



<p><b>SAT MAR 15: DEPART USA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flight details TBD</li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 2 SUN MAR 16: ARRIVE LISBON [-/-/D]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upon arrival at Lisbon airport, go through customs and proceed to the arrivals hall where you will meet your guide/logistics coordinator</li> <li>• Transfer by private coach from the airport to your Lisbon hotel (~20m)</li> <li>• Check-in (or drop bags at reception until guaranteed check-in time)</li> <li>• Lunch on own expense</li> <li>• Guide/coordinator will provide an Informal overview of the program, info about Lisbon and Portuguese culture, and health and safety tips</li> <li>• Guide/coordinator to lead group on a <b>city tour</b> by foot and public transport (~3hrs):       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Issue of 24-hour Carris/Metro public transport pass, demonstration of how to use Lisbon public transportation</li> <li>◦ Visit the historic <b>Alfama</b> and <b>Mouraria</b> neighborhoods</li> <li>◦ See the exterior of <b>S. Jorge Castle</b></li> <li>◦ Enjoy panoramic views of the city from <b>Miradouro Portas do Sol</b> and <b>Miradouro de Santa Luzia</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Brief walk after tour's end to dinner venue</li> <li>• <b>Welcome dinner</b> at local restaurant (2-course meal + drinks included)</li> <li>• Take public transport back to hotel</li> <li>• Overnight at <u><b>Dom Carlos Park</b></u> or <u><b>Ibis Styles Lisboa Centro Marques de Pombal</b></u></li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 3 MON MAR 17: LISBON [B/-/-]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at hotel</li> <li>• In the morning, guide/coordinator will lead the group on a tour of the <b>Belem area</b> (~3hrs):       <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Issue of 24-hour Carris/Metro public transport pass</li> <li>◦ View the main sights in Belem and learn about the history of the Portuguese Empire at sites like the <b>Jerónimos Monastery</b>, <b>Tower of Belém</b>, and the <b>Monument of Discoveries</b> (exterior views only)</li> <li>◦ Visit <u><b>Fabrica dos Pasteis de Belem</b></u> (includes 1 pastel per person). Founded in 1837, Pasteis de Belem claims to be the inventor of Portuguese specialty, the egg tart pastry, known generally in Portugal as pastel de nata or "cream pastry"</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch on own expense</li> <li>• In the afternoon, take public transport to the <b>Instituto Superior de Agronomia (ISA)</b> (School of Agriculture) for a visit and lecture on agriculture in Portugal</li> <li>• Transfer back to hotel and part ways with guide/coordinator</li> <li>• Dinner on own expense</li> <li>• Overnight at <b><u>Dom Carlos Park</u></b> or <b><u>Ibis Styles Lisboa Centro Marques de Pombal</u></b></li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 4</b> <b>TUE MAR 18:</b> <b>LISBON – SINTRA – LISBON</b> <b>[B/-/-]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at hotel</li> <li>• Embark on a <b>full day excursion</b> with guide/coordinator via private coach</li> <li>• Transfer to the beautiful town of <b>Sintra</b> (~45m), historically a sanctuary for Portuguese monarchs</li> <li>• <b>10a</b> Visit an <b>organic farm</b> for a guided tour, workshop on sustainable farming, and hands-on experience of planting and harvesting seasonal products</li> <li>• Free time for lunch in town on own expense</li> <li>• Free time to explore the picturesque town of Sintra - a resort town in the foothills of Portugal's Sintra Mountains. A longtime royal sanctuary, its forested terrain is studded with pastel-colored villas and palaces. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ <b>Optional add-on</b> (pricing not currently included): Entrance to Pena Palace &amp; Gardens: <b>+EUR 29 per person</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• After, free time at leisure to explore the town</li> <li>• Return to <b>Lisbon</b> via private coach (~45m)</li> <li>• Dinner on own expense</li> <li>• Overnight at <b><u>Dom Carlos Park</u></b> or <b><u>Ibis Styles Lisboa Centro Marques de Pombal</u></b></li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 5</b> <b>WED MAR 19:</b> <b>LISBON – MONSARAZ – EVORA</b> <b>[B/L/-]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at hotel, followed by check-out</li> <li>• Travel with guide/coordinator by private coach to the Alentejo region, where you will spend the remainder of your time in Portugal</li> <li>• Arrive at the hilltop medieval village of <b>Monsaraz</b> (~2hrs40m)</li> <li>• Group lunch at local restaurant</li> <li>• After lunch, enjoy a <b>walking tour</b> with your guide/coordinator to see the main sights including Castle of Monsaraz and Alqueva Dam (exteriors)</li> <li>• Continue by private coach to the picturesque, Unesco-recognized city of <b>Évora</b> (~1hr)</li> <li>• Check-in to hotel</li> <li>• Dinner on own expense</li> <li>• Overnight at <b><u>Ibis Evora</u></b> or similar</li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 6</b> <b>THU MAR 20:</b> <b>EVORA – PORTALEGRE – ÉVORA</b> <b>[B/-/-]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at hotel</li> <li>• Private coach at disposal for full day</li> <li>• Guide/coordinator to lead group on a <b>walking tour of Évora</b> to explore its peaceful squares, monuments, palaces, the Temple of Diana, and the Gothic and Renaissance churches (exterior views only)</li> <li>• Entrance included to the <b>Chapel of Bones</b></li> <li>• Lunch on own expense</li> <li>• Depart by private coach for an afternoon excursion to <b>Portalegre</b> (~1hr25m)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Visit <b>Herdade Torre de Frade</b> farm and winery, a producer of cereals, cork, Alentejo cattle, and wine (~2hrs). Visit includes an integrated tour of the entire farm, visiting all the agricultural aspects of the farm, vineyards, and aging cellar dating back to the 17<sup>th</sup> century</li> <li>● After, return transfer to <b>Evora</b> (~1hr25m)</li> <li>● Dinner on own expense</li> <li>● Overnight at <b>Ibis Evora</b> or similar</li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 7</b>  <b>FRI MAR 21:</b>  <b>ÉVORA – REDONDO –</b>  <b>– Évora</b>  <b>[B/-/-]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast at hotel</li> <li>● With guide/coordinator, transfer by private coach to <b>Redondo</b> (~30m)</li> <li>● <b>10a</b> Cork trekking tour at <b>Herdade da Maroteira</b>; learn about sustainable farming, sheep rearing, wine production and management of their 1,400-acre estate (~2hrs)</li> <li>● Transfer back to the <b>Évora</b> area</li> <li>● Lunch on own expense</li> <li>● Afternoon visit to <b>Correia cork factory</b> to learn about the process of transforming raw cork into finished products (~1hr)</li> <li>● Then visit an <b>olive oil cold press producer</b>, tour the olive grove, and taste freshly pressed olive oil (~1hr25m)</li> <li>● Dinner on own expense</li> <li>● Overnight at <b>Ibis Evora</b> or similar</li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 8</b>  <b>SAT MAR 22:</b>  <b>ÉVORA – FARO DO</b>  <b>ALENTEJO – CUBA –</b>  <b>ÉVORA</b>  <b>[B/L/D]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast at hotel</li> <li>● With guide/coordinator, transfer by coach to <b>Faro do Alentejo</b> (1hr)</li> <li>● Visit <b>Herdade do Troilho</b> home to Monte do Pasto, the biggest cattle producer in Portugal, owned by a Chinese company, to learn about their breeding practices</li> <li>● Group lunch at a local restaurant included</li> <li>● Continue to <b>Cuba</b> via private coach (25m)</li> <li>● Entrance to <b>Herdade Grande</b> wine producer, with a visit to the vineyards and winery (~1hr)</li> <li>● Return to <b>Evora</b> via private coach (~1hr25m)</li> <li>● <b>Farewell dinner</b> at local restaurant</li> <li>● Overnight at <b>Ibis Evora</b> or similar</li> </ul>
<p><b>DAY 9</b>  <b>SUN MAR 23:</b>  <b>ÉVORA – LIS –</b>  <b>RETURN USA</b>  <b>[B/-/-]</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast at hotel, followed by check-out</li> <li>● Transfer to <b>Lisbon airport</b> via private coach for your flight home (~2hrs)</li> <li>● Part ways with your guide/coordinator</li> <li>● Flight details TBD; airfare not included</li> </ul>