



PO1 A Taste of Northern Portugal

Discover the charms of Northern Portugal: the wild Atlantic coastline, world famous wines, the stunning scenery of the ancient Douro vineyards and the enchanting cities of Porto, Viana do Castelo, Braga and Guimaraes - all in a one week tour!

Brim-full of culture, art and history, including four Unesco World Heritage sites, the region is also blessed with a multitude of historic manor houses and mansions dotted amongst the vineyards and well-preserved old towns.

Enjoy the fantastic Port wines but don't miss the wonderful table wines the north of Portugal now produces, both in the Douro and Vinho Verde regions. Wherever you go you'll find hearty local gastronomy and warm hospitality.

Itinerary Overview:							
Stage	Itinerary	Nights	Location	Services	Drive Time		
1	Day 1 to 3	2 nights	Porto, Porto	HOPO1 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	30mins from Porto airport		
2	Day 3 to 6	3 nights	Minho Coast, Vila de Punhe	HMIN2 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	50mins from airport (car hire pick-up)		
3	Day 6 to 8	2 nights	Douro Valley, Vale de Mendiz	HDOU2 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	2hrs 20mins		

Includes:

- Accommodation in our listed hotels 2 sharing 1 std. double ensuite, B&B
- Economy 4dr car hire from leaving Porto
- Guide book to Portugal
- Personal Travel App including highlights, weather forecast and restaurant suggestions for all areas en-route
- Instructions to find all accommodation

Excludes:

- Flights but we are able to advise
- One-way car hire charges, where applicable (see your quote email)
- The following car hire extras these can be added at pick-up point
 - extra driver
 - child seats
 - GPS
- Parking fees where applicable (mostly city stops) please ask us about parking charges
- Local tourist taxes where applicable

Stage 1

Porto



Highlights

Ribeira, Porto's fascinating historic centre, a World Heritage site Cross the impressive Dom Luis I iron bridge to the Port Wine Lodges Visit WOW! - the World of Wine Art for all from finest museums to simple galleries Walk the lanes, sail the river, live and breathe Porto

HOPO1 3-star Hotel, Porto

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B

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Tucked down a side street among little art galleries, a short walk to the historic centre and sights of Porto, and with plenty of bars, restaurants and excellent shopping just nearby, you really couldn't be better placed.

The comfortable rooms, each with its own character, are divided between the main house and a modern garden annex. The sitting room, with a decanter of port to welcome guests, and the garden and terrace at the back, provide space and relaxation.

Added to its charm are its very friendly, helpful and welcoming staff who, taking care of the smallest details, ensure that everything runs smoothly.



Main facilities	• Wi-Fi all areas
Room facilities	En-suite bathroom
Dining	Breakfast only Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel
Room types	• Double, twins and suites in main house; doubles with patio and junior suite in garden • Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	Public parking nearby (pay locally) • No pets allowed

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Stage 2

Minho Coast



Highlights

Delightful Caminha and the fortress towns of Valença, Monção and Melgaço

Historic step in the Portuguese Santiago pilgrim way

Viana do Castelo with its windswept Atlantic coastline

Graceful Ponte de Lima with its Roman bridge

Sample the Vinho Verde wine and hearty local fare

HMIN2 3-star Hotel, Vila de Punhe

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Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



As you come up the long vine-covered cobblestone drive to this grand C17th manor house, you immediately feel a certain magic, the pull of the past...

Surrounded by vineyards and woodlands, the delightful grounds with courtyards, lawns, shrubberies, and a lovely pool area create a feeling of total relaxation and serenity. Read a good book or wander in the woods!

Its charming and enthusiastic owners, Joao and Ana, transformed the old farm buildings on the estate into cosy traditional cottages and then with flair and imagination added two more very modern minimalist properties - very chic - all blending in happily with the lush vegetation.



Main facilities	Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds • Swimming pool (outdoor, all year)
Room facilities	En-suite bathroom Air conditioning
Dining	Breakfast only
Room types	One and two-bedroomed cottages Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	On-site parking (free) • No pets allowed

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Stage 3

Douro Valley



Highlights

Fabulous Douro scenery - take an unforgettable boat trip World Heritage Douro vineyards, the World's oldest! Romantic Amarante on the River Tamega Lamego - famous stairs of Nossa Senhora dos Remedios Superb gastronomy in the atmospheric "adegas" taverns

HDOU2 4-star Hotel, Vale de Mendiz

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Perched high above the Douro in the delightful Vale de Mendiz (known as the valley of gold), with the most stunning views of the surrounding hills and terraced vineyards snaking their way down the valley to Pinhao, this lovely, small rural hotel makes a perfect base for exploring the region.

At one time the Magalhaes family home and estate, producing port since 1870, it was transformed into a hotel with all modern comforts in 2005.

In this unforgettable setting the friendly, efficient and informative staff can organise a wine tasting and tour of their vineyards and trips on foot, by bike, boat and jeep, and will ensure your stay is a special one.



Main facilities	 Activity/tour booking service Wi-Fi all areas Spacious grounds Swimming pool (outdoor, all year) Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)
Room facilities	En-suite bathroom Air conditioning
Dining	Restaurant/dining room for guests only
Room types	Double, twin, triple Not suitable for guests with reduced mobility
Other	On-site parking (free) Pets allows by prior arrangement - please consult

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