

# CHOOSE PICTURESQUE PORTUGAL

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7 DAYS • 6 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION • 1 COUNTRY • 8 MEALS

## ESSENTIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Religious landmarks, monuments to the Discoveries and the melancholic trill of the fado follow this 7-day journey from Lisbon, Portugal's seafaring capital, to Porto on the Douro River. Connect with your generous Portuguese hosts, wander through medieval cities and savour a delicious *pasteis de nata* or two as you wind your way north through villages, towns and cities, delving into the country's colourful history and culture.



**Lisbon** View Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries on your sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist

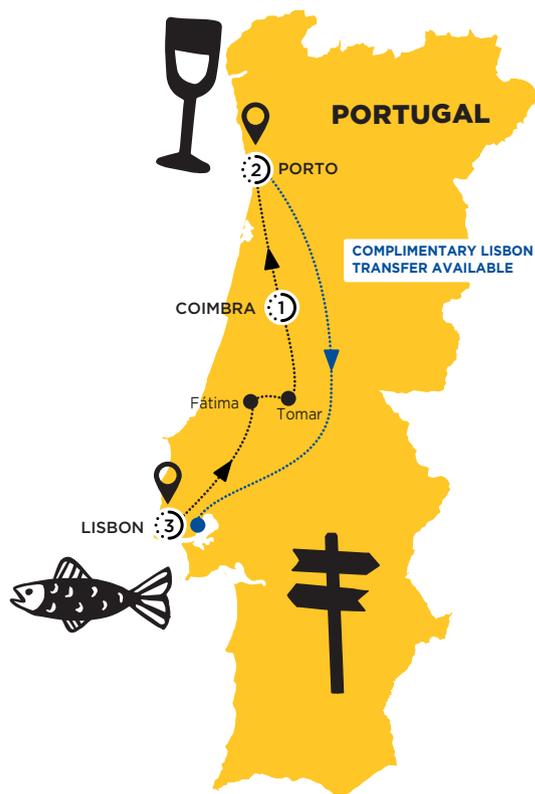
**Fátima** Visit the celebrated Shrine

**Tomar** See the legacy left in Tomar by the Knights Templar

**Coimbra** View one of Europe's oldest universities, the Old Cathedral and Monastery of Santa Clara-a-Velha

**Porto** Explore the treasures in Porto's medieval Ribeira Quarter with a Local Specialist

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### Day 1, Arrive Lisbon

Pastel and *azulejo*-clad façades line Lisbon's narrow streets which ramble across and over its seven hills from St. George Castle to the Tagus River. Gaze over the Portuguese capital's terracotta rooftops, soaking up its small-town atmosphere before meeting your Travel Director and *companheiros* for a glimpse of what lies ahead. Tonight you'll join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for dinner and sample some of the local favourites that you'll encounter throughout your journey across Portugal. **D**  
**Hotel: VIP Executive Zurique**

### Day 2, Lisbon sightseeing and free time

Explore the Age of the Discoveries and Portugal's role as a global maritime power many centuries ago when you join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour.

See the Hieronymite Monastery and the medieval quarter before taking in views of the Belém Tower. Take the rest of the day to explore on your own. Hop on one of Lisbon's signature trams rolling along the city's cinematic hillsides and you'll quickly discover leafy squares and countless corner *tascas* for a quick coffee and *pasteis de nata* fix. Maybe join an **Optional Experience** to visit Portugal's Golden Triangle of Cascais, Estoril and Sintra to see some of the country's most extravagant palaces. This evening, perhaps join an optional traditional Portuguese dinner amidst the heart-wrenching, melancholic sounds of the *fado*. **B**

### Day 3, Lisbon free day

*Que bom!* A full free day in *Lisboa* to explore the enchanting Portuguese capital your way. The secret



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to living a long life lies in eating a big breakfast, but as you'll come to discover in Lisbon that may extend to a big lunch and dinner too. Spend the day indulging in a culinary adventure on your own or choose an optional visit to the fishing village of Nazaré, set on a wide bay overlooking the Atlantic. This **Optional Experience** also includes a visit to Óbidos where

you'll have time to explore the medieval walled city with its whitewashed houses and cobblestone lanes. Aside from its obvious charm and history that predates the founding of Portugal, Óbidos is also home to the delightfully decadent *Ginja* cherry liqueur served up in tiny chocolate cups. **B**

travel companions a *boa viagem* and *até a proxima*. Find out more about your free airport transfer at [costsaver.tour.com/freetransfers](https://costsaver.tour.com/freetransfers). **B**

**Please Note:** Your coach returns to Lisbon from Porto on day 7. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Lisbon will be at the Costsaver Lisbon hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 5pm, depending on traffic conditions.

## TAILORED BY YOU

Life is about the choices we make. Choose how to enhance your trip, your way. Here are just a few of our favourites.

### DAY 2

#### FADO EVENING WITH DINNER

A poignant evening filled with the melancholic sounds of fado awaits on this optional dinner in Lisbon's hilly Bairro Alto district.

### DAY 3

#### NAZARÉ AND ÓBIDOS SIGHTSEEING

Visit the fishing village of Nazaré and Óbidos, famous for its *Ginja* cherry drink dispensed in chocolate cups.

### DAY 5

#### VISIT AVEIRO

Head to the Atlantic coast and seaside town of Aveiro where you'll want to taste the local *Ovos Moles* sweets for which the town is famous.

### DAY 6

#### DOURO CRUISE AND DINNER

Fall in love with the north of Portugal as you join a cruise and dinner experience winding your way down the vineyard-clad Douro River, a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site, following the route once taken to transport port to the cellars near Porto.

### Day 4, Lisbon - Fátima - Tomar - Coimbra

Leave Lisbon behind, bound for Fátima, a site of celebrated religious miracles. It was here that three young shepherds are said to have seen an apparition of the Virgin Mary in 1917. Explore the Basilica and Sanctuary on your own before heading to the Templar city of Tomar, a beautiful reminder of Portuguese Renaissance. Later, arrive in Coimbra for an orientation drive. This evening, enjoy dinner in your hotel with your travel companions. **B, D**

**Hotel: Dona Inês**

### Day 5, Coimbra - Porto

You'll have the whole morning to explore Coimbra your way, or head to the seaside resort of Aveiro on an **Optional Experience**. Don't leave town without sampling the delicious *Ovos Moles* sweets for which Aveiro is famous, then head north to Porto. You'll arrive in time for a sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist of the city's UNESCO-listed medieval Ribeira Quarter, the port and the remarkable bridges that span the Douro River. With an evening to do as you wish, you may be tempted to head to the water's edge and one of the city's Port wine cellars. **B**

**Hotel: Holiday Inn Gaia**

### Day 6, Porto free day

Savour a full day to go back in time and explore Porto's historic centre with its beautiful Baroque façades. You could choose instead to join an **Optional Experience** to Braga, Portugal's religious capital. A Local Specialist will reveal insights into Braga's historic centre and you'll have an opportunity to see Europe's largest and most magnificent sculpted Baroque staircase. This evening, an optional cruise along the Douro, followed by a dinner of local specialties, is a fitting way to end your journey through Portugal. Watch the city light up as you enjoy a night cap and the fresh river breeze. **B**

### Day 7, Depart Porto

You've explored Portugal's illustrious past, savoured Mediterranean flavours that will linger long after you leave and made lasting new friendships. All that's left is to take your airport transfer and wish your

## CHOOSE YOUR DEPARTURE

APR	Su04	Su11	Su18	Su25	
MAY	Su02	Su09	Su16	Su23	Su30
JUN	Su06	Su13	Su20	Su27	
JUL	Su04	Su11	Su18	Su25	
AUG	Su01	Su08	Su15	Su22	Su29
SEP	Su05	Su12	Su19	Su26	
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