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## Studio Astolfi Takes Inspiration from the Seaside Town of Cascais, Portugal for This Restaurant

The charming fishing village of Cascais has long been a destination for travelers escaping Lisbon for the coast of the Portuguese Riviera. Now they have a new place to dine: Chef José Avillez's Cantinho do Avillez, transformed from a previous restaurant into a homey oasis by Studio Astolfi.

The patio's existing arcade offered inspiration for the curving transitions between the five vitches of the main room, into which the studio set tables and seating. "These hidden alcoves create a feeling of intimacy and coziness," says founder and creative director, Joana Astolfi.

At the entrance, the team opened up a double-height space with a staircase leading to the first floor. "We added a more private dining balcony area that allows the passage of light down to the ground floor," she notes. Custom tapestries and ceramics add a touch of home throughout, unified by a color palette warmed by a striking pink tone and a deep blue inspired by the beloved Bay of Cascais nearby.

The blue exterior patio offers cushiel tables in Amarelo de Negrais stone with Patricia Lobo sconces, while the pink exterior patio has Zangra sconces and seating with Pedrosa & Quiros upholstery

Adico tables and chairs gather on BMC flooring in the exterior patio

The entrance bar features shelving of French oak and a counter of Amarelo de Negrais stone and half-moon painted slatted wood.

Patricia Lobo pendants mix with skylights with white aluminum profiles above the dining area's cushiel tables.

The team installed new iron windows and refinished the facade with a signature pink paint.

The first-floor stairs are terrazzo, with walls of half-moon slatted wood and brass finish detailing.

Bathrooms include a Ceramica Globo sink and Brunke faucet

A herringbone installation of solid oak flooring defines the private dining area.

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