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10 Days • 19 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 8 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Lisbon, Choice on Tour: “Calcadas” Walking Tour or “The Way of the Cod” Tour, Belem, Cork Factory, Evora, Winery Visit, Alentejo, Lagos, Algarve, Setúbal, Portuguese Riviera, Obidos, Sintra, Choice on Tour: National Palace of Sintra or Free Time, UNESCO World Heritage Sites

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Turim Marques Hotel , Lisbon
Day 4	Vila Gale Evora , Evora
Days 5 – 7	Vila Gale Lagos, Algarve
Days 8, 9	Vila Gale Cascais Hotel, Cascais

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Thursday, April 24, 2025 Overnight Flight Ancient castles and Roman ruins, groves of orange and almond trees, quiet whitewashed villages, and welcoming locals – Portugal is waiting for you.

Day 2: Friday, April 25, 2025 Lisbon, Portugal - Tour Begins Say hello to Lisbon, Portugal's capital and a city full of authenticity, where old customs and ancient history intermix with cultural entertainment. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

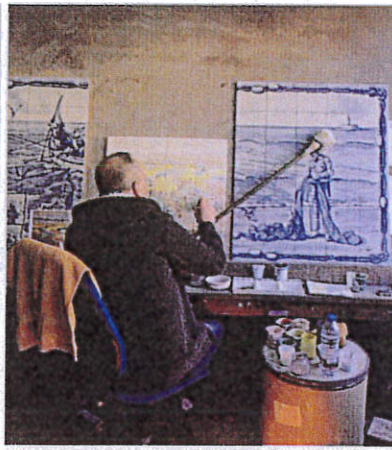
Day 3: Saturday, April 26, 2025 Lisbon Discover the art and tradition of the Portuguese sidewalks during a locally led walking tour. After, travel to Belem where you'll see the iconic Belem Tower (UNESCO) and the Monument to the Discoveries. Witness the façade of the 16th-century Jeronimos Monastery* (UNESCO) and learn about the importance of this iconic monastery. Tonight, enjoy your evening listening to Fado: the perfect blend of voice and guitar. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Cultural Patrimony, as a celebrated form of world music that captures what it is to be Portuguese. The word Fado comes from the Latin word fatum, which means fate or destiny. It is a style of music that is all about deep feelings: the disappointments of love, the ups and downs of life. No one knows quite how Fado first came into being, but to this day, Portugal's traditional music remains at the very heart of the country's culture. In one of Lisbon's most popular Fado restaurants, professional performers entertain you while you enjoy a typical Portuguese three-course dinner with wine included. (B, D)

Day 4: Sunday, April 27, 2025 Lisbon - Evora Today, you'll make your way through Portugal's charming countryside. Visit a family-owned cork factory, where you'll learn about the product's importance to the local economy and why Portugal is the world's top cork producer. Your journey then takes you to Evora (UNESCO) – the “Museum City of Portugal.” A traditional Alentejo lunch will be waiting for you, accompanied by *Cante Alentejano* music (UNESCO). In the afternoon, take time to explore this medieval walled city and see its well-preserved Roman temple up close. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Monday, April 28, 2025 Evora - Lagos Journey to the stunning coasts of the Algarve - the southernmost region of Portugal. On the way, indulge in full-bodied wines from the Alentejo region during a winery tour, tasting, and light lunch. Then, explore the historic resort town of Lagos, where Moorish and Renaissance influences meet towering seaside cliffs. Many celebrated voyagers began their explorations from this bustling port city. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Tuesday, April 29, 2025 Lagos It is your day to experience the Algarve. Geraniums, camellias, and oleanders grow alongside fig, orange, and almond trees, while brightly colored fishing boats bob in the sea. Protected by hills to the north and warmed by the sea, the Algarve's mild climate and beautiful beaches attract visitors from all over the world. Set sail on the clear blue waters of the Bay of Lagos to experience the stunning Ponta da Piedade with some of the most beautiful and famous coastal scenery in Portugal, including pristine beaches and rocky cliffs that are simply breathtaking. Upon arrival at Ponta da Piedade transfer to smaller boats... then, it's off to explore the magical grottoes! Take in the striking rock formations sculpted by the sea for thousands of years as you weave in and out of tiny inlets, serene grottoes and impressive caves**. (B, D)

Day 7: Wednesday, April 30, 2025 Lagos - Portimão - Monchique - Lagos This morning venture along the coast to discover the importance the sardine canning industry in the Algarve. Then, continue to Monchique, a mountain village nestled among rich landscapes, to learn the secrets of regional bread and fruits. Sample them with a savory lunch featuring freshly prepared Algarve seasonal



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and local specialties during a picnic. After, return to Lagos for an evening at leisure. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Thursday, May 1, 2025 Lagos - Setúbal - Cascais En route to the Portuguese Riviera, make a stop in Setúbal a colorful industrial city and one of southern Europe's best kept secrets. See the *Mercado* (Farmers Market) do Livramento up close. It is considered one of the best fish markets in the world, but it's also rich with displays of fresh fruits and vegetables. Meet local artisans at a family-run shop and learn how the famous hand-painted Portuguese tiles, *azulejos*, are made. After, head to the Portuguese Riviera. Mansions scattered throughout Cascais and Monte Estoril all hint at this area's history as a haven for exiled European royals and nobility. (B, D)

Day 9: Friday, May 2, 2025 Cascais - Obidos - Sintra - Cascais

Explore the picture-perfect city of Obidos, where white-washed houses sit snug within medieval city walls. Continue on to Sintra (UNESCO), a breathtaking hub that served as the summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Then, **it's your choice!** Explore this quaint hilltop village and wander through the winding streets lined with cork products and pastries -OR- venture into the National Palace of Sintra and learn about its 1000-year old history. On your return to Cascais, stop to admire the stunning Cabo da Roca, the western most point of continental Europe. Bid Portugal goodbye during dinner in Cascais and celebrate the end of your unforgettable journey. (B, D)

Day 10: Saturday, May 3, 2025 Cascais - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

Experience It! The Algarve

Postcard-worthy coastlines brushing against crystal clear water, stunning cliffs plunging into the rocky waves below, and awe-inspiring vistas that will leave you speechless – this is the Algarve. The southernmost region of Portugal, the Algarve is home to the perfect combination of historical architecture and sandy beaches. Although every area of the Algarve offers unique charms and is the perfect setting for a relaxing getaway, some of the preferred cities of this region include Lagos for its charm and good food. While in the Algarve, make sure you sample some of the fresh seafood, indulge in the local figs and oranges, and maybe even buy a piece of intricately painted pottery.

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PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Oct 25, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only. The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. During your Choice on Tour in Lisbon, one of the walks offered requires walking 2 miles on cobblestone streets and uphill at times. Lisbon is a hilly city and all sidewalks are cobblestoned which can get slippery when wet. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour.

Air passengers will arrive into and depart from Lisbon, Portugal airport. All transfers will depart from Cascais to Lisbon airport (approximately a 40-minute drive).

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

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****Due to inclement weather or challenging sea conditions, operation of the optional boat tour will only be reconfirmed on the day of service.**



*Please note that you only see Jeronimos Monastery from the exterior.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$1,177 per person (which includes cancellation waiver and insurance) is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of October 18, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by February 23, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until October 25, 2024.

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