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The big hotel openings of 2024

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Lisbon



In the heart of one of the oldest parts of the Portuguese capital, five minutes' walk from the cathedral, **AlmaLusa Alfama** is a new, inexpensive boutique hotel converted from a building that dates back to the 12th century, with 25 attractively unfussy rooms, some with striking views across the Tagus. Unusually, each comes with the loan of a smartphone loaded with the hotel's app, which contains its guide to this mazelike part of the city, as well as a compass to help you navigate. For the moment, the hotel's café is open only for breakfast, but promises "irresistible Portuguese gastronomy" and a wide menu of *petiscos* (or Portuguese tapas) in time. *Just opened, doubles officially from €189 but currently available from €133, almalusahotels.com*

