

# DESIGNER TOURS

## PORTUGAL – ITINERARY

Tour		The Discerning Tourist's Gentle and Mesmerising Portuguese Ramble			In Fare ?	
Day	#	Final Detailed Itinerary	Time	Activity		
1		Arrive Lisboa International Airport		^	no	
.		Taxi to the Pousada de Lisboa - 31-34 Praça do Comércio. (+/- 20 euro - no gratuity expected)		^	no	
.		Check into the Pousada de Lisboa (1756 - ex Domestic Ministry Building)		^	^	
.		Dinner with Portuguese Wines - at the Oldest Restaurant in Lisboa - Martinho Da Arcada	2000h	meal	yes	
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada de Lisboa	L1	accom	yes	
2		Coach departs for Full Day Tour	1000h	coach	yes	
.		- Full Day Guide Escorted Tour of Lisboa City, Belem, Cascais and Sintra		tour	yes	
.		- At Sintra - visit to The National Palace (14th Century) - once occupied by the Moorish Rulers	1600h	admit	yes	
.		- enjoy a casual light lunch break, and great alleyways shopping		free	no	
.		Coach departs for Lisboa (30 Minutes)	1700h	coach	yes	
.		Dinner own arrangements		meal	no	
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada de Lisboa	L2	accom	yes	
3		Lisboa - Free day for Sightseeing and Shopping. Suggested sites to visit are:-		free	no	
.		- Take a #15 Tram to Belem, and visit:-		^	^	
.		- Café Pasté - the original source of Pastéis de Nata (egg and custard tarts)				
.		- Torre de Belem (1515), a Manueline gem of a fortress - note the rope-stone & beautiful exterior		^	^	
.		- Discoveries Monument (1960) - for the 500th anniversary of the death of Henry the Navigator		^	^	
.		- Mosteiro dos Jeronimos (1501) - a Manueline Masterpiece, and location of the Vasco da Gama Tomb.		^	^	
.		Also a monument to the wealth of the Age of Discovery, built on "pepper money".		^	^	
.		- Take a Vintage #28 Tram tour through central Lisboa to Castelo de S. Jorge - walk the last 100 yds		^	^	
.		- Wonderful views and a great Castle. Then walk down to the central city, and en-route visit:-		^	^	
.		- The Museu de Artes Decorativas at Largo Portas do Sol 2				
.		- The "Se" (Cathedral) - a sturdy Romanesque Structure - beautiful rose windows.		^	^	
.		- Special - Tuesdays only - the Feira da Ladra Flea Market on Campo Sanat Clara in the Alfama area				
.		- Ride the Elevator de Santa de Justa and view the ruins of the Igreja do Carmo - earthquake 1755		^	^	
.		- Visit the Musea Calouste Gulbenkian - stunning art and sculpture exhibits		^	^	
.		Dinner own arrangements		meal	no	
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada de Lisboa	L3	accom	yes	
4		Lisboa - Free day for Sightseeing and Shopping. Suggested sites to visit are:-		^	^	
.		Depart for the Clube de Fado - 12 minute walk, or taxi for those who prefer	1945h	taxi	yes	
.		Dinner with Portuguese Wines - at the Clube de Fado		meal	yes	
.		An Evening of Traditional Portuguese "Fado" Singing Entertainment - ends 0200h		theatre	yes	
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada de Lisboa	L4	accom	yes	
5		Lisboa - Free morning for Sightseeing and Shopping.		free	no	
.		Coach departs for Alcacer do Sal (60 Minutes)	1200h	coach	yes	
.		Alcaser do Sal - Lunch Break and Village Walkabout. Visit the 18th Century Igreja Santa Antonio	1300h	free	no	
.		Coach departs for Alvito (70 minutes)	1430h	coach	yes	
.		Check into the Castelo de Alvito (15th Century Castle)	1600h	^	^	
.		Performance by a Traditional Alentejo Choral Group - in the Courtyard of our Castelo Alvito Hotel	1830h	theatre	yes	
.		Dinner with Portuguese Wines - at the Pousada Restaurant	2000h	meal	yes	
.		Accommodation and breakfast - Pousada Castelo Alvito	A1	accom	yes	
6		Alvito Tourism Office Guided Tour departs on a Walkabout Tour of Alvito:-	1000h	tour	yes	
.		- Guided Tour of the Village's Manueline Style Doorways and Frescos		^	tour	yes
.		- Guided Tour of the Igreja Matriz de Assuncao (16th Century Parish Church) - National Monument		^	admit	yes
.		- Guided Tour of the Ermida de S. Sebastio (16th Century Chapel) - National Monument		^	admit	yes
.		Lunch at the O Buraco Da Zorra Restaurant	1300h	meal	yes	
.		Afternoon free in Alvito:		free	no	
.		- Relax at the Hotel Pool; Stroll through and enjoy the tranquillity of the town		^	^	
.		- Enjoy an evening libation one of the town taverns, or at the kiosk bar on the town square		^	^	
.		Dinner own arrangements		meal	no	
.		Accommodation and breakfast - Pousada Castelo Alvito	A3	accom	yes	

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7		Coach departs for Viana do Alentejo (20min)	1000h	coach	yes
.		Viana do Alentejo Tourism Office Guided departs	^	tour	yes
.		- Guided Tour of the Castelo de Viana do Alentejo (1313)	1030h	admit	yes
.		- Guided Tour of the Santuario de Nossa Senhora Aires (1748)		admit	yes
.		Lunch at a local Viana do Alentejo Restaurant	1300h	meal	yes
.		Afternoon free in Alvito:		free	<b>no</b>
.		- Relax at the Hotel Pool; Stroll through and enjoy the tranquillity of the town		^	^
.		- Enjoy an evening libation one of the town taverns, or at the kiosk bar on the town square		^	^
.		Dinner - own arrangements		meal	<b>no</b>
.		Accommodation and breakfast - Pousada Castelo Alvito	A2	accom	yes
8		Coach departs for Vila Vicosa (134km)	1000h	coach	yes
.		- Stop at The Roman Sao Cucufate Ruins at Vidigueira (1st Century) - Tour	1030h	admit	yes
.		Coach departs for Monsaraz (60 minutes)	1130h	coach	yes
.		- Stop at Monsaraz. Free to roam the village and take lunch, suggested visits are:	1230h	free	<b>no</b>
.		- The Castle & Bullfighting Ring Ruins; the Chapel; Views over the plains to Spain 5km away		^	^
.		Coach departs for Redondo (60 minutes)	1430h	coach	<b>yes</b>
.		- Stop at Redondo - Village Walkabout - Shop and Museum of Pottery Legend João Mértola	1530h	free	<b>no</b>
.		Coach continues to Vila Vicosa (30 minutes)	1630h	coach	yes
.		Check into the Pousada Dona Joao IV (16th Century Royal Convent)	1700h	^	^
.		Tour of the Pousada Dona Joao IV within the Convento das Chagas	1900h	tour	yes
.		Dinner Venue - Chart Room within the Convento das Chagas	2000h	fee	yes
.		Dinner with Portuguese Wines (Privileged and Private, in the Pousada's extraordinary "Chapter Room")	2000h	meal	yes
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada Dona Joao IV	V1	accom	yes
9		Coach departs for Elvas (35km)	1000h	coach	yes
.		Full Day Guide Escorted Tour	1000h	tour	yes
.		- Portuguese Marble Sites: a very deep Quarry, a Cutting Works, the Marble Museum		admit	yes
.		- Stop at Terrugem - a Premier Cork and Leather Fashion Goods Outlet - shopping		^	^
.		- Stop at Vila Boim - The Leather Centre of Portugal - tour and shopping		^	^
.		- Stop at the 16th Century "Great Aqueduct", which still supplies Elvas		^	^
.		Elvas - free to roam the town and take lunch, suggested visits are:		free	<b>no</b>
.		- The Military Museum (This region, Middle ages, Restoration Period, 17th and 18th Century)		^	^
.		- The Castle (Roman-Moorish), rebuilt in 1126.		^	^
.		- The Nossa Senhora da Assunchao (ex cathedral) (Manueline works, 17th Century tiles)		^	^
.		Coach departs for Vila Vicosa (35km)	1400h	coach	yes
.		Dinner own arrangements		meal	<b>no</b>
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada Dona Joao IV	V2	accom	yes
10		Vila Vicosa - Free day for Sightseeing. Suggested sites to visit are:-		free	<b>no</b>
.		- A visit to the Palace of the Braganzas and a visit to the Castle - within the walls are:-		^	^
.		A delightful Archaeology Museum, set out in the inner-castle chambers and dungeon.		^	^
.		The Nossa Senhora da Conceicao (14th Century) - note the Gothic Virgin Mary image wearing a crown, the reason why, after 1646, Portuguese Kings no longer wore the "Crown of Royalty"		^	^
.		Dinner - own arrangements		meal	<b>no</b>
.		Accommodation and Breakfast - Pousada Dona Joao IV	V3	accom	yes
11		Coach departs for Porto (450km)	1000h	coach	yes
.		- Stop at Fatima - Lunch break and The Pilgrimage Centre of Portugal	1300h	free	<b>no</b>
.		Check into the Porto Vintage Pestana (16th Century, World Heritage Site)	1800h	^	^
.		Dinner - own arrangements		meal	<b>no</b>
.		Accommodation and breakfast - Pestana Vintage Porto Hotel	P1	accom	yes
12		Coach departs for a Guide Escorted Tour of Porto	1000h	coach	yes
.		Half Day Guide Escorted Tour of Porto	1000h	tour	yes
.		Barge departs for Douro River Cruise	1500h	tour	yes
.		Visit to the Porto Augusto's Port House - Tour and Tasting	1630h	drinks	yes
.		Dinner - own arrangements		meal	<b>no</b>
.		Accommodation and breakfast - Pestana Vintage Porto Hotel	P1	accom	yes

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13	Porto - Free day for Sightseeing and Shopping. Suggested (walking distance) sites to visit are:-		free	<b>no</b>
.	- The Se (12th Cathedral) and Treasury Museum		^	^
.	- note the beautiful rose window, and the gilded 17th Century painting of the Last Supper.		^	^
.	- Igreja da Misericordia - note the Fons Vitae (Fountain of Life) painting given by Manuel I in 1520.		^	^
.	- Gothic church of Sao Francisco (1300) - 200kg of gold used in the Baroque interior - amazing!		^	^
.	- note the important "Tree of Jesse" gilded carving showing the genealogy of Christ.		^	^
.	- Casa do Infante - birthplace of Henry the Navigator, now an archaeological museum & city archives		^	^
.	- Sao Bento Railway Station - note the magnificent tile depictions.		^	^
.	Visit the Transport Museum - has a great collection of motor cars, take the tram from Sao Francisco.		^	^
.	Visit the Tramcar Museum - take the tram from Sao Francisco.		^	^
.	Dinner - own arrangements		meal	<b>no</b>
.	Accommodation and breakfast - Pestana Vintage Porto Hotel	P1	accom	yes
14	Coach departs for Braga (45 minutes)	1000h	coach	yes
.	- Stop at The 11th Century Se (Cathedral). Note the graceful Galilee (porch)	1100h	admit	yes
.	- and the chapel with the ornate child tomb of Dom Alphonso, first-born son of King Joao I.		^	.
.	Coach departs for do Monte (15 minutes)	1200h	coach	yes
.	- Stop at The Bom Jesus do Monte - Portugal's Most Spectacular Religious Sanctuary.	1230h	admit	yes
.	- Relatively modern, dated 1722. Spectacular - 275 Metre Staircase.		^	^
.	Coach departs for Ponte de Lima (30 minutes)	1330h	coach	yes
.	- Stop at Ponte de Lima - Lunch break and Village Walkabout. Suggested sites to visit are:-	1400h	free	<b>no</b>
.	- The Roman Bridge over the River - a really special sight - on the other side a chapel and toy museum		^	.
.	- The Central Pedestrian Shopping areas		^	.
.	- The Prison Tower of 1359		^	.
.	- The Parish Church (1446)		^	.
.	Coach departs for Porto (60 Minutes)	1600h	coach	yes
.	Farewell Dinner with Portuguese Wines - at Avo Maria Restaurant (35 metres from the hotel)	2000h	meal	yes
.	Accommodation and breakfast - Pestana Vintage Porto Hotel	P1	accom	yes
15	Check out of the Pousada	1000h	^	^
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Accommodations		
Porto	- Pestana Vintage Porto	Ph +351-22-340-2300
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Alvito	- Castelo de Alvito	Ph +351-28-448-0700
Lisboa	- Pousada de Lisboa	Ph +351-21-040-7640

Schedule of costs which are Included and Excluded	Includ e	Exclud e	Cost
Number of days on tour	15	0	
Number of nights accommodation	14	0	
Number of coach trips	17	0	
Number of admissions	10	0	
Number of guide escorted tours	6	0	
Number of breakfasts	14	0	
Number of lunches	3	11	1 500
Number of dinners	5	9	2 200
Number of sundry events	2	0	
Visa fees		yes	
Travel Insurance		yes	
Total estimated minimum cost of non-inclusive expenses (in Rand)		R	3 700