Romance of the Douro River

featuring Lisbon, Porto & the Alto Douro Wine Region

Inspirating Moments

► Travel through the rolling hills of the Alto Douro wine region and visit a quinta for a port tasting.
► Walk in the footsteps of Portuguese aristocracy at Mateus Palace.
► Gaze in wonder at the renowned University of Coimbra.
► Delve into Portuguese history at Guimarães, the city considered to be the birthplace of Portugal.
► Explore Porto’s maze of medieval alleys and colorful neighborhoods.
► Appreciate the splendor of Salamanca, an elegant Spanish city.
► Follow the historic path of great explorers in Lisbon.
► Experience six UNESCO World Heritage sites.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations (with baggage handling)
- 3 nights in Lisbon, Portugal, at the deluxe Dom Pedro Palace Lisbon.
- 7 nights aboard the exclusively chartered, first-class MS Amalia Rodrigues.

Transfers (with baggage handling)
- Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land | Cruise Program.

Extensive Meal Program
- 10 breakfasts, 7 lunches and 7 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; all drinks included on board except special wines and spirits.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey
- Discovery excursions and Personalize Your Journey | PYJ choices highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led Enrichment programs enhance your insight into the region.
- AHI Sustainability Promise: We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Itinerary

Day 1 Depart gateway city
Day 2 Arrive in Lisbon and transfer to hotel
Day 3 Lisbon
Day 4 Lisbon
Day 5 Óbidos | Coimbra | Porto | Embark ship
Day 6 Porto
Day 7 Porto | Peso da Régua
Day 8 Vila Real | Barca d’Alva
Day 9 Salamanca
Day 10 São João da Pesqueira | Pinhão
Day 11 Lamego | Porto
Day 12 Transfer to Porto airport and depart for gateway city

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- Salamanca

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Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Activity Level: Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants. Partial payment may apply.

Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program’s physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.

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Discovery

Lisbon. Delve into the history of famous explorers! Visit the Hieronymites Monastery and admire the incredible artistry of the Monument to the Discoveries and Belém Tower, which celebrates the triumphs of Portugal’s explorers. Drive through the city’s authentic neighborhoods, including Bairro Alto, Alfama and Graça, and see local life in Rossio and Black Horse squares.

Óbidos. Visit Óbidos, a romantic medieval village enclosed within ancient walls. Follow narrow alleys bordered with traditional white houses, vivid tiles and potted geraniums.

Coimbra. Discover the first Portuguese capital during a visit to the University of Coimbra, one of Europe’s oldest universities. See the stunning Biblioteca Joanina, St. Michael’s Chapel and a ceremonial hall.

Vila Real. Discover the extravagant Manor Solar de Mateus, an 18th-century baroque palace. View the rooftop pinnacles, carved wooden ceilings and lavish halls before strolling through the gardens. Walk along the cobbled lanes of Vila Real and sample Cristas de Galo, a local pastry.

Porto’s Wine Road. Drive through the scenic Alto Douro Wine Region. This area is known for its vineyards and is also famous for its bountiful olive and almond groves. Visit the town of São João da Pesqueira, known as the “fishing ground,” and stop at a quinta, a local winery, for a presentation and tasting.

Portuguese Folklore. Enjoy an authentic folk show tonight as singers and dancers showcase their culture through song.

Lamego. Sitting in the heart of the port-producing Douro Valley, Lamego is one of the country’s prettiest towns. Visit the town of São João da Pesqueira, known as the “fishing ground,” and stop at a quinta, a local winery, for a presentation and tasting.

Enrichment

▶ Portuguese Explorers
▶ Contemporary Portugal
▶ Douro Wine Country

UNESCO World Heritage

1. Historic Center of Oporto
2. Historic Center of Guimarães
3. Alto Douro Wine Region
4. Old City of Salamanca
5. University of Coimbra
6. Monastery of the Hieronymites and Tower of Belém

Electives

We’ve designed engaging excursions to take you further afield.

Fado Dinner. Savor a delicious dinner of Portuguese cuisine and listen to soul-stirring fado, a traditional genre of music with melancholic guitar and vocal arrangements.

Sintra, Cascais and Estoril. Sintra is home to vivid architecture and the National Palace of Sintra with its iconic white chimneys. Take a guided tour of the well-preserved palace. After lunch, drive by Cabo de Roca and pretty Quincho Beach. Stop in Cascais for a picturesque walk, and drive through Estoril on your return to Lisbon.

PYJ | A choice of unique excursions:

Porto (Day 6)
• Cultural Porto & Port Wine Tasting
• Porto by Tram & Flavors of Porto

Porto (Day 7)
• Guimarães, Cradle of Portugal
• Douro Walk & Port Tasting (Active)

Barca d’Alva
• Salamanca City Tour
• Salamanca by Bike (Active)

Accommodations

Dom Pedro Palace Lisbon

MS Amalia Rodrigues

AHI Sustainability Promise

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

Environmental Impact | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

Social Impact | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

Economic Impact | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, “shoulder seasons.”

AHI Travel Expertise

Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

AHI FlexAir | Our personalized air program features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

DATES & PRICES

September 29 – October 10, 2021

From Price $4,245

Special Savings $250

Special Price $3,995

VAT & Port Tax supplement is an additional $395 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single supplement waived for solo travelers!

This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.

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