

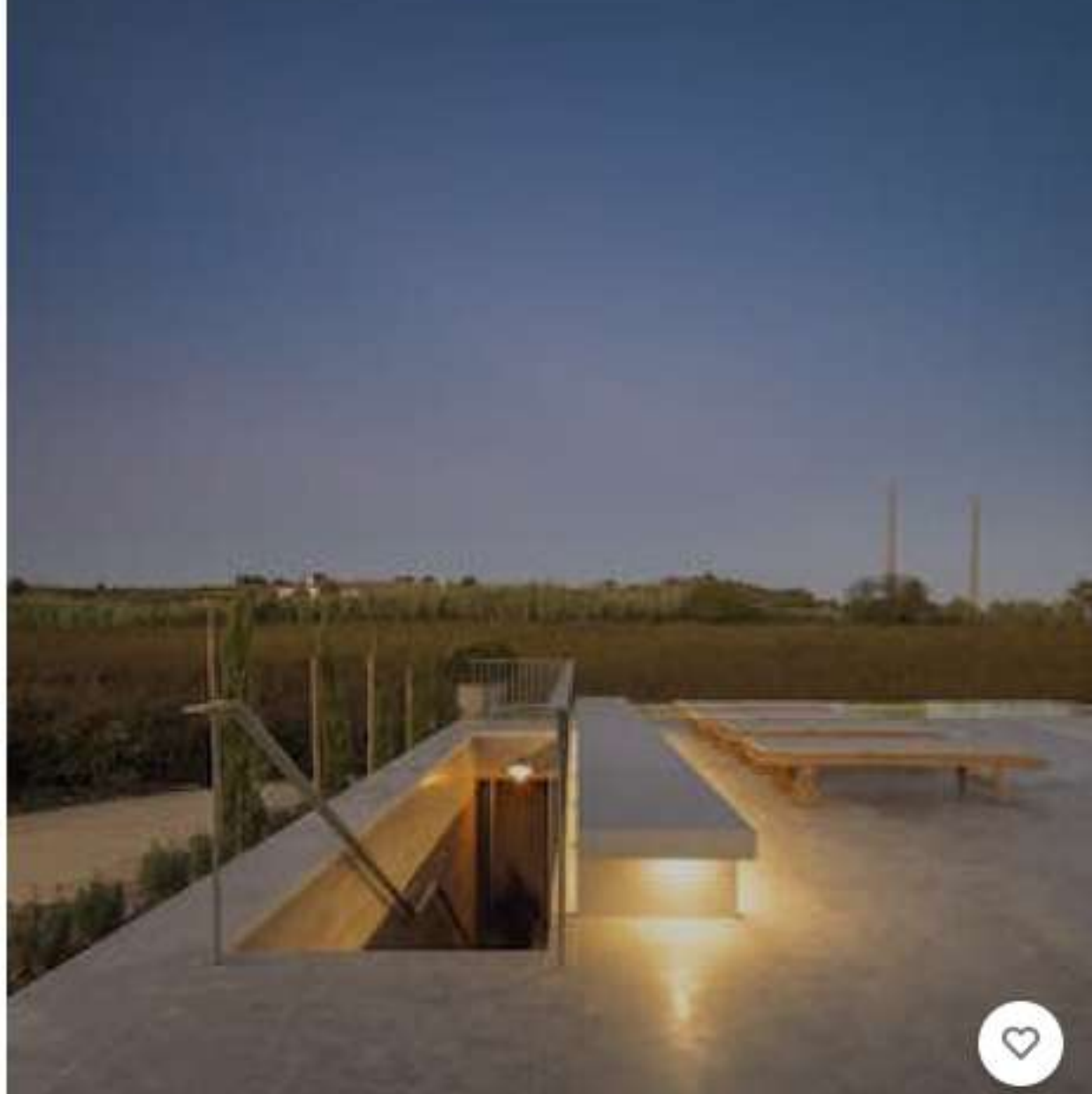
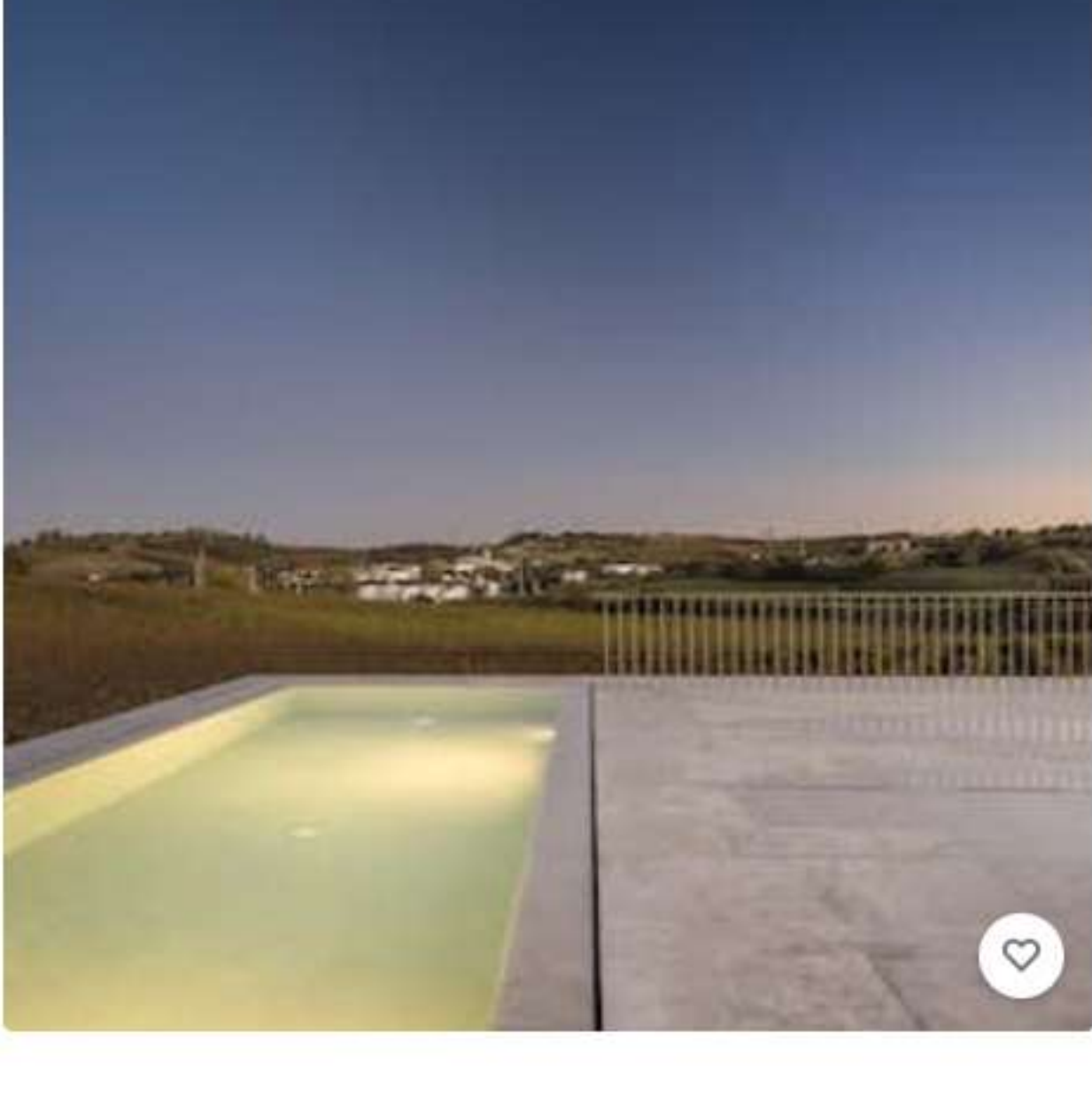
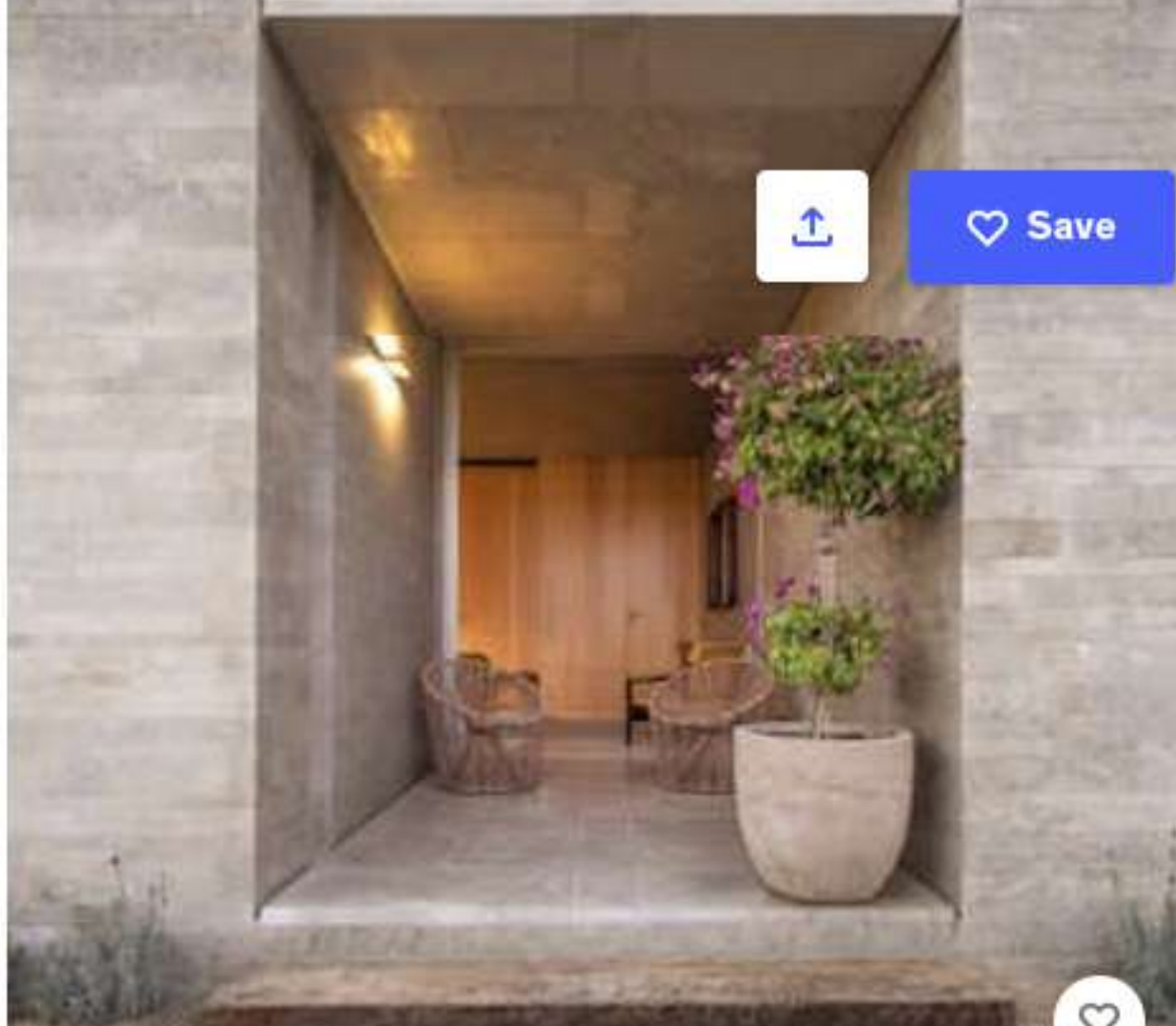
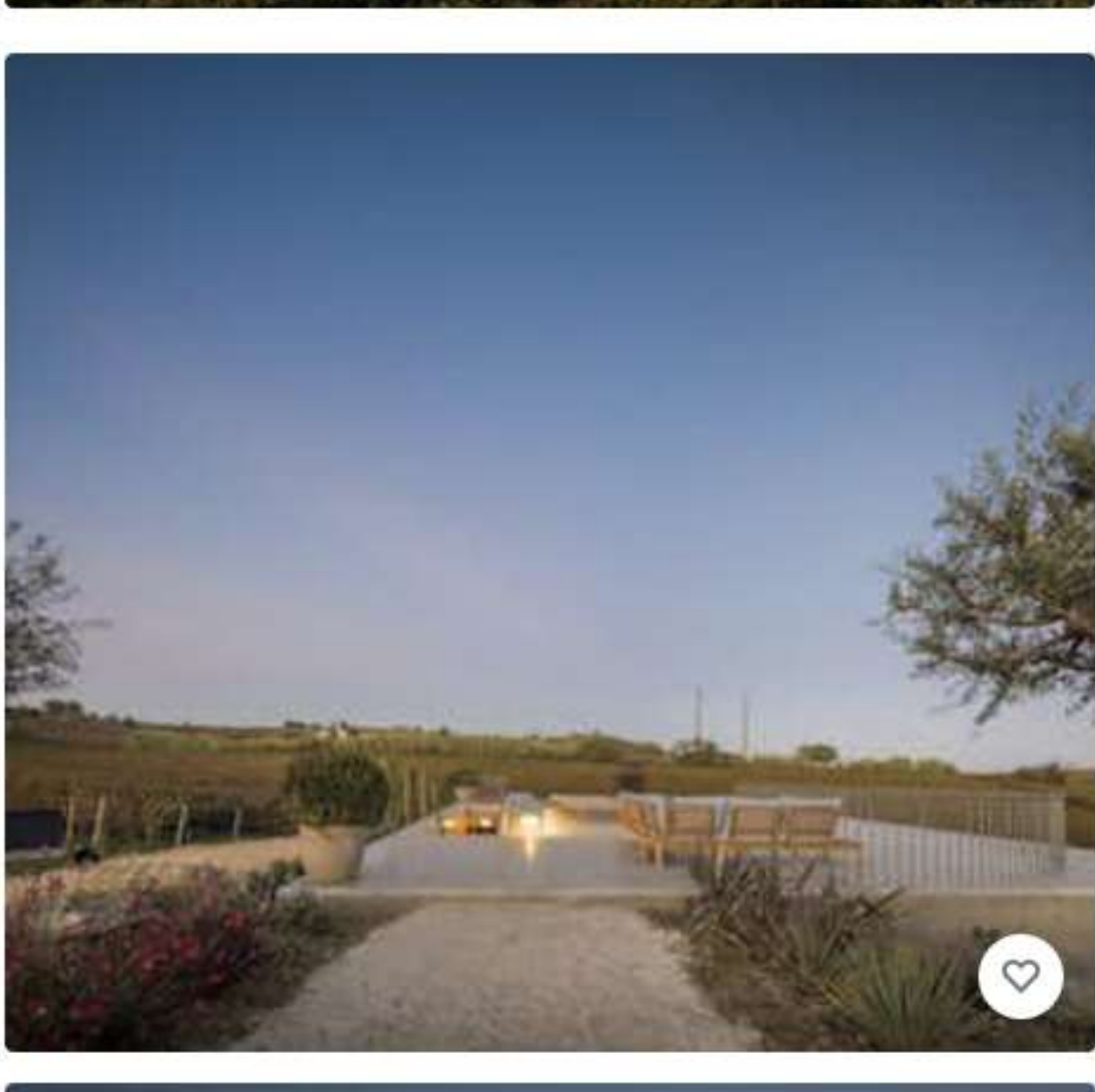
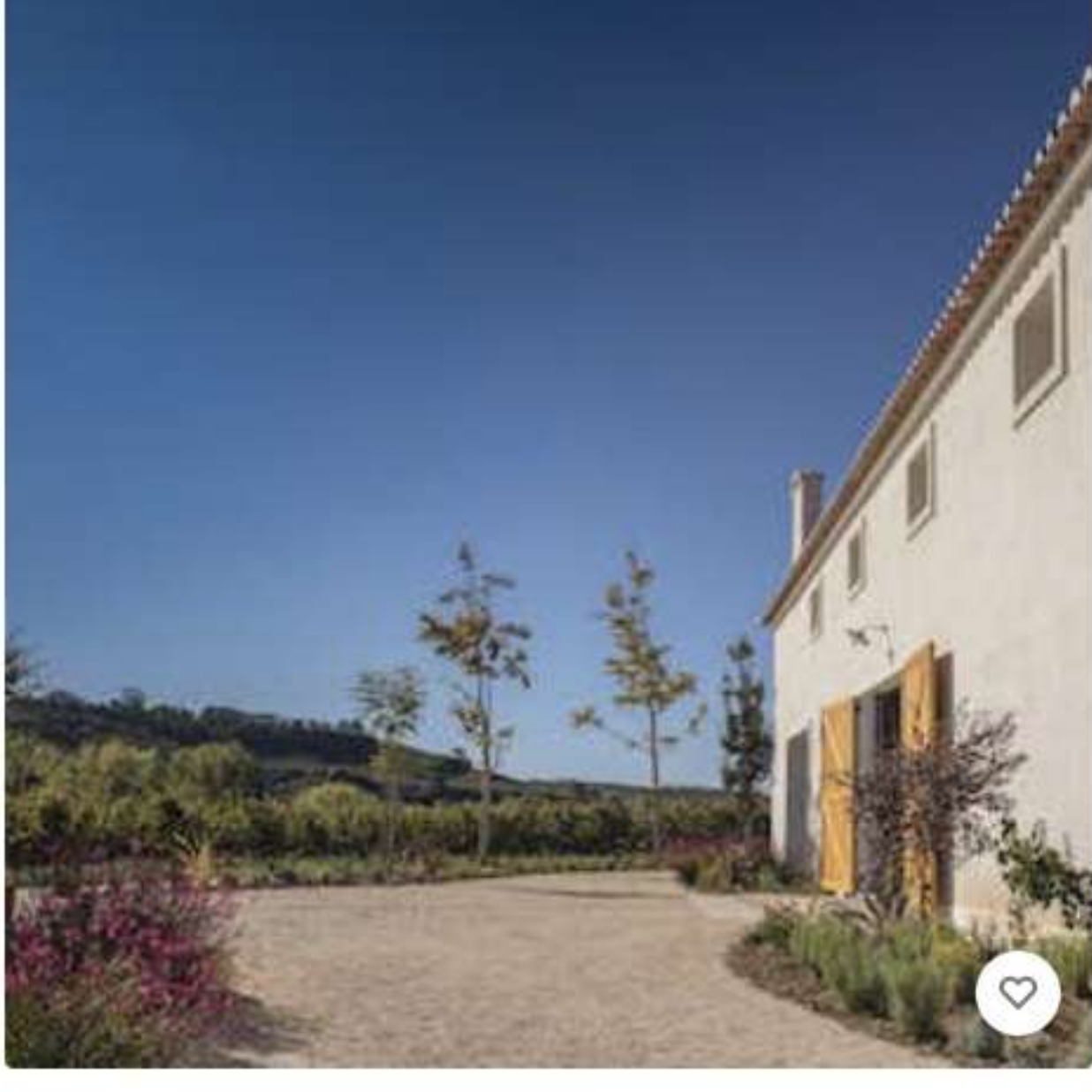
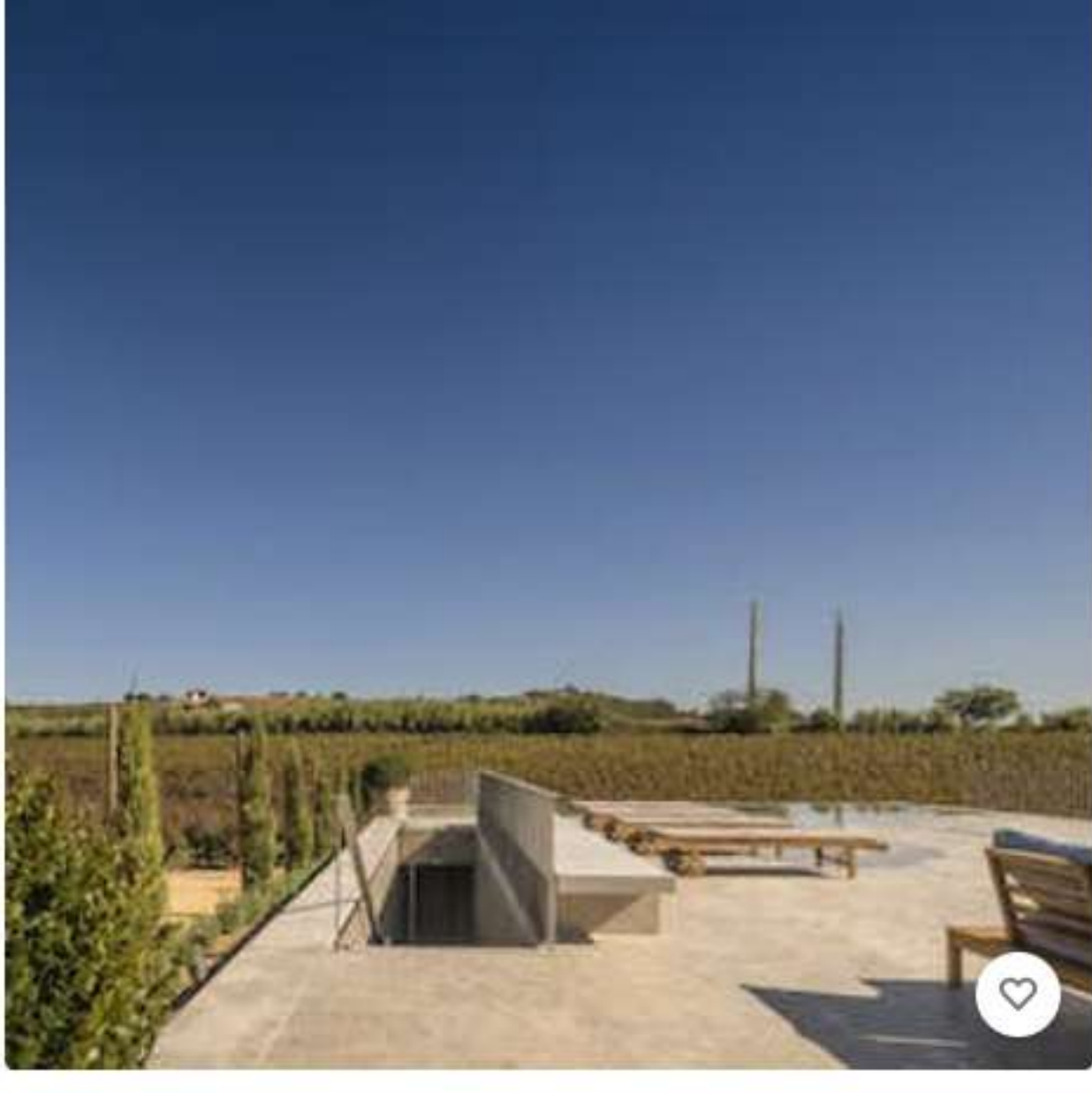
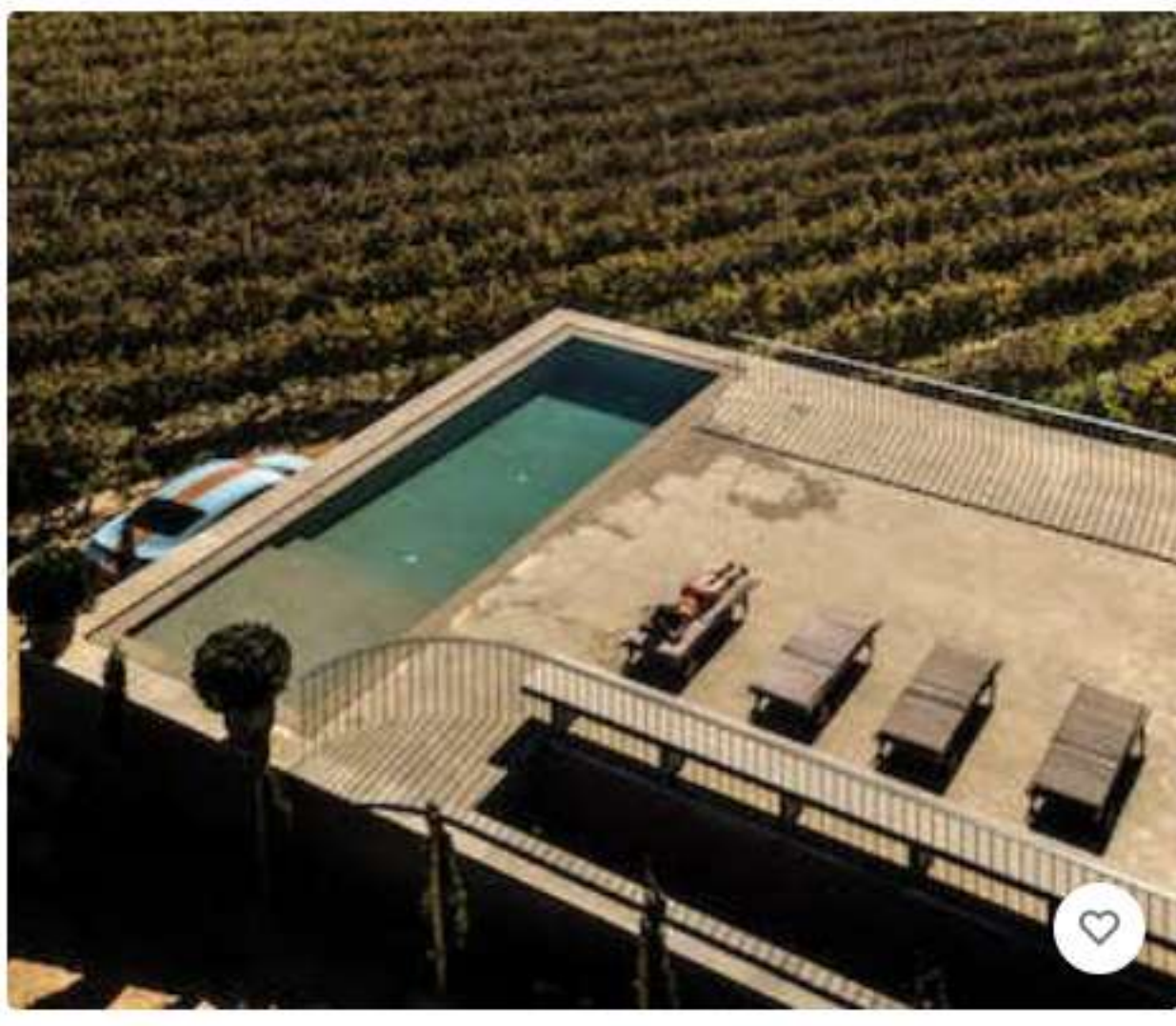
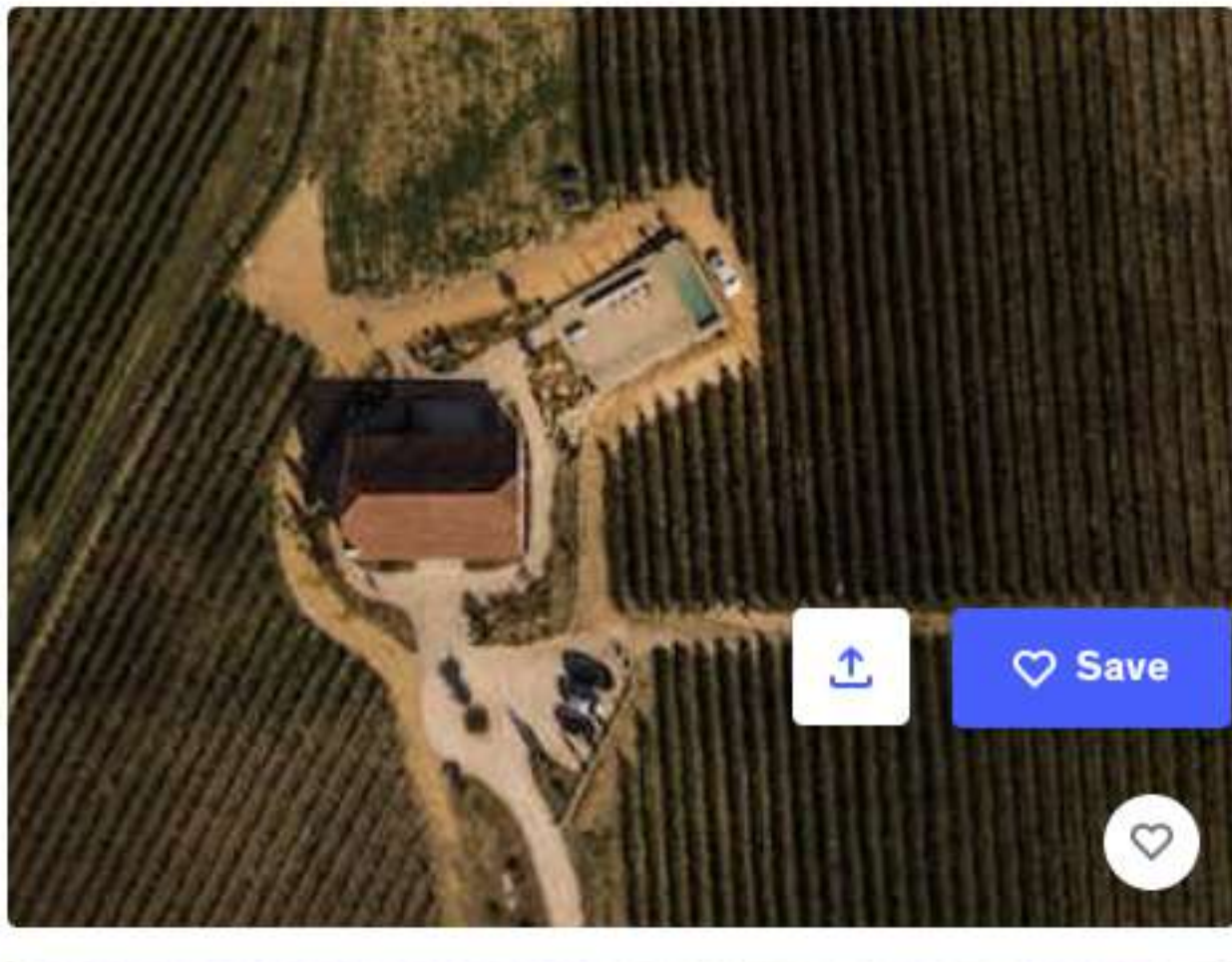


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# A Vintage Winery in Portugal Gets a Full-Bodied Renovation

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Aldeia Galega da Merceana, Lisboa, Portugal	2021
Structure	Style
House (Multi Residence)	Farmhouse



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Atelier Central Arquitectos reimagines a ruined winery as a countryside retreat.

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Location: Aldeia Galega da Merceana . Alenquer . Portugal  
Completion Year: 2021  
Project Description:

**Concept**  
Remodelling an old Winery in a state of ruin, known as Casal da Vinha Grande, overlooking the Aldeia Galega da Merceana, adapting it to a housing unit ideal for wine tourism.  
The design focus was to maintain the image of harmony and reference of the existing construction, set on a promontory, conceived in a logic of coherence and respecting for nature.

**The Project of the winery**  
Recovering the old winery, keeping its original outstanding image, providing it with living conditions to host social spaces, a large reception, living and dining room and hidden behind the existing concrete wine deposits, a kitchen, and a social bathroom.  
Respect the memories of the pre-existing buildings, keeping the wine deposits, the wine press, and the concrete floor and all the structural elements of the wooden roof trusses.  
The facades are occasionally torn apart, with large openings facing east and west over the vineyard, protected on the inside by natural oil treated pine shutters, maintaining the raw appearance of the material.  
The existing chimney welcomes and defines the placement of the huge fireplace designed in the living area.  
On the existing walls, external insulation system, ETICS, made of black cork agglomerate and white hydraulic lime mortar, ETICS, necessary of the modern thermal comfort while respecting the original aesthetics of the existing construction.  
The wooden support structure of the existing roof is maintained and recovered, respecting its aesthetic value, but its constructive detail is redefined with the laying of a pine lining, the support base for the new thermal and watertight insulation, and for the recycled roof tile.

**of the rooms**  
Housing the bedrooms, the extension building is located at a lower level, partially buried.  
It rises up to the level of the vineyard, like a heavy local stone, sculpted to ensure the opening of the staircase, the shape of the pool and the deep voids in the rooms' openings.  
The balconies, facing south over the hillside and the vineyard, guarantee privacy and sun protection and hide a vertical, narrow opening that illuminates and ventilates the bathroom.  
An endless swimming pool, carved out of the top of the stone block, and encloses the volume to the east.

**of the tunnel**  
An underground tunnel in exposed natural concrete, with a fluid and organic design, connects the buildings evoking the wine theme.  
A dark pathway, though spotlighted by a circular skylight.

**of the outdoor spaces**  
Enhancing the 'strength' of the vineyard, as a landscape that changes so much throughout the seasons, the access route has been kept to its original drawing. A vehicle parking area is defined, taking advantage of a slight depression in the land, hidden by vegetation.  
A path around the winery is laid out in stabilized gravel, organic and fluid, circulating between large mediterranean trees and aromatic plants.  
Facing north, with access from the kitchen, there is a threshing floor, a barbecue area for mingling, associated with wine tasting with a light steel shading structure. A trellis vine that consolidates the growth of the vineyard."