

Portugal's location at the most Western edge of Europe:



Northwest of the Iberian Peninsula: where the Portuguese language and nation were born

(±) 400-585 a.C.

Regions of the Roman Empire in the Iberian Peninsula

- **Braga** (Bracara Augusta), founded by the Romans
- Capital of the Kingdom of **Gallaecia** also known as **Kingdom of the Suebi** (a Germanic tribe that settled down on the Peninsula)
- Roman and Germanic influences were the basis for **Portucalia** (county of Portugal):
Portuguese Nation founded by Afonso Henriques in 12th Century
- known as “**Europe’s oldest Nation**”





- **Braga** (Latin: *Bracara Augusta*) is a city and a municipality in the north western Portuguese district of Braga, in the historical and cultural Minho Province.
- The city has about **140,000 inhabitants** and counts with the highest percentage of young population.
- The city was the **European Youth Capital** in 2012.
- Beside being the **capital** of the **district** and also of the **region Minho**, Braga is host to one of the oldest archdioceses in the Iberian Peninsula. So it is a religious **Catholic centre** .
- Braga is a major commercial and industrial hub for inland Northern Portugal.



Braga as a Centre of Catholicism and religious tourism

Cathedral of Braga

is a Roman Catholic church from the 12th Century.

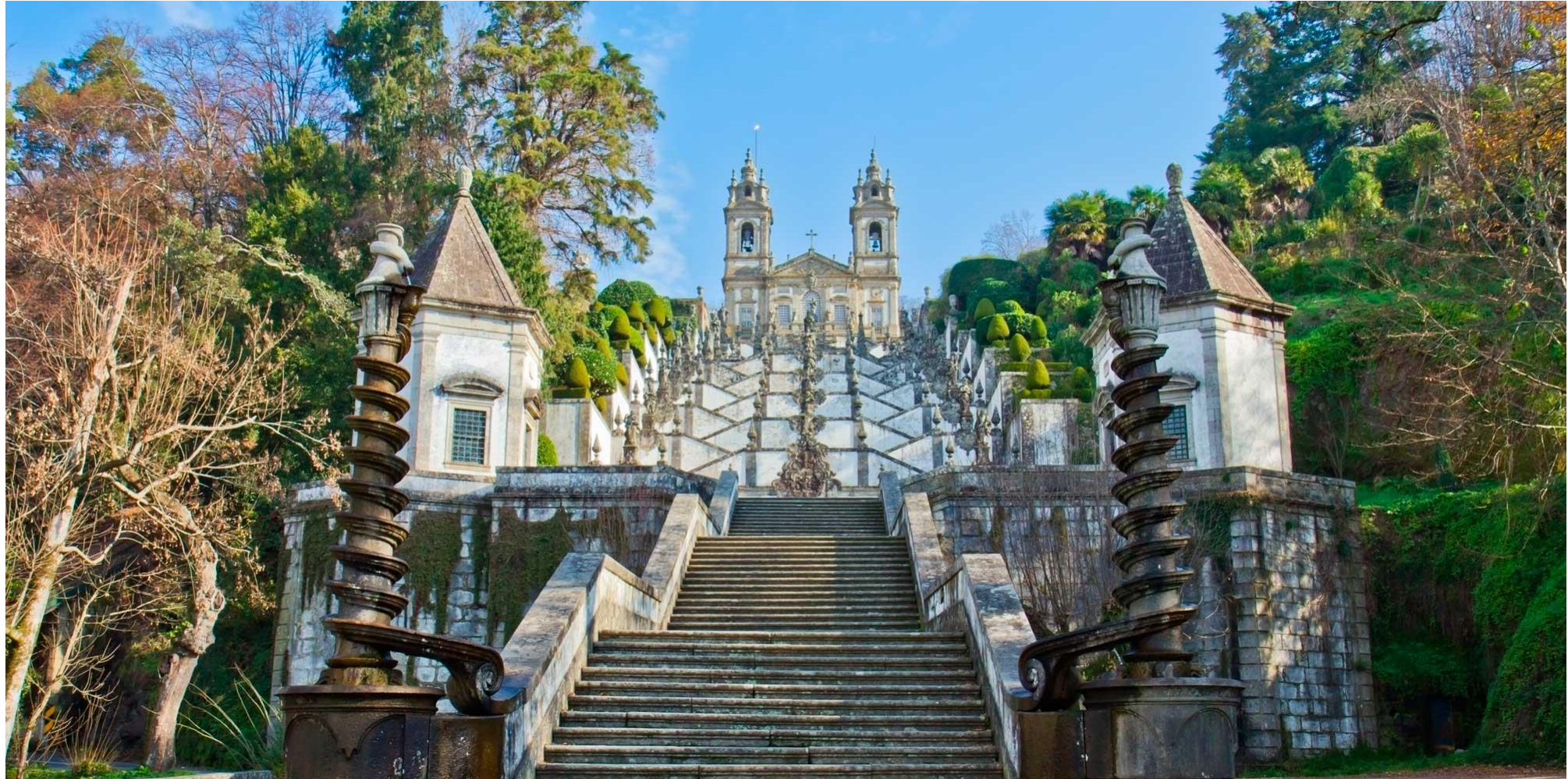
Due to its long history and artistic significance, it is also one of the most important buildings in the country.

It is the seat of the Archdiocese of Braga.



Bom Jesus do Monte (*Good Jesus of the Mount*):

Sanctuary next to the city of Braga. It is a notable example of **pilgrimage site** with a monumental, **Baroque stairway** that climbs 116 meters (381 feet). It is an important tourist attraction of Braga (**UNESCO World Heritage**).



Braga: “The Roman Week” attraction for historical & cultural tourism

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Rich historical architecture in Braga



View of the central market place in Braga



Panoramic views of Braga located in a valley



Braga

Combines history and modernity

Situated near both mountains and the Ocean

Well known for its rich cultural traditions

Good food and vine (Vinho Verde)

Cosy and safety



Foundation	In 1973 as one of the “new universities” at the transition to a democratic system in Portugal
Students	Nearly 20.000 (7.000 undergraduate; 4.500 integrated masters; 5.200 masters; 2.100 PhD)
Teaching staff	1.200 faculty (98% hold a PhD)
Technical and administrative staff	800
Location	2 campi: Braga & Guimarães



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**Hope to meet you in Braga
at the University of Minho, namely at the
School of Arts and Humanities
one of those days!**