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# *Portugal*





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*Name of the Wonder*

*Padrão dos descobrimentos*



# Descriptions



*We chose this Wonder because ...*

This wonder reminds us of the Portuguese expansion by sea, it synthesizes a glorious past and symbolizes the greatness of Infante D. Henrique's work, the booster of discovery.

In the monument we can see a small boat making its way into the sea, in its bow Infante D. Henrique and other characters of this adventure and of that time's culture: sailors, cartographers, colonizers, preachers, writers and artists, who are portrayed with the symbols that individualize them.

O Padrão dos Descobrimentos, created by the architect Cottinelli Telmo and by the sculptor Leopoldo de Almeida, was fleetingly erected for the first time in 1940 and integrated in the Exposição do Mundo Português (the portuguese world exhibit).

In 1960, in the 500th year anniversary of Infante D. Henrique's death, the Padrão dos Descobrimentos is rebuilt in concrete.

In 1985, it is inaugurated as the Centro Cultural das Descobertas.

## *Some important things about our Wonder...*

Padrão dos descobrimentos is located next to the river Tagus, where the portuguese sailors departed in search of new lands.

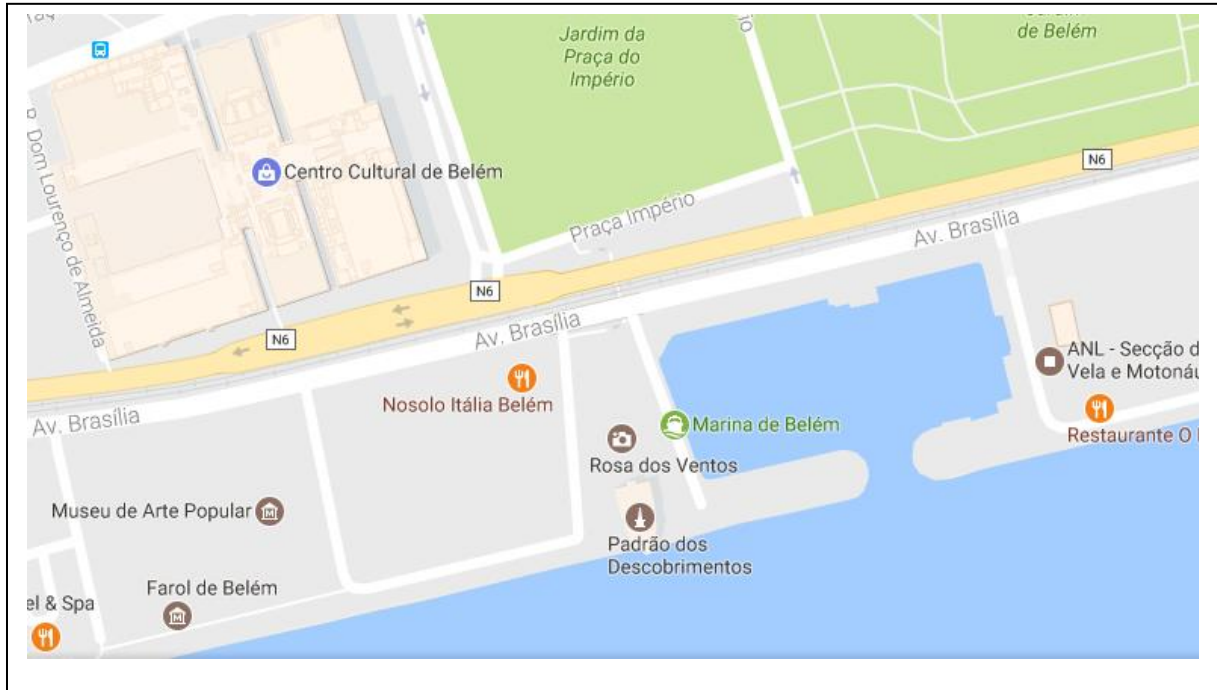
Built during the dictatorial regime (Estado Novo), this monument was intended to bring back the nationalist and patriotic spirit of the Portuguese.

It is part of a group of monuments related to the portuguese discovery and expansion, located in the region of Belém, namely Mosteiro dos Jerónimos and the Torre de Belém.

It is visited annually by millions of tourists, this monument allows visitors to enjoy a panoramic view of Lisbon and the river Tagus.



# Map



# Resources

*Where we found informations of wonder and another objects*

<https://goo.gl/maps/fgFi71VaCp82>

<http://www.padraodosdescobrimentos.pt/pt/>