

MONUMENT TO THE DISCOVERIES

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Auditorium
Exhibition Room
Viewpoint

TIMETABLE

October to February (tuesday to sunday)
10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (last entries at 5.30 p.m.)
March to September (monday to sunday)
10 a.m. - 7 p.m. (last entries at 6.30 p.m.)
Closed on 1 January, 1 May and 25 December

GETTING THERE

Trains
Belém Station
Buses
728, 714, 727, 729, 751
Trams
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| 01 PRINCE PEDRO
Son of King João I | 12 PEDRO NUNES
Mathematician | 23 NICOLAU COELHO
Navigator |
| 02 QUEEN FILIPA DE LENCASTRE
Mother of Prince Henrique de Navigator | 13 PÉRO DE ALENQUER
Pilot | 24 GASPAR CÔRTE-REAL
Navigator |
| 03 FERNÃO MENDES PINTO
Writer | 14 GIL EANES
Navigator | 25 MARTIM AFONSO DE SOUSA
Navigator |
| 04 FRIAR GONÇALO DE CARVALHO
Dominican | 15 JOÃO GONÇALVES ZARCO
Navigator | 26 JOÃO DE BARROS
Writer |
| 05 FRIAR HENRIQUE DE COIMBRA
Franciscan | 16 PRINCE FERNANDO
Son of King João I | 27 ESTEVÃO DA GAMA
Capitan |
| 06 LUIZ VAZ DE CAMÕES
Poet | 17 PRINCE HENRIQUE
The Navigator, Son of King João I | 28 BARTOLOMEU DIAS
Navigator |
| 07 NUNO GONÇALVES
Painter | 18 AFONSO V
King | 29 DIOGO CÃO
Navigator |
| 08 GOMES EANES DE ZURARA
Chronicler | 19 VASCO DA GAMA
Navigator | 30 ANTÓNIO DE ABREU
Navigator |
| 09 PÉRO DA COVILHÃ
Traveller | 20 AFONSO BALDAIA
Navigator | 31 AFONSO DE ALBUQUERQUE
Governor |
| 10 JÁCOME DE MAIORCA
Cosmographer | 21 PEDRO ÁLVARES CABRAL
Navigator | 32 FRANCISCO XAVIER
Missionary |
| 11 PÉRO DE ESCOBAR
Pilot | 22 FERNÃO DE MAGALHÃES
Navigator | 33 CRISTOVÃO DA GAMA
Capitan |

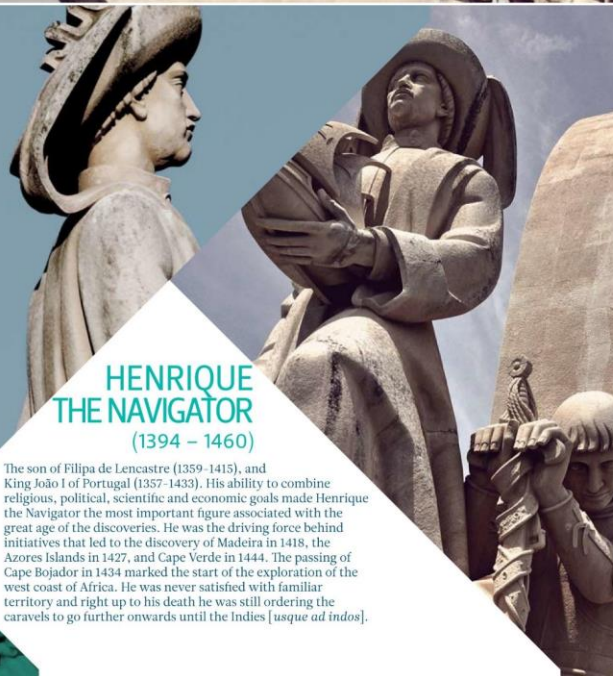
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The Monument to the Discoveries is one of Lisbon's key landmarks, being located in one of the city's most heritage-rich areas. Created by the architect Gottfried Talmo (1897 - 1948) and the sculptor Leopoldo de Almeida (1898 - 1975), an ephemeral version of the monument was erected for the first time for the Exposição do Mundo Português [Portuguese World Exhibition]. The definitive construction dates from 1960, the year in which the 500th anniversary of the death of Henrique the Navigator was commemorated.

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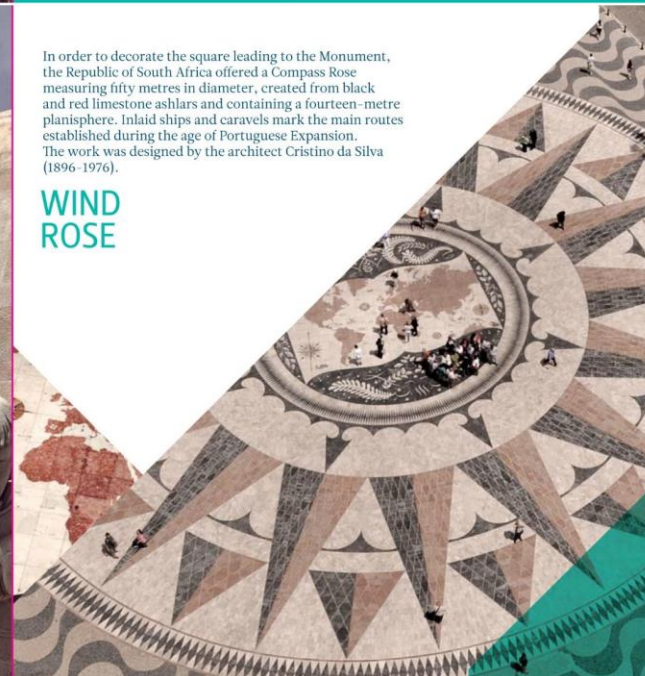


HENRIQUE THE NAVIGATOR
(1394 - 1460)

The son of Filipa de Lencastre (1359-1415), and King João I of Portugal (1357-1433). His ability to combine religious, political, scientific and economic goals made Henrique the Navigator the most important figure associated with the great age of the discoveries. He was the driving force behind initiatives that led to the discovery of Madeira in 1418, the Azores Islands in 1427, and Cape Verde in 1444. The passing of Cape Bojador in 1434 marked the start of the exploration of the west coast of Africa. He was never satisfied with familiar territory and right up to his death he was still ordering the caravels to go further onwards until the Indies [usque ad indos].

In order to decorate the square leading to the Monument, the Republic of South Africa offered a Compass Rose measuring fifty metres in diameter, created from black and red limestone ashlars and containing a fourteen-metre planisphere. Inlaid ships and caravels mark the main routes established during the age of Portuguese Expansion. The work was designed by the architect Cristiano da Silva (1896-1976).

WIND ROSE



CHRONOLOGY OF THE PORTUGUESE EXPANSION

- 1418 Madeira 1427 Azores 1434 Cape Bojador
1444 Cape Verde 1460 Guinea 1471 Mina
1475 São Tomé and Príncipe 1483 Congo
1483 Angola 1488 Cape of Good Hope 1497 Natal
1498 Quelimane 1498 Calicut, India
1498 Malindi 1500 Madagascar
1500 Terra Nova 1500 Porto Seguro, Brazil
1502 Cananea 1505 Ceylon 1507 Ormus
1509 Daman 1509 Malacca 1511 Pegu
1512 Maluku Islands 1512 Timor 1514 River Plate
1514 Canton River (Chu-Kiang)
1516 River Ganges 1523 Palau Islands

