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A short tour taking in the main wine highlights of northern and central Portugal.

Visit the wine lodges of Porto and explore the history of the Port wine trade with its strong British links before travelling in to the Alto Douro, with its stunning scenery and picture-postcard villages, where the wines are produced.

Head south to finish in Viseu, the granite-built capital of the Dão wine region. Though lesser known, Viseu occupies an important place in Portuguese history, offering plenty to see and do.

Stage	Itineray	Nights	Location	Services	Drive Time		
1	Day 1 to 3	2 nights	Porto, Porto	HOPO2 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	30mins from Porto airport		
2	Day 3 to 6	3 nights	Douro Valley, Vale de Mendiz	HDOU2 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 50mins from airport (car hire pick-up)		
3	Day 6 to 8	2 nights	Aveiro and Las Beiras, Viseu	HNBE5 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 20mins		

Includes:

Itinerary Overview

- Accommodation in our listed hotels 2 sharing 1 std. double ensuite, B&B
- Economy 4-door 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, unless specifically included) - please ask us about parking charges
- · Local tourist taxes where applicable

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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

HOPO2 3-star Hotel, Porto

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B

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This gorgeously romantic, Baroque castle, full of character, set in its own beautiful gardens, is the perfect base to visit historic Porto.

Built in 1887 as a private house, this listed building with its imposing tower is wonderfully atmospheric and, being set on a vantage point, commands lovely views of the city.

The location is excellent - fairly near the centre (a twenty minute walk) with on site parking and the metro just a short walk away - and the manicured gardens with their stunning "azulejos" provide respite from the hustle and bustle of the city.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Activity/tour booking service • Wi-Fi all areas • Spacious grounds		
Room facilities	En-suite bathroom Air conditioning Tea/coffee making facilities		
Dining	Breakfast only Bars/restaurants within walking distance of the hotel		
Room types	• Double, twin, (castle or garden) superior, suite, family suite • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility		
Other	On-site parking (extra charge) No pets allowed		

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Stage 2

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

Vila Pouca de Aguiar Vila Real Vila Real Vila Real Vila Real Peso da Regua Arro Douro Valle S km

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, 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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Stage 3

Aveiro and Las Beiras



Highlights

Discover Art-Nouveau Aveiro from a gondola-like 'Moliceiro' Sail or kayak in the estuary, go surfing in the ocean Gaily-painted seaside houses of Costa Nova do Prado Visit the Vista Alegre porcelain factory Playa de Barra and the wild dunes of São Jacinto

HNBE5 4-star Hotel, Viseu

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B

Porto Pinhao Douro Valley Viseu Viseu O Centro De PortUGAL Serra da Estrela 20 km

Situated right in the heart of Viseu old town, in a building of great architectural and historical-cultural value, this charming hotel is part of one of the seven doors of the old Afonsina city walls, Porta de Soar de Cima. It was opened in 2007 and has been completely refurbished with modern facilities while maintaining its original facade.

Straight from the door you have all the main sights of Viseu; the Cathedral, the Grao Vasco Museum, the Roman walls. The Jewish Quarter and the Old Town are a pleasure just to wander around and offer plenty of shopping and fine eateries.



Main facilities	• 24 hour reception • Wi-Fi all areas
Room facilities	En-suite bathroom Air conditioning
Dining	Restaurant, open to the public
Room types	Single, Double or Twin, Superior. Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	On-street parking Public parking nearby (pay locally) No pets allowed

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