

Portugal is one of the oldest nations in Europe.

The borders were defined in 1139.

The shortest – and longest – reigning monarchs.

Henrique of Portugal was the king for more than 73 years. Luis Filipe, was king for only 20 minutes.

FUN FACTS ABOUT PORTUGAL



Portugal decriminalized all drugs.

On July 1, 2001, Portugal became the first country in the world to decriminalize all drugs, including meth and heroin.



UNESCO World Heritage Sites Portugal is home to 17 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Portugal is one of the best places in the world to retire.

People have low cost of living and tax incentives, a quality healthcare system, and an all-around high standard of living.





Air Canada flight information:

Date	Route	Flight #	Departure	Arrival
Wed, 10 April 2024	Winnipeg - Montreal	AC 376	14:45	18:35
Wed, 10 April 2024	Montreal - Lisbon	AC 812	21:40	09:20 +1

Day I - Thursday, April II: Arrival in Lisbon.

- Check in to your accommodation, and rest after your journey.
- Take a leisurely evening walk around the Baixa district to get a feel for the city.
- Group dinner.
- Overnight in Lisbon.

Day 2 - Friday, April 12: Evora.

- Drive to Évora (1h30 minutes), a historic city in the Alentejo region.
- Explore the Roman Temple, Évora Cathedral, and the eerie Chapel of Bones.
- Walk through the charming streets of the old town and enjoy local cuisine.
- Overnight in Evora.

Day 3 – Saturday, April 13: Alentejo region.

From Evora, leave to visit the surrounding towns of:

- Vila Viçosa: (45 mins) This town is known for its stunning Ducal Palace, which was the residence of the Duques
 of Bragança. The palace features beautiful gardens and opulent interiors.
- Elvas: (58 mins) A fortified town with impressive city walls, forts, and a massive aqueduct. The historic center of Elvas is a UNESCO World Heritage site due to its military architecture.
- Overnight in Evora.



Alcobaça.

Day 4 – Sunday, 14 April

- Drive to Alcobaça.
- Check out of your accommodation in Évora and start your journey towards Alcobaça.
- Once you arrive in Alcobaça, settle into your accommodation and enjoy a relaxing evening in this historic town.
- Overnight in Alcobaça.

Day 5 – Monday, 15 April.

- Start your day by visiting the Alcobaça Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Explore this impressive medieval monastery.
- In the afternoon, make your way to Batalha, a town known for the Batalha Monastery (Monastery of Santa Maria da Vitória).
- After visiting Batalha, return to Alcobaça.
- Overnight in Alcobaça.



Day 6 – Tuesday, 16 April

Leave Alcobaça, Visit Coimbra University, Stop in Tomar, Arrive in Porto.

- Check out of your accommodation in Alcobaça and start your journey towards Porto.
- Continue your journey to Porto.
- Arrive in Porto, check in to your accommodation and have a relaxing evening and dinner
- Overnight in Porto.



Day 7 – Wednesday, 17 April

- Start your day with a visit to Livraria Lello, a beautifully ornate bookstore.
- Take a walk through the vibrant streets of the Ribeira district along the Douro River.
- In the afternoon you can cross the iconic Dom Luís I Bridge to Vila Nova de Gai and visit one of the famous Port wine cellars for a guided tour and tasting.
- Explore the Gaia waterfront, lined with restaurants and cafes, and enjoy a leisurely lunch.
- Make your way to the Clerigos Tower and Church. Climb the tower for a breathtaking view of the city.
- Explore the surrounding area, including the lively Praça dos Leões and the beautiful Church of Carmo.
- Overnight in Porto.

Day 8 - Thursday, 18 April: Porto

- Visit the Church of São Francisco.
- Explore the Bolhão Market, a bustling market where you can experience the local flavors and purchase fresh produce, cheeses, and more.

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- Head to the Crystal Palace Gardens (Parque de Cristal) for a relaxing stroll.
- If you're interested in contemporary art, visit the Serralves Foundation.
- Spend your evening in the lively Rua das Flores, a charming street lined with shops, cafes, and eateries.

Overnight in Porto.

Day 9 – Friday, 19 April: Porto, Mafra and Lisbon.

- Drive to Mafra (3h30), a town famous for the Mafra National Palace, a baroque palace and monastery complex.
- Explore the grand palace, the basilica, the library, and the beautiful surrounding gardens.
- After visiting Mafra, continue your journey to Lisbon (1h00), where you'll be staying for the night.

Day 10 – Saturday, 20 April: Lisbon.

 Start your day with a visit to the historic Belém district to see iconic sites like Belém Tower and Jerónimos Monastery.

Explore Alfama, one of Lisbon's oldest neighborhoods, known for its narrow streets and traditional Fado music.

• Visit São Jorge Castle for panoramic views of the city.

Overnight in Lisbon.



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Day II – Sunday, 21 April: Lisbon.

- On this day of the trip, you will visit Cascais and Estoril (about 40 minutes away from Lisbon) and walk along the scenic coastline and enjoy the beach atmosphere (better if the weather is good)
- On this day you can also visit Sintra (about 30 minutes away from Lisbon and 25 from Cascais) to explore Pena Palace and the charming town center (UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- If time permits, visit the Moorish Castle or Quinta da Regaleira.
- Return to Lisbon at the end of the visit.
- Farewell dinner.
- Overnight in Lisbon.

Day 12 – Monday, 22 April: Final day.

Transfer to the airport for departure flight.

Air Canada flight information:

Date	Route	Flight #	Departure	Arrival
Mon, 22 April 2024	Lisbon - Toronto	AC 811	12:50	16:15
Mon, 22 April 2024	Toronto - Winnipeg	AC 267	17:55	19:39



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CAD \$ 5,895 PER PERSON

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Single supplement CAD \$ 1,395

Double

Prices without international airfare: Double per person CAD \$ 4,600 / Single per person CAD \$ 5,650 ***Prices may change depending on the final number of people. Deposit required by November 29, 2023 Final payment due February 5, 2024

Sincluded:

- International airfare and taxes.
- Hotel stay in single or double room as specified with breakfast.
- English speaking official tourism guide.
- All transfers in private luxury minibus.
- All entrances in monuments (please check list below).
- Nine (9) meals + 1 soft drink included per meal (some are lunch, some are dinner).
- Farewell dinner.
- Entrances included: Belém Tower, Jerónimos Monastery, Castelo S. Jorge, Pena Palace + park, Quinta da Regaleira, Old Palace Sintra, Bones Chapel, Evora Cathedral, Paço Ducal Vila Viçosa, Clérigos Church and Tower, S. Francisco Church, Porto River Cruise, Port Wine Tasting and tour.

Not Included:

- Travel/health insurance.
- Tip**pi**ng.
- Personal expenses.
- Services not listed in the itinerary.



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