

## PORTUGAL STORIES 6 days

### Itinerary:



#### Day 1 : Lisbon - Obidos - Alcobaca - Fatima

After arrival in Lisbon make your way towards Obidos. Surrounded by medieval walls you can admire the diversity of the handicrafts and taste the famous “Ginginha” liquor. Later continue to Alcobaca. The imposing church here, a World Heritage site, introduced the gothic style in Portugal. Afterwards depart to Nazare, a typical fishing village and see the famous Batalha Monastery. Finally arrive in Fatima, known for its Marian Shrine.

**Lodging:** Santa Maria hotel

#### Day 2 : Fatima - Coimbra - Aveiro - Oporto (B)

After breakfast depart towards Coimbra, site of one of the most ancient Universities in the world with a beautiful Baroque library. In the afternoon continue to Aveiro, city of the canals and known as the “Portuguese Venice”. Here you have time to taste the famous local sweets “Ovos Moles”. Later drive to Oporto for overnight

**Meals:** Breakfast    **Lodging:** Ipanema Porto hotel

#### Day 3 : Oporto - Guimaraes - Braga - Oporto (B)

After breakfast visit the city of Oporto, the 2nd biggest city in Portugal. Discover its avenues, monuments and characteristic places including the Exchange Palace, Saint Francis church and the popular Ribeira neighborhood. Also visit one of the most known and traditional Port Wine Cellars where you enjoy a wine tasting of the famous Port Wine. Later continue to the Minho region, where history, religion and legends blend with magnificent monuments, stunning views, delicious cuisine and unique wines. Visit Guimaraes and Braga, known as the "Rome of Portugal". Here you can see the oldest cathedral in the country and the Sanctuary of Born Jesus. Return to Oporto for overnight.

**Meals:** Breakfast    **Lodging:** Ipanema Porto hotel

#### Day 4 : Oporto - Santiago de Compostela - Oporto (B)

After breakfast leave Oporto towards Santiago de Compostela, the capital of Galicia and the place of pilgrims of the Camino de Santiago. Enjoy your time here with a stroll through the historic streets, get to know the extraordinary monuments, taste the traditional dishes and visit the imposing Santiago Cathedral, the most important work of the Romanesque period in Spain. Return to Oporto for overnight.

**Meals:** Breakfast    **Lodging:** Ipanema Porto hotel

### **Day 5 : Oporto - Amrante - Lamego - Urgeirica (B)**

After breakfast departure to Amarante, a small town located at the banks of the Tâmega river. Here see the lovely houses with colorful porches and candy shops with delicious monastic sweets. After continue to Vila Real, where you visit the gardens of the Manor of Mateus. Then enter the Port Wine Region where the famous nectar of the Gods is made - the Port Wine. Stop in Lamego, overlooked by one of Portugal's most important shrines, Our Lady of Remedies. You may try some of the local delicacies such as the famous "Bola de Lamego", a loaf baked in the oven with smoked ham. Overnight in Urgeirica Canas De Senhorim.

**Meals:** Breakfast    **Lodging:** Urgeirica hotel

### **Day 6 : Urgeirica - Bussaco - Tomar - Lisbon (B)**

After breakfast start your drive through the heart of Portugal till Bussaco, home to the romantic Palace hotel and luxuriant forest. Continue to Tomar, a place closely linked to the Order of the Templars. Visit the Christ Convent, declared World Heritage Site before you return to Lisbon.

**Meals:** Breakfast

