



# Go Ahead Tours



## Portugal: Porto, the Algarve & Lisbon

with Lisbon extension

**9** DAYS

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## YOUR TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

- 7 nights in handpicked hotels
- 7 breakfasts
- 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 5 guided sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

## INCLUDED HIGHLIGHTS

- Porto's Old-World Ribeira district
- Douro riverfront
- Stock Exchange Palace
- Coimbra
- Évora's Chapel of Bones
- Sagres Fortress
- Jerónimos Church

## GROUP SIZE

15 – 38

## TOUR PACE

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 1.5 hours daily across uneven terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with some hills.



## Tap into Portugal's sunny, seafaring spirit.

Journey through the cities and coastal villages that were once home to some of the greatest explorers the world has ever known. Sip Port in the city it's named for and soak up the historic neighborhoods along the Douro River. Coast from beaches to tranquil fishing towns in the Algarve, and end your stay in Portugal's colorful capital city.



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# Itinerary

## Overnight Flight | 1 NIGHT

### Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Porto today.

## Porto | 2 NIGHTS

### Day 2: Arrival in Porto

*Included meals: dinner*

Welcome to Portugal! Settle in to your hotel in the heart of this 2,000-year-old, UNESCO-listed city. Later, meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at a welcome dinner.

### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Porto

*Included meals: breakfast*

Get to know Porto like a true *tripeiro* (Porto resident) as you follow your local guide.

- Wander through the medieval lanes of the Old-World Ribeira district and along the picturesque Douro Riverfront
- Pass citywide icons, such as the Baroque-style Clérigos Tower, the Gothic São Francisco Church, and the wrought-iron Maria Pia Bridge
- Step inside the city's famed neoclassical Stock Exchange Palace

Enjoy a free afternoon in Porto or add an excursion.

*+ Douro River Cruise & Port Wine Cellar*

## Évora | 1 NIGHT

### Day 4: Évora via Coimbra

*Included meals: breakfast*

Drive south and stop to explore Coimbra on a guided walking tour of the city's chapel and the country's first university. Later, settle in to your hotel in Évora.

## The Algarve Region | 2 NIGHTS

### Day 5: Sightseeing tour of Évora & transfer to the Algarve Region

*Included meals: breakfast, dinner*

Before making your way to the sun-soaked Algarve region, follow a local guide as you stroll through the streets of UNESCO-recognized Évora, one of Europe's oldest continuously inhabited cities.

- Take in the region's whitewashed homes and intricate tilework
- Pass the remains of the Roman temple and enter the Chapel of Bones
- Stop at the Alentejo Cork Factory for a tour to get a closer look at the way corks are made

Continue on to the Algarve region and sit down for an included dinner.

### Day 6: Lagos, Sagres & Cape St. Vincent

*Included meals: breakfast*

Discover the white-sand beaches, dramatic coastline, and small towns of the Algarve region, southern Portugal's beachy hot spot.

- Visit the seafaring towns of Lagos and Sagres, as well as Cape St. Vincent
- Admire stunning views of the sea from Sagres Fortress

## Lisbon | 2 NIGHTS

### Day 7: Transfer to Lisbon & sightseeing tour

*Included meals: breakfast*

Get to know the Portuguese capital on a tour with a local guide.

- Admire views of the city from Eduardo VII Park, then pass the Plaza del Marqués de Pombal and the Mouraria District
- Discover the city's maritime heritage at the Monument to the Discoveries and Tower of Belém
- Enter Jerónimos Church, which was built to honor voyagers
- Walk through Chiado square to the Baixa district in the heart of the city

Enjoy a free afternoon in Lisbon or add an excursion.

*+ Fado Dinner & Show*

### Day 8: Free day in Lisbon

*Included meals: breakfast, dinner*

Spend a free day exploring Lisbon or add an excursion. Later, celebrate your trip with your group at a farewell dinner.

*+ Sintra & the Portuguese Riviera*

### Day 9: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home or extend your stay in Lisbon.

## Post-tour extension

### Lisbon | 2 NIGHTS

#### Day 9: Free day in Lisbon

*Included meals: breakfast*

Enjoy another free day in Lisbon or add excursions.

*+ Lisbon Home-Hosted Dinner*

*+ Religious Heritage of Tomar & Fátima*

#### Day 10: Free day in Lisbon

*Included meals: breakfast*

Spend the day exploring at your leisure or add an excursion.

This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

*+ Old World Portugal: Medieval Óbidos and Nazaré*

#### Day 11: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Extension is available on select departure dates. Space is limited. Minimum of 10 travelers is required.

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## Customize your experience

Create a more personal journey by adding optional excursions that speak to your interests.

Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose—you're free to do as much or as little as you'd like. Save \$10\* when you book your excursion up to 3 days before your tour departs. Please note: Excursions that require advance reservation will only have this discounted price listed. Call or go online to start customizing your tour:

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### Day 3: Douro River Cruise & Port Wine Cellar |

*\$69/\$79\* (3.5 hours, departs in the afternoon)*

Float along the beautiful Douro, the Iberian Peninsula's third-longest river. Take in scenes of Porto's vibrant waterfront and historic Villa Nova de Gaia, home to the region's centuries-old Port wine warehouses. As you cruise, you'll drift under five of the river's most iconic Old-World bridges, passing colorful hillside villas and traditional rabelos (flat-bottomed boats) along the way. Back on shore, pay a visit to one of Porto's most prestigious Port wine cellars. During the guided tour, learn about the long-standing history of Port wine, as well as the ins and outs of Port production and warehousing. Then, sit down to taste three of the cellar's world-famous labels, paired with cheese.

### Day 7: Fado Dinner & Show | *\$89/\$99\* (3 hours, departs in the evening with dinner)*

Spend your evening at a Lisbon tavern listening to fado. Derived from the Latin word fatum—meaning “prophecy” or “fate”—fado is Portugal's national musical treasure. Fado's traditional theme is saudade, a word that doesn't quite translate to English but conveys a sense of both nostalgia and longing. Dinner is included during this memorable musical evening.

### Day 8: Sintra & the Portuguese Riviera | *\$79\* (8 hours, departs in the morning)*

Journey to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Sintra and learn why the poet Lord Byron once called it a “glorious Eden.” Get a glimpse into royal life during a guided tour of the 19th-century, romanticist Pena Palace. Take a bus and mini-train ride up to this story-book, mountaintop site, which boasts picturesque gardens and sweeping views of the Portuguese countryside. After your tour, you'll have free time to stroll through Sintra, viewing its colorful villas, small shops, and impeccably manicured gardens. On your way back to Lisbon, take in the coastal scenery of the Portuguese Riviera. You'll also stop in the old fishing village of Cascais to enjoy free time to discover the town's winding, narrow streets, and pastel-colored buildings. *This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked by 20 days prior to departure.*

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### Day 9: Religious Heritage of Tomar & Fátima |

*\$89/\$99\* (9 hours, departs in the morning)*

Enjoy a short drive to Tomar where you'll take a guided tour of the city's UNESCO-listed church, the Convent of Christ. This 12th-century site served as a fortress for the Knights Templar and features eight cloisters which were built between the 15th and 16th centuries. Transfer to Fátima where you'll explore this religiously significant town, most widely known for the story of three young cousins who saw apparitions of an angel in 1916. After that, the village became a pilgrimage site and has drawn Christians for decades. Enter two of the young cousins' homes, known as the houses of Jacinta, and visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Fátima. Later, enjoy free time to grab lunch, shop at stalls selling religious articles, and explore on your own.

### Day 10: Old World Portugal: Medieval Óbidos and Nazaré | *\$105/\$115\* (8 hours, departs in the morning with lunch)*

Escape Lisbon's bustle and spend the day relaxing by the sea in the medieval villages of Óbidos and Nazaré. Picturesque cobblestone streets and color-trimmed buildings make up the romantic village of Óbidos, where you'll pay a visit to Santa Maria Church to admire the colorful ceiling paintings and 17th-century tiles. You'll also have the chance to view the medieval Óbidos castle, known as one of the seven wonders of Portugal. Next, journey to the fishing village of Nazaré for lunch and spectacular coastline views. Spend some time looking out on Nazaré's brightly colored fishing vessels before continuing to Batalha, where you'll enter the UNESCO World Heritage-listed monastery before making your way back to Lisbon.

## Extension optional excursions

### Day 9: Lisbon Home-Hosted Dinner | *\$75\* (3 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)*

Join a local at their home in Lisbon to enjoy traditional dishes and dine like a true Lisboaeta. During this dinner, you'll receive an authentic understanding of your host's day-to-day life while learning about Portuguese culture and traditions from a new perspective. Please note: This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure. *This excursion*

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\*Optional excursions may be purchased up to 3 days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within 3 days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour.

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