

**Wines and Flavors of Portugal**  
**9 days – 8 nights**  
**Self Drive Tour**

**Oporto, Peso da Régua (Douro Valley), Sangalhos, Buçaco, Coimbra, Óbidos, Sintra, Évora, Lisbon**  
**Gastronomy, History, Culture, Discovery**

**Day 1: Oporto**

Upon arrival at Oporto airport you'll be met by our representative and transferred to the hotel for check-in. Rest of the day free. Overnight in Porto.

**Day 2: Oporto**

Breakfast at the hotel and departure for a full day tour visiting São Bento Railroad Station, with its atrium lined with tiles is an ideal starting point. Just ahead is the Cathedral, whose precinct offers the first view of the river, the cascading houses and the opposite bank. From there you descend by steps and mediaeval streets to Ribeira, with its café terraces and picturesque corners. It's worth staying a little to get a flavor of the local atmosphere. Once you've seen the outline of the cascading houses and church towers, you will visit the Palácio da Bolsa (former Stock Exchange palace). Lunch in Ribeira. In the afternoon, we will visit the Serralves Museum of Contemporary Art, followed by a visit to a Port wine cellar. Overnight in Porto. [B/L/T]

**Day 3: Oporto, Peso da Régua (Douro Valley)**

Breakfast at the hotel and checkout. We set to the phenomenal Douro region, the first demarcated wine region of the World (1756) and where the famous Port Wine is produced. We will learn more about the production of the wines, while enjoying the beautiful landscape, World Heritage by UNESCO since 2001. The tour through the Douro Valley is ideal for getting to know the culture of wine in the region of the Douro Valley, the culture of the people and the great natural beauty of the river and its valley, no doubt one of the most beautiful in Europe. Lunch in a local vineyard with visit and wine tasting. Dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Peso da Régua. [B/L/D]

**Day 4: Peso da Régua (Douro Valley)**

Breakfast at the hotel. Day at leisure. We recommend you visit Miradouro de Sao Leonardo in Galafura (some 8 miles from your hotel) and the Douro Museum to better understand the local culture. It's worthwhile spending some time to watch the "Memory of the Wine Region" a permanent exhibition. Régua has many restaurants featuring local dishes and wine and you may want to make a reservation for lunch. Dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Peso da Régua. [B/D]

**Day 5: Peso da Régua (Douro Valley), Sangalhos, Buçaco, Coimbra**

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel and head to the Bairrada region where abundant rainfall and mild temperatures help to produce grapes with high acidity and low alcohol content, ideal for making sparkling wines. Visit a wine cellar and enjoy a wine tasting before lunch. In the afternoon, proceed to the large and majestic forest of Serra do Buçaco, a genuine botanical garden with 700 species, protected by a Papal Bull issued in the 17th century. Departure to Coimbra. Check-in at the hotel. Overnight in Coimbra. [B/T/L]

**Day 6: Coimbra, Óbidos, Lisbon**

In Coimbra, called the city of students for hosting one of the first universities in Europe and the most important of the country, stroll the oldest part of the city, made of narrow streets that lead to the top of the hill. From Coimbra continue south to the charming village of Óbidos. Travel back in time in this walled medieval town and admire its Gothic churches and the narrow winding cobblestone streets. Proceed to Lisbon for check-in and overnight at the hotel. [B]

**Day 7: Lisbon (Sintra)**

After breakfast at the hotel leave towards Sintra, a magnificent UNESCO World Heritage village to discover its charms and history starting with a visit to the romantic Pena Palace, the town's emblematic castle. Enjoy exploring the historic center and taste the local sweet delicacies: travesseiros and queijadas. Free time for lunch at one of the several local restaurants. In the afternoon we set off to Lisbon's Belém district, where the monuments alluding to the time of the Maritime Discoveries were built in the 15th and 16th centuries. We will

make our first stop at the Belém Tower (classified as World Heritage by UNESCO), the 15th century fortress and starting point of caravels and sailors who gave new worlds to the world, and then visit the Monastery of Jerónimos (classified as World Heritage by UNESCO), a masterpiece of Manueline architecture. From the Monumental Lisbon we pass onto the Old Lisbon, strolling through the old and traditional Alfama district. In the evening enjoy dinner at a traditional restaurant while watching a Fado show. Return to the hotel for overnight. [B/D]

**Day 8: Lisbon (Évora)**

After breakfast at the hotel set out to Évora, a walled city was declared World Heritage by UNESCO, standing in the middle of the beautiful plains of the Alentejo. We will visit the Roman Temple, dating back to the 3rd century AD and recovered in the 19th century and the strange Chapel of Bones, built in the 16th century, with its pillars and walls covered with bones. Free time to lunch. Then visit to a wine cellar to taste samples of local wines. Return to Lisbon for overnight at the hotel. [B/T]

**Day 9: Lisbon, USA**

Enjoy breakfast and checkout. At the appointed time you'll be picked-up for your transfer to Lisbon airport where you'll board your flight back home. [B]

*Note: Most monuments are closed on Mondays and on national holidays.*

**Your Tour includes:**

- Private transfer from Oporto airport to the hotel
- Private transfer from the hotel to rental agency
- 6 nights accommodation:
  - Oporto - 2 nights
  - Peso da Régua - 2 nights
  - Coimbra - 1 night
  - Lisbon - 3 nights
- Meals
  - Breakfast daily
  - 3 lunches
  - 2 dinners
  - 1 Dinner and Fado show
  - 3 wine tastings
- Private full-day tour in Porto
- Private full-day tour of Lisbon & Sintra
- Visit to two wine cellars
- Entrance fees in the following monuments:
  - Palácio da Bolsa, Porto
  - Serralves Museum of Contemporary Art, Porto
  - Monastery of Jerónimos, Lisbon
  - National Pena Palace, Sintra

- Official English speaking tourist guide for tours
- 4 days rental car (Day 3 to day 6) including:
  - Category C (Opel Astra or similar)
  - Unlimited Mileage
  - CDW (Collision Damage Waiver)
  - TP (Theft Protection)
  - VLF (Vehicle License Fee)
  - ASC (Airport Service Charge)
  - AD (Additional Driver) & tax
- Hotel taxes

**Tour does not include:**

- International or domestic airfares
- Any taxes relates to airfares or airports
- Meals not mentioned under inclusions
- Travel insurance
- Tips to guides or drivers
- Expenses of a personal nature
- Any item not mentioned as "Included"
- City Tax at Lisbon (1 Euro per person, night)
- Other Services not mentioned

**Hotels in your Tour:**

City	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Porto	Vila Galé Porto	4
Peso da Régua	Régua Douro	4
Coimbra	Vila Galé Coimbra	4
Lisbon	Mundial	4

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking

**Tour Prices:**

Season	2 Pax	4 Pax	Single Supp.
<b>First Class</b>			
Jan-Mar	\$1,409	\$1,135	\$495
Apr-Jun	\$1,455	\$1,135	\$509
Jul-Oct	\$1,499	\$1,155	\$509

Prices are per passenger, valid for 2018 and may change without notice.  
In the periods below the rates applied are those from July to October:

- May 10th to 13th, 2018 (if overnight in Lisbon)

**Tour Code:** PT09OPO18OT

