

Escobar family trip to Portugal

July 2018

1. Brief Itinerary

Day 1 (13 Jul) – Arrival in Lisbon

Welcome to Portugal. Private transfer to your hotel in Lisbon

Accommodation at **Hotel Lisboa Plaza** - 02 Lisbon Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 2 (14 Jul) – Lisbon

Lisbon Private Walking tour in the morning. Afternoon at leisure. Dinner with a Fado performance

Accommodation at **Hotel Lisboa Plaza** - 02 Lisbon Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 3 (15 Jul) – Lisbon / Sintra / Lisbon (by train)

Take the train (tickets not included, must be purchased locally) to the enchanted town of Sintra

Accommodation at **Hotel Lisboa Plaza** - 02 Lisbon Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 4 (16 Jul) – Lisbon / Óbidos / Nazaré / Fátima / Coimbra (278Km ; 3h 25min)

Pick-up your rental car. Visit the medieval village of Óbidos, Nazaré and Fátima's sanctuary on way to Coimbra

Accommodation at **Sapientia Boutique Hotel** - T1 Apartment, breakfast included

Day 5 (17 Jul) – Coimbra / Aveiro / Porto (140Km ; 1h 45min)

Spend the morning strolling around the city. After lunch, visit Aveiro and its canals and head to Porto

Accommodation at **Dom Henrique Downtown Hotel** - 02 Comfort Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 6 (18 Jul) – Porto

Porto Private Walking tour in the morning followed by a visit and wine tasting at a Port Wine Cellar

Accommodation at **Dom Henrique Downtown Hotel** - 02 Comfort Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 7 (19 Jul) – Porto / Amarante / Regua / Pinhão / Porto (244Km ; 3h 40min)

Take the chance to self-explore the Douro Valley and experience a 2h boat cruise in the Douro River

Accommodation at **Dom Henrique Downtown Hotel** - 02 Comfort Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 8 (20 Jul) – Porto / Viseu / Belmonte (238Km ; 2h 40min)

Visit Viseu on way to the Jewish city of Belmonte

Accommodation at **Pousada de Belmonte** - 02 Classic Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 9 (21 Jul) – Belmonte / Castelo de Vide / Marvão / Évora (299Km ; 3h 45min)

Drive south to Évora - UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit Castelo de Vide and Marvão on the way

Accommodation at **Hotel M'Ar de Ar Muralhas** - 02 Classic Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 10 (22 Jul) – Évora / Estremoz / Vila Viçosa / Évora (130Km ; 1h 45min)

Spend the morning self-exploring the city! Drive on to Estremoz and experience an amazing visit and traditional lunch at a local "herdade"

Accommodation at **Hotel M'Ar de Ar Muralhas** - 02 Classic Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 11 (23 Jul) – Évora / Lagos (249Km ; 2h 45min)

Drive south to Lagos!

Accommodation at **Costa D'Oiro Ambiance Village** - 02 Deluxe Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 12 (24 Jul) – Lagos

Enjoy an amazing kayak group tour in the morning! Afternoon at leisure

Accommodation at **Costa D'Oiro Ambiance Village** - 02 Deluxe Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 13 (25 Jul) – Lagos / Sagres / Lagos (66Km ; 1h 15min)

Drive along the coast and self-explore Sagres with the help of our suggestions

Accommodation at **Costa D'Oiro Ambiance Village** - 02 Deluxe Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 14 (26 Jul) – Lagos / Arrabida Nature Park / Cascais (342Km ; 3h 15min)

Drive north to the coastal village of Cascais. Rental car drop-off

Accommodation at **Pestana Cidadela Cascais** - 02 Classic Double Rooms, breakfast included

Day 15 (27 Jul) – Cascais / Departure from Lisbon airport (34Km ; 35min)

Private transfer to the Lisbon International Airport

2. Programme Highlights

Lisbon

Lisbon has a dozen different faces, of different urban landscapes, each and every one with its own urban rhythms and lifestyles. With an undulating topography, many of its monuments are seen from afar on top of their hills. It has seven hills, all of them densely urbanized. Some say that Lisbon is architecturally speaking a white city, which gives it its markedly Mediterranean character. Lisbon has a very good transport network, especially its underground lines, abundantly decorated with artworks: each station has its own color scheme and theme. Lisbon is also dotted with the picturesque yellow electric trams, whose trajectories are of great tourist interest.



Our Suggestions for Lisbon

Castelo de São Jorge

The Castle is on top of one of the seven hills of Lisbon, strategically hovering above the city and all its surroundings. From here you can see a considerable portion of the city, with its red tile roofs and a cascade of small houses all the way down the hills.



Enjoy a Fado Night

In Lisbon's old town you can spend a lovely evening hearing this traditional Portuguese music immersed in sentiment, famous worldwide. Most of these Fado evenings take place in local restaurants. This way you will be able to enjoy a traditional meal and delight your ears with Fados beautiful songs at the same time.



Visit the Jerónimos Monastery

This is certainly the most emblematic of Portuguese monuments from the whole Discoveries era, so much that it has also become a symbol for Portugal. It was built to celebrate the discovery of the maritime route to India found by the Portuguese in the 16th century. It is a complex and harmonious remarkable piece of work.



Among the most striking features are the finest carved façade; the church, which is a masterpiece of the enthusiastic spirit of Mankind; and the cloister, one of the most beautiful in the world, not only for its proportions and originality, but also for its strange mixture of lightness and robustness at the same time. One finds in the building the tombs of Vasco da Gama (the Captain who discovered the maritime route to India), and the poets Luís de Camões and Fernando Pessoa.

Sintra

Sintra is the Romantic place in Portugal. Inlaid in the foothills to the north of the Sintra range, it is a wonderful mosaic of intertwining constructions half-hidden in the thick woods and the massive boulders. The mountain range and the proximity to the sea make it a very breezy and cool area, and that is the reason



why it soon became a favorite summer spot for the royal Portuguese family, ever since the first dynasty. The whole village is enthralling, from the tiniest corner to the most exuberant of palaces.

Our Suggestions for Sintra

Visit the Moors Castle

From amongst the granite beds, this castle seems to sink the teeth of its battlement into the top of the mountain. It dates back to the 8th century, and it was occupied by the first Portuguese king, in 1147, and then rebuilt by King Consort Fernando I, during whose reign the castle morphed into its present state.



Take a cart ride across the village

The departure point is by the pillory, at the Largo Dr. Gregório Almeida. This ride will allow you to take in the magical setting of Sintra, a real journey through time.



Pena Palace

It is not only fantasy, but also a wonderful introduction to Manueline architecture - and the views are incredible! You can easily drive and park near the entrance. You will love it!!



Óbidos

This charming town was conquered from the Moors in 1148 by king Afonso Henriques, and despite the many historical happenings and the test of time itself, it still bears its medieval, organic street plan today. Therefore, you can see a very picturesque and graceful urban landscape of little white houses with red roofs. The high stone walls enclose the whole town, and this is surprising for many people: there are still people living inside the houses and the castle today!



Nazaré

A very picturesque coastal village, Nazaré's history is undeniably related to the fishing industry. In its wide beach bathed by the rough Atlantic, the women used to wait eagerly for the return of their men. Above the beach, on a high cliff, called Sítio da Nazaré (lit. "Nazaré's spot"), one can watch over the expanse of the beach and the village which stretches alongside it.



Our Suggestions for Nazaré

Visit the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Nazaré

The sanctuary is composed by Igreja e pela Ermida da Memória and it is an important place of pilgrimage. It is located in "Sítio", on the top of the mount. The "Sítio" (accessible by a funicular), is without doubt the best viewpoint in the area.



Fátima

A place of faith and devotion, Fátima attracts tourists from all over the globe. Fátima apparitions that occurred in the 20th century have transformed this small town into one of the most important centres of the 'cult of Mary' in Portugal, not only endorsed by the Catholic Church but also known around the world.



Our Suggestions for Fátima

Aparições Chapel

Not long after the apparitions of Our Lady, the small chapel was built in 1919, and it is in the simple style of a rustic chapel.

Basílica de Nossa Senhora do Rosário

The Basilica was started in 1928, in the exact spot where shepherds were playing moments before the apparitions of Our Lady of Fátima.

Coimbra

A medium-sized city on the banks of the River Mondego. The houses are arranged along the riverside and up the hillside. The city unfolds in small lanes, stairways and terraces, and endless hidden corners, from the lower to the upper zone. It is the city with the oldest university tradition in



Portugal and the University and its students have always shaped its urban life. Its University is the oldest in Portugal and one of the oldest in Europe. Coimbra is also a city famous for Fado.

Our Suggestions for Coimbra

Visit the romantic Quinta das Lágrimas

Feel all the romance and magic. It was here that in the 16th century Prince Pedro and Inês de Castro lived their forbidden love affair. Legend says that it was here that Inês cried for the last time, giving the name to the Park ("Lágrimas" meaning Tears). The Quintas 12 hectares of gardens are a true Natural Museum, where rare trees are exhibited as if they were works of art. Legend says that Inês' ghost still roams the Quinta eternally searching for Pedro. If you are lucky you might even meet her...



Walk through the city's Botanical Gardens

The Botanical Garden was created in 1772 and integrated in the Museum of Natural History instituted by the academic reform undertaken by the Marquis of Pombal, having been declared property of public interest in 1996. As a whole, the Garden is divided into two parts: the woods and the gardens arranged in three terraces forming an amphitheatre.



There are in excess of 1,200 species, some of which rare and exotic, and which afford the visitors a true journey through the world flora.

Have a Tea in the Café Santa Cruz

Stop for some coffee at the Café Santa Cruz. This beautiful building was first opened in 1923. The domed ceiling and stained glass windows are just two good reasons to make this visit a must.



Aveiro

This lovely medium-sized city in the centre region extends over an alluvial plain whose canals and tributaries flow into the city alongside the houses. The traditional moliceiros (seaweed-gathering boats) can still be seen. Once an important fishing centre, some salt marshes still decorate the landscape. It also has nice beaches and various protected areas. The flat landscape of Aveiro makes it perfect for cycling.



Our Suggestions for Aveiro

Trip to Costa Nova

Lying 13 km west of Aveiro and facing the wild Atlantic with the estuary behind it, this area of the coast contains a large coastal area, and the traditional residences, the so-called palheiros, attractive wooden buildings painted with brightly colored vertical stripes. Exhilarating walks can be taken along the wooden boardwalks by the beach. One of the highlights is also the large Barra lighthouse, one of the biggest in the world.



The most wonderful view of Aveiro – Barra Lighthouse

It is worth visiting the lighthouse, not only for its beautiful view but also because of its interesting and historical interiors. It is not always possible since it is still working and it does not have scheduled visits. You will have to knock on the door and try your luck, if the lighthouse keeper on duty is nice he will show you around.



Moliceiro Boat trip

You will be amazed by the natural beauty of the canals in the Aveiro estuary, seen from the helm of a traditional boat.



Porto

The Cidade Invicta, or Invincible City, has around a quarter of a million inhabitants and is the second city of Portugal. It has always displayed a spirit of great independence and entrepreneurialism. Focusing on trade and business, it also has a great deal of culture to offer, as well as being a city with its own distinctive character. Locals are known as "tripeiros" (tripe-eaters) because during the time of the military expedition to Ceuta, they sent all the meat they had to the Kings soldiers and left only the offal for themselves, displaying the same spirit of sacrifice that the locals maintain to this day. The River Douro flows through the city, its powerful waters forging deep banks. As these are often sloped, the historic area of the city is an intricate medieval arrangement of houses and lanes. The city is most famous for its wine, which is produced much further inland, upstream on the banks of the river. Port wine is its spiritual legacy.



Our Suggestions for Porto

Wine Cellars

From the Ribeira walk over the D. Luis bridge to reach the city of Gaia. This is where the famous Port wine cellars are situated, an absolute must".



Boat trip on the Douro

A boat trip on the River Douro is an excellent way of getting to know the region (Must be booked in advance).



Amarante

A small, unpolluted city, Amarante is one of the jewels of northern Portugal, with its rows of seventeenth century mansions and wooden balconies that cast their reflections into the calm waters of the River Tâmega. St. Gonçalo is a figure often associated with Amarante, to whom prayers may be offered in the first weekend of June for fertility or help in finding a husband, together with offerings of phallic-shaped cakes. Come and discover the beauty of a city that makes you feel as if you are stepping into a romantic film!



Our Suggestions for Amarante

São Gonçalo Monastery

The monastery stands near the bridge in a pleasant square surrounded by white granite houses and has a very unusual dome covered in red tiles. The entrance is marked by a beautiful Renaissance portal. Inside, the image of St. Gonçalo is carved on his tombstone, worn by the touch of thousands of devout followers.



Bakery at Rua 31 de Janeiro

Visit the small bakery at Rua 31 de Janeiro to take a peep at the cavacas (cakes), which might be considered vulgar if the designs were not so original and which bring a smile to the faces of locals and foreigners alike. Don't forget to have tea in one of



the many cake shops which have balconies overlooking the river, where you can enjoy the rural scenery.

Peso da Régua

Situated on the banks of the River Douro, Peso da Régua played a fundamental role in the production and sale of Port wine, for it was from here that the barrels were transported in the special boats known as *barcos rabelos* to Vila Nova de Gaia, where the wine was left to age in the local wine lodges.



In this region, the vines are grown on terraced slopes leading down to the river, providing visitors with a series of spectacular views, which are best admired from the area's many viewpoints, such as those of São Leonardo at Galafura and Santo António do Loureiro.

Pinhão

A town in the Alto Douro Wine Region whose houses resemble an elegant amphitheatre descending down the mountainside to the banks of the Douro. Situated at the point where the River Douro and River Pinhão meet, it is a beautiful place for relaxing, going for walks and discovering the secrets of Port wine in the countless wineries and estates in the surrounding area.



Our Suggestions for Pinhão

Decorative Tile Panel at Railway Station

The station at Pinhão, is one of the countrys most beautiful! The walls of this late 19th century are covered with beautiful decorative tiles depicting scenes of vineyard workers and views of the local countryside.



Take a boat trip on the Douro

A boat trip on the River Douro is an excellent way of getting to know the region. Pinhão, at the heart of the Alto Douro Wine Region, offers visitors one of the most fabulous landscapes in the historic Douro area (Must be booked in advance).



Visu

A city in the interior of Portugal, built on a solid area of land with the mountains in the distance and all the features of a rugged district. However, several rivers also pass near the city, making it a focal point for the energies in the landscape. Visu has many good churches and manor houses, usually built in the Baroque style typical of the north of the



country. The Cathedral and its adjoining buildings dominate the city and they are an imposing and sober sight. One of the most harmoniously balanced areas in the country, with a good quality of life.

Belmonte

Standing 615 m above sea level, Belmonte castle secured the defences of the Upper Côa area. Nowadays the history of this town is inseparably linked to that of the Jewish community that was established there. A significant Jewish community settled in



Belmonte, mainly in the fifteenth century, when Jews fleeing persecution in Castile took refuge here. Belmonte preserves its medieval atmosphere as effectively as the Jews secretly preserved their prayers, traditions and customs until today's more tolerant climate allowed them to found a new synagogue, Bet Eliahu. Belmonte is also the birthplace of Pedro Álvares Cabral, the man who discovered Brazil.

Castelo de Vide

As its name suggests, this was the site of a castle first before it became a settlement. It has small and medium-sized houses and many manor houses, chapels and churches. Castelo de Vide was always in the front line during the various wars with Castille and later, at the time of the French Invasions, and has been razed several times.



Marvão

In the Alentejo plains stands a high mass of rocks of great geological interest. This is the site of the town of Marvão and its castle, which dominates the landscape from on high. From the castle there is a dazzling view of both Spain and Portugal. In addition to its picturesque, winding rows of houses, where



Baroque railings in the Spanish Estremadura style can sometimes be seen, the town also has a convent which was built in around 1448, and two beautiful churches. The town and the castle function as a unit, perched on a steep summit which, in times gone by, served as a means of defence and nowadays is place in which to stand and dream.

Our Suggestions for Marvão

Walk along the Castle Walls

Climb up to the stone passageway that runs along the battlements and walk its entire length, circling the town. The view is absolutely amazing.



Alter do Chão

Situated at a crossroads at the village center, Alter do Chão's castle is more a castle-like palace than a fortress. It was built in 1359 by D. Pedro I. It has an irregular pentagon-shaped plan with three rectangular towers and two cylindrical ones. The over 400m high keep is located at the centre of the arms square, wherefrom we have a view over several miles in the surroundings. Near the councils headquarters, we find the famous Royal Stud Farm, founded by D. João V, where the Lusitano Horse is kept for breeding and improving. It was an important village under Roman occupation. Vestiges and ruins of ancient thermal stations can still be found next to the town in the archaeological site Ferragial dEl Rei.



Évora

History lies within the walls of Évora. Known as the museum-city, it was once occupied by Romans, Visigoths, Arabs who left its mark. Starting in the roman and moorish walls, we could continue by mentioning, the roman temple, the cathedral or even the nearby megaliths, as proof of what makes this main city of the Alentejo plain an UNESCO Heritage Site worth visit. Its main square is named after Geraldo the Fearless, the hero that fought off the Moors. It is also a prosperous university city full of character.



Our Suggestions for Évora

Cathedral

This is a grandiose building of considerable size which dates from the beginning of the 13th century and marks the transition from the Romanesque to the Gothic style. It still has the appearance of a fortification that is typical of this style.



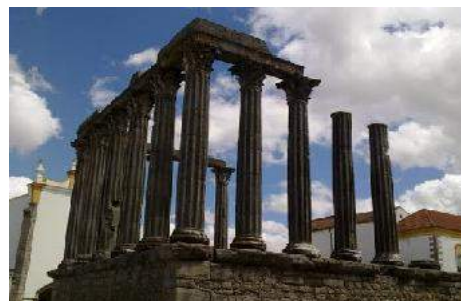
Visit the Almendres Cromlech

There are many passage graves and menhirs dotted here and there in the landscape surrounding Évora. Just a few kilometres outside Évora (in Herdade dos Almendres, Guadalupe) the most important and best preserved cromlech in the Iberian Peninsula can be seen.



Roman Temple

Often called the Temple of Diana it is, in fact, a temple that was built in honor of the Emperor. It is one of the most complete examples of a temple dating from this classic civilization that existed in the whole of Iberia.



Estremoz

Founded in 1258 by King Afonso III and also the residence of King Dinis for lengthy periods of time. Various political assemblies met here in the Middle Ages, including the courts of King João I.



Vila Viçosa

Vila Viçosa is a scrupulously clean town of the Alentejo, full of flowers and streets lined with orange-trees. This town was often at the centre of some of the most important moments in the country's history. The House of the Dukes of Bragança, the most powerful noble family after the

Royal Family, was established here. Vila Viçosa region is known for the marble, extracted and cut at more than 160 quarries, and internationally famous (especially the pink marble).



Lagos

Formerly called Lacobriga by the Romans, Lagos is located on a slope that descends gently to the mouth of the River Bensafrim. It was ruled by the Moors from the 8th century until the town was conquered by the Christians in 1250. During the time of the Portuguese maritime expansion Lagos was a very important port. Lagos, a fishing port and market town, is blessed with some of the area best beaches, and a variety of nightlife and activities.



Sagres

Called Sacrum Promontorium or the Holy Promontory in ancient times, it was dedicated to Saturn. This desolate and windswept cape, projecting into the raging sea, was considered a place that only the gods could frequent and there are megalithic remains in the area.



The promontory, with its wild and rare beauty, was the site chosen for a fortress that is now one of Portugal's most legendary spots. Legend has it that Henry the Navigator set up his navigation school here. Henry the Navigator was the leading strategist behind the Portuguese overseas explorations and for this reason Sagres is twinned with Cape Canaveral in Florida. The most south-westerly point in Europe, it is a vast space almost entirely surrounded by sea.

Arrábida Nature Park

Arrábida is one of the most beautiful natural areas of Portugal, with a stunning landscape wherever you look at. The 10.800 hectares of the Parque Natural da Arrábida (Arrábida Nature Park) is a space of rare beauty, in which one finds important flora and fauna species. The



uneven terrain, the Mediterranean climate and the very little amount of man-made traces in this park contribute to the unique conditions through which one can appreciate Nature's appeal in all its magnitude. Many activities are available: climbing, mountaineering, walks, and jeep tours can be organised for lovers of nature. You can also take a picnic in one of the two picnic parks.

Cascais

This fishing village and summer residence of the Portuguese Royal Court from the 19th century onwards, quickly became an elegant summer destination. This charming village surrounded by exclusive beaches and complemented with calm weather is a pleasant place to spend your holidays at any time of year.



Our Suggestions for Cascais

Stroll around Cascais Citadel and relax at the Marina

Built in the late 15th century, this fortress played an important role in the protection of Lisbon. The Cascais Marina is above all a beautiful upmarket resort by the sea. You can take a well-deserved break here. Take a small appetizer, which will surely whet your appetite for dinner at the many restaurants of the area.



3. Accommodation

Lisbon

Hotel Lisboa Plaza

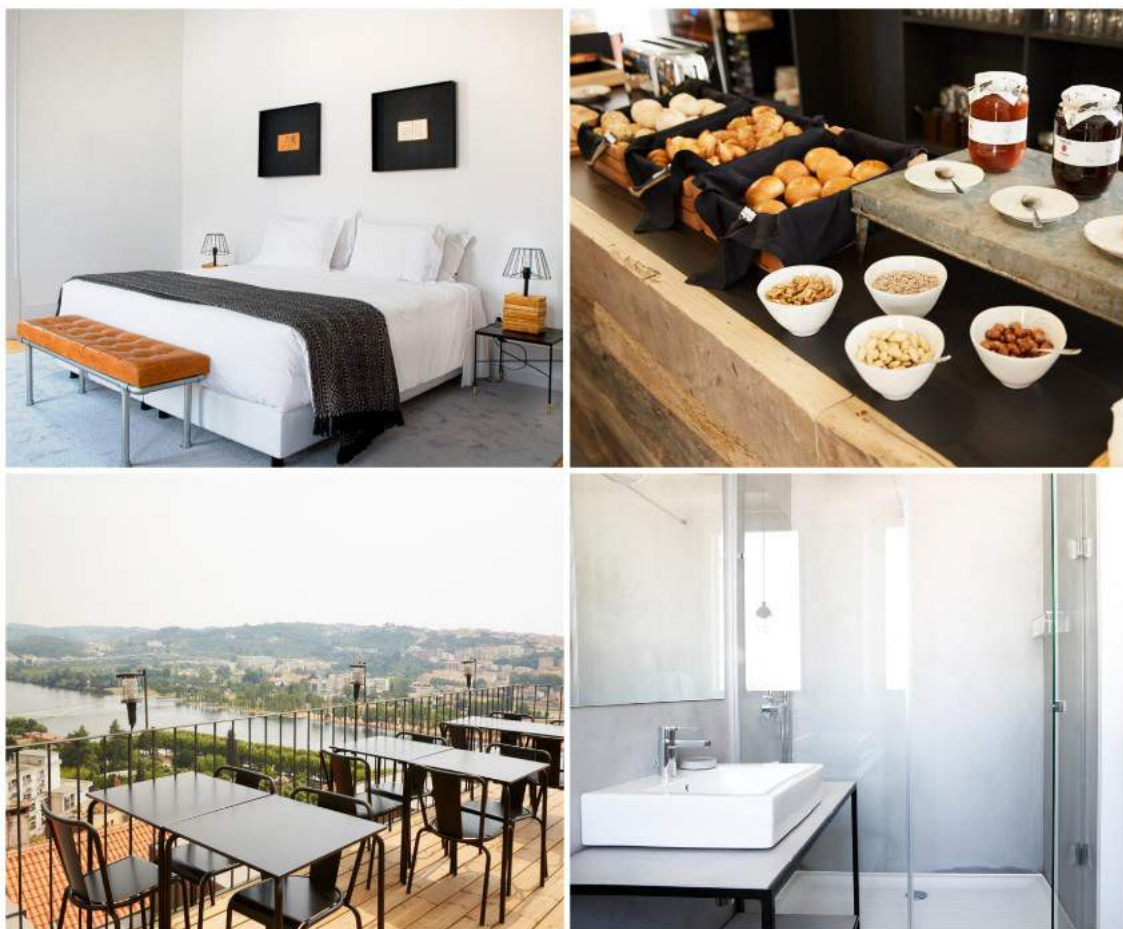
"Situating alongside the most cosmopolitan artery of the capital, Avenida da Liberdade, Hotel Lisboa Plaza is a place of shelter right in the heart of the city. Inaugurated in April 1954, the Lisbon Plaza has always been in the hands of the same family. The informal atmosphere makes you feel that you're in the company of friends. Designed to be a palace of distinction in the hustle and bustle of Lisbon of the 1950's, the Plaza reconciles modernity and comfort. Designed by Lucínio Cruz, the original features are characterised by ingenious, convenient solutions. Revitalised by the Atelier Graça Viterbo, the Plaza brings to mind memories of mansions. By dint of this harmony between the work of these national creators alongside impeccable service, the Lisboa Plaza reflects the character of Lisbon."



Coimbra

Sapientia Boutique Hotel

"Located in Coimbra, 300 m from University of Coimbra, Sapientia Boutique Hotel features air-conditioned rooms with free WiFi throughout the property. Guests can enjoy the on-site restaurant. Every room is fitted with a flat-screen TV. Some accommodations feature a sitting area to relax in after a busy day. All rooms are fitted with a private bathroom equipped with a bathtub or shower. For your comfort, you will find free toiletries and a hairdryer."



Porto

Dom Henrique Downtown Hotel

"Located in Porto's city centre, this recently renovated hotel offers a bar with panoramic views and a restaurant serving traditional Portuguese cuisine. It is located in the centre of the entertainment district, with Clérigos Tower less than 5 minutes walk away and Aliados Avenue a 3-minute walk. It is 600 m away from Rua Santa Catarina and Via Catarina shopping venues.

Air-conditioned rooms at Dom Henrique Hotel are decorated with warm colours and modern furniture. All rooms have a minibar, satellite TV, and an en suite bathroom."



Belmonte

Pousada de Belmonte

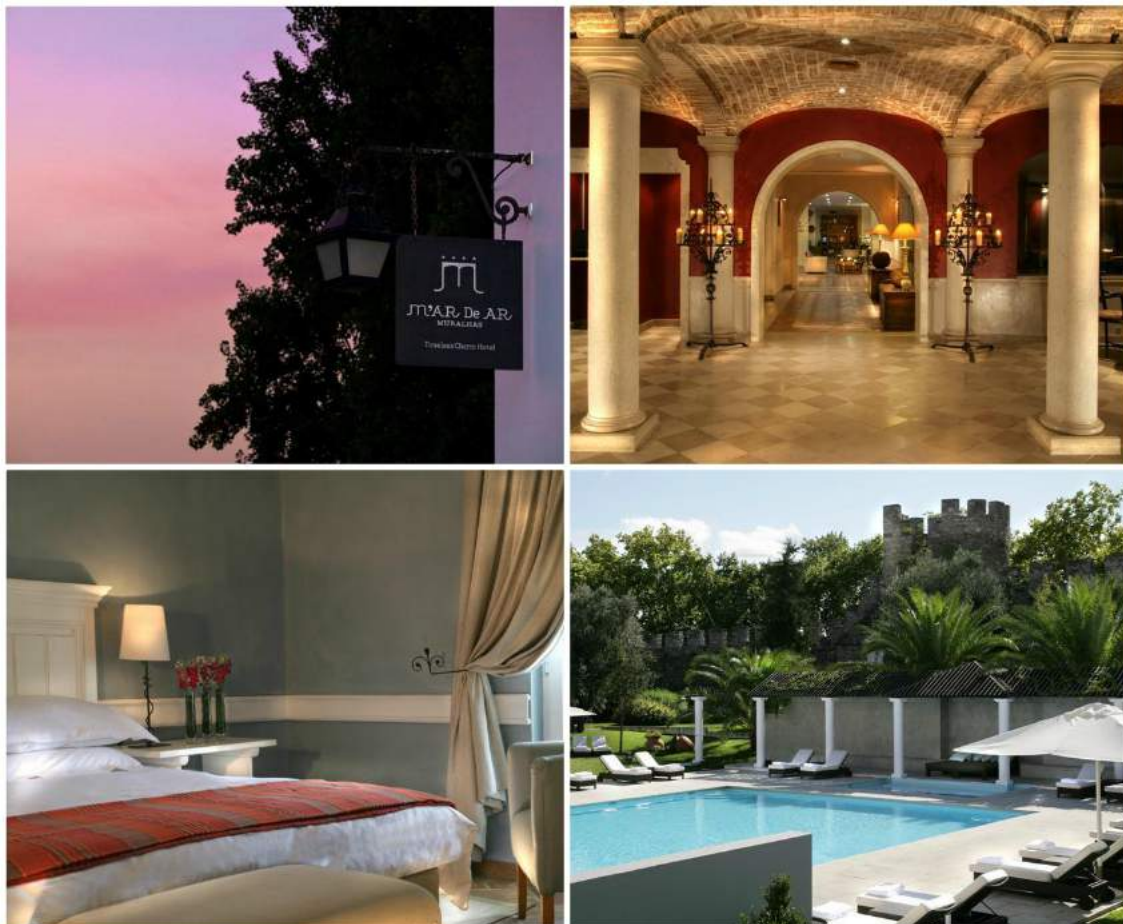
"Set on the slopes of the Esperança Mountain, at just over 1 km from the town of Belmonte, the Pousada Convento de Belmonte results from the renovation of the former Nossa Senhora da Esperança Convent. Inside, the chapel and sacristy have been converted into a lounge and bar a good example of the harmonious blend of historical architecture and modern construction and comfort. The Pousada has preserved the Monastery's historical nature intact (the sight was classified as a building of public interest in 1986), included the amphitheatre architecture layout in the pine woods on the slopes of Esperança's Mountain, and stunning landscape with views over the Cova da Beira region and Estrela's Mountain. "



Évora

Hotel M'Ar de Ar Muralhas

"The Hotel M'AR De AR Muralhas - Timeless Charm Hotel is the new name for the once well known Hotel da Cartuxa, operating since 1997 and now totally renovated. It is located right in the historic centre of Évora, a 5 minutes walk from the famous Giraldo Square, hub of this magnificent city and capital of the kingdom during the first years of the 16th century. With this privileged location the hotel benefits from an ample garden framed by the historic city wall, which gives the area an atmosphere of remarkable beauty, in particular at sunset. The swimming pool also takes advantage of this unique scenario, as well as the bar esplanade where you can enjoy the peace of the Alentejo nights under the natural planetarium. This surprising hotel offers 85 double rooms and 6 suites, and the restaurant "Sabores do Alentejo" where one can taste the local gastronomy under the signature of Chef António Nobre."



Lagos

Costa D'Oiro Ambiance Village

The Boutique Costa d'Oiro Ambiance Village is located only 3 minutes walk from Praia D Ana and Praia do Camilo. The historic city centre of Lagos is 1 km away. The spacious guest rooms & apartments are uniquely decorated in different styles, all focusing on a Mediterranean theme. There are 4 outdoor pools, 1 covered swimming pool during winter, massage room and free Wi-Fi. The "Restaurante do Village" offers bright, contemporary décor and a range of Portuguese dishes for breakfast, lunch and dinner.



Cascais

Pestana Cidadela Cascais

"This luxurious hotel, the Pestana Cidadela Historic Hotel & Art District, is set within the walls of the historical fortress of the emblematic 16th century Citadel of Cascais, in the centre of Cascais. It is a unique place where



ancient meets modern and some of the rooms are dramatically set into the former barracks, while others, more modern, enjoy spectacular views to the sea or over the interior plazas, turning each stay into a unique experience.

The Pestana Cidadela, is a world in itself with restaurants, bars, outdoor and indoor pool, wellness centre, business centre and ample meeting and conference facilities and now includes an Art District, turning it into the first hotel in Europe with a project of this nature. It goes without saying that all the rooms have air conditioning, multi channel Lcd televisions, wi-fi, safes, bathrobes and many other comforts. The Pousada is close to the centre of Cascais, beaches, shopping areas, parks and museums. Not so far away is the Casino at Estoril, the surfers paradise at Guincho, and of course Portugal's capital city, Lisbon."



4. Other Services Included

Pre-programmed GPS - Five clicks to every destination

As part of our self-guided tours, we will provide you with a GPS which will be pre-programmed according to your itinerary on a day-by-day basis. You do not have to be a technology expert, nor have to enter by hand any city names, addresses or coordinates. All you have to do is to start the engine, turn on the GPS and be prepared to enjoy your day with just a few clicks of the GPS.



Travel Kit

Our kit includes:

- **Exclusive 300 pages Travel Guidebook** (our insider's guide, designed by our team);
- **Personalized Roadbook** (tips, suggestions and directions based on your interests and specific itinerary);
- **Portugal road map** (up to date road map of Portugal and Lisbon);
- **Reservation vouchers** for all items under price inclusions.



Help Line

While you are travelling with us, we will be just a phone call away should you need any **assistance, support, additional information**, or if you should just like to **check in along the way**.

Our helpline will be answered **between 8am and 10pm** by an English-speaking member of our team, available to speak with you for any advice or assistance that you may need or to let us know how things are going.



Welcome at the Airport & Transfer to your Hotel

On arrival our **Representative will be waiting for you at the airport** with a sign. The Representative will **help you at the airport** (e.g. luggage, exchange money or other information), **give you your Travel Kit** and **take you to your hotel**.



Private Guided Walking Tour in Lisbon

You will have the opportunity to experience a 3 hours Private Walking Tour in the historic neighborhood of Lisbon with our local guide, who will tailor the tour to your interests and pace and will let you know about its history, culture, traditions, food etc. From the modern Chiado and Baixa to the historic Mouraria and Alfama, embrace the capital city of Portugal and learn more about the city and the country! A complete and unmissable experience!!



Dinner with Fado

Enjoy a typical full course Portuguese dinner while listening to Fado music! Classified as World Heritage by UNESCO, Fado is one of the most emblematic features of the Portuguese culture! Not to miss!



Private Guided Walking Tour of Porto

You will have the opportunity to experience a 3 hours Private Walking Tour in the historic and famous city of Porto with our local and qualified guide, who will tailor the tour to your needs and will let you know about our history, culture, practices, cuisine etc. Get to know the picturesque Ribeira quarter, the iconic D. Luis I bridge, the Aliados Avenue and admire the scenic views over the Douro river. A complete and unforgettable experience!



Visit and Wine Tasting at a Port Cellar

Learn more about Port Wine and its production on a visit to one of the most reputed wine cellars in the area! You will also have the opportunity to taste some of the most exquisite Port wines!



Douro Cruise

For a different perspective on the Douro valley, enjoy a 2 hour panoramic cruise on the Douro River. You will cruise through the valley of countless vineyards and port houses. This is a relaxing trip with a spectacular scenery.



Wine Estate Visit with Lunch

This visit will start with a tour through the estate's winery and cellar. You will have a wine tasting followed by a delicious Lunch with wine included.



Kayak Tour in Lagos

Go aboard the catamaran to be transported to your kayaking destination arriving refreshed and ready for your adventure. Experience the fabulous grottos and the stunning coastline from the sea. A must-do trip for every visitor in Lagos!



Transfer Hotel - Airport

A driver will pick you up at your hotel and take you to the airport.

Rental Car - Group I - Manual Van (Ford S Max or similar) - 7 seats

Air conditioned

Manual transmission

5 doors

7 seats



(Image is representative of car type, not necessarily that specific car)

5. Price Information

The total price for 4 people is: **8478.00 euros**

Price per person: 2119.50€

All discounts applied and valid until February 14th

****An urgent decision is required in order guarantee availability and prices**

Price Inclusions

- ◆ 14 nights of accommodation (breakfast included at all hotels);
- ◆ 11 days of **Pre-programmed GPS according to your itinerary;**
- ◆ **Travel Kit:**
 - Personalized Roadbook;
 - Exclusive 300 page Travel Guidebook;
 - Portugal Road Map;
 - Reservation vouchers for all items under price inclusions.
- ◆ **In-country support via helpline (one member of our team will answer);**
- ◆ **Welcome at the Airport + Private transfer to your Hotel;**
- ◆ **Private Guided Walking Tour of Lisbon;**
- ◆ **Dinner with Fado - 3 course dinner with starters, wine service and Fado performance;**
- ◆ **Private Guided Walking Tour of Porto;**
- ◆ **Port Wine Cellar Group Visit + Wine Tastings in Porto;**
- ◆ **2h Douro Cruise in a traditional boat;**
- ◆ **Wine Estate Visit with Lunch included;**
- ◆ **Kayak Tour in Lagos;**
- ◆ **Transfer from your hotel to the airport;**
- ◆ **Rental Car - Group I - Manual Transmission, with AC (Ford S-Max or similar), provided by BUDGET including:**
 - One additional driver;
 - Unlimited mileage;
 - Basic protection package;
 - Theft protection;
 - Station Surcharge (e.g. Airport station), if applicable.
- ◆ V.A.T and all service taxes.

Price Exclusions

- ◆ All meals (except for breakfast and meals described in price inclusions);
- ◆ Early check-in and late check-out at all hotels;
- ◆ Extra activities that have not been previously booked through us;
- ◆ Entrance fees to museums and monuments (except if described in price inclusions);
- ◆ All flights;
- ◆ Travel insurance;
- ◆ Parking, tolls, gas, and other car expenses not described in price inclusions (does not apply to Private Driver services);
- ◆ Tourist accommodation tax charged at your accommodation on certain municipalities.
This tax is to be paid by the Guest directly to the hotel before the end of the stay and cannot be prepaid. It is then remitted directly to the city council by the hotels;
- ◆ Personal expenses and additional expenses in case of force majeure.

The prices and availability are subject to confirmation. Portugaltrails booking terms will be applied to all reservations. For further information please visit our website.

6. Contact Information

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7. Apendix

FAQs

Are there additional charges to use your service?

No. There is no additional cost for our services. The total price in our proposal will include our services.

How can I pay for my trip?

You can pay by bank / wire transfer or by PayPal.

We do not accept credit cards directly so as to keep it more secure for all involved. Credit cards can be used via PayPal. Alternatively, we suggest a bank / wire transfer. Pending your choice, we will either forward a secure link from PayPal requesting the deposit, or our bank information.

How will I know when my tour is booked?

You will receive a confirmation email from Portugal Trails as well as your receipt of deposit.

How can I cancel my tour?

To cancel your tour you just have to send an email to your travel consultant requesting the cancellation.

What happens if I cancel my tour?

If you cancel 5 working days or more prior to your arrival, your cancellation will be free of charge.

If you cancel within 5 working days of your arrival, you will receive a full refund with the exception of the first two days of hotels and services. In case of Force Majeure, we will gladly work with you to either reschedule the tour, or try to obtain a full refund

If you do not show at hotels, activities or services the full amount will be charged.

For further information please check our Booking Terms on www.portugaltrails.com.