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#### **PO4 Douro Wine Valley Tour**

Discover historic Porto and the Douro Valley, the world's oldest, and possibly most picturesque, wine region.

From bustling Porto, on the Atlantic coast with its Port wine cellars and historic old town, head inland to the lush, steepterraced vineyards of the Douro and Alto Douro near Pinhao. Discover a region full of beauty.

Along the way you'll find enchanting towns and villages to discover; Amarante, Peso da Regua or Lamego with its famous baroque stairs to the Nossa Senhora dos Remedios church, as well as delicious local fare and unique, friendly atmosphere in the family run "Adegas" - taverns.

Of course the Douro river is the star of the tour with fantastic boat rides, scenery and walking as it meanders through the vineyards.

I	Itinerary Overview:							
	Stage	Itinerary	Nights	Location	Services	Drive Time		
	1	Day 1 to 4	3 nights	Porto, Porto	HOPO2 3-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	30mins from Porto airport		
	2	Day 4 to 6	2 nights	Douro Valley, Santa Marinha do Zézere	HDOU3 4-star Hotel 1 x Twin/Double	1hr 30mins 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	1hr 10mins		

#### Includes:

- Accommodation for two people in our listed hotels
   bed and breakfast
- 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

## HDOU3 4-star Hotel, Santa Marinha do Zézere

Accommodation: 1 x Twin/Double, B&B



Situated in the renowned Vinho Verde wine region, above the majestic River Douro, this magnificent manor house dating back to 1720 is set in a 40hectare estate with beautiful landscaped gardens, vineyards, orchards, a cork forest and even a chapel!

With amazing views all around, this is a true ancestral home and each of the very comfortable en-suite rooms in the main house is individually decorated and furnished. The owners still make their deliciously refreshing fruity white wine "Cazas Novas", as well as other other traditional regional dishes, made with love and care, using locally sourced produce.

You certainly could not find a better base in this fantastic region!



Main facilities	Wi-Fi all areas      Spacious grounds      Swimming pool (outdoor, all year)
Room facilities	En-suite bathroom • Air conditioning
Dining	Restaurant/dining room for guests only
Room types	• Standard double, Superior double, Deluxe double; 2/3/4 bedroom apartments. • Room(s) adapted for guests with reduced mobility
Other	On-site parking (free) • No pets allowed

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### Stage 3

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### 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	<ul> <li>Activity/tour booking service</li> <li>Wi-Fi all areas</li> <li>Spacious grounds</li> <li>Swimming pool (outdoor, all year)</li> <li>Swimming pool (outdoor, seasonal)</li> </ul>
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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"The package included everything we needed from a superb App called Vamoos which included daily routes (offline maps), hotel details and local information to Lonely Planet Guides and ferry and hotel bookings for the tours."

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