

# Your Trip to Portugal



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## Suggested Itinerary

### May 17 | Welcome to Portugal

Arrive in Porto airport.

Welcome at the airport and delivery of all the necessary documentation and assistance. Then, a private driver will take you to your hotel, where you can rest from your trip.

 Includes private transfer with a driver from Porto airport to hotel

 Overnight in Porto

### May 18 | Porto

Today you'll discover the amazing city of Porto.

S. Bento Station, with its atrium lined with tiles, is a great way to start! Just ahead is the Cathedral followed by Clérigos Tower, worth climbing for a different view of Porto. Don't forget to stop in the Lello bookshop, that inspired some of the Harry Potter stories. Then pop in to the Café Majestic for a break.

Continue south and descend by steps and mediaeval streets to Ribeira with its café terraces and picturesque corners.

 Includes half day private walking tour of Porto with a guide

 Overnight in Porto

### May 19 | Douro Valley

In a day trip you'll visit the famous region of the Douro Valley.

The Douro Valley, classified World Heritage, is a region of schist mountains, with poor, harsh soils, transformed by the actions of the men who planted the vineyards step by step.

The day will be spent admire some breathtaking landscapes: the valleys, the blue ribbon of the river meandering down below, the terraced vineyards, the pure air.



You'll have the opportunity to visit two of the many estates that produce Douro wine and Port and taste it in the land that produces them.

The Douro river is also famous for being difficult to navigate, impeded by natural barriers, being the rabelo boat, a unique and ancient vessel, the only one able to do it. Nowadays, these types of boats are used for tourism, and you'll take a 1h river cruise.

 Includes full day shared group tour of Douro Valley

 Overnight in Porto

#### May 20 | Guimarães & Braga

Today you'll discover the lovely northern towns of Guimarães and Braga!

Visit Guimarães, considered the birthplace of Portugal. The historical center is associated with the formation and identity of the country and was classified a World Heritage site due to the originality and authenticity of its restoration.

Braga is one of the oldest cities in Portugal. Back in the day, the "Bracara Augusta", was the regional juridical capital of the Roman Empire in the Iberian Peninsula. Braga's Cathedral is also the oldest in the country, being a religious reference point throughout the centuries.

 Includes full day shared group tour of Guimarães and Braga

 Overnight in Porto

#### May 21 | Aveiro

Today you'll discover the lovely town of Aveiro in a half day tour!

Aveiro is considered the "Portuguese Venice" due to its proximity to the sea and the ria (estuary). It's crossed by a network of channels through which moliceiros (local boats) meander. The city has a number of buildings in Art Nouveau style that are worth seeing, many are situated along the main channel.



 Includes half day shared group tour of Aveiro

 Overnight in Porto


#### May 22 | Train to Lisboa OR Tomar

Today's time to say goodbye to Porto and make your way to Lisboa.

OPTION A: A private driver will pick you up at your hotel to take you to the Porto-Campanhã train station, where you'll board the train to Lisboa. Arriving in the Lisboa-Oriente train station, there'll be a private driver waiting to take you to your hotel.

OPTION B: On the way, we suggest stopping by the towns of Tomar and Nazaré with your private driver.

If you love history, you'll be amazed by Tomar, the Templar City. Go to the Templar castle and discover the monumental work of the Convent of Christ learning how the Order of the Knights Templar became the Order of Christ, upholding their power, knowledge and wealth in Portugal.

 Includes private transfer with a driver from hotel to Porto-Campanhã train station + train tickets + private transfer with a driver from Lisboa-Oriente train station to hotel (OPTION A) OR private transfer with a driver from Porto to Lisboa to Porto with 1 stop (OPTION B)

 Overnight in Lisboa

#### May 23 | Lisboa

Today you'll discover Lisboa.



Lisboa, the city of the seven hills, will seduce you in every neighborhood, on every street. It's old. It's modern. It is, without doubt, always surprising.

It's a cosmopolitan city with so much to see and do that it is difficult to have enough time to see everything you want. For today, we suggest a selection of things from amongst all those you can do, which cannot be missed in the Portuguese capital.



Start with the historic Alfama and Castelo districts, with one of the most fabulous views over the city and the river. In Chiado and Bairro Alto, the most bohemian part of the town, stroll around, feel the atmosphere and do some shopping.

Note: the half day walking tour will only cover the downtown area (Alfama, Chiado and Baixa). It will not cover Belém.



-  Includes half day private walking tour of Lisboa with a guide
-  Overnight in Lisboa

### May 24 | Évora

Today we suggest discovering Évora!

Évora is a book of Portuguese art history. With narrow streets of Moorish origin contrasting with squares where the light floods in, discover why this city was classified as World Heritage Site. The medieval walls, the Cathedral, the Graça Church and São Francisco Church, with its curious Chapel of Bones are unmissable.

The Almendres Cromlech is one of the most well-structured megalithic sites in the Iberian Peninsula. Dating back to the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> century BC, this cromlech was believed to be a gathering point for the communities living here. Due to the circles of menhirs (standing stones) found there, it's widely accepted that it was a prayer location or even a primitive astronomical observatory.

-  Includes full day shared group tour of Évora
-  Overnight in Lisboa

### May 25 | Óbidos, Nazaré, Batalha & Fátima

Today you'll visit the towns of Óbidos, Nazaré, Batalha and Fátima!

The delightful town of Óbidos, with white houses adorned with bougainvilleas and honeysuckle is one of the most picturesque and well preserved in Portugal. Inside the walls you can sense a cheerful medieval ambience of winding streets, Manueline porticoes, colorful window boxes and small squares.



Discover the famous "Nazaré Canyon", a submarine geomorphological phenomenon, the largest underwater canyon in Europe, that allows the formation of perfect giant waves.

Visit the magnificent Batalha Monastery, a masterpiece of late Gothic architecture, constructed in 1386 in honor of Portuguese independence against the powerful Kingdom of Castille.

The Sanctuary of Fátima, the place where Our Lady appeared to three children, annually welcomes hundreds of thousands of pilgrims and tourists. People guided by their faith, in fulfilment of pledges, in search of spirituality or simply for a way of finding themselves.

 Includes full day shared group tour of Óbidos, Nazaré, Batalha and Fátima

 Overnight in Lisboa

### May 26 | Sintra

Today you'll visit Sintra!

Sintra, the Mountain of the Moon, is a place full of magic and mystery. The town and the northern slope of the Serra de Sintra has wonderful natural characteristics and impressive historic landmarks.

It's difficult to see all of Sintra has to offer in one single day, so you'll be taken to one of the most romantic palaces in Portugal, the Pena Palace, a fancy, revivalist reconstruction built in the Romantic period, as well as the Palácio and Quinta da Regaleira, boasting impressive decorations laden with Masonic references. Then, take some time on your own to stroll around the historic center and absorb the atmosphere.

On the way back to Lisboa, stop in westernmost point of mainland Europe, Cabo da Roca. Continue your journey towards, Cascais and Estoril, one of the most cosmopolitan and touristic places in Portugal. It's worth going on a stroll around town, feeling the atmosphere.



 Includes full day shared group tour of Sintra

 Overnight in Lisboa

#### May 27 | Departure

Departure to Lisboa airport with a private driver.



## Included & not included

### **WHAT'S INCLUDED**

- 10 Nights' accommodation
- Transfer from/to airport
- Transfer from/to train station (OPTION A)
- Train tickets Porto-Lisboa (OPTION A)
- Half day private walking tour of Porto with a guide
- Full day shared group tour of Douro Valley
- Full day shared group tour of Guimarães and Braga
- Half day shared group tour of Aveiro
- Private transfer with a driver from Porto to Lisboa with 1 stop (OPTION B)
- Half day private walking tour of Lisboa with a guide
- Full day shared group tour of Évora
- Full day shared group tour of Óbidos, Nazaré, Batalha and Fátima
- Full day shared group tour of Sintra
- Personalized daily Itinerary
- Personalized consulting services
- Local assistance
- Handling fees
- VAT

### **WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED**

- International flights
- Extra meals and drinks
- Travel Insurance
- City Tourist Tax paid directly at the hotels



## Prices with Accommodation (valid for a group of 4 people)

**PRICE PER PERSON: 2.200 EUR (OPTION A – TRAIN)**

**PRICE PER PERSON: 2.300 EUR (OPTION B – DRIVER)**

CITY	HOTEL	ROOM TYPE	NIGHTS
Porto	The Arc Carrís ***SELF CATERING; NO BREAKFAST INCLUDED***	Superior	5
		Duplex	
		Apartment	
Lisboa	Almaria – Ex Libris ***SELF CATERING; NO BREAKFAST INCLUDED***	Deluxe 2-	5
		bedroom	
		Apartment	



## Important Notes

Please consult the following information before booking:

<b>PRIVATE TOURS</b>	Our private tours include a private guide who will be also your driver. The vehicles are comfortable and have AC. The duration of the tours are from 9am to 6pm, including 1h lunch break (fullday) or from 9am to 1pm / 2pm to 6pm (half-day).
<b>SHARED TOURS</b>	Shared group tours are normally in mini vans up to 8 people. However, depending on the season and on the number of bookings, it can be in mini-buses up to 25 people.
<b>MEETING POINT</b>	For private tours, the pick up/drop off is always at the hotel. For shared tours, the pick up/drop off may not be at the hotel. Depending on hotel's location, can be 10/15min walking distance.
<b>DRESS CODE</b>	For tours, it's recommended bringing comfortable clothing and shoes (Lisboa and Porto are hilly cities). For fado dinner, there's no specific dress code.
<b>TRANSFERS</b>	In our transfers you can bring the following luggage: 1 to 3 people: Sedan with capacity of 2 large and 2 small bags 4 to 7 people: Mini-van with capacity of 4 large and 4 small bags
<b>PROHIBITED ITEMS ONBOARD</b>	You cannot bring the following items onboard of our vehicles: Guns, Firearms or similar weapons; Pointed/edged Weapons & Sharp Objects; Explosives and flammable substances; Human ashes (without previous consent); Drugs and other illicit substances
<b>SMOKING &amp; EATING</b>	Smoking and eating onboard of our vehicles is not permitted.



## Terms and Conditions

### Prices and Booking

No reservation was made at this point. We always try to find the best price available at the moment, so changes may occur. To guarantee these prices, please confirm your booking with us, as soon as possible. No reservation was made at this point.

To confirm your booking, we will need a 20% deposit, of the total amount. The remaining amount will be paid 30 days before the start date of your trip. The deposit and final payment can be paid through Paypal, VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Bank Transfer.

### Cancellation Policy

If you want to cancel your trip, you need to send us an email and may receive the refund of amounts paid deducted from the following expenses:

- Non-refundable rates: 100% cancellation fees from suppliers with non-refundable rates (hotels, transportation, airlines and other services);
- Refundable rates:
  - Up to 30 days before travel date: 20% cancellation fee,
  - 29-9 days before travel date: 60% cancellation fee,
  - 8 or less days of travel date: 100% cancellation fee.