

**PORTO
& NORTH**



DISCOVERING PORTO & NORTH OF PORTUGAL

Fam Trip Pos Tour BTL

March 3rd to 5th 2023

Dear Visitor,

On behalf of the Porto Convention & Visitors Bureau and its members, we are pleased to invite you to discover Porto and the North – The Essence of Portugal!

In Porto & North of Portugal, there are 2000 years of History to relive in the ancient streets, classified monuments, World Heritage Sites, and people's traditions. Congress facilities are cutting-edge and professional partners are resourceful with a can-do spirit. A growing scientific community is eager to host events in their own fields of research. Easily accessible from most countries, Porto is the charming gem that will surprise congress attendants.

To host international congresses and conferences you can choose congress centres of various competencies and different types of hotels: chain, charm, design or trendy. These units are complemented by a vast support services, always with the guarantee of a skilled experience and a rigorous professionalism. For a social event of more creative matter, it is also the ideal destination due to the huge variety of available gala venues: castles, manor houses, palaces, restaurants, beach bars, casinos, museums and a lot more!

There is an immensity of things to do, places to see, people to meet and emotions to feel.

This program includes:

- Visits
- Meals
- Accommodation
- Coach service according to program

This program excludes:

- Personal extras and expenses;
- All the services not mentioned in this program.

*No shows to booked activities with no prior justification, may be invoiced back to the attendee

Program Subject to Minor Changes



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3rd March, Friday

9h Pick up in Lisbon

Departure to Porto

Lunch at [Intercontinental Porto – Palácio das Cardosas](#)

A deluxe 5-star hotel located in the main city square, within walking distance from all the major cultural highlights. The hotel has 105 spacious rooms and suites, each exuding great warmth with a Portuguese flavour and lofty ceilings.



Walking city Tour in Porto's historical boroughs

Strolling around the old and narrow streets, passing the most interesting landmarks of the city including the Clérigos Tower, the ex-libris of the city, the exquisite Lello Bookstore considered one of the third most beautiful bookshops in the World, the old grocery shops and boutiques, the colourful squares, among others. In the “Galerias” quarter, named after one of its streets, one can find and enjoy the best of night life in Porto downtown with its trendy and design cafés, restaurants, or book shops. Right below the quarter, the Aliados Avenue stands out with the City Hall and Café Guarany, among some of its landmarks. Continuing to the pedestrian and shopping area, rests the renewed Bolhão Market, Sta. Catarina Street, Majestic Cafe and Batalha Square. And just before starting your way down to the Ribeira district, UNESCO World Heritage, the S. Bento Train station, covered with its famous blue historical tiles, is a must see.



Visit to [WOW](#)

The World of Wine, considered the new cultural quarter of the city, is located in Vila Nova de Gaia and comprises 7 museums, 12 restaurants, a wine school, and several exhibitions. WOW compiles the history, magic and emotions behind Portuguese wine, the drinking ritual and the cork industry. It portrays the history of the city of Porto and the best that is done in the north of Portugal, revealing the secrets behind some of the main industries in the region, such as textiles and fashion and even a chocolate factory.



Visit to [Taylor's Port Wine Cellar](#)

For many, Taylor's is the archetypal Port house and its wines the quintessential Ports. Established over three centuries ago in 1692, Taylor's is one of the oldest of the founding Port houses. It is dedicated entirely to the production of Port wine and in particular to its finest styles.



Dinner at [Barão Fladgate](#)

The restaurant is located in one of the rooms in the Taylor's cellars, it has been open to the public since 1994. It has a spectacular panoramic view of Porto, of its historical centre. The commitment to the quality of the food and care with the service provided are the most favourable appreciations made by food critics. 'Port Wine Restaurant' offering a specific menu to pair Port Wine, and a rich Port Wine list with 30 references, with special mention for a wide set of options of Taylor's, Fonseca, Croft and Romariz Vintages.



Check in at [The Lodge Wine and Business Hotel](#)

Set in the heart of the centuries-old Port wine cellars, The Lodge Hotel combines the ambience of a luxury wine hotel with the capacity to organize unforgettable events. From the stunning design of the spaces to the exclusive and excellent services, everything at The Lodge combines to honor the cultural heritage and identity of Porto and the Douro Valley



Overnight stay

4th March, Saturday

Breakfast and check out

Departure to Douro region

Douro was the first wine region in the world to be demarcated and regulated in 1756. The wild slopes of the valley have been transformed, through the work of generations, into terraces to plant the vineyard that produces the famous Porto Wine, excellent DOC Douro wines, sparkling wines and Muscat wines. The impressive Alto Douro Wine Region was declared a World Heritage Site, in 2001, by UNESCO.



Visit to [Quinta da Roêda](#) followed by a wine tasting

The visitors' centre is housed in Roêda's old stables which have been carefully restored in the traditional Douro Valley style. These provide a spacious environment in which to taste Croft's renowned port wines and browse the shop for unique local products, such as the estate's own extra virgin olive oil.



Private Boat Tour at Cais do Pinhão

Cruise along the Douro River from Pinhão, enjoying the stunning Douro landscape from a different and exciting perspective.



Lunch at [Quinta Nova de Nossa Sra do Carmo](#)

Quinta Nova de Nossa Senhora do Carmo, Luxury Winery House, opened in 2005, reconstructed from an old eighteenth century manor house designed in full harmony with nature and tradition. Visitors are able to live the true spirit of the Douro Valley by accompanying the Quinta's wine activities, trying out the walking routes and discovering the Quinta's historical spots. Reencountering tradition means that guests can choose amongst the 11 rooms – all of which have a panoramic view onto the vineyards and onto the river, decorated in the region's style but ensuring complete comfort.



Workshop and coffee break at [Six Senses Douro Valley](#)

Six Senses Douro Valley presents a superbly renovated 19th-century manor house set high on a hill overlooking the vine covered rolling hills of the Douro Valley and the river below. A spa, a selection of rooms, suites and villas, restaurants, wine library, swimming pools and organic garden are but a few of the many features offered.



Check in and dinner at [Quinta da Pacheca](#)

One of the best-known estates in the Douro region, was also one of the first properties to bottle wine under its own label. Inside of the property, you can find a small and deluxe charm hotel with 15 rooms. Located in the heart of Quinta da Pacheca, the Tasting Room is the meeting point for all visitors. On a pleasant place, it puts at your disposal company's entire range of wines, as



well as some rarities as Reservas, Old Port's, homemade jams, olive oil, and other regional products from Douro Valley.

Overnight stay

5th March, Sunday

Breakfast and check out

Departure to Lisbon

End of the program



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