



14 Days Itinerary

Two Week Portugal Adventure: Porto, Lisbon, Algarve

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Gratuities in Portugal, while extremely welcome and appreciated, are not as much 'expected' as they are in other countries and are totally optional.

If you are happy with the service you have enjoyed and would like to show your gratitude to the people who made it a very special experience for you here below you can find the amounts we recommend for Tour Guides, Drivers and other special services.

Tour Guide Half Day Euro 20.00

Tour Guide Full Day Euro 30,00

Driver Half Day Euro 20.00

Driver Full Day Euro 30.00

Housekeeping staff 2 Euro/day

Hotel Staff, such as porters, should be tipped about 50 cents per bag for taking your bags to/from your room.

The above amounts are to be considered per service and not per person. Fiscal laws in Europe are extremely tough on this matter and this is the reason why these amounts cannot be included in the service costs and have to be paid in cash directly to the suppliers.

If you would like to ‘tip like a local’ at bars and restaurants then we suggest just leaving the change ie if your meal costs Euro 56 then just leave Euro 4; if the meal costs Euro 92 then just leave the Euro 8 change.

Day 1

Depart from US

Day 2



InterContinental Porto-Palacio das Cardosas

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Praca da Liberdade 25 Porto 400-322 Portugal

3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

A SENSE OF HERITAGE and AUTHENTICITY IN THE HEART OF THE CITY. In the heart of Porto's World Heritage city center, the InterContinental Porto - Palacio das Cardosas is located in one of the most iconic 18th-century buildings. Its prestigious facade compliments a beautifully renovated interior, by Alex Kravetz, characterized by elegance and contemporary luxury.

The hotel benefits the best location in the city for both leisure and business travelers; walking distance from the major touristic attractions such as Clerigos, Lello library, Palacio da Bolsa, Ribeira, and the Douro River. Porto is one of Europe's oldest tourist destinations and was elected this year as the Best European Destination.



PORTO, PORTUGAL

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Porto Basic Information

Porto, Portugal's second-largest city, sits on the steep north bank of the Douro River, 195 mi/310 km north of Lisbon. It has an interesting port area and a nice, old-world feel to it, especially among the ochre and brown tenements stacked high on the slopes above the river. Porto's history predates the Roman occupation—in fact, Portugal took its name from the town.

There's a famous saying that sums up how the Portuguese feel about Porto (sometimes referred to as "Oporto"): "Coimbra sings, Braga prays, Lisbon shows off and Porto works." Porto dates back to the fourth century when Romans ruled the day. Over the centuries, Porto developed along the hills overlooking the Douro river estuary; even today, a city stroll along the steep streets can turn into quite a workout.

Notably, in 1996, Porto's historical Ribeira district was awarded World Heritage status by UNESCO. Porto was named the 2001 European City of Culture. To celebrate, the city opened a photography museum (housed in a 19th-century prison) and an orchestra hall, and the entire city received a thorough freshening-up.

For more information please see the Porto Guide in the "Guides" section of your travel app.



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Porto Food and Wine Tour

Explore northern Portugal's rich gastronomic history on a food tour around the Bolhão Market in Porto. Taste several regional specialties as you explore the various tascas—taverns—and food spots. Sample 10 traditional snacks including cheese, smoked sausages and learn about each dish from your informative guide.

Experience the rich gastronomy of Porto on a 4-hour tasting tour Sample 10 regional snacks Learn about each dish and its history from your informative guide.

Included - All snacks and drinks of the tour.

Departure Point São Bento Station, Praça de Almeida Garrett, 4000-069 Porto, Portugal

Traveler pickup is offered We pick up by foot from all places, if in the city center. Please inform if you prefer to be picked up at your accommodation,...

Day 4



Transfer and Tour Porto - Obidos - Lisbon

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8:30 AM

Start Time

Private Transfer Porto to Lisbon with stop in Obidos

Obidos is considered to be one of the finest examples of a Portuguese walled town. Historically, Obidos was presented to the Queen of Portugal on her wedding day, a tradition that began with Queen Urraca in 1214 and continued until the 19th century.

This royal patronage has left an enduring legacy of pride within the town, and today it is one of the most characterful towns of central Portugal. Walk along the narrow cobbled streets, traditional painted houses, and an imposing medieval castle.

Day 5

Private Duoro Valley Tour

9:30 AM

Start Time

Meeting Point

Hotel Pick Up

Start Time

9:30 AM

See and taste the best of Portugal's Douro Valley on this guided tour from Porto. The Douro Valley is a magnificent region classified as a UNESCO World Heritage site and known for the production of its famous Port wine. Choose from lunch in a local winery, a picnic in the vineyards, or lunch (own expense) at a DOC restaurant run by a top chef of the area.

Take a Rabelo cruise in the heart of the Douro Valley on a traditional boat used for centuries to transport Port wine to the cellars in Vila Nova de Gaia. All transportation is in a comfortable, luxury van, or convertible car.

Begin your tour of the Douro Valley region with convenient pickup at your Porto hotel at 9:30am.

The itinerary for the 9-hour day will reflect the interests of the group. Depart for Pinhão, passing through scenic countryside and stopping at impressive viewpoints on the way.

Tour the International City of Vine and Wine, Peso da Régua, and Mesão Frio, then travel along the Douro River to Pinhão. Visit the railway station, where you can see the painted tile walls decorated with regional murals. Stop at a wine estate to taste the DOC Douro wines and Port. Choose to have a picnic in the vineyards or lunch in a traditional restaurant, then embark on a 1-hour Rabelo cruise on a traditional boat. At the conclusion of your 9-hour day (approx.), you'll get dropped off back at your Porto hotel.

Included:

9-hour tour of the Douro Valley Transportation in a luxury van
River cruise on a traditional boat
Wine tasting
Hotel pickup and drop-off in Porto

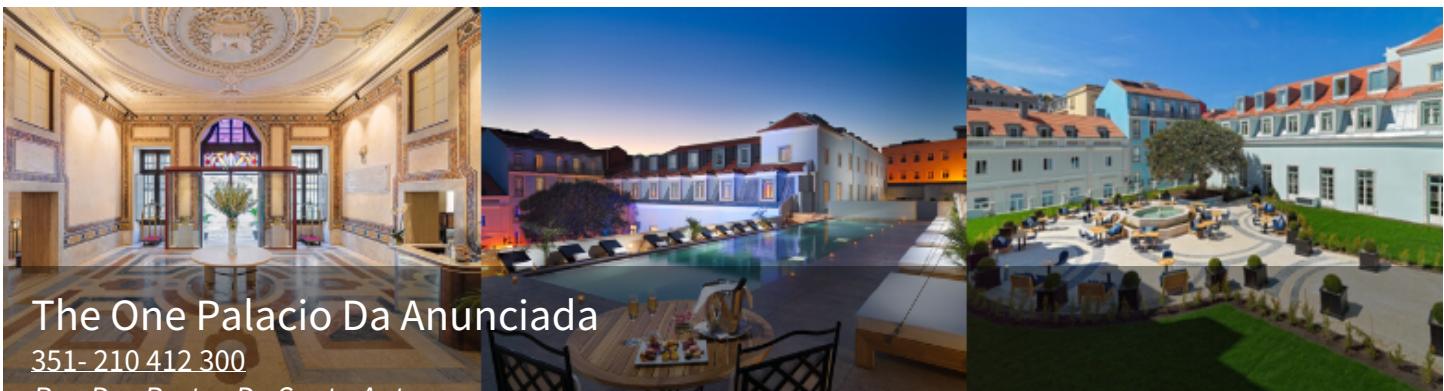
Day 6



Notes

Pick up at airport, drop off at hotel in Cascais:
Flight tracking, waiting + meet & greet inside airport.

Your driver will be waiting inside with a sign stating "Kutz"



The One Palacio Da Anunciada

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Lisbon 1150-268

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THE ONE PALÁCIO DA ANUNCIADA

Lisbon, Portugal

3:00 PM

Check In

12:00 PM

Check Out

With a privileged location in Lisbon most exclusive area -is a new five star hotel housed in an old 16thcentury palace.The hotel has 83 elegant rooms a gastronomic restaurant an outdoor pool- the Despacio Spa at The One and unique spaces for events.

Day 7



Option 1: Wine Tasting in Colares, visit to Cabo de Roca and Azenhas

1:00 PM

Start Time

Meeting Point

Hotel lobby

Today you will have a 1pm pick up at your hotel. Your driver will take you to visit the cape and Azenhas Do Mar for beautiful sightseeing. After this you will head to a local winery to participate in an authentic wine tasting and visit to the vineyards for approximately 2hours. After the wine tasting your driver will take you back to your hotel.

Colares produces what may well be Portugal's most distinctive still wines. The reds, made of the ramisco grape, are high in acid and powerfully tannic, so much so that they are aged for years in the cellars before they are released. The white wines — made from the malvasia de Colares grape, which is genetically distinct from other grapes called malvasia — are fresh, rich and likewise herbal and saline with depth and character. They do not require quite as much aging as the reds;

Colares is a traditionally prestigious wine region situated on Portugal's central Atlantic coast. It is famous as much for its sandy, phylloxera-free soils and ungrafted vines as the robust, tannic red wine it produces from the area's Ramisco grape.

Located at the southwestern tip of the Lisboa region, Colares and its vines lie within two miles of the Atlantic Ocean. The nearby Cabo de Roca point is the westernmost point in continental Europe, described by Portugal's greatest poet Luis de Camoes as onde a terra se acaba e o mar começa ("where the land ends and the sea begins"). The coastal DOC is just northwest of the city of Lisbon, and the more popular Alenquer and Bucelas DOCs lie inland, sheltered by the Serra de Montejunto hills.



Option 2: Half-Day Lisbon Tour and Baking Class

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Meeting Point

Hotel Pick Up

Half-Day Lisbon tour and baking class

This private half-day tour of Lisbon's highlights includes most of the sights of interest along with a well-balanced combination of driving and walking and offers a comprehensive view of the city, including its main monument: the Jeronimos Monastery.

See the main sights without wasting tour time parking! This tour has a separate guide and driver. You are dropped off / picked up close to the sites of interest and your guide is always with you at sights.

Start your private Lisbon half-day tour with a convenient pick-up at your Lisbon hotel. You'll head to Alfama, the oldest district of Lisbon and one of the most typical, once the Moorish and Jewish quarter. There, you will see its 12th-century Cathedral (Sé), before continuing on to a magnificent viewpoint overlooking the medieval district, Saint George Castle, Lisbon, and the Tagus river.

You then travel up to Belem, the emblematic district of the Portuguese Discoveries. With your guide, you will visit the church of the Jeronimos Monastery and stop for photos and guide notes at the Tower of Belém and the majestic Monument to the Discoveries. Also, don't miss the chance to taste the delicious and one-of-a-kind "Pastéis de Belém" (Belém Pastry - own expense).

This panoramic tour with a dedicated live guide will pass the heart of Lisbon - Avenida da Liberdade, Restauradores, Rossio Square and Pombaline Downtown - where you'll get to know the Lisbon Great Earthquake 1755 details.

Then you'll go inside the kitchen of João's family-run bakery in downtown Lisbon, which won 3rd Best Pastel de Nata in Lisbon in 2018. This is where you will learn how to bake authentic and irresistible Portuguese Custard Tarts - aka Pastel de Nata!

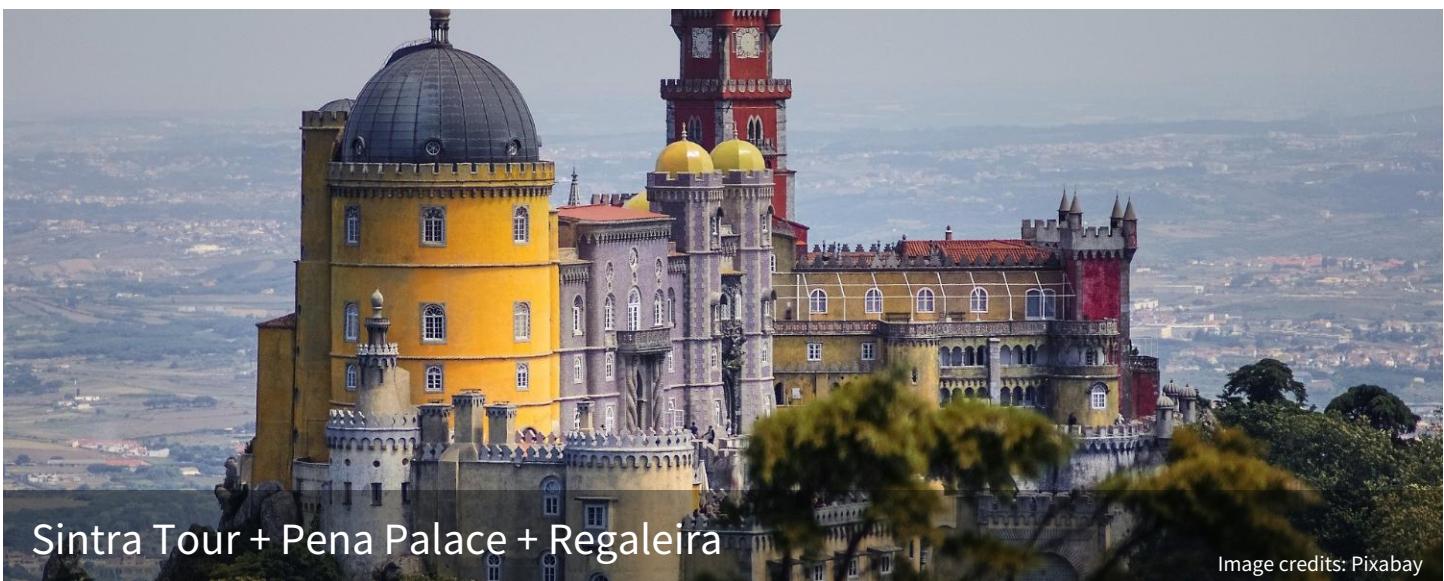
This class is open to all levels, even if you don't have previous baking experience. If you like sweet treats, we like you!

We'll make puff pastry from scratch like the pros do, cook the creamiest custard ever, and bake it all inside a professional oven. Meanwhile, João will entertain us with stories about his life as a baker.

In the end, we'll eat the warm tarts along with coffee or, even better, some sour cherry liqueur served inside an edible chocolate cup, while hanging out with the other participants.

This class runs every day for 2 hours, between 2 PM and 4 PM, in small groups of up to 10 people.

Day 8



8:30 AM

Start Time

Full Day Sintra (Pena Palace + Regaleira entrance tickets included)

Pick up at your hotel in a comfortable vehicle for a transfer to the magical town of Sinta. Once you get to Sintra, you will be driven by its forested hillsides, enjoying a mystical walk into the depths of the Pena Park. At the top, your guide will go inside the Pena Palace with you.

After, you will have the chance to explore Sintra Old Town and taste some local delicacies like the "queijadas" and "travesseiros" (pastry). You can take your time walking its cobblestoned narrow streets, full of little shops with traditional Portuguese products.

You will then continue The Quinta da Regaleira, a decorative 20th century residence that is situated in the town of Sintra. The grand house is split over five floors and has an ornate gothic façade, but the real attraction is to the rear with the enchanting gardens. The gardens of the Quinta da Regaleira were styled to represent ancient secret orders, with hidden tunnels and concealed symbolism.



Explore Cascais

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Cascais (kush-kaish) has awoken from sleepy fishing village to much-loved summertime playground of lisboêtas. Cascais is known to as “The Town of Kings and Fishes” because it was a small fishing town that found favour with the 19th century Portuguese nobility, who came here for their summer retreat. Thanks to this fact, the town is uncommonly rich in beautiful architecture, free museums and carefully maintained parks, on top of which, it’s surrounded by a varied coastline of impressive cliffs and beautiful, intimate sandy coves.

The old town is home to the medieval Nossa Senhora da Luz Fort and the Citadel Palace, a former royal retreat. Nearby is the whitewashed Nossa Senhora da Assunção church, with glazed azulejo tiles. Paula Rego House of Stories shows the Portuguese artist’s paintings in a modern building.

Day 9

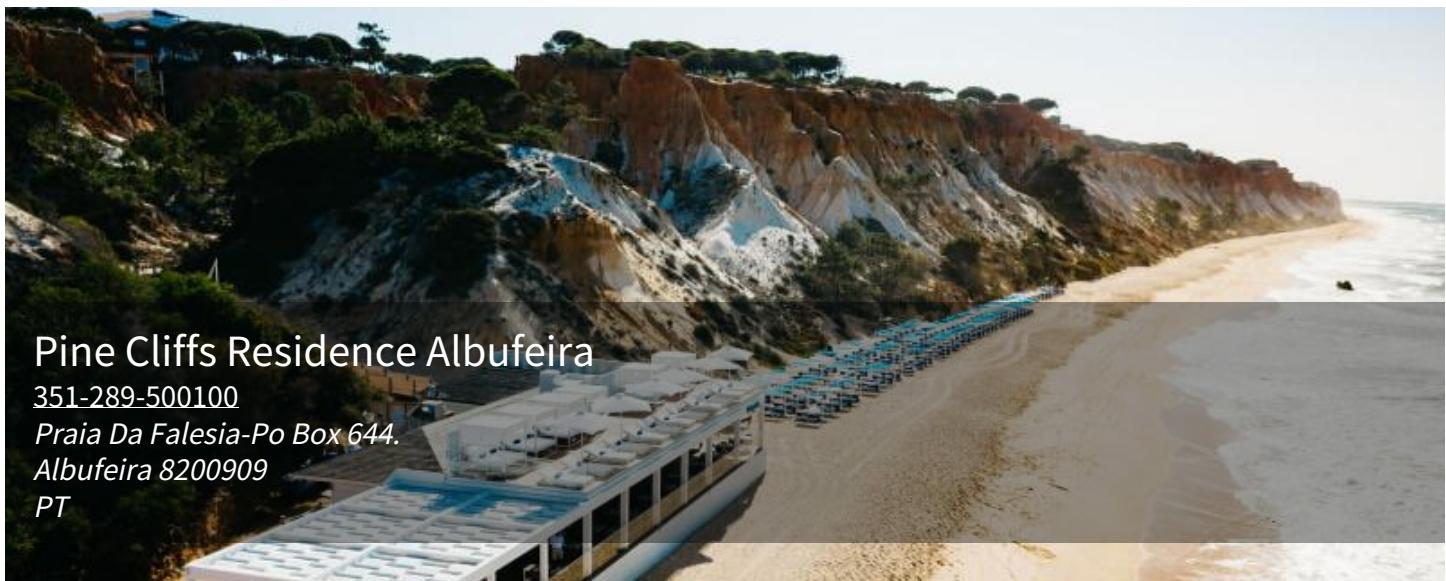


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9:30 AM

Notes

Your driver will pick you up in Cascais and drive you on a scenic and comfortable ride to your hotel in Carvoeiro.



4:00 PM	10:00 AM	4 Nights
Check In	Check Out	Duration

Year Built - 2007 Year Remodeled - 2016 Additional Property Description - Revel in lavish hotel accommodations with exceptional family amenities and services overlooking the southern coastline of the Albufeira area in Portugal at Pine Cliffs Residence, a Luxury Collection Resort, Algarve. Select from 154 spacious two and three-bedroom apartments with all of the comforts of modern living.

Whether opting for Comfort, Garden Access, or Penthouse accommodation, our rental apartments provide ultra-comfortable master bedrooms, spacious living and dining areas, well-equipped kitchenettes, laundry facilities, and furnished outdoor terraces or balconies.

Families will love the sandy beaches just a short stroll away and younger guests will enjoy Porto Pirata, one of the largest children's villages in Europe. Enjoy our hotel's selection of renowned fine restaurants, as well as indoor and outdoor swimming pools, a fitness club, a mini-market, Pine Cliffs Golf Course, and Annabel Croft Tennis Academy.

Pine Cliffs Residence, a Luxury Collection Resort, Algarve wants to make your stay flawless.



Benagil Caves Private Boat Experience

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Avenida Rio Arade 275, 8500-843 Portimão.

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9:00 AM

Start Time

Meeting Point

Avenida Rio Arade 275, 8500-843 Portimão.

1h30 min.

Please arrive 20 min early!

Visit 20 beautiful caves and beaches along the coast. Get to know breath-taking views and meet the mysterious inside of these caves. The highlight of the tour is the Algar de Benagil, one of the Top 10 caves in the world!

Praia de Benagil is a magnificent beach near Lagoa. The beach is most famous for its sensational cave called Algar de Benagil. This cave has a round hole in the ceiling that frames the beautiful blue sky inside. Today you will escape the crowds on your own private tour to the Bengagil Caves and get deeper into the caves and grottoes.

Leave from the historic harbor of Portimão and follow the Rio Arade to the Atlantic, passing fishing villages, medieval forts, lighthouses, and beaches on your way to the caves. The boat leaves in the morning from Portimão when the sea is very calm, in ideal conditions for an unforgettable caves trip. Start the trip in the historic harbor of Portimão. Follow the Rio Arade, passing the fishing village of Ferragudo and two Medieval forts entering the Atlantic Ocean. With motor power the boat turns South-East, past the lighthouse of Ferragudo, the beach of Caneiros, the Roman tower and smugglers cave. Along the coastline of Carvoeiro with the rock formations of Algar Seco, Praia Vale de Centianes, up to the lighthouse of Alfanzina. Along the beaches of Benagil.

Day 11



Visit Luz, Lagos, and Carvoeiro

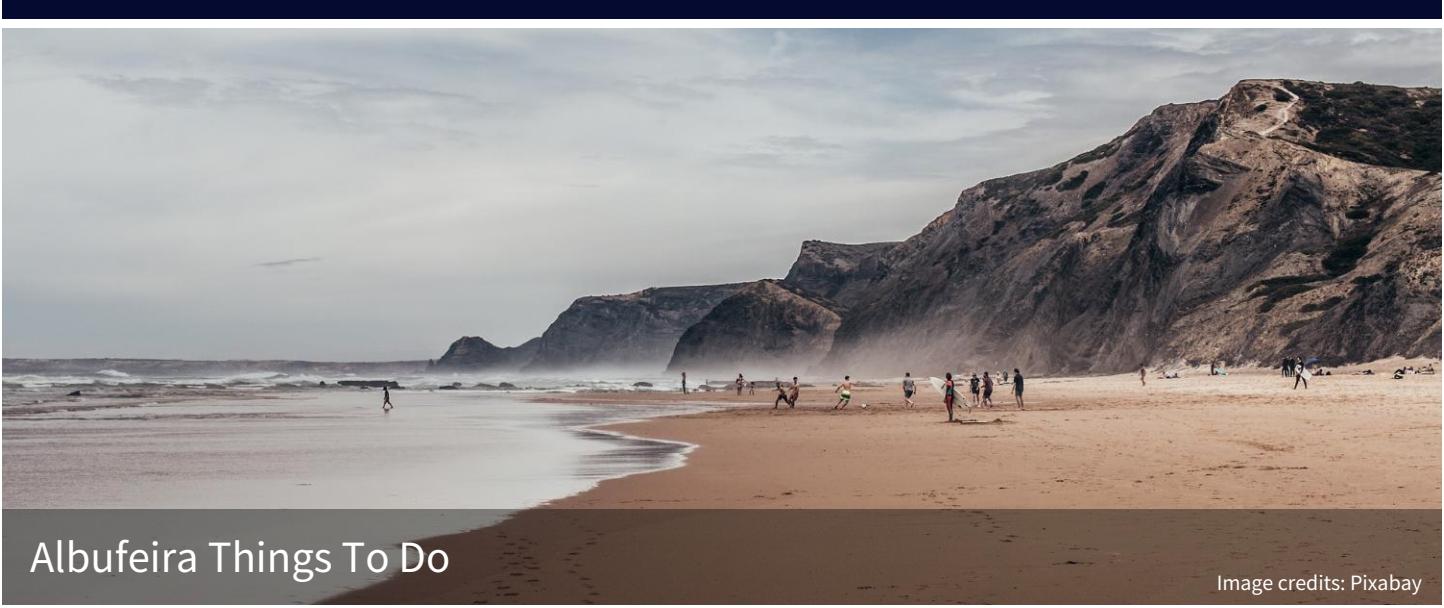
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Praia da Luz is located about 6 kilometers to the west of Lagos. Once a sleepy fishing village, Luz has largely hung up its nets. Since the 1980s the resort has expanded rapidly around the sandy beach which is now backed by rows of whitewashed apartments and villas, and a palm-lined promenade. It has to be said that despite all the development Praia da Luz still retains plenty of charm. The beach itself is a lovely stretch of fine sand that gently slopes into the usually calm sea.

Lagos is a town in southern Portugal's Algarve region. It's known for its walled old town, cliffs, and Atlantic beaches. Steep wooden steps lead to the sandy cove of Praia do Camilo. The nearby cliffs of Ponta de Piedade offer sweeping headland views and a lighthouse. Igreja de Santo António, an ornate 18th-century church, sits across from the Castelo dos Governadores, a castle with a baroque facade and watchtowers.

Carvoeiro is a picturesque and traditional Portuguese resort town, which is situated along a stunning coastline of golden beaches and dramatic natural scenery. Carvoeiro is a fantastic destination for visitors who are wishing a calm and relaxed holiday, within a characterful and charming town. The peaceful and welcoming ambiance of Carvoeiro makes it an ideal location for families during the summer or for retirees outside of the peak months.

Day 12



Albufeira Things To Do

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This Algarve-Coast whitewashed town sums up everything that's best about a holiday in Portugal. Calm waters, golden sands, endless seafood restaurants, and fine walks.

If you want action, you've got it in adventure parks and nightlife strips. If you need peace, you can easily find a patch of beach with your name on it.

Tourist-thronged Albufeira was once a sleepy fishing community, and you'll feel its roots in this cafe-lined square with its terracotta roofs, shaded by palms, in the heart of the Old Town. It's a great place to people-watch prior to a stroll through cobbled streets with whitewashed cottages and old Moorish arches. Stop for a coffee or a seafood lunch at a traditional restaurant such as Três Coroas, which has dreamy sea views from the open-air terrace.

Things To Do:

- 1 **Praia de São Rafael** - Golden sand, caramel-colored cliffs, rock stacks, and a seafood restaurant right on the strand secluded São Rafael beach is where the Portuguese go swimming. Like anywhere in the Algarve, it's crowded in high summer but arrive before 10am, and you can set up your own parasol (away from the pay-as-you-use sun lounger area). When it gets too hot, the restaurant serves good grilled fish and big jugs of passion fruit sangria.
- 2 **Praia da Falésia** - Stretching for more than 5km (3mi) between the Olhos de Água suburb and Vilamoura Marina, Falésia is the longest strand in Albufeira. It faces west, so the best time to visit is late afternoon as the sun sinks golden over the sea. It takes around two hours to walk the entire beach, stopping off for beer or *petiscos* (Portuguese tapas) at one of the handful of beach bars along the way.
- 3 **Jardim Público de Albufeira** - Tourist-thronged Albufeira was once a sleepy fishing community, and you'll feel its roots in this cafe-lined square with its terracotta roofs, shaded by palms, in the heart of the Old Town. It's a great place to people-watch prior to a stroll through cobbled streets with whitewashed cottages and old Moorish arches. Stop for a coffee or a seafood lunch at a traditional restaurant such as Três Coroas, which has dreamy sea views from the open-air terrace.
- 4 **Castelo de Paderne**: Visit one of the seven castles that graces the Portuguese flag: the Castelo de Paderne. Consisting of strong sandstone walls clustered on the top of a hill that commands arresting views over the nearby landscape, the castle is a great day trip from the town center. The castle is reachable on foot, and the hike to the fortifications is in itself a worthy attraction. It's a must for anyone interested in medieval history and Portugal's Moorish heritage.
- 5 **Praia Olhos da Água**. Set five kilometers away from the center of Albufeira and connected by local bus services, the wonderfully named "Eyes of Water" is a small pocket of sand wedged in a half-moon cove. Slightly more exclusive is picturesque than other nearby beaches. This is a great place for kids to explore when the tide is out; the ankle-high shallows and rock pools are a beachcomber's dream.
- 6 **Praia da Falésia**. Farther east, this beach is set under ochre-hued sandstone cliffs topped with clusters of umbrella pine, this is one of [Portugal's best beaches](#), renowned for its seemingly endless band of golden sand and shallow waters. You'll need a vehicle or driver to reach the out-of-the-way location.

Day 13



Fontecruz Lisboa Autograph Collection

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Avenida Da Liberdade 138

Lisbon 1250-001

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3:00 PM	12:00 PM	1 Night
Check In	Check Out	Duration

Year Built - 2012 Year Remodeled - 2012 Additional Property Description - Embrace thoughtfully-crafted, traditional Portuguese decor combined with modern luxury at our 5-star hotel in downtown Lisbon at Fontecruz Lisboa, Autograph Collection.

Situated on Avenida da Liberdade near Rossio Square and the Baixa District, our boutique accommodation is a contemporary oasis with access to the city's best transportation options, including a nearby metro station.

After you arrive, settle into our sophisticated rooms or suites with soundproof windows, sleek furnishings and complimentary high-speed Wi-Fi. Start your day in downtown Lisbon with a coffee on the outdoor terrace at Bistroa, our stylish restaurant with Portuguese specialties morning, afternoon and night. If traveling for business, reach for a higher level of success in our hotel's modern facilities with hi-tech AV equipment and space for 135 guests.

From an updated fitness center to 24-hour room service, our amenities and services will elevate any experience in Lisbon, Portugal at Fontecruz Lisboa, Autograph Collection.



As visitors to Portugal walk Lisbon's hills or take one of Lisbon's vintage trams they'll find restored medieval facades, wonderful art-nouveau buildings, black-and-white mosaic sidewalks (known as calcada), fine museums and plenty of modern shops.

Lisbon's citizens seem to have absorbed their city's many-sided character. Visitors can witness the popularity of fado, the melancholy music that developed in Lisbon in the early-19th century. Though the performers sing about tragedy and distant glory, the audience is very much a part of modern Lisbon—a flourishing, fashionable business and leisure center.

MUST SEE OR DO

Sights—Torre de Belem; Mosteiro dos Jeronimos; Padrao dos Descobrimentos; Se Cathedral; Elevador de Santa Justa; the view from Castelo de Sao Jorge.

Museums—Centro de Arte Moderna Jose de Azeredo Perdigao; Museu Nacional de Arte Antiga; Museu Calouste Gulbenkian; Museu Nacional dos Coches; Museu Nacional do Azulejo; Museu Berardo; Museu do Fado.

Memorable Meals—Seafood platter and steak sandwich at Sea Me; acorda de marisco (a seafood and bread dish) at Restaurante Pap'Acorda; meat dishes and Belgian beer at A Travessa; pastel de belem (custard tart) at Confeitaria de Belem.

Late Night—Barhopping in Bairro Alto; dancing the night away in one of the clubs in converted warehouses on Avenida 24 de Julho; a visit to Casino Lisboa.

Walks—A stroll through Alfama or Bairro Alto; window shopping in Chiado; a walk by the river in Parque das Nacoes or through one of the many parks and gardens.

Day 14



Transfer

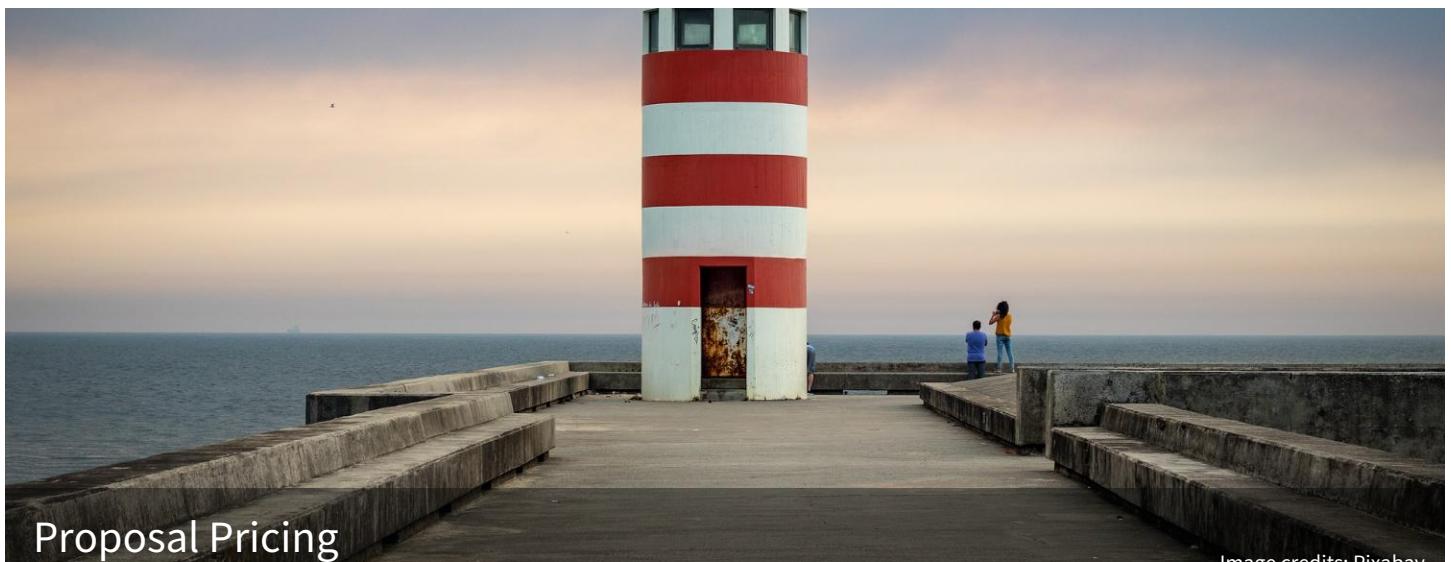
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9:45 AM

Departure

Notes

Pick up at your hotel and private transfer to Lisbon airport
Free wi-fi and bottled water on board



Proposal Pricing

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Total Package Price:

Hotels Included:

Activities Included:

EXCLUDES:

Lunch/meals
Activities not listed above
Incidentals and private purchases

Cancellation:

Full payment due by
30% non-refundable at time of booking
50 % non-refundable 45 days prior to travel
100 % non-refundable 14 days prior to travel

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