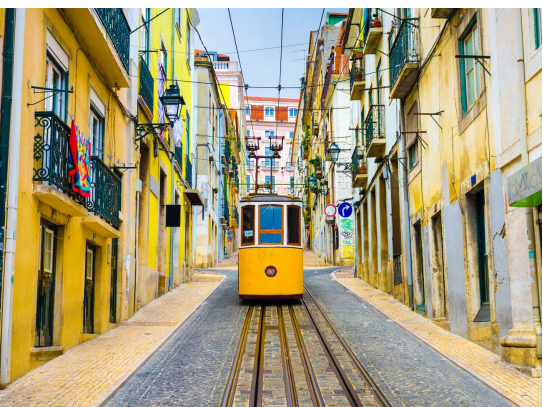


# JLW TRAVEL PRESENTS COUNTRY ROADS OF PORTUGAL

11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS | 12 December 2025



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## DAY 1: 12 DECEMBER 2025

### Welcome to Lisbon

On arrival at Lisbon International Airport, there are complimentary transfers to your hotel. Settle in and relax before joining your Travel Director for dinner at a local restaurant. Enjoy the opportunity to mingle with your fellow travellers during a pleasant evening of good food and wine.

**Meal(s):** Dinner.

**Hotel(s):** Corinthia, Lisbon

## DAY 2: 13 DECEMBER 2025

### Lisbon and the Age of the Great Discoveries

Your guided sightseeing with a Local Expert takes you along the avenues of the Lower Town and past tree-shaded squares. See the ancient Belém Tower and marvel at the Monument to the Discoveries. Explore more of the Belém Quarter as you visit the Cloister of Jeronimos Monastery and enjoy a taste of Pastéis de Belém from the patisserie that has been using the same secret recipe for almost 200 years.

**Meal(s):** Breakfast.

**Hotel(s):** Corinthia, Lisbon

## DAY 3: 14 DECEMBER 2025

### The Algarve

Cross the River Tagus and make your way to the sun-drenched southern coast, arriving in Lagos, a charming fishing port nestled along the bay of Meia Praia. After some free time to explore, continue to your resort

hotel, beautifully situated near the Ria Formosa National Park. Algarve cuisine is defined by its simplicity, with seafood so fresh it still tastes of the sea. Just a short stroll away, you'll find an array of specialised Portuguese seafood restaurants hugging the coastline, offering a true taste of the region.

**Meal(s):** Breakfast.

**Hotel(s):** Real Marina Hotel & Spa

## DAY 4: 15 DECEMBER 2025

### Everlasting Évora

Journey to the medieval walled city of Évora where cathedrals, churches, aqueducts and ancient castle walls all serve to create the feeling that this beautiful city is a living, breathing museum to Portugal's rich past. Join your Local Expert to explore the highlights of this UNESCO World Heritage Site. See the Roman Temple and visit the Capela dos Ossos, an extraordinary 16th-century chapel comprising the skulls and bones of 5,000 bones. Visit the cathedral with its attractive mix of Romanesque and Gothic architecture. With the rest of the afternoon at leisure, you may wish to continue to stroll through Évora's unique historical centre, or the serene city park, following the aqueduct inside the city walls.

**Meal(s):** Breakfast.

**Hotel(s):** M'Ar de Ar Aqueduto, Évora

## DAY 5: 16 DECEMBER 2025

### Monsaraz and Évora

Travel to the striking white village of Monsaraz, situated on an imposing hilltop, surrounded by olive groves and vineyards. From the castle ruins, admire the spectacular views across to the dry Spanish plains, contrasting with the blue of one of the largest artificial lakes. Join a local boat captain for a leisurely cruise on the tranquil waters of Lake Alqueva. Relax and enjoy calming waters, picturesque views and tales of river life. Sit down to a delicious lunch at local restaurant Sem Fim, once an olive mill. Enjoy a wide range of tasty tapas dishes showcasing the local cuisine, and soak up the vibrant; cheerful atmosphere. Return to Évora where the evening is at your leisure to explore this beautifully preserved regional capital.

**Meal(s):** Breakfast, Lunch.

**Hotel(s):** M'Ar de Ar Aqueduto, Évora

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## **DAY 6: 17 DECEMBER 2025**

### **On to Fátima and Tomar**

This morning, enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience with a visit to Casa Relvas for a wine tasting, featuring uniquely Portuguese grape varieties like Touriga Nacional. Despite the dry climate of the Alentejo region, this family-run estate produces exceptional wine through innovative water-saving techniques. Continue your journey to Fátima, Portugal's most renowned pilgrimage site. Here, you may visit the basilica or the Chapel of the Apparitions, commemorating the Virgin Mary's appearance to three young shepherds in 1917. Journey across central Portugal's rolling hills to explore Tomar with Insight Choice. Choose to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site Convento do Cristo with a Local Expert, where you'll admire the octagonal Templars' Rotunda and the Manueline Window, and learn about the daily life of a warrior monk. Alternatively, join a guided city tour and visit the Synagogue of Tomar, one of the best-preserved medieval synagogues in Portugal, as your Local Expert reveals the town's rich architectural and cultural history.

**Meal(s): Breakfast, Dinner.**

**Hotel(s): Hotel dos Templários, Tomar**

## **DAY 7: 18 DECEMBER 2025**

### **Coimbra and the Douro Valley**

In Coimbra, your Local Expert will show you the highlights of the Old Town, including the University of Coimbra, a UNESCO World

Heritage Site. Visit its impressive baroque university library, one of the finest in the world. Your journey continues past verdant hills and lush vineyards, along the tranquil waters of the Douro River. Enjoy a wonderful Farm-to-Table lunch, freshly prepared from locally sourced ingredients, with a port wine tasting.

**Meal(s): Breakfast, Lunch.**

**Hotel(s): Douro Palace Hotel Resort & Spa, Douro Valley**

## **DAY 8: 19 DECEMBER 2025**

### **Guimarães and Porto**

The mountain ranges of Northern Portugal accompany your morning journey to Guimarães, known as the birthplace of Portugal. Here, you can take in views from the Visigoth castle before wandering the cobbled streets and charming squares that exude medieval character. Continue to Porto, a city steeped in history whose central district is recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Porto seamlessly blends tradition and modernity.

Accompanied by your Local Expert, visit the São Bento Railway Station, renowned for the hand-painted azulejo tilework depicting scenes of Portugal's past, and stroll across the Dom Luís I Bridge, a masterpiece of engineering that offers spectacular views of the Douro River. Unwind at your boutique five-star hotel, an esteemed member of the Small Luxury Hotels of the World, situated in the heart of Porto's historic district.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

**Hotel(s): NH Collection Porto Batalha**

## **DAY 9: 20 DECEMBER 2025**

### **Porto, Grande Dame on the Douro Relaxed Start**

With a full day free to enjoy at your own pace, why not take a stroll to admire the Multi-coloured houses and churches covered in beautiful glazed tiles. Perhaps choose to visit Braga, the capital of baroque.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

**Hotel(s): NH Collection Porto Batalha**

## **DAY 10: 21 DECEMBER 2025**

### **Ancient Óbidos and Lisbon**

Discover the charm of the fortified town of Óbidos. Step inside the medieval town's ancient walls to wander through cobblestone streets, then continue to Lisbon.

**Meal(s): Breakfast, Dinner.**

**Hotel(s): Corinthia, Lisbon**

## **DAY 11: 22 DECEMBER 2025**

### **Depart Lisbon**

After breakfast, transfer to Lisbon International Airport.

**Meal(s): Breakfast.**

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**Twin Share**

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## BOOKING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**What's Not Included:** Airfares (unless otherwise stated), passports and applicable visa fees, charges imposed by third parties, laundry, phone calls, items of a personal nature, beverages, meals and sightseeing not detailed on the itinerary, excess baggage, travel insurance. Please note that travel insurance is highly recommended. Please ask your travel agent for further details.

**Price:** The advertised price is in Australian dollars, per person twin share unless otherwise stated.

**Deposit:** A non-refundable deposit of \$200 is required within 7 days of booking.

**Final Payment:** The balance of monies due for the tour must be paid by 13 October 2025. For preferred method of payment, refer to your travel agent. Payments after this date may incur a late fee payment.

**Cancellation Fees:** In the event you have to cancel your booking, cancellation fees will apply. Deposit will be forfeited on cancellation prior to final balance payment. After due date for final payment, additional cancellation charges will apply. For full details of cancellation fees, contact JWL Travel.

**Amendments:** A fee of \$50 may apply to any change made to your booking once confirmed.

**Refunds:** No refund is available if cancellations occur after the trip has commenced or in respect of any trips.

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**Itinerary Changes & Trip Cancellation:** Prices are based on costs, charges, tariffs, taxes, levies and exchange rates at

the time of publication. In the event that such fluctuations affect the price to be paid for services, JWL Travel reserves the right to adjust the price as necessary at any time.

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**Passport and Visas:** You must have a valid passport with 6 months validity from date of return. For Visa requirements for this trip, contact JWL Travel.

**Hotels:** The hotels listed in the itinerary are listed as a guide only and are subject to change.

**Porterage:** for one suitcase is included in the trip price and at arrival or departure from each trip hotel. Due to limited coach capacity this single bag should have a weight not exceeding 30kg and dimensions not exceeding 77.5cm (30.5in) x 56cm (22in) x 32cm (12.5in). Charges will be levied in the event these limits are exceeded and our promise to transport you as indicated may be invalidated. Note:

Airlines may restrict check-in baggage to 20kgs per person. Documentation: Approximately 2 weeks prior to departure from Australia, documentation will be received by your travel agent. A tree will be planted in guest's name if they choose to receive their documentation electronically.

**Holidays & Changes:** During local or national holidays

abroad, certain facilities such as museums, sightseeing and shopping may be limited. In such instances, and whenever possible, slight itinerary adjustments are made to minimise inconvenience to our passengers. If, however, you feel your enjoyment might be diminished by such minor limitations, please check with the respective national tourist office before selecting a specific departure. Similarly, holidays, closing days and other circumstances may necessitate a change of the day of the week for scheduled highlight dinners, sightseeing or other activities. Due to the unreliability of domestic air scheduling, religious festivals, and other unforeseen circumstances, the itineraries, hotels or order of sightseeing may change at short notice.

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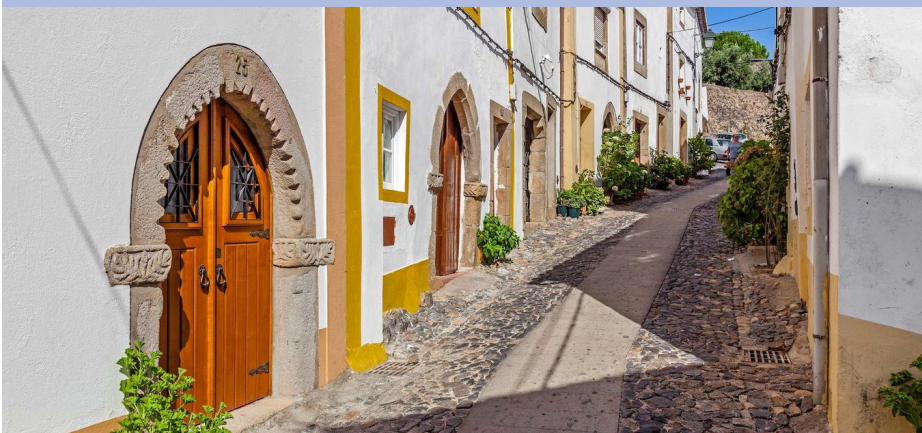
## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Lisbon:** Visit the cloisters of Jerónimos Monastery with its beautiful Manueline architecture, reflecting Portugal's trade over the centuries and UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- **Évora:** Explore this UNESCO World Heritage Site guided by your Local Expert and see the famous Roman Temple. While sightseeing, witness the fascinating cathedral and be

charmed by its mix of Romanesque and Gothic architecture.

- **Fátima:** Join the faithful at one of the world's holiest sites and pay homage at the Chapel of the Apparitions and see the basilica.

- **Coimbra:** With a Local Expert, visit the University and witness the triumphal arches, painted ceilings, golden flourishes and walls of ancient tomes.



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