

## Your Guide to the Portuguese Sound Map

- \*Most letters make the same sound in Portuguese as they do in English. Those letters are not on the Sound Map.
- \*The 13 sounds that are not the same as English are on the Sound Map. Each new sound has a symbol below to help you remember the new sound.
- \*When you see a symbol or a letter below a letter, make the sound BELOW.
- \*Some Portuguese vowel sounds are made in the nose. To hear them, hold your nose as you say the vowel. With practice you will be able to do it without using your hand!

| <u>LETTER</u>    | <u>SOUND</u>                      | <u>SYMBOL</u>                 |
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| <b>Page 1:</b>   |                                   |                               |
| A, a<br>¡ ¡      | "Ahhh"                            | Exclamation                   |
| Ä, ä<br>⊙ ⊙      | "Ahhh" in the nose                | Pig's Nose (2 dots in circle) |
| Ê, ê<br>⊙ ⊙      | "AAA" in the nose                 | Small "a" with 2 dots (Nose)  |
| Ë, ë<br>E, e     | "Eh" as in "yes"                  | Rocker                        |
| <b>Page 2:</b>   |                                   |                               |
| Ï, ï<br>ë, ë     | "EEE" in the nose                 | Small "e" with 2 dots (Nose)  |
| Ö, ö<br>⊙ ⊙      | "Oh" in the nose                  | "o" with 2 dots (Nose)        |
| Û, ù<br>¡ ¡      | "Ah" & "Oh" blended as in "ought" | Exclamation                   |
| Ü, ü<br>△ △      | "OO" as in "Food"                 | Triangle                      |
| U, u<br>△ △      | "OO" in the nose                  | Triangle with 2 dots (Nose)   |
| <b>Page 3:</b>   |                                   |                               |
| R, r<br>o, o     | "R" rolling on the tongue         | Curly                         |
| R, r<br>≡ ≡      | "R" scratchy in the throat        | 3 scratches                   |
| sh ch X<br>☐ ☐ ☐ | "Shhh"                            | Square (Mouth) with finger ☐  |
| j g<br>z z       | "Zhh" like the "s" in "Asia"      | "Z" with a line through it    |

\*\*Remember A, E and O say their name when alone or below a letter\*\*