

*Magical and Sparkling Porto and Lisbon
April 23 – 30, 2019
\$2900 per person double occupancy
\$1200 Single Supplement
Land only*

Wednesday, 24 April

Upon arrival in Porto you will be met and transferred to The Yeatman Hotel to join the group.
<https://www.the-yeatman-hotel.com/en/>

We will enjoy an afternoon strolling around Porto and getting to know the city.

This evening we will walk to dinner in the neighborhood.

ADEGA PRESUNTARIA TRANSMONTANA



Located in Gaia, nearby the River Douro, it's an old warehouse that kept the infrastructure that already existed there. Regional cuisine is served.

Thursday, 25 April

Breakfast will be at the hotel daily.

Today is a full day visiting the Douro Valley:

DOURO VALLEY

QUINTA DE MARROCOS WINE ESTATE



This is one of the oldest estates in the Demarcated Region of the Douro, providing magnificent views over the Douro river.

It is located on the left bank of the river, with traditional vines, where the region's main noble grape varieties predominate.

The estate boasts granite presses where the grapes are still pressed by foot, and cellars where the wine is aged in wooden barrels, vats and casks, imbuing the Port and Douro wine with excellent complexity. The quality of these wines has been recognized in international competitions.

The couple's daughter, Rita Sequeira, is an oenologist and is responsible for the property's wine producing activities.

Visiting, wine tasting and lunch. After our Quinta de Marrocos visit, our tour will continue towards Folgosa where we will have our skipper waiting for us to a private river cruise towards Pinhão.

Returning after our boat ride to Porto

Friday, 26 April

This morning we will have a Tour of Porto.

CLASSIC PORTO



We will visit the Stock Exchange Palace with incredible granite work and magnificent neo-arab influences and S. Francisco church, also called the Golden Church.

A stop by the famous Clérigos Church and Lello Bookshop are also on the tour.

Continuing to the Ribeira area we will complete our tour and you can enjoy an afternoon of shopping.

For our last dinner in Porto we will enjoy the hotel restaurant and have dinner at the Gastronomic restaurant in The Yeatman.

GASTRONOMIC RESTAURANT 2 Michelin-star @ The Yeatman



The extraordinary panorama of the River Douro and the historic center of Porto guarantee the most spectacular scenery, combined with 2 Michelin stars award in the 2017 Guide.

Saturday, 27 April

Transfer from Porto to Lisbon this morning by train, and arrive at our hotel in central Lisbon; The Altis Avenida.

<http://www.altishotels.com/EN/HotelAltisAvenida/Boutique-Hotel-Lisbon/>

This afternoon an introductory walking tour of Lisbon.

This evening we will walk to the popular Bairro do Avillez and you can choose your dinner location.

BAIRRO DO AVILLEZ from José Avillez – in Chiado/Downtown Area



“Bairro do Avillez”, José Avillez’s new restaurant, is located in Chiado. Spacious and surprising, with different eating areas inspired by the best Portuguese flavors, this is the most atypical of Lisbon's Neighborhoods with a surprise on every corner.

The world of José Avillez doesn’t fit in a single address, it is an entire universe devoted to creativity. Here you’ll find an irresistible “mercearia” (groceries’ store) where you can buy delicacies, gifts, books, and chef worthy accessories; a wonderful Taberna for those who like amazing food; and the most spectacular Pateo in town, where seafood and fish are kings a live alongside the fun cotton candy.

Sunday, 28 April

Full day visiting Sintra:



Sintra is located right in the central western Portuguese coast, just a short drive from Lisbon. UNESCO World Heritage since 1995, Sintra is steeped in history and offers some of the most exquisite natural and architectural sites in the country.

Here, at the northern-most extent of the protected Sintra-Cascais Natural Park, history, archaeology, architecture and natural beauty are combined to create a compelling and enduring centerpiece that has enjoyed centuries of popularity.

After visiting the Pena Palace, a fairytale castle built for Dom Fernando II in the 19th century still well preserved and with beautiful gardens, guests will visit the magnificent Regaleira Palace and its gardens. Quinta da Regaleira is an estate located near the historic center of Sintra, and it is classified as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO within the "Cultural Landscape of Sintra".



The property consists of a romantic palace and chapel, and a luxurious park that features lakes, grottoes, wells, benches, fountains, and a vast array of exquisite constructions.

Now guests will have some time at leisure for exploring the beautiful village with its narrow streets and beautiful parks, and to do some shopping! Do not forget to taste the typical regional pastries, the "Travesseiros de Sintra" or the famous "Queijadas".



In the afternoon there is still time for a visit to Cabo da Roca which is, as described by the famous

Portuguese poet Luís de Camões, the place "where the land ends and the sea begins". It is the westernmost point of mainland Portugal and continental Europe.

Continuing to Cascais...

We will follow to the touristy site called "Boca do Inferno" (Jaws of Hell). This is an inlet along the coast that is surrounded by steep rocks and caves, attracting visitors to marvel at the brute strength of the sea.

Situated close to the sea and traditionally a fishing village, Cascais enjoyed an important period of development in the 14th century, when it was a major stopping off point for boats traveling to Lisbon.

Particularly recommended is a stroll through its streets, where you will find shops of the highest quality, or perhaps you might prefer to enjoy a few moments' rest at one of the many outdoor cafés and restaurants scattered about the town.



Monday, 29 April

Half day visiting Art in Lisbon:

MODERN LISBON AND LISBON ART

MAAT – Museum of Art, Architecture & Technology



The recently opened MAAT presents itself as a new cultural centre in the city of Lisbon. It represents an ambition to host national and international exhibitions with contributions by contemporary artists, architects and thinkers.

A space for debate, critical thinking and international dialogue, which offers an intense and diverse programme conceived for all audiences and ages.

Designed by the prestigious British architecture firm Amanda Levet Architects – whose curriculum includes distinctions such as the RIBA Stirling Prize – the project involves approximately 3000sqm of exhibitivite space plus 7000sqm of public space.

The new building with its cosmopolitan design rises on the riverfront with an architectural narrative that is sensitive to the city's cultural heritage and future, offering, among other features, a pedestrian roof that offers a privileged view of Lisbon and the Tagus, and which immediately became an iconic location.

CCB – Berardo Art Collection



Located in the Belem Cultural Centre, the Museu Colecção Berardo is a museological space of reference in Lisbon, where the visitor can enjoy the best of modern and contemporary art.

In this museum it is possible to find, both in the permanent presentation of the Berardo Collection and in the vast array of temporary exhibitions, works by artists from diverse cultural backgrounds and contexts, who, through a multitude of expressions, built the art history of the last century.

The Museu Colecção Berardo also offers a broad program of activities for all ages (for example, paths through the exhibitions and family visit-workshops) which in an original and educational way make known the great names of art such as Marcel Duchamp, Pablo Picasso, Salvador Dalí, Andy Warhol, Francis Bacon, Maria Helena Vieira da Silva and Helena Almeida.

*Lunch at leisure
Afternoon free*

Dinner at the ADEGA MACHADO Fado Restaurant

ADEGA MACHADO FADO RESTAURANT



Typical but very contemporary Fado restaurant, the Adegas Machado was founded in 1937 by the couple Armando and Maria de Lourdes Machado, which was a Fado singer. In 2012 was completely renovated, more contemporary but keeping its typical spirit.

Tuesday, 30 April

Departure Transfer for the airport. One early transfer will be provided for everyone.

READ DETAILS BELOW:



Included in costs:

6 nights hotel accommodations

Breakfast daily

Taxes and service

Airport transfers roundtrip

One Lunch and three dinners

Tours and Transportation

Tour Escorts: Weezie and Ginny

Airfare and scheduling: due to use of frequent flyer points, upgrades, and requests for other classes of service besides economy, we do not include airfare. We do provide assistance by calling Misty Robbins at 336-855-0060 in Greensboro.

We suggest American Airlines from Charlotte to Madrid with a connection to Porto for the departure and on the return Lisbon to Madrid to Charlotte. However, there are other choices and airlines to Porto and from Madrid.

Insurance is strongly suggested and advised. You may get it by going to www.allianztravelinsurance.com

**All payments, deposit and final payment are non-refundable.
This group will be limited to 16 participants.**

Registration forms may be gotten by emailing: justladiestraveling@gmail.com, weezieglascock@gmail.com or call me at 336-275-1010.

Deadline for registration is October 30, 2018, but please let us know if you have interest as trips usually sell out within a few days of announcements.