

TIMELESS PORTUGAL COACH TOURS 2020

All prices are in Australian Dollars unless otherwise stated

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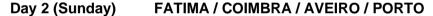
6 DAY NORTH OF PORTUGAL TOUR from Lisbon (CL5)

DEPARTS LISBON SATURDAYS 14 MARCH 2020 – 13 FEBRUARY 2020

Tour is guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 4 passengers.

Day 1 (Saturday) LISBON / OBIDOS / ALCOBAÇA / NAZARE / BATALHA / FÁTIMA

Depart Lisbon through a landscape rich with fruit trees and beautiful windmills. Arriving in Óbidos surrounded by medieval walls to admire the architecture, the handicrafts and taste some famous Ginginha (bitter cherry liqueur). Next is Alcobaça with the first and largest gothic church in Portugal, housing the tombs of D. Pedro and Inês de Castro, known for their love story. Following this enjoy a stop in Nazaré, a typical fishing village, before continuing to Batalha to visit the Monastery of Santa Maria de Victoria - a masterpiece of the Gothic style. Visit the tomb of Henry the Navigator, promoter of the maritime discoveries. Upon arrival into Fatima visit the famous Marian Shrine with the possibility to assist in the Candle procession. Accommodation. (B)



Today, depart for Coimbra, visit of the one of the oldest Universities in the world! Visit its magnificent baroque library with ancient traditions, such as the black cape of the students and the melancholic Fado music. Next visit the St. Clara Church and the tomb of Queen St. Isabel" and in the city centre admire the ceramics of Coimbra. In the afternoon continue to Aveiro, the city of the canals known as the "Portuguese Venice", there will be time to see the "moliceiros" boats and taste the local sweets "ovos moles". Continue to Porto. Accommodation. (B)



Day 3 (Monday) PORTO / GUIMARÃES / BRAGA / PORTO

This morning, enjoy a tour of Porto, declared a world heritage city by UNESCO. Tour the riverside, old houses, palaces, churches and enjoy some Port wine! Continue to Minho, a region of northwest Portugal that offers lush green sceneries and sparkling "green wine". Start in the city of Guimarães, birthplace of the 1st king of Portugal, and walk through the historic centre. Visit the Sacred Hill, adorned by a Castle as well the Palace of the Dukes of Bragança, the original building dates back to the 15th century. Next drive to Braga known as the "Portuguese Rome" for its concentration of religious architecture, visit the oldest Cathedral in the country and the "Bom Jesus do Monte". Accommodation. (B)

Day 4 (Tuesday) PORTO

Today is at leisure. Optional activities available. Accommodation. (B)

Day 5 (Wednesday) PORTO / AMARANTE / VILA REAL / VALE DO DOURO / LAMEGO / URGEIRIÇA

Depart for Amarante, a pretty town in the region of São Gonçalo, known for the promotion of love and marriage; next drive to Vila Real to visit the gardens of the manor of Mateus. Following this enter the Port wine region, travelling through vineyards and the breathtaking landscapes of the Douro Valley. Stop in Lamego, overlooked by one of Portugal's most important shrines, "N. S. Remédios". Maybe try one of the







local delicacies the famous "Bola de Lamego". Continue to the mountainous hinterland and Viseu, the centre of the Dão Vineyards and a city connected with Portugal's oldest hero, Viriato, the Lusitanian chief. Arrival to Urgeiriça. Accommodation. (B)

Day 6 (Thursday) URGEIRIÇA / BUSSACO / TOMAR / LISBON

Drive through the heart of Portugal to Bussaco, well known for the dense forest and plants of exotic beauty, continue onto Tomar. The city of Tomar is closely linked to the Order of the Templars, who received these lands in 1159 as a reward for the assistance they gave Dom Afonso Henriques (the First King of Portugal). It was Dom Gualdim Pais, the first Grand Master of the Order in Portugal, who founded the castle and the remarkable Convent of Christ inside. Enlarged and altered over the centuries, this retains the influences of various architectural styles; it is the centrepiece of the city and classified as a World Heritage site by UNESCO. Continue to Lisbon. END OF TOUR. (B)

2020 Departure Dates Saturday	2021 Departure Dates Saturday	Per Person in Twin / Double	Per Person In Single
March: 14			
April : 4, 18			
May : 2, 16			
June: 6, 20		ALID 4600	ALID 4055
July: 4, 18		AUD 1690	AUD 1955
August: 1, 15			
September: 5, 19			
October: 3, 17			
November: 14	January: 16	ALID 1660	ALID 1065
December: 12	February: 13	AUD 1660	AUD 1865

Regular departure seat-in-coach tour by air-conditioned vehicle with multilingual escort/guides.

Tour is guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 4 passengers.

Tour departs central Lisbon (Marques de Pombal square)
Pick-up from selected Lisbon hotels may be included.
Pick-ups available at extra cost from other locations.

Tour Includes:

Accommodation in 4* Hotels; daily breakfasts (B) Entrances fees: Batalha Monastery, Coimbra University, Palácio da Bolsa (Porto), St. Francisco Church (Porto), Gardens of Palacio Mateus, Convent of Christ (Tomar)

Additional Information:

Passport details are required in advance Tourist city taxes (in applicable cities) are to be paid locally

Generally, coach tours in Portugal use local guides in cities and destinations visited. Tours are also normally accompanied by a multilingual tour escort unless they are specifically listed as only 'English Speaking'. Your tour may comprise a combination of tours and other participants in your tour may be going to or leaving for other destinations. Your tour escort may also change during the course of your program. Your fellow travellers could be from all over the world, speaking various languages. Tour information and descriptions will be given in English, and possibly Spanish and other language(s) depending on those spoken by tour participants.

THE OPERATOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ALTER HOTELS OR ITINERARY IF NECESSARY



