

Quarantine in Lisbon
March 17, 2020

Although this social Erasmus experience was halted because of the coronavirus chaos, it is all okay because of the Portuguese people and the Erasmus community that is supportive in this uncertain time. Teachers are giving online classes and everything is done via e-mail at the moment. There are no indications of until when this quarantine period will end but there is current Erasmus Plus support that is always there to answer and our teachers that we are usually in contact with daily. We received notice on March 14, that it was recommended to stay at home as much as possible as self-**quarantine** measures, this means not taking a bus to the beach or do activities that involve being outside. The current status is: starting from 16 March restrictions were imposed all over the country while, in affected areas, the population was advised to stay at home and allowed to go out only for duly justified working, necessity situations and health reasons.

Living at my apartment in the Ajuda district in Lisbon is very rewarding because of the international housemates I have. We are a house of 10 people from all over; Slovenia, Vietnam, Barbados, Mozambique, Portugal and Spain. Really great mix to have during a time that affects us all. Whether we are cooking or watching tv shows together, it is nice to feel the Erasmus experience in Lisbon in such a positive way.

A photo of some of my roommates and I on the sunny terrace during a time of quarantine.



A photo of myself shooting a selfie out of boredom



