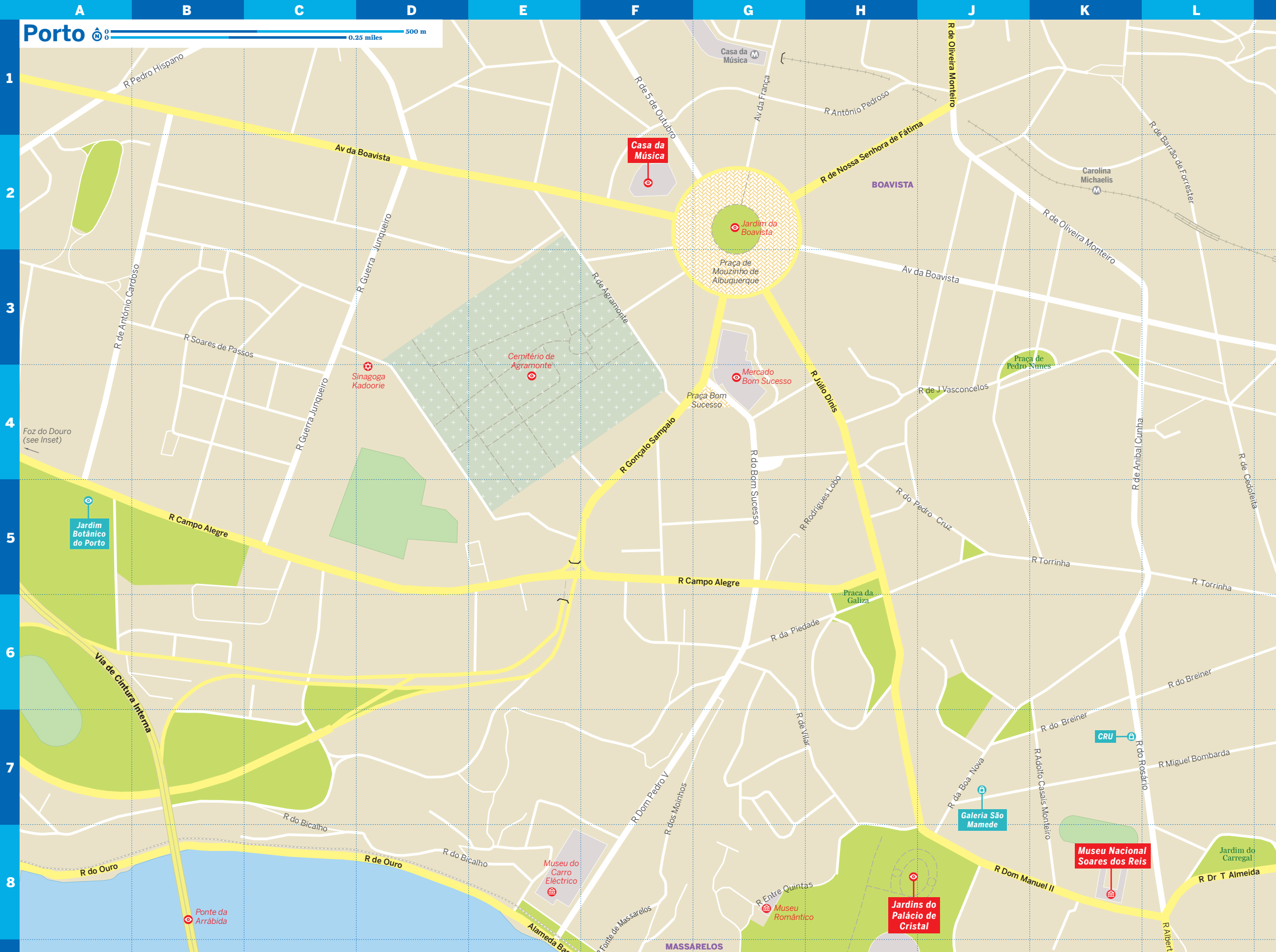




PORTO

City Map

EASY-FOLD
&
WATERPROOF



WALKING TOURS

TRAVEL TIPS

MUST-SEE HIGHLIGHTS

SPEAK LIKE A LOCAL



BASICS

Hello.	Olá.	o-laa
Goodbye.	Adeus.	a-de-oosh
How are you?	Como está?	ko-moo shtaa
Fine, and you?	Bem, e você?	beng e vo-se
Excuse me.	Faz favor.	faash fa-vo
Sorry.	Desculpe.	desh-kool-pe
Yes.	Sim.	seeng

TOP SIGHTS



IGREJA DE SÃO FRANCISCO

Dripping with gold leaf, this church is an indulgent feast of baroque. Note the Tree of Jesse in the nave and wander the eerie catacombs in contemplative silence. (Praça Infante Dom Henrique)

N12



P11

SÉ

High on the hilltop, the fortress-like Sé evokes the city's past in its architecture and is the cathedral where Henry the Navigator was baptised and King John I married. Inside, a rose window and a 14th-century Gothic cloister also remain from its early days. (Terreiro da Sé)

PALÁCIO DA BOLSA

Evoking the riches of the past, no expense was spared on the Palácio da Bolsa's mosaic- and mural-lined halls, gorgeous swoop of a staircase and kaleidoscopic Arabian Hall. (Rua Ferreira Borges)

N12



Q13

PONTE DE DOM LUÍS I

Completed in 1886 by a student of Gustave Eiffel, this bridge's top deck is now reserved for pedestrians, as well as one of the city's metro lines. The views of the river and Old Town are simply stunning.

MUSEU NACIONAL SOARES DOS REIS

Porto's best art museum presents a stellar collection ranging from Neolithic carvings to Portugal's take on modernism, all housed in the formidable Palácio das Carrancas. (www.museusoareshosreis.pt; Rua Dom Manuel II 44)

K8



CASA DA MÚSICA

Grand and minimalist, sophisticated yet populist, Porto's cultural behemoth boasts a shoebox-style concert hall at its heart, meticulously engineered to accommodate everything from jazz duets to Beethoven's Ninth. (www.casadamusica.com; Avenida da Boavista 604-610)

F2



H8

JARDINS DO PALÁCIO DE CRISTAL

Sitting atop a bluff, this gorgeous botanical garden is one of Porto's best-loved escapes, with lawns interwoven with sun-dappled paths and dotted with fountains, sculptures, giant magnolias, camellias, cypress and olive trees. (Rua Dom Manuel II)



P12

CAIS DA RIBEIRA

This riverfront promenade is postcard Porto, taking in the whole spectacular sweep of the city, from Ribeira's pastel houses stacked like Lego bricks to the barcos rabelos (flat-bottomed boats) once used to transport port from the Douro.



N9

LIVRARIA LELLO

Don't miss this early 20th-century neo-Gothic conference hall, which boasts a lavishly carved plaster ceiling and stained-glass windows. The grand staircase was supervised by the architect who designed the one in the Livraria Lello, which JK Rowling visited in Porto. (Rua das Figueiras 66)

MUSEU DA HISTÓRIA DA CIDADE DO PORTO

All hail the Museu da História da Cidade do Porto, which stores an impressive stash of the city's history. The museum's best piece is the large-scale Flemish painting, *Fons Vitae*, by Pieter Bruegel the Elder. (www.mmipo.pt; Rua da Ribeira 144)



PORTO'S SHORT LIST

HISTORY BUFFS

São Bento Train Station (P9) One of the world's most beautiful train stations, beaux arts São Bento, completed in 1903, wings you back to a more graceful age of rail travel. (Praça Almeida Garrett)

Torre dos Clérigos (N9) Sticking out on Porto's skyline like a sore thumb – albeit a beautiful baroque one – this 76m-high tower was designed by baroque master Nicolau Nasoni in the mid-1700s. (www.torredosclerigos.pt)

Centro Português de Fotografia (N10) This stylish yet muscular building (1706) once served as a

OUTDOOR PURSUITS

Jardim Botânico do Porto (A5) This jigsaw of botanical gardens are secluded, dotted with lakes and flourishing with succulents, roses and camellias. (https://jardimbotanico.up.pt)

Miradouro da Vitória (N11) Porto is reduced to postcard format at this viewpoint, perched high above a mosaic of terracotta rooftops. (Rua São Bento da Vitória)

Jardim do Morro (Q14) The cable car swings up to this hilltop park, which can also be reached by crossing the upper level of Ponte Dom Luís I. (Avenida República)

Parque da Cidade (C11) Portugal's largest

GETTING AROUND

TRANSPORT

Metro Porto's compact, six-line metro network runs from 6am to 1am daily. A map is available at <http://en.metro.pt>

Tram Porto's vintage trams are transport at its best. There are three lines: 1 running along the river from the historic centre to Foz, 18 between Massarelos and Foz, and 22 doing a loop through the centre from Camões to Batalha/Guindais.

Bus Central hubs of Porto's bus system include the Douro, da Cordoaria, Praça da Liberdade and São Bento.

