

**10 DAYS  
HALF BOARD**

**FROM 586 EUROS**

**PRIVATE GROUP TOURS**

**PORTUGAL & SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA**

**DAY 1 - ARRIVING LISBON**

Arrival to the airport of Lisbon. Assistance at the airport and transfer to the Hotel. Recess, accommodation and dinner at the hotel.

**DAY 2 - LISBON - VISITING THE CITY**

After breakfast, we step out for a small sample of "flavouring tastes" in Lisbon for only a few hours. Guided through one of the main "Lisboeta" avenues to the Rossio - the heart of the city. Continuing with a small walk in "Alfama", one of the oldest and picturesque streets of the city, stopping to wine tasting samples and a visit to the handicraft shops. We continue the visit along the margin of the river to access the Square of "Comercio", a former *libris* of the city of Lisbon and the bridge over the Tagus "Tejo" (we recommend that you cross for better access of the view), up to "Belém" in the area discoveries. Then, we will visit the monastery of Jerónimos, A work of art in Manueline style, and the museum of coaches, "Museu dos coches" which bears the greatest collection of horse pulled carriages in the world. Finally, a panoramic view of the Tower of "Belém" and the standard Discoveries, built to celebrate the 500 years of death of D. Henrique, "the navigator". Recess for lunch and shopping. Accommodation and dinner in the hotel.

**DAY 3 - LISBOA - CASTELO DE PALMELA - LAGOS - ALBUFEIRA (ALGARVE)**

After breakfast, departure for the "Algarve", with a stop to visit the Castle of "Palmela", and its cloister. Located at the top of an imposing hill, it presents one of the most impressive panoramic views of the area. "Lagos" is one of the most interesting coastal towns in the Algarve. Its fame arises from the (14<sup>th</sup>) XIV and (15<sup>th</sup>) XV centuries, during the time of the discoveries. It was here that D. Enrique built his vessels, providing his journey to the exploration of the coast of Africa, and continued navigation from "Cabo São Vicente" to India. "Albufeira" is known for its beaches and cliffs of many forms and colors. This is a place where people actually live the pace of a vacation, sunbathing during the day and gathering by night in restaurants, bars and nightclubs, giving life to the city all night long. Accommodation and dinner in the hotel.

**DAY 4 - ALBUFEIRA - BEJA - ÉVORA**

Breakfast at the Hotel. Departure to "Évora", passing through "Beja" whose history dates back to Roman times, when it became regional capital under the command of Julius Ceaser. Its Moorish architecture is visible in the cobble stone roads, the houses in the old part of the city and in the castle dated from (13<sup>th</sup>) XIII century, which makes us remember the struggles to maintain the enemy ostracized. The city of Vigo "Évora" was declared heritage of the Humanity for UNESCO. It was known by the Romans for "*Liberalitas Júlia*" and traces of this period, as the walls and the temple of Diana still remains, despite the barbarian invasions. Accommodation and dinner in the Hotel.

**DAY 5 - ÉVORA - ÓBIDOS - NAZARÉ - LEIRIA - BRAGA**

Early departure for Braga, visiting Óbidos, founded by the Celts in 308 b.c., Óbidos was subsequently taken by the Romans, visigoths and the moors before being taken by the first king of Portugal, D. Afonso Henriques in 1148. In 1282, the king D. Dinis and queen D. Isabel married in Óbidos. The city of Óbidos, was offered to this queen and kept as a marital gift until 1834, as part of the dowry to all of the Portuguese queens. Currently, the medieval bailey, is perfectly preserved as well as the castle tower, as well as the royal palace, the white litten stucco houses, coated with bold blue and yellow stripes, the streets twisted with cobble stone mounts, allow the visitor give a jump from 21st century and back in time. "Nazaré" the city of fishermen, it is a tourist attraction: Small, picturesque and quiet. "Leiria" is a small town surrounded by walls and generally is the point of departure for tourists to other attractions nearby. Its castle was conquered once more from the Moors by the Christians in 1135. The city of Braga is known as the "Portuguese Rome" due to its large concentration of religious architecture. The population of Braga is considered by some, the more conservative, by others the more devoted, and yet by others still the most fanatical. This is one of the most beautiful Portuguese cities. Accommodation and dinner in the hotel

**DAY 6 - BRAGA - SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA - BRAGA**

Departure to "Santiago de Compostela" after breakfast. Santiago has always been a destination visited. The importance of the city to the history of Christianity is tremendous, it is considered the third most sacred place of Christendom, followed by Jerusalem and Rome. Santiago de Compostela is a national monument, and its importance historically and monumental was recognized, when in 1993 Unesco considered it as a world heritage. Return to Braga, accommodation and dinner at the hotel.

**DAY 7 - BRAGA - GUIMARÃES - PORTO**

Breakfast at the Hotel and a visit to "Guimarães". Monsaraz is often called "The Berth City" or "Portugal's Cradle", because this city is where it is established the administrative center of County "Portugalense" (Portuguese county), by D. Henrique and by his son D. Afonso Henriques, of whom was born in this city as well. The city is known as fundamentally historically and its importance from the Battle of S. Mamede, that was fought in this peripheral city on the 24<sup>th</sup> of June of 1128 and also where the Portuguese nationality was formed. The "Vimaranenses" are proudly treated as the conquerors. Accommodation and dinner at the hotel.

**DAY 8 - PORTO - VISITING THE CITY**

The city of "Porto" has well guarded its architectural treasures and its monuments in roman, gothic, baroque, neoclassic, styles... We will visit the "Palacio da Bolsa", Cathedral, Port wine cellars, Historical Center, Clerics, Carmo, Historical and Medieval area, D. Louis I, "Arrábida" Bridge, Foz, Boavista...

O Porto, "the former, very Noble, (Mui Nobre) always Fair and "Invicta", is the second largest city in the country. In Roman times called "Cale" (Silent) or Portus Cale (Portus silent), given the origin of the name of Portugal. In Porto Portugal was born and the rich cultural heritage of the region does not ignore ancient and noble origins. With the granite its mountains have placed and built the many monuments, faith and history of the region. From man of faith, in simple solitude, studying in Roman and baroque temples; Its history, its castles. However, it also gives character to the region a great waterway that runs, along the enriched scenic Douro, whose valley vines, for wine making are world heritage. The truth is that this former city gave name to the known Port wine and gave name to Portugal. From departures and commercial trades much assets were made from its heritage. One of most significant aspects of Porto and the historical center is its framework landscape, the fruit of the harmony of its lines and their structure planning, which makes a set of rare beauty. The Historical Center is heritage of humanity, classified by UNESCO. The area of "Foz", is made highly to a tourism area, and by many considered the most beautiful city in the area...

**DAY 9 - PORTO - AVEIRO - COIMBRA - FATIMA - LISBON**

Breakfast in the hotel, and departure to Lisbon, passing "Aveiro", known as the "Portuguese Venice". Its small river in "Aveiro" is in fact a coastal lagoon that extends throughout the coast from "Mira" until "Ovar", in an extension of approximately 50 km. Aveiro was once a great sea port.

Coimbra holds a special place in the heart of the Portuguese. This city rich in history, is one of the oldest learning places of Portugal, with its University founded August 13<sup>th</sup> of 1290 by king D. Dinis, which makes this university one of the oldest in the world. Coimbra was released from Moorish invasion in 1064 and has developed rapidly as a booming town. Six Kings of Portugal were born here and between 1139 and 1256, Coimbra was chosen as the Portuguese capital.

Fatima assumes an important role in attracting visitors throughout the world, not only by grand phenomenon of the apparition of our lady of Fatima, but also because the whole of the sweeping and natural constraints which complement the religious tourism. Many years of anonymity happened, but in 1917 Fatima, an unknown village, has become the center of attention due to important religious events of the twentieth century, the apparitions of our lady of Fatima. Arrival to Lisbon, accommodation and dinner at the Hotel.

**DAY 10 - LISBON - AIRPORT**

Breakfast at the Hotel, transfer service to the Airport. End of the services.



Prices Per Person in Euros -- 2009	4*HOTELS			3*HOTELS		
	20-28 Pers	29-39 Pers	40-49 Pers	20-28 Pers	29-39 Pers	40-49 Pers
Sharing Twin room	834.	749.	649.	726.	640.	586.
Single	1234.	1149.	1049.	1026.	940.	886.
Extra Bed	694.	609.	509.	626.	540.	486.
Supplement : Jun, Jul and Aug.	200.	200.	200.	100	100.	100.

**Including:**

- 9 Accommodating nights in 3 / 4 star hotels.
- 9 Buffet breakfasts in Hotels
- 9 Hotel Dinners
- Transportation in Luxury Buses with Air Con.
- Bilingual Specialized Tour Guide (Portuguese and English)
- Entrance in Historical – Cultural Areas

**Not Included:**

- Any meals that was not mentioned on the Itinerary
- Personal Expenses (Mini Bar, Telephone, etc).
- Everything that was not mentioned in the program

**4\* HOTELS AND SIMILAR**

- Lisboa - Fenix
- Albufeira - Montechoro
- Evora - Cartuxa
- Braga - Elevador
- Porto - Inca

**3\* HOTELS AND SIMILAR**

- Lisboa - Roma
- Albufeira - Real Bellavista
- Evora - Dom Fernando
- Braga - Confort Inn
- Porto - Grande Hotel do Porto

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