

Custom Portugal Itinerary

Day 1, Arrival to Lisbon

Your chauffeur will pick you up at the airport and to take you to your hotel in a MB Viano.

Check in at Heritage Avenida Liberdade 4*

A small Lifestyle Boutique hotel in the historic center of Lisbon



Located at Lisbon's main avenue - Avenida da Liberdade - this 18th Century Townhouse is decorated by the Portuguese architect Miguel Cancio Martins. Heritage Avenida Liberdade was the winner of the Historic Rehabilitation Prize 2008 of Portuguese Real State Oscars and was also listed in the Condé Nast Traveler Hot List 2007.

The Heritage Avenida Liberdade Hotel is the Hoteis Heritage Lisboa's latest project and is located on the Avenida da Liberdade, in the historic center of Lisbon. It is a restored late XVIII century building, the decoration of which was entrusted to Miguel Cancio Martins - a Portuguese architect who is renowned for his work on mythical spaces like the Thiou and the Buddha Bar in Paris, the Strictly Hush in London and the Man Ray in New York. His design combines the city's own traditions and lifestyle with nowadays technology. You will stay in 2 Lisboa Rooms.

Lunch on your own and meet with your local expert guide to enjoy this city!

Lisbon Old Town walking Tour

We'll start the tour exploring the heart of the city, walking through districts such as the Bohemian Bairro Alto, the fancy Chiado, the picturesque Alfama and the vibrant Baixa. We'll stop by great views

Then, we'll be heading to Belem district, from where the Portuguese navigators left, looking for the "New World".

Here we'll visit Jeronimos Monastery and see the Belem Tower, both classified by the Unesco as World Heritage Site, and also the Monument to the Discoveries.

What's included? Private tour with an expert local guide (4-hours), Transportation

What's not included? Meals, drinks, entrance fees or souvenirs

Dinner on your own



Day 2, Lisbon

Breakfast at your hotel and meet with your local expert guide

Sintra and Cascais from Lisbon

Chosen in the fourteen century as summer residence for the Portuguese kings, and in the nineteen century as the capital of the romanticism, Lord Byron called Sintra as “My glorious Eden”

The uniqueness of the landscape, the weird trees that grow only there, and the perfect integration between man and nature convinced Unesco to declare **Sintra** as World heritage.

This is a small town between the mountain and the Ocean, with a unique ambience that can be felt only there, and a fresh air that purifies our lungs.

Here you'll have time to visit one Palace at your choice: the unique and medieval **National Palace**, the fairy-tale **Pena Palace** or the mystic **Regaleira** manor house. You'll also walk a bit around you won't leave before you taste the regional sweet: a subtle crust filled with almonds and eggs cream, the best sweet you ever tried!



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Leaving Sintra you'll cross the **national park of Sintra Cascais**, for a small stop at **Rocca Cape**, the western most point of Continental Europe. You'll arrive at **Cascais** just on time to have lunch, having the chance to taste the great fresh fish and sea food from there.



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After lunch there will be time to lie on the beach or to go for a walk. Before leave to Lisbon you'll visit the “**Hell's Mouth**”, a small cliff that creates a “mouth”, and when the sea is stormy, getting inside there creates huge waves.

As we love the Ocean, you'll go back to Lisbon through a panoramic road all coastline long, letting us see all the beaches from Cascais to Lisbon, and the exact point where the river and the ocean get together.

What's included? Private tour with an expert local guide (8-hours), entrances fee to one castle mentioned, Transportation

What's not included? Meals, drinks or souvenirs

Lunch and dinner on your own

Day 3, Lisbon – Fatima – Coimbra

Breakfast at your Hotel

Pick your rental car up at Down Town Office.

Vehicle: Peugeot 508 or similar

Automatic Transmission

Included: VAT of 21%, Partial exemption from liability for damage to the integrity of the Vehicle (CDW), Partial exemption from liability for theft or decrease Vehicle (TP), Unlimited miles, Liability and Fire Insurance

Not included: Not included Airport surcharge of 48€ incl. VAT, paid locally. GPS

Drive to Fatima Sanctuary and visit it on your own

You'll leave Lisbon heading to Fatima, where you can visit the sanctuary, situated in the same place where in 1917 Our Lady appeared to three little shepherds, Francisco, Jacinta and sister Lucia. This is a day dedicated to your faith, so take your time to visit the sanctuary, pray, light a candle or pay your vows.



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When you feel ready to leave you can visit the houses of the three shepherds, in Aljustrel, a little village close to Fatima.



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After Fatima we suggest you to visit Obidos to complete your day. There you can have lunch in a local restaurant.

The medieval village of Obidos, with its narrow and flower streets, where you can taste the "Ginginha", cherry liquor.



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Then you can continue your trip to Coimbra.

Coimbra was the medieval capital of Portugal for more than a 100 years, and it has been the headquarters of the largest university in the country for the last 5 centuries. This city has a great historic role in Portugal's history.



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Check in at Ibn-Arrik Hotel 4*

Hotel Ibn-Arrik in Coimbra has 4-star accommodations with a fitness center, a garden and a terrace. Offering a shared lounge, the property is located within a 2-minute walk of S. Sebastião Aqueduct. The hotel has an indoor pool, sauna and a 24-hour front desk. At the hotel, all rooms come with a closet, a flat-screen TV and a private bathroom. An American breakfast is served daily at the property. You will stay in 2 Superior Rooms.

Lunch and dinner on your own



Day 4, Coimbra – Porto

Breakfast at your Hotel and drive on your own to Porto, you may stop at Aveiro, called the Portuguese Venice; this colorful city has canals, gondolas, Salines, "Art Nouveau" buildings, and a unique egg sweet delicacy. A treat to the eyes and palate!



Continue to Porto, make the check in at your Hotel and after lunch meet with your local expert guide!

Check in at InterContinental Porto - Palacio das Cardosas Hotel 5*



In a renovated 18th-century palace, the 5-star InterContinental Porto - Palacio das Cardosas has spacious rooms with views of Porto's historic center. Only 197 m from the iconic Clerigos Tower, this hotel provides free Wi-Fi in all areas. Featuring high ceilings, Palacio's stylish rooms have flat-screen TVs. Marble bathrooms include a separate bathtub and walk-in shower. Some rooms feature a sitting area with plush chairs.

Guests can work out at the 24-hour Fitness Centre, which comes with the latest

equipment and weights. The on-site spa has 3 treatment rooms and a sauna. The Restaurant Astoria serves a wide range of Portuguese dishes with a contemporary twist, as well as selection of Portuguese wines. The Cardosas Bar provides a relaxing setting, best enjoyed with a cocktail or a Port Wine glass. In the evening, guests can visit the lively Gallerias de Paris 197 m away.

Intercontinental Porto - Palacio das Cardosas is less than a 2-minute walk from São Bento Metro Station and just under half a kilometer from the UNESCO World Heritage Ribeira area and the City Market Bolhão. Crossing the D. Luis I Bridge, just over half a kilometer away, guests can visit the famous Port Wine Cellars. You will stay in 2 Executive Rooms.

Porto Walking Tour

Walk the narrow and picturesque streets of Porto with a local, and reveal all its secrets and hidden gems in a pleasant and fun stroll.



Discover why this small city in the north of Portugal was, for many centuries, one of the most important ones in the world, and from here, the Portuguese ruled world's navigation routes and trade.

Find out about "Henry - the Navigator" and "Dom Pedro I - King of Portugal and Emperor of Brazil" and Port Wine. Or just learn about our culture and traditions, and how we, the "tripe people" live (Porto's locals are called "tripe people" "Tripeiros" in portuguese).

You will visit all places and monuments with your guide as: Cathedral, Clerigos Tower, São Bento train station, Lello Bookshop, river front, Eiffel's iron bridges...

You will also taste a unique chocolate candy with a wine tasting.

What's included? Unique chocolate candy + wine tasting; 4-hours private tour, entrances fees to Lello bookshop and St Francis Church

What's not included? Meals & Drinks not mentioned, Transportation, Souvenirs

Lunch and dinner on your own

* You may leave the rental car today, and in Porto you won't need it.

Day 5, Porto

Breakfast at your Hotel

Douro Valley Day Trip

Port Wine is produced 75 miles away from the city of Porto, in the oldest demarcated wine region in the world - the Douro Valley.

This is really a hidden place surrounded and protected by mountains that, besides preserving nature and people's authenticity also create a microclimate necessary to grow the Port Wine grape varieties.

Besides the landscape you'll have a full Port Wine experience, visiting different wine estates and tasting all styles of Port Wine - White Port, Ruby, Tawny, LBV (Late Bottled Vintage) and Vintage.

All this tastings and visits will take place throughout the day, in different locations, in a very smooth way, making everything feel logical.

Each wine estate was carefully selected taking in consideration the quality of the wine (some "Wine spectator" awarded wineries), location and facilities.



You'll visit traditional places from small producers, and also modern estates belonging to big Port Wine companies.

For lunch we want to show you the local flavors, in a non-touristy place. So, we'll take you deep into the valley, away from any main roads and towns, to an almost forgotten small village. It's where the best views are.

You'll admire the landscape, the most beautiful belvederes, the wine estates, the local people and typical food. But, most important, you'll have a very relaxing day, always surrounded by nature and the Douro River.

You will also enjoy a cruise in the Douro River!

What's included? 9-hours private tour, transportation, wine tastings at 2 estates, 1-hour Douro Cruise.

What's not included? Meals & drinks not mentioned, souvenirs.

Lunch and dinner on your own

Day 6, Porto

Breakfast at your Hotel

Your chauffeur will pick you up at your Hotel to take you to Airport

Depart to US

Please contact us for pricing

Payment Terms:

Deposit = 10% to book

Balance due 45 days before.

Cancellation fees:

Up to 45 days before = \$100 per person cancellation fee.

From 44 to 31 days prior to arrival = 25% of full cost cancellation fee.

From 30 days to 15 days prior to arrival = 50% of full cost cancellation fee. From 14 days or less 100% of full cost cancellation fee.

What's included?

- **5 nights at quaint hotels** carefully selected for their quality: 2 nights at Lisbon, 1 at Coimbra, 2 at Porto.
- All **Breakfasts** (at the hotels).
- **4 Private Guided Tours**
 - Lisbon + Fado Tour
 - Sintra + Cascais Day Trip
 - Porto City Tour
 - Douro Valley Day Trip
- **2 Private Transfers** in Mercedes-Benz Viano
 - From Lisbon Airport to your Hotel
 - From Porto Hotel to Porto Airport
- **1 Rental Car**, Peugeot 508 or similar

What's not included?

- International Airfare
- Meals and Drinks as “on your own”
- GPS