

Douro Delights

LISBON TO MADRID

2020

14 Days

From \$12,295 NZD pp

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TRIP HIGHLIGHTS



Marvel At Pena National Palace

Head for the mountain town of Sintra to visit its whimsical hilltop castle, Pena National Palace.



Private Fado Concert In Porto

Bask in the splendour of Porto's Palácio da Bolsa as you witness a private Fado performance with a cocktail in hand.



A Regal Portugal

Cruise to Barca d'Alva, where you will visit Figueira de Castelo Rodrigo and visit its castle ruins.

TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION



Where Luxury Meets History

The Four Seasons Hotel Ritz Lisbon boasts glorious views, historic artwork and acclaimed dining at this landmark hotel.



Your Spanish Palace

Situated within the 'triangle of art', the Westin Palace Madrid is located near the city's most prestigious museums.



Custom-Built For The Douro

MS AmaVida was built specifically for the Douro, boasting a sundeck, large pool & outside balconies on 75% of suites.

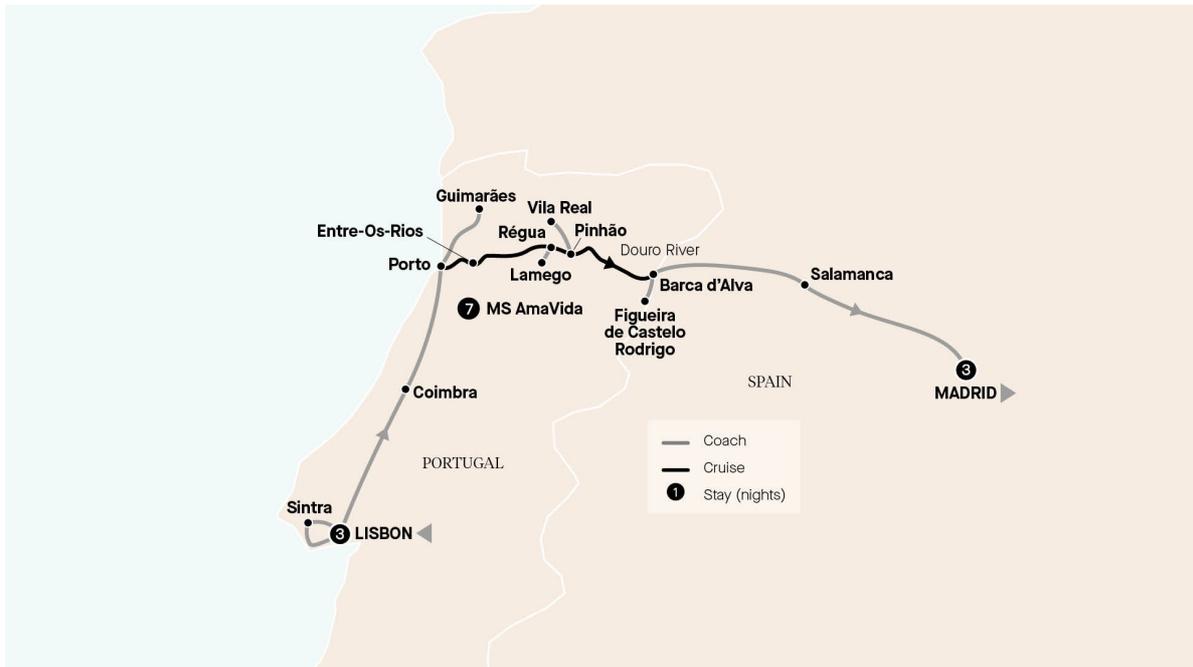
INCLUSIONS

- Experiences in 13 destinations
- Freedom of Choice Inclusions in three locations
- Luxury dining - a total of 29 meals
- A wide range of onboard beverages
- Expert tour and cruise directors
- Transfers, portage, port charges and gratuities

TRIP NOTES

- Itinerary and inclusions are subject to change
- Disruptions to cruising and itinerary may occur
- Prices include transfers, port charges, gratuities and sundries
- Prices are for land/cruise only. Flights not included

MAP & ITINERARY



Signature Experiences

DESIGNED EXCLUSIVELY FOR APT GUESTS

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

These once-in-a-lifetime moments allow you to experience an unforgettable world of exclusive moments, incredible cultures and charming surprises

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™ - SIGHTSEEING

Personalise your holiday with a choice of included sightseeing options sure to leave you with lifelong memories

DAY
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Arrive Lisbon

Olá and welcome to Portugal! Once you've arrived in Lisbon, you'll be taken to your hotel to settle in. Our welcome reception this evening is the perfect chance to meet your fellow travellers.

Stay: Three Nights, Lisbon, Four Seasons Hotel Ritz

DAY
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Lisbon

Set off to see the sites of Lisbon by riding the city's tramcars, and visiting the Old Town. Pay a visit to the World Heritage-listed Jerónimos Monastery, a symbol of Portugal's power and wealth during the Age of Discovery. Built in 1502 by King Manuel I, the monastery commemorates Vasco da Gama's voyage to India. Tonight, join your fellow travellers to share a welcome dinner.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

DAY
3

Lisbon, Sintra

As soon as you get your first glimpse of Serra de Sintra, prepare to gasp. Mountains roll from each direction, and every peak is as memorable as the last. Visit King Ferdinand II's ingenious Park and Palace of Pena, before having free time to explore Sintra. Take the chance to have lunch at your leisure, then be guided by the sea breeze as you return to Lisbon via the coastal route. Since it's your final night here, you might like to try one of the local restaurants for dinner.

Daily : ● Breakfast

DAY
4

Lisbon, Coimbra, Porto, Embark Ship

Travel through Portugal's countryside then discover the medieval city of Coimbra, home to the country's most famous university. After a spot of sightseeing and free time for lunch, make your way to Porto. Board your river ship together and settle in with a welcome dinner. Your river ship has the best vantage point to see the sights as you embark on an illuminations cruise around Porto.

Stay: Seven Nights, the MS AmaVida

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Porto

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Tonight you'll head to the Palácio da Bolsa for a guided tour, followed by a cocktail reception and traditional Fado performance in the Arabian Hall.

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™- Sightseeing

Explore Porto's 16th century Old Town and take a cable car ride before sampling a few selections of port. Alternatively, head to Matosinhos and pop in at a traditional restaurant for a cooking demonstration, or set off on foot for a walking tour through the medieval streets and the old harbour quarter of Ribeira.

Today is the chance to do what strikes your fancy the most.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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Porto, Guimarães, Entre-Os-Rios

This morning we've lined up an excursion for you to Guimarães. The evolution of medieval settlement is on show here, and you will learn all about it with a tour. Back on board, cruise through the Douro Valley on your way to Entre-Os-Rios. When you arrive, take the chance to visit Quinta da Avelada, a family business that has been producing wine in the Douro region since the 1870s. Explore their gardens, and tie off the day with a sampling of wine and cheese.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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7

Régua

Cruising to Régua this morning, take some time to soak up the sun. Once you've arrived, you'll visit the Douro Museum which provides an incredible insight into the culture of the Douro Valley wine region.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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Regua, Pinhão

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

On a tour of Lamego, you'll visit the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Remedies and sample a local speciality, bola de Lamego. Smoked ham, home-baked bread, and gooey cheese - how could you go wrong? Otherwise, you might visit Quinta da Pacheca for a picnic with views over the Douro River and Régua. Afterwards, kick back on board and continue cruising to Pinhão.

After your chosen activity today, continue cruising through the dramatic gorges of the Douro Valley to Pinhão.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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Pinhão

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Visit Quinta da Roêda, an authentic vineyard where you will savour a traditional lunch, followed by a port tasting.

Take a trip to Palacio de Mateus, located near the city of Vila Real. Built in 1745, the palace offers a wonderful insight into the lives of Portuguese aristocracy. Enjoy the Captain's Farewell Dinner on board.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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10

Barca D'Alva

On a tour of the town of Figueira de Castelo Rodrigo, you'll stop for to visit the castle ruins. Returning on board, dig in to a delicious dinner. Your thoughts will be fixed on Spain during your final night on board.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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11

Barca D'Alva, Disembark Ship, Salamanca, Madrid

In Barca d'Alva you'll disembark your ship and say goodbye to life on board. Hit the road and travel to the ancient city of Salamanca for a tour. You'll see the University of Salamanca and the House of Shells before continuing to your hotel in Madrid. Tonight is yours to spend as you please.

Stay: Three Nights, Westin Palace Madrid

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch

DAY
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Madrid

Enjoy a tour of Madrid followed by a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant later in the evening.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Madrid

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™- Sightseeing

Perhaps learn all about the traditional flavours of delectable Spanish cuisine on a culinary tour. Or, take a look at the displays of Spanish art at the Prado Museum, including works from Italian and Flemish artists such as Velázquez, Goya, Raphael, Rubens, and Bosch. Of course, if you're more of a sports fan, you might prefer a visit to the Santiago Bernabéu Stadium, home to the Real Madrid Football Club.

Enjoy a choice of sightseeing activities in Madrid today. The afternoon is then free for you to explore at your own pace.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Depart Madrid

Be transferred to the airport.

Daily : ● Breakfast