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Portugal is a country blessed with an abundance of tranquil landscapes and a warm and vibrant culture. You can indulge your senses at one of the many beautiful beaches that line its coastline or celebrate your social side with shopping and sampling the amazing cuisine that cities, such as the capital, Lisbon, have on offer. This low-key friendly country is the perfect place to kick back with a drink to watch the sunset over the Atlantic. Explore the romantic city of Porto built along the hillsides overlooking the Douro river. Portos historical centre is a UNESCO Heritage site with many monuments and museums. Fatima the home of the Catholic pilgrimage site Capelinha das Aparicoes marking where the Virgin Mary allegedly appeared to 3 local children. Fatima also has other sacred sites nearby which include the Basilica de Nossa Senhora do Rosario, and the church of Igreja da Santissima Trindade.

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We have Portugal completely covered with a travel style to suit everyone. All of our programs include special deals with selected hotels, transfers and tours providers, which makes our Portugal getaways perfect for travellers interested in a value for money and wonderful experience.



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Our range of coach tours have been planned with the Australian traveller in mind, allowing travellers to take in some of the major cities and sites as well as hidden gems known only by the locals. Relax in a deluxe coach and let someone else too watch the road while you soak in the beautiful landscapes and admire the amazing monuments. In our Spain brochure you can find selection of tours that combine Portugal and Spain as well as some that also include Morocco. You can choose from a selection of regular multilingual tours or small group English only Tours.

Portugal by Train

The train network in Portugal connects all major towns and cities in the northern part of Portugal. Our packages combine train travel with carefully selected hotels as well as local tours that can be regular or private. The Packages presented are only samples of the tours and itineraries on offer as the packages can be customised to suit duration and style of travel required.

Portugal by Car

One of the unique ways to explore small towns and villages in Portugal is to partake in a self-drive tour. We have a range of self-drive itineraries including car hire, accommodation, and a carefully planned suggested driving route to suit your time frame and interests. Driving in Portugal is easy, with excellent road and freeway networks and good local signage although parking is difficult in the centre of the historical towns especially in the north in cities like Porto and Lisbon.

Flexible Itineraries

Don't get stuck in a tour that doesn't meet your needs. If you have a personal interest in something different or want to extend an existing tour, we can put together a tour that meets your needs. Just let us know what you need.

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Portugal General Information

Introduction

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Official Language

Portuguese is the sole official language of Portugal. Although sharing similarities to Spanish as a Romance language with a plethora of similar words, pronunciation in Portuguese is often completely different. Although English is the second most common language spoken in Portugal, apart from in the major cities and tourist areas, English isn't as widely spoken in Portugal compared to other European countries.

Electricity

The electrical current is Portugal is 230 V, the same as Australia. The standard European plug applies so an adapter (type F) is required.

Visas

Australian and New Zealand passport holders require a passport with at least 3 months' validity for a stay of less than 90 days in Portugal within a 180 day period.

Climate

The climate of Portugal is temperate and influenced by the Atlantic Ocean. In the north, the climate is cooler and rainy, while moving south it becomes gradually warmer and sunnier. In the far south, the region of Algarve has a dry and sunny microclimate. In summer, Portugal is protected by the Azores High, so it's usually sunny everywhere, although some weather fronts can affect the northern part of the country. The average Summer temperatures are around 20 °C in Porto and 23.5 °C in Lisbon. The heat is more intense in the interior, especially in the south-central plains and valleys at low altitudes. Winter is mild on the coast, even in the northern part and the average temperature in January is between 9 °C and 12 °C.

Average Monthly Temperatures (Degrees celcius):

Average Temps	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Lisbon	Low	8	9	11	12	14	17	18	19	18	15	9
	High	15	16	19	20	22	26	28	28	27	23	15

Time Zone

Portugal (mainland and Madeira) is in the same time zone as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) and observes daylight saving where time is adjusted forward by 1 hour during European summer months. Therefore, Portugal is 10 hours behind Australian eastern standard time (AEST) during its summer and 11 hours behind during its winter.

Population

Portugal's population was estimated at 10.25 million in 2019.

Currency

The currency of Spain is the Euro, and most major credit cards are accepted.

Tipping

Like most European countries a service charge is added to restaurant bills, although it is customary to leave an additional tip of around 5-10% of the total if satisfied with the service. You may like to round up to the nearest Euro for taxi drivers. For good service on tours, we recommend a tip of approximately A\$10 for tour guides and A\$5 for drivers per day.

Food

Portugal's cuisine remains a mystery to most food lovers outside of its borders. Only custard tarts —the ubiquitous pastéis de nata have broken into the larger food-obsessed culture. Originating in Lisbon, they were originally invented by monks at Jerónimos Monastery. Pastéis de Belém is the most popular place to buy a pastel de nata in Lisbon.

The roots of Portuguese food lie in both native peasant cooking and ingredients obtained through trade routes established centuries ago. Portuguese cuisine is famous for seafood with Portuguese consumption of fish among the highest in the world. Grilled sardines are a staple, as are clams 'à bulhão pato' cooked with olive oil, white wine, garlic, lemon and coriander; snails, bowls of Caldo Verde (kale soup) and pork sandwiches known as bifanas.

Portugal also has a centuries-long history of producing olive oil that is among the best in the world, as well as wine and cheese. The region's most famous wine is port, made with indigenous grapes like Touriga Nacional in North Portugal's Douro Valley, a UNESCO heritage site. Another high-quality fortified wine is Madeira, named for the island off Portugal where it's produced. These days, the dry, crisp Vinho Verde, produced in northwest Portugal with grapes like Alvarinho and Loureiro, is also gaining international recognition.

Shopping

High profile souvenirs include leather goods - shoes, bags and gloves, and ceramics, from traditional azulejo tiles to elaborate figurines, cookware and sculpture. The virtual symbol of Portuguese tourism, the ceramic Barcelos cockerel, perches on many store shelves.

Tapestries are also popular – the areas of Portalegre, Mértola and Monsaraz all have unique weavings you won't find elsewhere. Hand-stitched Arraiolos carpets (from the town of the same name in Alentejo) have a worldwide reputation and are very expensive, although there's nothing to stop you looking.

Hand-woven woollen rugs and blankets that may be hung on a wall are a more realistic buy, with particularly fine examples from Reguengos de Monsaraz (Alentejo). Rustic woolly blankets are also a feature of the mountain villages of the Serra da Estrela – Sabugeiro has hundreds of them displayed in its souvenir shop windows. Vila do Conde (north of Porto) is the best known centre for embroidered linen and lace.

Wine, port and olive oil prove traditional and affordable souvenirs of your visit to Portugal.

Getting There

By Air: Emirates, Qatar, fly daily from most Australian cities.

Getting Around

The major cities are well connected by train and bus. A host of small private bus operators, most amalgamated into regional companies, run a dense network of services across the country. Portugal has an extensive railway network, making for scenic travel between destinations. The national train line Comboios de Portugal (CP) runs all trains which are modern and reliable.

Due to well-maintained roads between cities, driving in Portugal is easy. There are some four-lane highways, including one that runs the 300+ miles between Lisbon and Porto; otherwise, expect two-lane roads throughout the country and unpaved, bumpy and sometimes single-lane roads in rural areas.

Accommodation

Portugal offers a range of accommodation from budget to luxury hotels and apartments. Pousadas offer unique accommodation inside former castles, monasteries and estates. The charming Tourihab properties include manor houses, restored farmhouses and country estates where you can stay as the owner's guest. High season is generally from June to mid-September. In the Algarve, the highest premium for rooms is from July to end of August and a number of Algarve properties close in the winter months.

National Holidays 2024

- 1 Jan – New Year's Day
- 29 Mar – Good Friday
- 31 Mar – Easter Sunday
- 25 Apr – Freedom Day
- 1 May – Labour Day
- 30 May – Corpus Christi
- 1 Jun – Azores Day
- 10 Jun – National Day
- 1 Jul – Madeira Day
- 15 Aug – Assumption Day
- 5 Oct – Republic Day
- 1 Nov – All Saints Day
- 1 Dec – Restoration of Independence
- 8 Dec – Immaculate Conception
- 25 Dec – Christmas Day
- 26 Dec – St. Stephen's Day

Things To Do

Lisbon: Lisbon is Portugal's hilly, coastal and cosmopolitan city. From imposing São Jorge Castle, the view encompasses the old city's pastel-coloured buildings. You can easily walk from central Lisbon up the steep hill or take a tram most of the way. Lisbon has two unique monuments which are World Heritage sites - the Jeronimos Monastery and the Tower of Belem. Wander the cobbled streets of bohemian Bairro Alto, ride the Bica Funicular and enjoy dinner at one of the many restaurants. If time permits, take a side-trip to historic Sintra, a Unesco World Heritage site.

Porto: Porto is a historic and varied city, from its narrow streets that make up the ancient Ribeira district to the grand plaza of the Trindade district. The region is famed for its production of port, which is still stored and matured in the vast cellars that stretch along the banks of the Douro River. Explore the historic centre (Se district), that Baixa downtown area and the lively Ribeira district with its restaurants, cafes and quirky houses. The Douro is best explored by a boat tour.

Coimbra: Coimbra was Portugal's medieval capital for more than a century and is home to the country's oldest and most prestigious university. The steeply stacked historic centre dates to Moorish times and is wonderfully atmospheric, with its dark cobbled lanes and monumental cathedral. On summer evenings, the city's old stone walls reverberate with the haunting metallic notes of the guitarra (Portuguese guitar) and the full, deep voices of fado singers.

Algarve: The Algarve is known for its Atlantic beach and golf resorts. Natural treasures include the bird-filled lagoons and islands of the protected Parque Natural da Ria Formosa, stretching for 60 kilometres from west of the capital, Faro to the enchanting fishing village of Cacela Velha. The hinterland comprises historic castle towns, whitewashed villages and rolling countryside of cork and almond trees, citrus orchards and rural farmhouse restaurants. Cruise or kayak to the extraordinary sea cave at Benagil Caves, outside Carvoeiro. Explore seafaring Lagos' historic walled old town, beautiful beaches and spirited nightlife.



Driving Distances in Portugal

Lisbon – Fatima	127 km
Lisbon – Coimbra	203 km
Lisbon – Aveiro	252 km
Lisbon – Porto	313 km
Lisbon – Lagos	299 km
Lisbon – Lamego	348 km
Fatima – Coimbra	85 km
Fatima – Porto	196 km
Porto – Lagos	574 km



Portugal Tours

We offer selection of tours of different lengths, some with in small group with English only and some guided by professional multilingual tour guide, so you do not miss out on any important sites. Regular tours are operated by a modern fleet of air-conditioned coaches while small group and private by car or Mercedes minivan. The size of the groups varies depending on tour selected. Regular coach tours are guaranteed departures based on a minimum of 4 people. Should you wish to travel independently we recommend packages that combine individual services like transfer and accommodation with regular day tours. which can also be substituted by private tours. Due to space limitation we have presented only 2 private tours of Portugal but we can arrange any as they are the best way to experience the country.

Best of Northern Portugal

6 Days

Departs: Selected Saturdays

Day 1 Sat: Lisbon-Óbidos-Alcobaca-Nazaré-Batalha-Fátima

Pick up from selected hotel or meeting point. Depart Lisbon towards Óbidos for a short stop, surrounded by medieval walls to admire the diversity of the handicrafts and taste the famous liquor called "Ginginha". Continue to Alcobaca, dominated by the imposing church, considered World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Continue to Nazara, a typical fishing village with its traditions and legends. Next stop the Batalha Monastery considered World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Proceed to Fatima, local of the world-famous Marian Shrine. Overnight in Fátima.

Day 2 Sun: Fátima-Coimbra-Aveiro-Porto

First stop Coimbra to visit one of the most ancient University sites in the world with its Baroque library. In the afternoon, continue to Aveiro, city of the canals, known as the "Portuguese Venice", where you shall have time to taste the local sweets "Ovos Moles". Drive to Porto. Overnight in Porto. (B)

Day 3 Mon: Porto-Guimarães-Braga-Porto

Visit the city of Porto in the morning, the 2nd biggest city in Portugal. Discover its avenues, monuments and characteristic places including Exchange Palace, Church of São Francisco and the Ribeira neighbourhood. Visit one of the most traditional Port Wine Cellars where you will have a wine tasting of Port Wine. Continue to the Minho region, where history, religion and legends blend with magnificent monuments, stunning views, delicious cuisine and unique wines. After, visit Guimarães, the cradle of nationality. Then visit Braga, known as the "Rome of Portugal" where you can visit the oldest cathedral in the country and the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus. Return to Porto for overnight. (B)

Day 4 Tue: Porto-Santiago de Compostela-Porto

Scenic drive from Porto toward Santiago de Compostela, the capital of Galicia and the destination of the pilgrims of the Camino de Santiago. During the day, you have complete freedom to discover this fascinating city. You can stroll through the historic streets, get to know the extraordinary monuments, taste the traditional dishes and visit the imposing Santiago Cathedral. Return to Porto. (B)

Day 5 Wed: Porto-Amarante-Vila Real-Vale do Douro-Lamego-Urgeirica

Depart to Amarante, a small town located at the banks of the Tâmega river, with its houses with colourful porches and its candy shops with delicious monastic sweets. After, drive to Vila Real where you will visit the gardens of the Manor of Mateus. Then enter in the Port Wine Region. Stop in Lamego, overlooked by one of Portugal's most important shrines, Our Lady of Remedies. You may try some of the local delicacies such as the famous "Bola de Lamego" (a loaf baked in the oven with smoked ham). Overnight in Urgeirica. (B)

Day 6 Thu: Urgeirica-Bussaco-Tomar-Lisbon

Drive through the heart of Portugal after breakfast until Bussaco, where the romantic Palace Hotel and its luxuriant forest stands out. Continue to Tomar which is closely linked to the Order of the Templars. Visit the Convent of Christ, declared World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1983. Continue the journey to Lisbon. End of Tour. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Regular tour with bilingual Guide throughout
- Transport in Air-conditioned bus or mini-van
- Accommodation in 4 star hotels
- Breakfast daily
- Guided tours & entrance fees in: Monastery of Batalha, Coimbra University, Stock Exchange Palace, São Francisco Church, Mateus Palace Gardens.



Best of Southern Portugal

4 Days

Departs: Selected Saturdays

Day 8 Sat: Lisbon-Évora

Pick up from selected hotel or proceed on your own to meeting point. Leaving Lisbon, cross the bridge over the Tagus river, where we can enjoy a beautiful and bucolic landscape of olive trees, cork oak trees and vineyards. Arrive in Évora World Heritage Site of UNESCO, visit some of its main monuments: the Roman Temple, the Romanesque-Gothic Cathedral, Saint Francis Church with the "Bones Chapel", and the University. Time for lunch (not included). In the afternoon, free time for a better discover of the city. Overnight in Évora. (B)

Day 2 Sun: Évora-Beja-Silves-Lagos

Morning at leisure in Évora, and then driving southward passing a relaxing landscape towards Beja for a stop where the most imposing tower of the Portuguese Medieval castles dominates the town and the region. Crossing small mountains, enter in the Algarve, where between fields of orange trees arrive to Silves, dominated by its Moorish Castle and by the memory of its former cork industry. After and passing by Praia da Rocha Beach arrive to Lagos to meet the sea. Overnight in Lagos. (B)

Day 3 Mon: Lagos-Ponta da Piedade-Sagres-Cabo de S. Vicente-Lagos

Visit to Ponta da Piedade to admire the cliffs which shapes have been sculpted by the erosive action of both, the sea and time. Continue to Sagres, site of the mythical "Navigation School" of Prince Henry the Navigator. At Cabo Sao Vicente, you will be stunned by its cliffs. Arrival to Lagos, a cosmopolitan Algarve town with its marina and fishing port, here you can taste the delicious Algarve gastronomy, rich in fish, shellfish and almond sweets. Free time in the afternoon. Overnight in Lagos. (B)

Day 4 Tue: Lagos-Setúbal-Serra da Arrábida-Lisbon

Depart for the city of Setubal after breakfast, a major port and industrial centre on the north bank of the Sado estuary, looking to the gorgeous Tróia Peninsula. Then take the scenic route over the Arrabida Mountain, an area preserved as a Natural Park, with an amazing scenery and unique vegetation. Crossing the bridge over the Tagus River arrive at Lisbon. End of tour. (B)

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Sintra

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Day 7 Friday: Lisbon-Sintra-Cabo da Roca-Cascais-Estoril-Lisbon

Depart towards Sintra, where you will get lost in the Pena Palace, a palace that marked the romantic period in Portugal, and walk around this enchanting village. Free time for lunch. Enjoy the amazing view from the westernmost point of Continental Europe – Cabo de Roca. Along the coast pass by the incredible Boca do Inferno, the cosmopolitan Cascais and the gardens of the Casino of Estoril. Return to Lisbon. Overnight in Lisbon. (B)

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Tomar

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Tailor Made Tours

Private tours are perfect for couples or a group of friends who are looking to have a personal guide to escort them on their dream holiday and take advantage of relatively low prices in Portugal. A comfortable vehicle will be provided, together with a driver and English speaking guide with intimate knowledge of their own country. Our selected guides have an inside knowledge of not only historical sites but best places to shop, dine and discover local entertainment. Choose duration, type of hotel, room type and meal plan that best suits your needs. Please contact us should you wish to create your own holiday in Portugal of any duration.

Wonders of Portugal

8 Days

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Porto

Upon arrival, meet and greet at the Porto airport and transfer to hotel.

Day 2: Porto

Today, be guided through Porto visit one of the oldest Romanesque monuments built the Porto Cathedral. Enter Sao Bento railway station and see the magnificent ceramic tiles depicting Portugal's history before seeing the Clerigos Tower, Palacio de Bolsa and St. Francis Church. Stroll along Ribeira, near the Douro river and visit the Port Wine cellars where you get the chance to have a tasting Overnight at hotel. (B, WT).

Day 3: Porto-Guimarães-Braga-Porto

The day begins in Guimarães, known as the birthplace of Portugal, to visit the imposing Castle, the Palace of the Dukes of Bragança and the UNESCO World Heritage city centre, where there is a maze of beautiful streets and small squares. After free time visit the religious city of Braga. Visit the Cathedral which has the seats of the Archdiocese of Braga and of the Primate Archbishop of Portugal. Visit the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte, a notable example of a pilgrimage site, and see the Republic Square in the city centre. Return to Porto for overnight. (B)

Day 4: Porto-Aveiro-Coimbra

Transfer to Coimbra, known for having the first University of Portugal. Visit the Old Cathedral, see the historic centre with visits to the Santa Cruz Church, the Barbican Gate and the University of Coimbra built on the grounds of a former palace and is as a UNESCO World Heritage site.(B)

Day 5: Coimbra-Fátima-Nazaré-Óbidos-Lisbon

Depart to Portugal's religious centre where the Virgin Mary allegedly appeared, Fatima. You will find a Sanctuary dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima and explore the group of Catholic religious building and structures in Cova da Iria. Continue fishing village of Nazaré see the site of Sítio da Nazaré, an old village situated on top of the cliff, and the Church of Nossa Senhora da Nazaré. Spend the afternoon in Óbidos, a medieval walled town narrow-cobbled streets. Visit the imposing Castle and experience this traditional Portuguese town. Depart to Lisbon for overnight. (B)

Day 6: Lisbon-Sintra-Cascais-Estoril-Lisbon

Transfer to Sintra and visit the Pena Palace. After your visit to this Romanticist castle, visit the historic centre and the present-day historic house museum, Sintra National Palace. Afternoon visit Cabo da Roca, the westernmost spot in Europe, then head to Cascais, the French Riviera of Portugal. End your day with a scenic tour of Estoril, famed as a luxury entertainment destination, before you return to Lisbon. (B)



Coimbra

Day 7: Lisbon

Visit the Sao Jorge Castle and enjoy the heritage of Lisbon. See the Belem Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries followed by a visit to the Church of Jeronimos Monastery, classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with the Coach Museum. Continue to Alfama, defined by narrow alleys decorated with the famous Portuguese pavements, and taste Port Wine. Visit the main squares of the city, Praça do Comercio, Rossio and Marques de Pombal. In the evening dine in a traditional Portuguese restaurant with a Fado show. Overnight at hotel. (B,WT,D).

Day 8: Lisbon

After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to the airport. (B)

Note: This itinerary operates in reverse also.

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Private transfers with English speaking driver
- Transportation by A/C vehicle
- 7 Breakfasts, 2 Port wine tastings, 1 Dinner
- 7-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Regular bus tours In Porto and Lisbon (supplement applies for all private tours)
- Some entrance fees

Price from **A\$3211** per person twin share



Lisbon

Escape to the North

4 Days

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Porto

Arrival at Porto Airport and transfer to your hotel.

Day 2: Porto

Guided tour through Porto, Capital of the North of Portugal and UNESCO World Heritage. Everything in this wonderful city makes this trip memorable, from the Cathedral to the Port Wine Cellars, where you'll have the chance to have a tasting. Have the opportunity to visit places filled with tradition and culture and be given important details about the streets and squares of its historic centre. Visit Porto Cathedral, São Bento Train Station, one of the most beautiful in the world, Port Wine Cellar and 6 bridges panoramic Cruise. (B)

Day 3: Porto-Guimarães-Braga-Porto

Tour of Guimarães, birthplace of Portugal, visit to the castle, Palace of the Dukes of Bragança and Praça Oliveira classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Followed by a trip to Braga to visit the oldest cathedral in Portugal and the Bom Jesus do Monte Sanctuary. Return to Porto. (B)

Day 4: Porto

After breakfast, transfer to Porto Airport. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Customised itinerary comprising of individual services
- Arrival & departure airport transfers
- 3 nights' accommodation in selected class
- 3 breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Tasting
- Regular full day Porto city tour
- Private full day tour of Guimaraes & Braga

Standard Class from **A\$794** per person twin share

First Class from **A\$1059** per person twin share



Taste of Portugal

5 Days

Departs: Daily

Note: This program can operate in reverse.

Day 1: Lisbon

Transfer from Lisbon airport or port to hotel. Rest of day at leisure.

Day 2: Lisbon

Enjoy the beauty of Lisbon in a half day visit to the most emblematic monuments and historic quarters. See the Belem Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries followed by a visit to the UNESCO site, the Church of Jeronimos Monastery and the Coach Museum.

(Closed on Monday and replace by Palacio de Ajuda). Continue to Alfama, one of Lisbon's oldest areas, lined with shops selling traditional crafts and cafes and taste Port Wine in a local shop. Visit the main squares of the city, Praca do Comercio, Rossio and Marques de Pombal. Rest of the day free to explore Lisbon. (B)

Day 3: Lisbon-Porto

Morning transfer from hotel to train station for highspeed train to Porto. On arrival transfer to hotel. Afternoon free to explore Porto. Fado night recommended. (B)

Day 4: Porto

Half day city tour guided through the street of Porto to visit places filled with tradition and culture, from the Cathedral to Sao Bento train station and the Port Wine cellars, where you get the chance to have a tasting of local Port. Take in the important details about the streets and squares of Porto's historic centre. Afternoon free to explore on your own. Overnight in Porto. (B)

Day 5: Porto

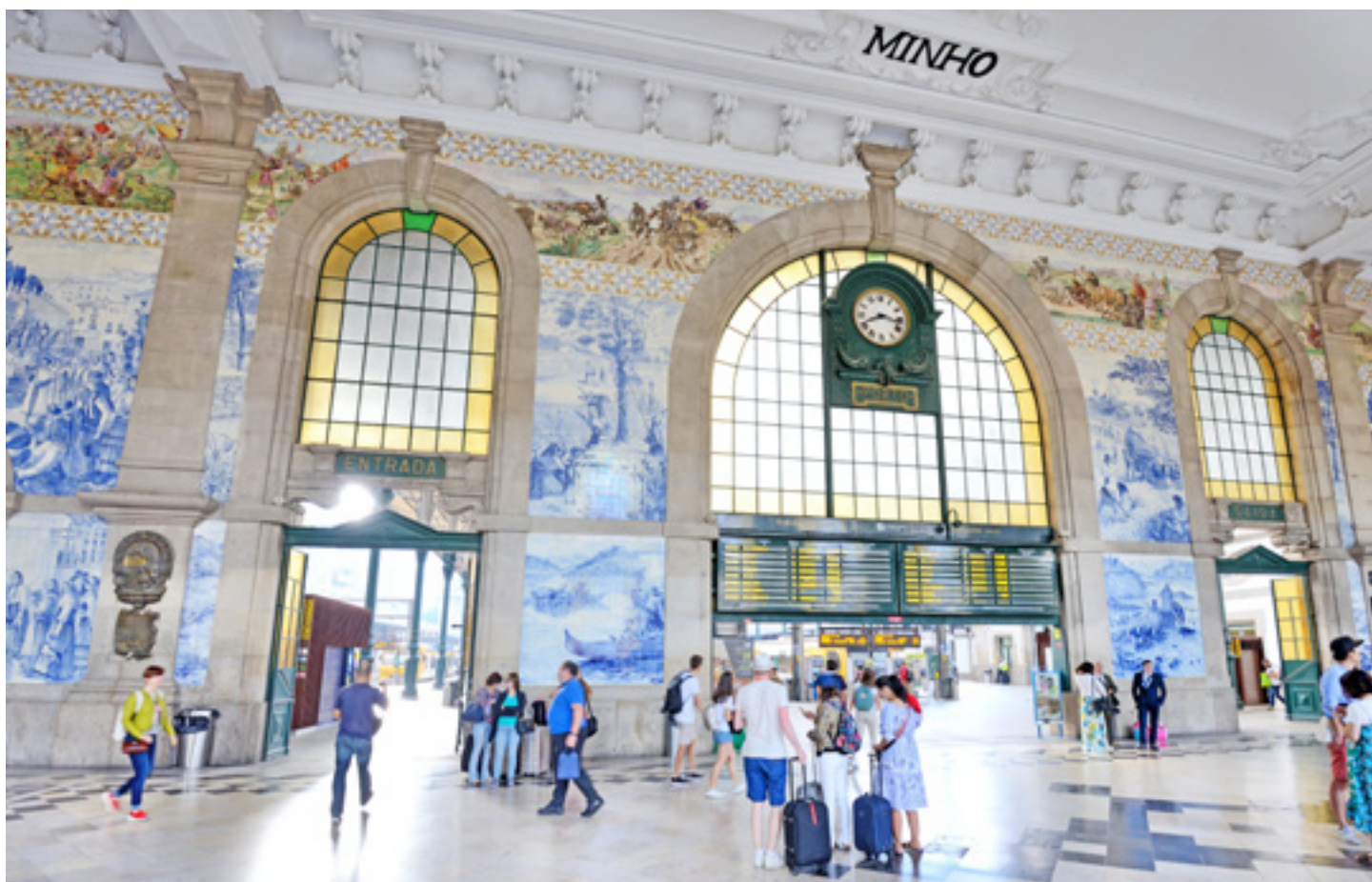
After breakfast, transfer to the airport or train station. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Arrival and departure transfers
- 4 nights' accommodation in selected class hotels
- Highspeed 2nd class train tickets from Lisbon to Porto
- 4 Breakfasts Port wine tastings
- Half day guided city tours in Lisbon and Porto

Standard Class from **A\$1192** per person twin share

First Class from **A\$1369** per person twin share



São Bento Train Station - Porto



Douro Valley

Portugal Highlights

7 Days

Departs: Daily

Note: This program can operate in reverse.

Day 1: Porto

Transfer from Porto Airport to hotel.

Day 2: Porto

Guided tour through Porto to see places filled with tradition and culture, from the Cathedral to Sao Bento train station and the Port Wine cellars, where you get the chance to have a port tasting. Afternoon free to explore this amazing city and taste local delicatessen. (B)

Day 3: Porto-Douro Valley-Porto

Scenic drive through the charming and unique region of Douro Valley, defined by having been the first demarcated wine region in the world. Stop at Galafura where you will visit the Sao Leonardo de Galafura viewpoint and enjoy lunch before embarking your panoramic cruise in Pinhao, along the Douro River. Finish the day with a Port wine tasting at a wine estate in the heart of the Valley. Return to Porto for overnight. (B, L)

Day 4: Porto-Lisbon

Morning transfer from hotel to train station for highspeed train to Lisbon. On arrival transfer to hotel. Free time to explore traditional Baxia area. (B)

Day 5: Lisbon-Sintra-Cascais-Estoril-Lisbon

Full day tour to see the Belem Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries followed by a visit to the Church of Jeronimos Monastery and the Coach Museum (Closed on Monday and replace by Palacio de Ajuda). Continue to Alfama, defined by steep streets and alleys decorated with the famous Portuguese pavements. Visit Praça do Comercio, Rossio and Marques de Pombal before enjoying free time for lunch. Depart in the afternoon to Sintra where and visit the Pena Palace, impressively placed on the top of muntain, and enjoy a guided tour inside the Palace. Depart to traditional fishing areas known as the Portuguese Riviera and visit Cascais and enjoy a panoramic tour of Estoril, before returning to Lisbon. (B)

Day 6: Lisbon-Obidos-Alcobaca-Batalha-Fatima-Lisbon

Full day tour of main sites near Lisbon. Visit to Obidos, a medieval village surrounded by centuries old walls and continue to Alcobaca, so see the Church with the famous tombs of King Pedro and Ines de Castro. Stop in one of the most popular seaside resorts in the Silver Cost, Nazare, a traditional fishing village in time for optional lunch. Continue to Batalha and visit the Gothic Church. Last stop at Fatima, the centre of global pilgrimages, visit the Sanctuary with the Chapel and the Basilica before returning to Lisbon. (B)

Day 7: Lisbon

After breakfast, transfer to the airport or train station. (B)



HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Arrival and departure transfers as per itinerary
- 6 nights accommodation in selected class Hotels
- Highspeed 2nd class train tickets from Porto to Lisbon
- 6 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, Port Wine tastings
- Day tours as per itinerary

Standard Class from **A\$1555** per person twin share

First Class from **A\$2089** per person twin share

Portugal Essentials

7 Days

Departs: Daily

Note: This program can operate in reverse.

Day 1: Lisbon

Private transfer from Lisbon airport or port to hotel. Rest of day at leisure.

Day 2: Lisbon

Enjoy the beauty of Lisbon in a half day visit to the most emblematic monuments and historic quarters. See the Belem Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries followed by a visit to the UNESCO site, the Church of Jeronimos Monastery and the Coach Museum.

(Closed on Monday and replace by Palacio de Ajuda). Continue to Alfama, one of Lisbon's oldest areas, lined with shops selling traditional crafts and cafes and taste Port Wine in a local shop. Visit the main squares of the city, Praça do Comercio, Rossio and Marques de Pombal. Rest of the day free to explore Lisbon. (B)

Day 3: Lisbon-Sintra-Cascais-Estoril-Lisbon

Full day tour to visit Sintra, the first "cultural landscape" to be listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Along the coast, enjoy the panoramic view from Estoril Casino, one of the largest casinos in Europe, and Cascais. Visit Guincho Beach and Boca do Inferno before reaching Cabo da Roca - the westernmost point of mainland Europe. Upon arrival in Sintra, you will have free time to discover the historical centre of Sintra. Do explore the narrow streets and taste the famous local renowned pastry. Visit Pena Palace (entrance and guided tour), the most complete example of Romantic architecture in Portugal. Return back to Lison. (B)

Day 4: Lisbon-Porto

Morning private transfer from hotel to train station for highspeed train to Porto. On arrival Private transfer to hotel. Afternoon free to explore Porto. Optional Afternoon Aviero & Costa nova tour or Fado night. (B)

Day 5: Porto

Half day city tour guided through the street of Porto to visit places filled with tradition and culture, from the Cathedral to Sao Bento train station and the Port Wine cellars, where you get the change to have a tasting of local Port. Take in the important details about the streets and squares of Porto's historic centre. Afternoon free to explore on your own or upgrade to full day tour including cruise on Duro River wine tasting and lunch. Overnight in Porto. (B)

Day 6: Porto-Guimarães-Braga-Porto

The day begins in Guimarães, known as the birthplace of Portugal, to visit the imposing Castle, the Palace of the Dukes of Bragança and the UNESCO World Heritage city centre, where there is a maze of beautiful streets and small squares. After free time visit the religious city of Braga. Visit the Cathedral which has the seats of the Archdiocese of Braga and of the Primate Archbishop of Portugal. Visit the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte, a notable example of a pilgrimage site, and see the Republic Square in the city centre. Return to Porto for overnight. (B)

Day 7: Porto

After breakfast, transfer to the airport or train station. (B)

Note: Extend your stay in Lisobe and/or Porto and add optional tours to Fatima, Coimbra, Duro Valley etc.



HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Tailor made itinerary comprising individual services
- Private transfers with English speaking driver
- Transportation by A/C vehicle
- 6 Night accommodation in 4-star hotels with breakfast
- Regular bus tours In Porto and Lisbon (supplement applies for all private tours)
- Some entrance fees

Departs: Daily

Day 1: Lisbon

Meet & Greet at Lisbon airport. Transfer to the hotel. Rest of the day at leisure.

Day 2: Lisbon

Panoramic tour of downtown Lisbon which includes the Rossio Square, Terreiro do Paço Square and a visit to Lisbon's Cathedral and St. George's Castle. Free time for lunch (not included). In the afternoon visit to the Belém district to visit the Jerónimos Monastery and the Belém Tower, one of the symbols of the city both from the 16th century and both UNESCO World Heritage sites. Evening visit to Bairro Alto district recommended. (B)

Day 3: Lisbon-Sintra-Cascais-Lisbon

Short drive from Lisbon to Sintra famous for its Palaces. Visit to the Pena National Palace, the most iconic monument of Sintra, admire the unique architecture and amazing view from the top of the mountain. Continue tour with a visit to the town centre, free time for lunch (not included). In the afternoon drive to Cabo da Roca Lighthouse, situated in the most western point of Europe and then the gorgeous town of Cascais considered the French Riviera of Portugal. (B)

Day 4: Lisbon-Évora

Transfer to train station for train service to visit famous Évora. (Private transfer also available at extra cost). In the morning tour of Évora town centre, including the Bones Chapel, the cathedral and Giraldo Square. Free time for lunch. Afternoon visit to a local wine estate with wine tasting and return to Évora. Rest of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Évora-Mérida-Seville

After breakfast travel to Mérida, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit of the Roman Theatre and tour of the town centre. After free time for lunch depart for Spanish city of Seville for overnight. Seville is a capital of Andalusia region and famous for its flamenco dancing, building by the Moorish dynasty, Gothic cathedral as well as picturesque Bullfight ring with capacity of over 12000 seats. (B)

Day 6: Seville

The day begins with a guided tour of Seville to visit the Cathedral, Giralda, Alcazar and the Santa Cruz quarter. Rest of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Seville-Madrid

Morning free to enjoy Seville. Depart for Madrid by highspeed train which is only a 3-hour trip. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel for overnight. Madrid, Spain's central capital, is a city of elegant boulevards and expansive, manicured parks and impressive Museums. (B)



Evora

Day 8: Madrid

Meet with local guide in the hotel lobby for a full day tour of Madrid. During your walking tour to visit some of the capital's most impressive sights: the Plaza de Oriente, the historic quarter including the 17th century Plaza Mayor, a wonderful Baroque square lined with arcades and cafés. In the afternoon, visit to El Prado Museum that houses some of the world's finest art. (B)

Day 9: Madrid

After breakfast, transfer to Madrid Airport. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Private tour combining private and regular services
- Transportation by A/C vehicle with English speaking driver
- Services of local guides
- Transportation by A/C vehicle
- 7 Breakfasts, 2 Port wine tastings, 1 Dinner
- 7-night accommodation in 4-star hotels
- Some Regular bus tours (supplement for all private applies)
- Train Tickets as per itinerary

Price from A\$2380 per person twin share



Cascais

Lisbon

Lisbon is Portugal's hilly and coastal capital city. The lively city of Lisbon reflects the Portuguese culture, it embraces modern culture whilst maintaining its unique traditions and heritage. It's a city of breathtaking architecture, museums and an amazing choice of restaurants. Explore the Tower of Belem a UNESCO Heritage site, walk the narrow streets of Alfama district and he Jeronimos Monastery said to be the resting place of the explorer Vasco da Gama. Spend your days exploring the sites of base yourself there and endeavour on day tours to explore nearby cities. Below are some examples of our multilingual tours you can chose from.



Lisbon City Break

3 Days

Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

Day 1: Lisbon

Meet and assist at Lisbon airport for transfer to your hotel. Rest of day at leisure.

Day 2: Lisbon

Discover the beauty and splendour of Lisbon in a half day visit to its most emblematic monuments and historic quarters. In Belém, admire the Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries; visit the Church of the Jerónimos Monastery* UNESCO World Heritage Site and the Coach Museum. In Alfama, neighbourhood of streets and alleys decorated with the famous Portuguese pavement, taste the delicious Port Wine in a local shop. Get to know also the main squares of the city: Praça do Comércio, Rossio and Marquês de Pombal. (B)

*Closed on Monday and replaced by National Palace of Ajuda.

Day 3: Lisbon

After breakfast, transfer to Lisbon Airport. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Arrival & departure airport transfers
- 2 nights accommodation in selected class
- 2 Breakfasts, 1 Tasting
- Half day Regular tour of Lisbon City
- Multilingual guide
- Ticket for coach museum
- Visit the Church of Jeronimos Monastery

Standard Class from **A\$410** per person twin share

First Class from **A\$584** per person twin share

Lisbon Essentials

4 Days

Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

Day 1: Lisbon

Meet and assist at Lisbon airport for transfer to your hotel. Rest of day at leisure.

Day 2: Lisbon

Enjoy morning tour of Lisbon in a half day visit to its most emblematic monuments and historic quarters. In Belém, admire the Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries; visit the Church of the Jerónimos Monastery* UNESCO World Heritage Site and the Coach Museum. In Alfama, neighbourhood of streets and alleys decorated with the famous Portuguese pavement, taste the delicious Port Wine in a local shop. Get to know also the main squares of the city: Praça do Comércio, Rossio and Marquês de Pombal. (B)

*Closed on Monday and replaced by National Palace of Ajuda.

Day 3: Lisbon-Sintra-Estoril-Lisbon

Today travel to Sintra, the first "cultural landscape" to be inscribed as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Visit the stunning Pena Palace, narrow streets of Sintra and have the chance to taste the famous queijadas and travesseiros. After the lunch, stop at Cabo da Roca, the western most point of Continental Europe, and travel along the Atlantic coast to Cascais, passing by the Guincho Beach and Boca do Inferno. On the way back, enjoy panoramic views of the Casino Estoril, one of Europe's biggest casinos. (B, L)

Day 4: Lisbon

After breakfast, transfer to Lisbon Airport. (B)

HIGHLIGHTS & INCLUSIONS

- Arrival & departure airport transfers
- 3 nights accommodation in selected class
- 3 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch
- Half day Regular tour of Lisbon City, Full day Tour to Sintra
- Multilingual guide
- Ticket for coach museum
- Visit the Church of Jeronimos Monastery

Standard Class from **A\$699** per person twin share

First Class from **A\$978** per person twin share



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Day Tours

Lisbon City Tour

Morning & Afternoon



Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

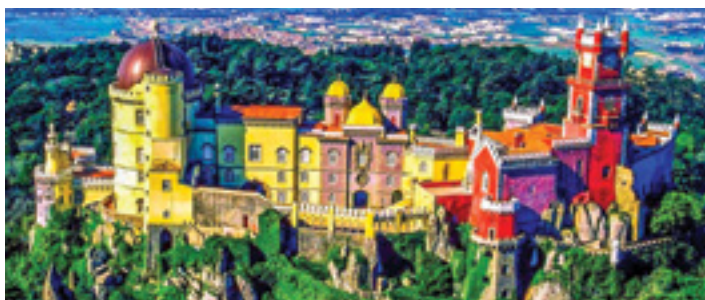
Discover Lisbon with visits to its most emblematic monuments and historic quarters. In Belém, admire the Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries; visit the Church of the Jerónimos Monastery* - UNESCO World Heritage Site and the Coach Museum*. In Alfama, neighbourhood of streets and alleys decorated with the famous Portuguese pavement, taste the delicious Port Wine in a local shop. Get to know also the main squares of the city: Praça do Comércio, Rossio and Marquês de Pombal. Pick up from central and selected Lisbon hotels (on request).

*Closed on Monday and replaced by Palácio da Ajuda

from
A\$60
per person

Sintra, Cascais & Estoril

Full Day



Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

Sintra, the first "cultural landscape" to be inscribed as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Visit the stunning Pena Palace, In the historic centre of Sintra, explore the narrow streets and have the chance to taste the famous queijadas and travesseiros. After lunch in Sintra (included), stop at Cabo da Roca and travel along the Atlantic coast to Cascais, passing by the Guincho Beach and Boca do Inferno. On the way back to Lisbon, enjoy panoramic views of the Casino Estoril, one of Europe's biggest casinos.

Pick up from central and selected Lisbon hotels (on request)

from
A\$150
per person

Douro Wine Tour

Full Day



Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

Being the first demarcated wine region in the world and having its landscape classified as UNESCO World Heritage defines this charming and unique region in the North of Portugal. During this tour you will have the opportunity to experience the wine culture of the Douro Valley, enjoy lunch, a fantastic panoramic cruise and taste wine of the region while visiting two wine estates.

Pick up from central and selected Porto hotels (on request)

from
A\$170
per person

Fátima Experience

Morning & Afternoon



Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

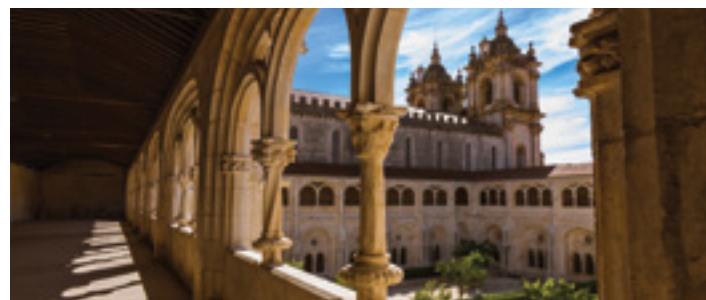
Fátima one of the most important pilgrimage sites in the Catholic World, recalls the Apparitions of Our Lady in 1917 to the three little shepherds. This tour visit this spiritual place and learn about the apparitions and their importance to the Portuguese Society, even nowadays. Visit the Chapel of the Apparitions and Basilica. Enjoy your free time for religious activities or attend the Mass in the Sanctuary before returning to Lisbon.

Pick up from central and selected Lisbon hotels (on request)

from
A\$78
per person

Fátima & Beyond

Full Day



Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

Tour starts with visit to Óbidos, a medieval village surrounded by walls of the XIV century. In Alcobaça, visit the Church of the Monastery (UNESCO World Heritage Site), admire the famous tombs of King Pedro and Inês de Castro. We stop in Nazaré, a traditional fishing village, to visit and have lunch (included). In Batalha, visit the Gothic Church of the Monastery of Batalha (UNESCO World Heritage Site). Finally in Fátima, centre of the Catholic Faith and worldwide pilgrimage, visit the Sanctuary, the Chapel of Apparitions and the Basilica, where you will have free time for religious activities before returning to Lisbon.

Pick up from central and selected Lisbon hotels (on request)

from
A\$154
per person

Fado & Tapas Walking Tour

Evening



Departs: Daily 1 Oct 2023-31 Oct 2024

Meet your guide at selected meeting point to enjoy a great evening walk through Fado history music that dates back from the 1820s. Experience the unique taste of Port Wine before dinner. Enjoy live performance of Fado with Tapas dinner. Includes: Multilingual guide, one port wine or soft drink, Tapas dinner with drinks, Live Fado show.

from
A\$96
per person

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Booking Conditions

These Booking Conditions set out the terms on which you contract with us for the arrangement of travel arrangements for your trip. By making a booking with us, you acknowledge that you have read, understood and agree to be bound by these Booking Conditions. We reserve the right to change these Booking Conditions at any time prior to you making a booking request. "You" and "Your" means all persons named in a booking (including anyone who is added or substituted at a later date). "We", "us", "our" and "Greece and Mediterranean Travel Centre/ Luxury Greece Collection" means Greece and Mediterranean Travel Centre Pty Ltd.

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VALIDITY:

Brochure is valid 1 January 2024 to 31 October 2024, unless dates under individual land components state otherwise.

HOW TO BOOK:

Contact your Travel Agent or Greece and Mediterranean Travel Centre Pty Ltd to make your reservations.

A booking request is accepted when we issue a written booking confirmation. It is at this point that a contract between us and you comes into existence subject to these Booking Conditions. We reserve the right to decline any booking at our discretion. No employee of ours other than a director has the authority to vary or omit any of these Booking Conditions or to promise any discount, refund or credit.

Confirmed bookings will be issued with an invoice upon confirmation detailing all services booked. It is your responsibility to ensure all details are correct. The right is reserved to correct any errors in rates quoted or calculated for any service notwithstanding that the invoice may have been paid in full.

SERVICES

The services we provide to you are limited to (a) the arrangement and coordination of your travel arrangements; and (b) the delivery of travel arrangements which we directly control. This includes (often significant) work undertaken prior to travel to arrange and coordinate the delivery of your travel arrangements.

PRICES & EXCLUSIONS

Prices stated are in Australian Dollars (\$AUD) and are current at the time of publication unless otherwise indicated. We also sometimes invoice in Euro or New Zealand dollars. The price includes accommodation, transportation and other inclusions as per the published itinerary. International and domestic airfares and airport/hotel transfers are not included unless specifically stated. Costs associated with passports, visas, vaccinations, insurance, meals (other than those stipulated), emergency evacuation costs, gratuities, and all items of a personal nature are not included.

Selling prices for our products are calculated to include, but not limited to, research, brochure preparation, printing and distribution, communication costs, postage, courier fees, bank charges, currency transfers and remuneration to the travel agents. The prices do not imply that same or similar products may or may not be available at a different price if obtained from another source. Prices shown may not be valid during trade fairs, exhibitions and congresses.

PRICE SURCHARGES

In the event of exchange rate fluctuations, the costs are subject to change without notice. In case of increases in the prices of service beyond our control including fuel surcharges, entrance fees, local taxes etc we reserve the right to adjust prices accordingly at any time up until the delivery of service irrespective if the payment has been received in full or not. Some overseas suppliers might charge a handling fee to supply a particular service. You will be informed about it at the time of booking.

DEPOSIT

A 10% deposit per person or \$300 (whichever is the greater), is required within 7 days (unless otherwise stated) of us accepting your booking. The deposit represents a fee payable to us for services associated with the processing and confirmation of your booking and any consultations on travel arrangements that we may provide to you. Because these services are provided as soon as we confirm your booking, the deposit is non-refundable other than where we cancel your travel arrangements for reasons other than Force Majeure (see below).

Please note that we may not hold any services for you until we receive payment of your deposit, meaning that services may become unavailable or prices may increase, in which case you will be responsible for paying the increased price, and we will not be responsible if services become unavailable.

Some products may require higher deposit in excess of the above. This will be advised at the time your reservation is confirmed.

FINAL PAYMENT

Payment in full must be received by the date(s) reflected on your invoice. We are under no obligation to remind you of a payment becoming due. If we fail to receive a payment from you by the due date for payment in clear funds, then this will be deemed a cancellation by you (see below). Note: some trips may require payment (including full payment) earlier or in additional instalments and this will be advised with the booking confirmation.

For late bookings (bookings within 45 days of departure), full payment is required at the time of request. You acknowledge that we may not be able to confirm services, in which case we will provide you with a refund.

CANCELLATIONS BY YOU

General Cancellations

If you wish to cancel your trip for other reasons than as set out below, we require written notice and will make refunds to you less cancellation fees in accordance with the table below, calculated from the date which we receive written notice:

Ferry Tickets: All ferry tickets are not refundable once paid in full regardless of date of cancellation.

Other Services:

- Over 45 days before commencement: Deposit and any instalment payments only
- 45 days to 31 days before commencement: 50% of the booking value
- Within 30 days or no show 100% of the booking value

Certain products might be subject to additional cancellation fees in excess of the above. This will be advised at the time your reservation is confirmed.

Covid-19 credit redemptions

If: (a) you issued you with a credit due to your original travel arrangements being disrupted by Covid-19 and associated restrictions; and (b) you have redeemed that credit for new travel arrangements; then (c) you agree that we will not be obliged to refund you the value of the

credit if you cancel your new travel arrangements.

If you cancel travel arrangements that have a value which exceeds the value of your credit (Excess Payment), then we will refund you the Excess Payment, less cancellation fees in accordance with the table below, calculated from the date which we receive written notice of cancellation:

Ferry Tickets: All ferry tickets are not refundable once paid in full regardless of date of cancellation.

Other Services:

- More than 45 days before commencement: 25% of the Excess Payment
- 45 days to 31 days before commencement: 50% of the Excess Payment
- Within 30 days or no show 100% of the Excess Payment

Certain products might be subject to additional cancellation fees in excess of the above. This will be advised at the time your reservation is confirmed. Travel insurance is strongly recommended for all bookings.

New or changed quarantine requirements

If after we confirm your booking: (a) new or changed quarantine requirements are imposed by government authorities either in a destination you are due to visit or in your home State or county and these remain in effect 60 days before commencement of travel arrangements booked with us; and (b) these new or changed quarantine requirements make it reasonably impractical for you to travel; then (c) you may give us written notice to cancel your trip not less than 45 days prior to commencement of the first arrangement.

If you cancel travel arrangements in these circumstances, then we will refund payments made by you less: (a) unrecoverable third party costs and other expenses incurred by us in relation to your travel arrangements; (b) overhead charges incurred by us relative to the price of your travel arrangements; and (c) fair compensation for work undertaken by us in relation to your travel arrangements until the time of cancellation and in connection with the processing of any refund.

General

You agree that the deductions and cancellation charges specified above are reasonable, represent a genuine pre-estimate of our loss and are required to protect our legitimate business interests.

For group departures, a transfer of a confirmed booking to another departure date at your request is deemed to be cancellation of the original booking.

ILLNESS OR VACCINATION STATUS PREVENTING TRAVEL

If due to any illness, suspected illness or failure to satisfy any required tests (such as a PCR or rapid antigen test in relation to Covid-19) or vaccination requirements:

- an airline or other common carrier refuses you carriage;
- a hotel or vessel refuses to accommodate you; or
- we or our suppliers (acting reasonably) exclude you from the trip and you are consequently prevented from commencing or continuing your trip, then:
- if you have already commenced your trip, we will provide you with reasonable assistance to arrange alternative travel arrangements or to continue the trip. This will be at your cost.
- if you have not commenced your trip then we regret we will not be in a position to provide such assistance.

We will not be liable to refund the cost of your trip (or any part of it) because we would have already paid (or committed to pay) suppliers and we would have already performed significant work preparing for the delivery of your trip and servicing your booking.

We will not be responsible for any other loss or loss you incur in connection with your booking (for example, airfares and visa expenses) if you are prevented from commencing or continuing your trip in these circumstances.

CANCELLATIONS OR RESCHEDULING BY US

In these Booking Conditions, the term Force Majeure means an event or events beyond our control and which we could not have reasonably prevented, and includes but is not limited to: (a) natural disasters (including not limited to flooding, fire, earthquake, landslide, volcanic eruption), adverse weather conditions (including hurricane or cyclone), high or low water levels; (b) war, armed conflict, industrial dispute, civil strife, terrorist activity or the threat of such acts; epidemic, pandemic; (d) any new or change in law, order, decree, rule or regulation of any government authority (including travel advisories and restrictions).

Force Majeure – Prior to travel

If in our reasonable opinion we (either directly or through our employees, contractors, suppliers or agents) consider that your travel arrangements cannot safely or lawfully proceed due to a Force Majeure Event then we at our discretion may elect to:

- reschedule your travel arrangements (in whole or in part); and/or
- cancel your travel arrangements (in whole or in part), in which case our contract with you will terminate (in whole or in part).

If we cancel any of your travel arrangements, neither of us will have any claim for damages against the other for the cancelled arrangements. However, we will refund payments attributable to the cancelled travel arrangements less: (a) unrecoverable third party costs and other expenses incurred by us for the cancelled travel arrangements; (b) overhead charges incurred by us relative to the price of the cancelled travel arrangements; and (c) fair compensation for work undertaken by us in relation to the cancelled travel arrangements until the time of cancellation and in connection with the processing of any refund.

Force Majeure – During travel

If due to Force Majeure we cancel travel arrangements after your trip has commenced, we will provide you with a refund of recoverable third party costs for cancelled travel arrangements only.

Force Majeure – General

If we provide you with any alternative services or assistance where travel arrangements are cancelled or rescheduled due to Force Majeure, then you agree the amount to be refunded to you will be reduced by the value of these services and assistance.

You acknowledge that the terms in this section are reasonably necessary to protect our legitimate business interests. We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance that adequately responds to cancellation and rescheduling risks associated with Force Majeure events.

Other cancellations

If we cancel your travel arrangements for reasons other than Force Majeure, you will be offered (at your election) a refund of all funds paid, or the offer of a trip of substantially equal quality if appropriate.

We will not be responsible to you for any other expenses or loss you incur if your travel arrangements are rescheduled or cancelled whether or not due to Force Majeure.

AMENDMENTS BY YOU

We will endeavour to accommodate amendments and additional requests. You acknowledge that these may not be possible to fulfil, and for group departures a transfer of a booking to a different departure is deemed a cancellation. An amendment fee of \$50 will be levied to cover communication and administration costs for any changes to bookings. You will also be required to pay any additional costs charged by suppliers.

Booking Conditions (continued)

AMENDMENTS BY US

Prior to travel

Occasionally, we may need to make amendments or modifications to the itinerary and its inclusions and you acknowledge our right to do this. If we become aware of a significant change to your itinerary or its inclusions prior to the commencement of your trip (where the trip can still proceed), then we will notify you within a reasonable time.

During travel

You acknowledge that the itinerary, modes of transport, accommodation and/or the trip's inclusions may need to change during your trip due to local circumstances beyond our reasonable control, including road conditions, poor weather, changes in transport schedules, and/or vehicle breakdowns. You agree that we have the right to pass on any costs we incur for alternative arrangements we put in place for your benefit in these circumstances.

General

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we will not be responsible for any omissions or modifications to the itinerary or the inclusions due to Force Majeure or other circumstances beyond our control happening after we have accepted your booking. This includes any loss of enjoyment or distress caused by omissions or modifications.

If you are entitled to any compensation for any modifications or omissions, then you agree it will be reduced by the value of any alternative services we provide which you accept.

We will not be responsible to you for any other expenses or loss you incur resulting from any amendment or change to the itinerary or its inclusions.

UNUSED & DENIED SERVICES

No refunds will be made for any travel arrangements not utilised, whether by choice or because of late arrival or early departure. This includes the failure of transport to operate according to schedule, which we disclaim responsibility for.

If you are not fully and validly vaccinated against Covid-19 in the destination(s) where services are to be provided, and particular suppliers refuse to provide you with travel arrangements, then you agree you will not be entitled to any refund for those arrangements. We will not be responsible to you for any loss or expenses you incur (including loss of enjoyment or the costs of alternative arrangements) if you are denied services in these circumstances.

CLIENT NAMES – EXACTLY AS PER PASSPORT

For security reasons, airlines and our overseas suppliers require names to be given exactly as stated in your passport. If you do not advise the correct information and we have to re-issue airline tickets or other documentation, then you will be responsible for any fees charged (such as airline cancellation charges or re-issue fees) in addition to our own reasonable administration fees.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Travel Documents cannot be issued until full payment is received and will be available no later than 14 days prior to departure. All documents for bookings under \$2000 will be available in electronic format only. For last minute bookings paid less than 14 days prior to client's departure, the documents will be provided in electronic format regardless of the value of the services.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is strongly encouraged that you are adequately insured for the duration of your trip. We recommend comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, medical requirements, luggage, repatriations and additional expenses. The choice of insurer is yours. We strongly suggest you purchase insurance at the time you pay your deposit. This is because cancellation fees and charges are payable from that time.

ACCOMMODATION

We reserve the right to substitute hotels, vessels and other forms of accommodation with properties or vessels of a comparable or higher standard.

INFORMATION & DESCRIPTIONS

Rooms and scenes shown are representative of those featured in various programs but are not necessarily supplied or visited. Hotel locations on maps are a guide only as maps are not to scale. Hotel gradings are those suggested by relevant local authorities or our representatives and may vary from Tourist Office gradings. The quality of hotels overseas may differ from Australian standards. In general terms rooms can be smaller and fairly basic, particularly those in the lower categories. If you prefer a superior degree of comfort, please select a higher category of accommodation. Specific bedding arrangements can be requested but cannot be confirmed or guaranteed.

PASSPORTS, VISAS

It is a requirement that you hold a valid passport and any required visas for your trip. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are in possession of the necessary documentation to comply with the laws and regulations of the countries to be visited.

VACCINATIONS

We strongly encourage you to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 with a vaccine approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration. This is so health risks for yourself and others you come into contact with can be mitigated. Subject to the Illness or Vaccination Status Preventing Travel section above, if you choose to travel without being fully vaccinated, then you do so accepting the implicit risks to your health and you agree to provide us with waivers and releases as we may require.

It is your responsibility to obtain vaccinations and preventative medicines as may be required for the duration of the trip. Any information provided by us is given in good faith.

HEALTH & FITNESS

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have a suitable level of health and fitness to undertake the trip of your choice.

If you suffer from a medical condition which may reasonably be expected to increase your risk of needing medical attention, or which may affect the normal conduct of the trip, then you must advise us at the time you make your booking request.

We may request you to provide an assessment of your medical condition from a qualified medical practitioner. If the assessment indicates that you will require special assistance from personnel which we cannot reasonably provide, then we may cancel your booking. Provided you notified us of your medical condition at the time you made your booking request, we will provide you with a full refund of payments made. If you fail to notify us at that time or if you fail to provide a medical assessment within a reasonable time of our request, then this will be considered a cancellation by you.

We reserve the right to cancel your booking if any changed or non-disclosed medical conditions mean that you will require special assistance which we cannot reasonably provide.

We strongly suggest that your travel insurance policy includes comprehensive cancellation coverage.

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Special dietary requests are required to be notified to us at the time of booking. Although we will use reasonable endeavours to accommodate requests, we cannot guarantee requests will be met by suppliers. It is your responsibility to check that meals and beverages do not contain any allergens. We expressly disclaim any liability for meals or beverages that contain allergens.

AUTHORITY ON TOUR

When joining a group tour, you undertake to conduct yourself in a manner conducive to good group dynamics. If you act in a manner that threatens or disrupts the safety or enjoyment of others on the tour, the tour leader may, acting reasonably, require that you leave the tour. You will not be entitled to any refund for unused services and you will be responsible for any additional costs you incur.

MINIMUM NUMBERS

Some trips are based on a minimum number of passengers travelling. We will advise you prior to confirming your booking if this is the case. If a trip fails to satisfy minimum numbers, the trip may be cancelled. If the trip is cancelled, we will at your election refund you all payments made or credit payments towards alternative arrangements. We will not be responsible for any other travel arrangements affected by, or any additional costs incurred, as a result of cancellation.

IMAGE RELEASE

When on tour, we may take photographs or make recordings of you and your activities that identify you. We reserve the right to use any images and/or recordings for promotional and marketing purposes. You consent to this use and acknowledge you will not be entitled to any payment or other compensation. If you do not consent to the use of your image or likeness, please advise us at least 21 days prior to the commencement of your tour.

INDEPENDENT SERVICES

We are not responsible for any additional activities or excursions which are not included in the booked itinerary or which we sell as agent for the principal operator. Any advice or recommendation made by a guide or local representative does not make us responsible.

ACCEPTANCE OF RISK

You acknowledge that travel involves personal risks which may be greater than those present in your everyday life. This could be as a result of the adventurous nature of your trip or the visiting of destinations which present geographical, political or cultural risks and dangers.

You should consult guidance issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) applicable to the destinations within your itinerary. You acknowledge that your choice to travel is made having had the benefit of DFAT guidance, and you accept any additional personal risks associated with your travel. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we disclaim any liability for these risks.

RESPONSIBILITY

Services supplied by independent suppliers

Where a third party over whom we have no direct control (**Independent Supplier**) is the supplier of travel arrangements that form part of your trip, you acknowledge that our obligations to you are limited to taking reasonable steps to select a reputable Independent Supplier and arranging for them to provide those travel arrangements to you. Independent Suppliers over whom we have no direct control include but are not limited to airlines, railway and cruise operators, hoteliers, independent transport companies (i.e., vehicles not operated by us) and common carriers.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we will not be responsible to you for any loss, damage, personal injury or delay attributable to the actions or omissions of an Independent Supplier. Any claims you have in this regard must be made against the Independent Supplier. You acknowledge that the Independent Supplier's liability to you may be limited by their own terms and conditions.

Services we directly supply

To the extent only that we are the principal supplier to you of travel arrangements or other services which we control, then we will provide those travel arrangements and services with reasonable skill and care.

We will only be responsible for our employees in the course of their employment, and for our agents and suppliers (where we are not the supplier's agent or where the supplier is not an Independent Supplier) if they were carrying out the work we had asked them to do.

We will not be responsible for any loss, damage, claim or expense caused by the acts or omissions of yourself, of any other third party not connected with the provision of the travel arrangements or services, or due to an event of Force Majeure.

While we endeavour to meet scheduled arrival and departure times, we cannot guarantee this. We will not be responsible for any loss or additional expenses you incur for any missed connections/services attributable to delays.

General liability limitation

You acknowledge that travel arrangements or services which comply with local laws and regulations will be deemed to have been properly performed, even if this would not be considered the case in Australia.

Australian Consumer Law and corresponding legislation in State jurisdictions in certain circumstances imply mandatory conditions and warranties into consumer contracts ("Consumer Warranties"). These Booking Conditions do not exclude or limit the application of the Consumer Warranties. Other than the Consumer Warranties, we disclaim all warranties.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, our maximum liability to you under these Booking Conditions, in tort (including negligence) or at law is limited to arranging for the travel arrangements to be resupplied or payment of the cost of having them resupplied.

COMPLAINTS

In the event of a problem with any aspect of your travel arrangements you must tell us or make our representative or our local supplier aware of such problems immediately.

We will only consider and be responsible for claims made against us where we or our suppliers have had the opportunity to put things right on the ground. If you notify us of a problem during travel and we haven't resolved it to your satisfaction, then you must make any claim in writing within 30 days from the end of your travel arrangements.

DEEMED ACCEPTANCE

If you place a booking on behalf of another party, you represent and warrant us that you are duly authorised to provide the agreement and consent of the other party to be bound by these Booking Conditions. You agree that you will be responsible for any loss or damage we incur if this is not the case.

GENERAL

The contract between Greece and Mediterranean Travel Centre Pty Ltd trading as Greece and Mediterranean Travel Centre or Luxury Greece Collection and you is governed by the laws of the State of New South Wales. Any disputes shall be dealt with by a court with the appropriate jurisdiction in New South Wales.

If any provision of these Booking Conditions is found to be unenforceable, then to the extent possible it will be severed without affecting the remaining provisions.

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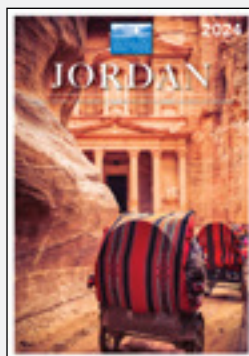
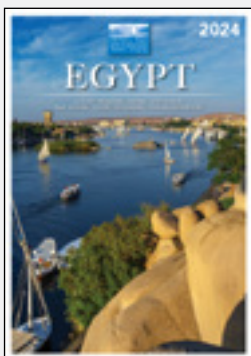
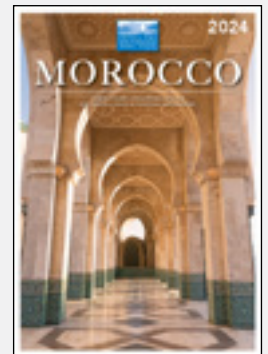
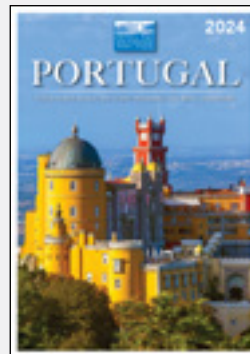
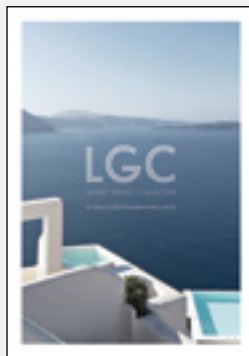
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