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10 DAY TOUR

# HIGHLIGHTS OF PORTUGAL

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TORONTO - LISBON - ALGARVE - LISBON - OBIDOS  
FATIMA - BATALHA - COIMBRA - PORTO - TORONTO

*Unravel the Treasures of Portugal as you see the sensational waves of Nazare, discover the colonial splendors of Lisbon, and explore the scenic sites of Porto!*

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## TOUR SUMMARY:

Head into the heart of Southwestern Europe with this 10-day small-group tour of Portugal! You will come face-to-face with breathtaking seaside landscapes, fascinating historic villages, and mesmerizing castles that will leave you in awe. Your journey will begin in Algarve Region known for their serene beaches. Next move to Lisbon, the captivating coastal capital of Portugal, known for its colorful buildings, famous landmarks, and twisting cobblestone streets. Explore the UNESCO world heritage site of Sintra before you travel to Obidos to see the hilltop castle and admire the city's medieval fortifications before you explore the fishing village of Nazare. Visit the Santa Maria Monastery in Batalha, and travel to Fatima, a famous pilgrimage destination where the Virgin Mary is said to have appeared in 1917. Your next stop will be in Coimbra, bathed by the beautiful Mondego River before you travel to Porto, a breathtaking coastal city by the Douro River where your small-group tour of Portugal will come to an end!

### TOUR LODGING INFO:

09 Nights Hotel + 01 Night Onboard Flight

Accommodation will be provided on a twin-sharing basis in hotel listed below or similar

CITIES	NIGHTS	SUPERIOR HOTELS
Albufeira	02 Nights	Hotel Grand Muthu Oura View Beach Club
Lisbon	03 Nights	Hotel Mundial
Coimbra	01 Night	Hotel Vila Gale Coimbra
Porto	02 Nights	Hotel Porto Bay Teatro
Lisbon	01 Night	Hotel Leticia

### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Try a Pastel de Nata in Lisbon, known for its picture-perfect cobblestone streets
- Visit Nazare, a typical fishing village where you can see waves up to 100 ft tall
- Discover the Monastery of Batalha, a magnificent piece of Gothic architecture
- Travel to Porto, known for its delightful scenery, lively art scene, and atmosphere
- Admire the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima, a renowned pilgrimage destination
- Explore the Alentejo Region, where you may try fine wines in a beautiful setting

### TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES :

- International roundtrip flights from Toronto
- 09 nights' accommodation on a twin sharing basis at listed hotels or similar
- Daily breakfast
- 03 Dinners at hotels
- 02 Dinners at local restaurants/Hotels (Day 06 & Day 09)
- 01 Fado Dinners inclusive of Drinks (Day 05)
- Arrival and departure airport transfers
- Private transportation by deluxe AC vehicles
- Sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Service of English-speaking tour leader throughout the tour
- Custard Tart Tasting
- Whispers
- Entrance fees to Palacio da Pena & Mosteiro da Batalha
- Benagil Caves and Dolphins Boat Cruise
- Visit to Cork Making Factory and Olive Tasting
- 6 Bridges Cruise
- Wine tasting at Vila Nova De Gaia
- Air taxes and fuel surcharges
- All local applicable taxes





## TOUR ITINERARY:

### DAY 01: TORONTO - LISBON

Make your own way over to your gateway airport for your overnight flight to Lisbon. Enjoy complimentary meals and extra on-flight services. Overnight Onboard Flight

### DAY 02: LISBON ARRIVAL - ALGARVE (-/-/D)

Welcome to Lisbon! Upon arrival at the Lisbon International Airport, meet your driver and directly drive to hotel in Algarve. Enroute enjoy a brief stopover at Setubal for Lunch on own. Continue your drive to Algarve to arrive and check –in at the hotel. Rest of the evening is at leisure to explore the serene beaches of Algarve and take advantage of its warm climate. Perhaps you can optionally head south of Lagos to the Ponta da Piedade, a timeless collection of tortured limestone stacks with a hint of red hue as they appear in a honeycomb shape with natural arches and caves rising from the clear water. Perhaps visit the Praia da Falesia, a seven-kilometer (four-mile) long, golden sandy beach arguably the grandest beach in all Portugal where the sunset view will compel you to visit again. Take some time from your day to visit the Church of Sao Lourenco, which will certainly captivate your imagination with its unassuming plain exterior, but as your step inside you will be blown away by the traditional tin-glazed ceramic tiles completely cladding the interiors, dating to the 1730s. Enjoy your welcome dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Albufeira/Algarve

### DAY 03: ALGARVE (B/-/-)

See the Algarve from a new perspective on a cruise along the coast. Admire stunning sea caves and rock formations including the most popular Benagil Sea Cave, which is accessible only after a short underwater swim. Look for dolphins and other marine life off the coast of the Algarve on the cruise by boat. Next explore the old town of Algarve, This beautiful and tree-shaded public space offers exquisite dining, entertainment and people-watching, as well as an amazing shopping experience. No matter what time of the day you visit, you will never be short of things to do in the Old Town Square. Evening at leisure. Overnight in Albufeira/Algarve

### DAY 04: ALGARVE/ALBUFEIRA - LISBON (B/-/D)

Discover a new side of the Algarve region that many visitors miss-and have the special chance to go behind the scenes at a local cork factory. Combine it with the visit to an Olive oil extraction factory, and you have unravelled two of the best kept secrets. Following morning pickup from your hotel, visit the charming town of Loulé, and explore its vibrant market. Next, visit a traditional cork producer to learn about this local industry and understand the process of making corks. Later continue to visit a olive extraction unit, learn more about the olive oil production process while surrounding yourself by the magnificent olive trees. At the end of such an olive oil tour, you will sample the different olive oils. During such a tasting, you will learn how to taste the flavours of the different varieties

and to distinguish the specific olive oil attributes of fruitiness, bitterness, and pepperiness. Continue drive to Lisbon to arrive and check in at the hotel. Overnight in Lisbon

### DAY 05: LISBON (B/-/D)

Enjoy full day tour of the beautiful city of Lisbon. You will first discover Belém, home to the 16th century World Heritage Site Monastery of Jeronimos. Next, you will visit the Belém pastry (pastel) factory from 1837 and enjoy a delicious “pastel de nata”. There will be a quick stop at the Belém Tower, where you will be able to take pictures before ending your tour at the Ribeira Market. this market is now home to the Time Out Market, is the oldest in Lisbon, dating back to the 13th century. What started as a traditional market selling local produce has now grown to include a premier gourmet food marketplace featuring food stalls from Portugal’s best chefs serving up pizza, codfish, sardines, sushi, and more. A visit to the Ribeira Market is essential for those wanting to learn about and experience Portuguese food. You will have the rest of the afternoon at leisure to simply relax or explore the city. Evening enjoy Fado Dinner at a local restaurant Overnight in Lisbon

### DAY 06: LISBON (B/-/D)

Pick up from your hotel and proceed for a memorable guided day trip to Sintra and Cascais. Hop aboard your air-conditioned minivan and travel to Sintra. First, stop at Pena Park and see the diversity of plants and trees line the beautiful trails. Then, voyage to a spectacular vantage point of the colorful Pena National Palace (Palacio da Pena). Continue to Pena National Palace, the most famous of Sintra’s monuments, located at the top of Sintra Mountain. Enjoy this 19th-century Romanticist castle that looks and feels like a fairy tale. Admire its eclectic Neo-Manueline, Neo-Gothic and Neo-Renaissance styles as you head inside. Observe the extravagant bedrooms that used to serve as a summer residence for the royal family. Depart the palace and stroll with your guide to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Sintra. Spend some free time to have lunch or discover the town’s forested palaces like Sintra National Palace, a medieval royal palace occupied from the 15th to 19th centuries (own expense). Check out the local fare with tastes of aqueijada or travesseiro, two scrumptious and traditional pastries. Meet back at your coach and travel past Quinta da Regaleira and the Palace of Monserrate on the way to Roca Cape (Cabo da Roca). Then, whip out your camera for great photos at the rocky bluffs which are Europe’s westernmost point. Briefly, visit Guincho Beach where surfers shred the gnar and then cruise by Hell’s Mouth (Boca do Inferno). Finally, make your way to Cascais’ bay for a walk. In the former fishing town of Cascais, peruse the narrow streets of this trendy vacation getaway with your guide. Check





out classic white, terracotta-roofed houses as you make your way to the beach. Then, bask in the sun as you tuck your toes into the golden sands and gaze over the expansive Atlantic Ocean. Along the journey back to central Lisbon, where your tour concludes, enjoy pristine views of the scenic town of Estoril. Enjoy your dinner at a local restaurant in Cascais before you return back to your hotel. Overnight in Lisbon

**DAY 07: LISBON - OBIDOS - NAZARE - BATALHA - FATIMA - COIMBRA (B-/-/D)**

Head north to the medieval walled city of Obidos. This is a captivating city with narrow cobblestone streets, quaint houses, and a breathtaking hilltop castle that once guarded the region. You will continue your tour to Nazare, a typical Portuguese fishing village and seaside resort famous for its high Atlantic waves. The tour will continue to Batalha, where you will have time to admire the Santa Maria Monastery (Monastery of Batalha) listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Towards the end of the day, you will arrive in Fatima, where the Virgin Mary is said to have appeared to three young shepherds and turned the town into one of Christianity's most important pilgrimage sites. From there you will continue your tour to Coimbra. Overnight in Coimbra

**DAY 08: COIMBRA - PORTO (B-/-/-)**

Coimbra, bathed by the beautiful Mondego River and known as the city of students, is home to the first university built in Portugal and one of the oldest universities in Europe. You can visit the famous University of Coimbra (not included) which once served as the residence of Portuguese Kings. Its library is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and was once considered one of the most beautiful in the world! You will have time to stroll through the city before departing for Porto, arrive and be transferred to your hotel. Porto is a vibrant and fascinating city that is rapidly becoming one of the most respected tourist destinations in Western Europe! The city offers an extensive history, captivating tourist attractions, a buzzing nightlife scene, and incredible tourist facilities. Afternoon head on a sightseeing tour to become familiar with the city's main attractions. You will then have the afternoon at leisure to explore the city at your own pace. There is a lot to do and see in Porto - its diversity will appeal to a wide range of visitors! This region is famous for producing Port, which is stored and matured in the vast cellars along the banks of the Douro River. Overnight in Porto

**DAY 09: PORTO (B-/-/D)**

The Douro Valley's landscapes are replete with vineyards and bounteous produce: sip and sample the best of the region's culinary offerings on this full-day tour from Porto. Alongside your guide, visit wine estates and spectacular viewpoints. Douro Region is famous for its valley, a Unesco World Heritage site, it is the oldest demarked wine region with unique landscapes of vineyards and the magical Douro River giving you the perfect background for a day of amazing wine tastings. Later enjoy an hour cruise on Douro River. Enjoy farewell dinner at a local restaurant and savor some of the best local delicacies. Overnight in Porto

**DAY 10: PORTO - LISBON (B-/-/-)**

After breakfast, spend your day at leisure. In the afternoon you will be transferred to Lisbon. Overnight in Lisbon

**DAY 11: LISBON - TORONTO (B-/-/-)**

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Lisbon airport to board your flight to Toronto

**TOUR PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

- Items of personal nature, tips, and gratuities
- Local city taxes in Porto and Lisbon
- International airfare if land-only
- Arrival and departure transfers for the land-only option
- Luggage fees may apply and vary by the carrier
- Travel insurance
- Visa fees if applicable
- Items not mentioned as being included

**END OF SERVICE**





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