Romance of the **Douro River**Lisbon | Porto | Alto Douro Wine Region





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A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-calibre professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary.

On this journey, select excursions that suit your interests and become intimately engaged in the rhythm of the life along the Douro River, adding a memorable chapter to the rich story of your life.

- ➤ Travel through Porto's scenic wine country, visiting an estate cellar for a port tasting.
- Admire the colossal library at the University of Coimbra and discover the history of the old capital.
- ▶ Delve into Portuguese history at **Guimarães**, the city considered to be the birthplace of Portugal.
- ► Explore the lively city of **Porto**, spread across the banks of the Douro.
- ► Walk in the footsteps of the **great explorers**, who launched their epic journeys in **Lisbon**.
- ► Visit the beautiful, historic city of **Salamanca**.

Above: Monument to the Discoveries, Lisbon | Cover photo: Cruising the Douro River



Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends,

You're invited to join us on this delightful journey to Portugal, featuring a cruise on the Douro River through wine country.

Our adventure begins with three nights in Lisbon, the city where Old World explorers launched their history-making journeys. Then we'll cruise the Douro River and glide through one of the most scenic regions of Europe. Our itinerary concludes in Porto, a lively city best known for its eponymous wine.

Together, we'll enjoy an intimate cruising experience on a small ship built specifically for river travel, and exploring the old-world ambience of Portugal.

This expertly planned itinerary showcases Portugal's history and local culture, and you can personalize your experience by joining excursions of your choice on select days.

Space is limited, so I encourage you to call today to place your reservation today!

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Art | Architecture | Culture | Cuisine | History



Day One

In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Lisbon, Portugal.★

Day Two

Lisbon, Portugal

Upon arrival, transfer ★ to the Sofitel Lisbon Liberdade.

Gather for a Welcome Reception.

Day Three

Lisbon

Enrichment: Portuguese Explorers. The Age of Discovery belonged to the explorers who sailed under the Portuguese flag. Learn about the 15thand 16th-century adventurers, who brought wealth and glory to Portugal.

Discovery: Lisbon. Discover the seafaring history of Portugal at the Hieronymites Monastery and Tower of Belém. The monastery was built in the late 15th century, dawn of the Age of Discovery. The monks offered spiritual support to the world explorers setting out on their great adventures. The nearby Tower of Belém commemorates Vasco da Gama's pivotal journey as the first European navigator to sail from Europe to India. The Monument to the Discoveries honours several individuals who played integral roles in Portuguese exploration.

YOUR INDIVIDUAL EXPERIENCE

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Free time means something different to every traveller. Some people like to linger in a cozy café, while others prefer to stay on the go. That's why we have designed an itinerary to allow you to craft your individual travel experience.



🙀 Personalize Your Cruise | PYC | Included

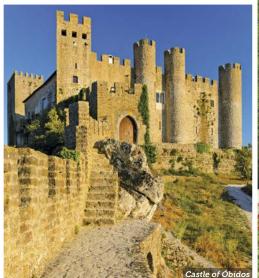
Choose from a variety of excursions in selected ports based on your interests.



ELECTIVE Experiences | At an additional cost

Further your experience by immersing yourself in specially designed activities and extensions.

Check out our itinerary for more details. We've done the legwork. Now the choice is yours.







Free Time: Spend the rest of the day getting to know Lisbon on your own. For a sweeping view of the city, head to the Alfama neighbourhood.

ELECTIVE | Fado Dinner. Enjoy a fado performance and the flavours of Portuguese cuisine. Fado, a traditional Portuguese musical genre, features melancholy, soul-stirring guitar and vocal arrangements.

Day Four B

Lisbon

Enrichment: *Portugal Today.* Learn about current events shaping contemporary Portugal.

Free Time: Enjoy a full day at leisure in Lisbon. You may enjoy Chiado, cultural heart of the city. This neighbourhood has many theatres, bookshops and cafés. This charming area has been a magnet for writers, artists and other creative types since the 19th century. An Elective Activity also is being offered today.

ELECTIVE | Sintra, Cascais and Estoril.
Sintra's 19th-century European Romantic
architecture and landscape architecture has

received UNESCO recognition for influencing the development of parks and gardens in the rest of Europe. See the picture-perfect towns of Cascais, where lunch is served, and Estoril. Take in the pretty beaches and coastline at these popular summer resorts.

Day Five B|L|D

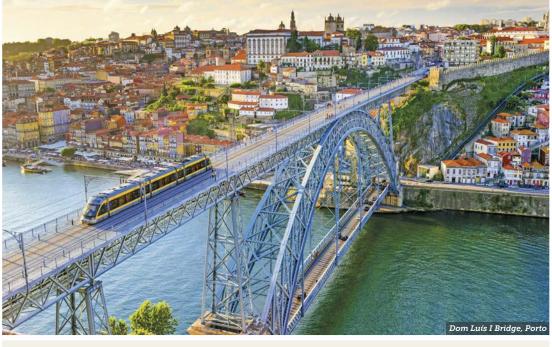
Óbidos | Coimbra | Porto

Explore the towns of Óbidos and Coimbra en route to Porto, where you will board the ship.

Discovery: *Óbidos.* Visit Óbidos, where the city's architecture seamlessly blends styles from the Middle Ages onwards. It is known as one of the most beautiful towns in the country.

Continue to Coimbra.

Discovery: *Coimbra.* Built atop an ancient Roman city, Coimbra was Portugal's mediaeval capital, and in 1290, the doors to its prestigious university opened. Visit the University of Coimbra and its baroque library. Built in the early 1700s, it is visually stunning with its gilded flourishes and ornate decorations.



In Porto, embark the MS Gil Eanes.

Tonight, kick off your cruise with a special Welcome Reception and Dinner.

Day Six B | L | D

Porto

Enrichment: *Douro Wine Country.* Discover the winemaking traditions of the Douro region.

PYC | Choose one of these excursions:

•Cultural Porto and Port Wine Tasting.

Explore the vibrant city of Porto. Visit the Palacio da Bolsa, the historic Stock Exchange, and the Igreja da São Francisco, the Church of St. Francis. Enjoy a wine tasting.

•Porto by Tram and Flavours of Porto.

Trams are a popular way to get around Porto. Hop aboard one today and explore the city all the way to the mouth of the Douro River. Visit the Museu do Carro Elétrico, followed by a tasting of local specialties.

Enjoy lunch aboard the ship.

Cruise through the Douro Valley.

Day Seven

B|L|D

Regua | Vila Reál | Vega de Terrón, Spain

Disembark this morning in Regua.

Discovery: Vila Reál. Travel through the vineyard-covered countryside to the charming town of Vila Réal. Sample Cristas de Galo, the famous local pastry. Visit the Solar de Mateus,

an 18th-century baroque palace. Stroll through the opulent halls and the manicured gardens.

Re-embark the ship in Pinhão. Take in the scenic countryside during an an afternoon of cruising through the Douro Valley.

Cross the border into Spain and continue to Vega de Terrón.

Day Eight

B|L|D

Vega de Terrón | Salamanca | Barca d'Alva, Portugal

- PYC | Choose one of these excursions:
- •Salamanca City Tour. Explore the historic university town of Salamanca. Visit the ornate cathedral and tour the famous university. Enjoy lunch and free time in Salamanca.
- Salamanca by Bike. Take a guided bicycle tour through Salamanca. Ride along the Río Tormes and the Old Town. Visit the cathedral and the university. Enjoy lunch and free time. Once back aboard the ship, depart for Barco d'Alva, Portugal.

Day Nine

B|L|D

Ferradosa | São Salvador do Mundo | São João da Pesquiera | Leverinho

Discovery: *Porto's Wine Road.* Drive through the scenic Alto Douro wine region. Visit the towns of São Salvador do Mundo and São João da Pesquiera. Stop at a quinta, a winery, for a port wine tasting.



Re-embark the ship in Folgosa.

Take in the scenery as you cruise to Leverinho. Enjoy a Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Day Ten B | L

Porto

Disembark the ship in Porto this morning.

- PYC | Choose one of these excursions:
- Guimarães, Cradle of Portugal. Discover Guimarães, the birthplace of Portugal's first king and the nation, on a walking tour through this charming town. Step inside Igreja de Nossa Senhora da Oliveira. Visit the Palace of the Dukes of Bragança, an opulent estate in the city. Enjoy some time at leisure in Guimarães.
- Douro Hike and Port Wine Tasting. Take a guided hike along the Atlantic coastline and the Douro. Pass through São Pedro da Afurada, a typical fishing village, where you can see daily life in motion. Along the way, enjoy a beautiful view of Porto and Ribeira Square. Continue to the renowned Port wine cellars of Vila Nova de Gaia. Enjoy a tasting at one of the cellars.

Check in to the Hotel Infante Sagres.

Day Eleven B

Porto

Free Time: The day is yours to explore on your own. You may wish to visit the Ribeira district to



see more of the port cellars. Take a stroll down Avenida dos Aliados, the preferred spot for locals to meet friends at one of the many cafés, shops and galleries.

Tonight, gather for a Farewell Reception to celebrate your Douro River adventure!

Day Twelve

In Transit

Following breakfast, transfer ★ to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

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Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.

★ Transfers and flights included for AHI FlexAir participants B|L|D denotes included breakfasts, lunches and dinners.



MS Gil Eanes

MS Gil Eanes is a recent addition to CroisiEurope's fleet of fine river ships and represents a new generation of European river cruisers. Built specifically for river cruising, the Gil Eanes is small enough to dock at the doorstep of towns and cities along the Douro River. With just 66 staterooms and suites, the ship also offers an intimate cruising experience and the utmost in service, safety and convenience. Travellers can relax on the sun deck and enjoy the passing scenery, or relax in the lounge or library. Expert chefs prepare meals in the exacting tradition of fine gastronomy. There's a full breakfast buffet each morning, and at lunch and dinner, enjoy expertly prepared meals complemented by local wine.





Throughout the cruise, all beverages (except Champagne and a select list of wines) are complimentary. All cabins are welcoming and provide outside river views and feature individual climate controls, flat-screen satellite TV and bathrooms with showers. Wi-Fi is complimentary.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Our travel experts have carefully selected these first-class properties for their prime locations. They are ideally located for exploring the region's renowned landmarks, while providing opportunities to immerse yourself in local life. Of utmost importance is the quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you to fully enjoy your stay.

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PROGRAM DATES

Air Program dates: June 9-20, 2018

Land | Cruise Program dates: June 10-20, 2018

LAND | CRUISE PROGRAM

Category-Deck	Full Price	Exclusive Offer for Canadian Travellers	Special Price*
E-Lower Deck	\$3,645	\$500	\$3,145
D-Middle Deck (Aft)	\$4,145	\$500	\$3,645
C-Middle Deck (Aft)	\$4,345	\$500	\$3,845
B-Upper Deck (Aft)	\$4,745	\$500	\$4,245
A-Upper Deck (Forward)	\$4,945	\$500	\$4,445
S2-Middle Deck (Aft)	\$5,145	\$500	\$4,645
S1-Upper Deck (Aft)	\$5,345	\$500	\$4,845

All cabins offer river views and have bathroom with shower, flat-screen TV, hair dryer, safe and closet.

S1 features a private terrace and French balcony, S2 and A-D have a French balcony and E has a picture window.

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- 1. Historic Centre of Oporto and the Dom Luis I Bridge
- 2. Historic Centre of Guimarães
- 3.Alto Douro Wine Region
- 4. University of Coimbra
- 5. Monastery of the Hieronymites and Tower of Belém
- 6.Old City of Salamanca





INCLUDED FEATURES

ACCOMMODATIONS

(With baggage handling.)

- Three nights in Lisbon, Portugal, at the first-class Sofitel Lisbon Liberdade.
- Five nights aboard the exclusively chartered, first-class MS Gil Eanes.
- Two nights in Porto at the first-class Hotel Infante Sagres.

TRANSFERS

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YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
 - -Delve into the history and culture of Lisbon, Portugal's vibrant capital city.

- Explore the town of Óbidos, a showcase of varied architectural styles.
- –Marvel at the gilded library at the University of Coimbra.
- -Visit Solar de Mateus, an 18th-century baroque palace in Vila Réal.
- -Travel along Porto's Wine Road and enjoy a port wine tasting.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
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 - -Porto (Day 6) | Cultural Porto & Port Wine Tasting | Porto by Tram & Flavours of Porto
 - -Vega de Terrón | Salamanca City Tour | Salamanca by Bike
 - -Porto (Day 10) | Guimarães, Cradle of Portugal | Douro Hike & Port Wine Tasting

AHI TRAVEL EXPERTISE

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

Before you go:

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