Prepared for Purdue University Agriculture in Portugal March 13 – 22, 2026



Important Reminders:

- Be sure to wear comfortable shoes. Be prepared for lots of walking!
- Bring a comfortable, lightweight backpack as your carry-on or personal item so you can use it for day trips and tours.
- Bring a reusable water bottle and stay hydrated.
- Pack light! The coach can accommodate 1 suitcase (medium or large) per person.
- Tips have been included for your coordinator, local guides, and coach drivers. Tips for group meals are at your own discretion (1-2 euros per person is standard). Additional tips and gratuities are at the group's own discretion.
- We will advise hotels of the dietary requirements for the group. Participants with food allergies or
 dietary concerns please always reconfirm dietary requirements directly with the wait staff at food
 venues. Please also ensure that anyone with a severe allergy is equipped with an epi-pen as
 needed in the event that an adrenaline injection must be administered and ensure a nominated
 person from the group is available to assist.
- Please ensure that all passengers have current travel & medical insurance in place for the duration of the tour.
- Everyone should bring their **student IDs** on the program as they may be asked to show them while traveling by train.
- Please note, twin beds are closer together in many European hotels than Americans might be used to, and cannot always be pulled further apart.

FRI MAR 13: DEPART USA

- Overnight flight to Lisbon arranged by Purdue not included by AEA
- 9:15pm Depart ORD to LIS on TAP Flight TP0244

CHICAGO to LISBON 13 Mar 2026 - In 234 days 21:15 ORD 10:10 LIS Direct TP0244 Details

SAT MAR 14: ARRIVE LISBON – EVORA [-/-/D]

- ✓ Full day guide/coordinator
 ✓ Private coach transfer: airport to Evora hotel
- 10:10am Upon arrival at Lisbon airport, go through customs and proceed to the arrivals hall where you will meet your Guide/Logistics Coordinator, who will remain with your group for a maximum of 9 hours each day until departure March 22nd. (Look for them holding "Purdue AEA" signage.) Please note: In Portugal there are slightly different rules for guide/coordinator hours than in other countries. Your guide/coordinator will be available on the phone after the daily 9hrs for any emergencies, but for any specific non-emergency, logistical questions outside of the 9 hours, the group will call our 24/7 contact numbers, including our Portugal operations manager, that we will provide along with other important contacts on the final operational itinerary.
- Depart by private coach to the picturesque, UNESCO-recognized city of Évora in the Alentejo region of Portugal (~2hrs10)
- En route, guide/coordinator will provide an informal overview of the program, info about Portuguese culture, and health and safety tips
- Check-in to hotel in Evora
- Lunch on own expense
- Guide/coordinator to lead group on an orientation tour to familiarize yourself with Évora, including a visit to outdoor and indoor market Mercado Municipal 1° de Maio - bustling with local vendors selling fruits,

vegetables, cheeses, regional honeys, smoked meats, and more (open from 7am to 6pm; purchases on own expense) • Group welcome dinner at local restaurant (2-courses + water) • Overnight at Ibis Evora **SUN MAR 15:** Breakfast at hotel **EVORA** • Guide/coordinator to lead group on a walking tour of Évora to explore its peaceful squares, monuments, palaces, the **Temple of Diana**, and the [B/-/-] Gothic and Renaissance churches (3hrs; exterior views only) • Entrance included to the **Chapel of Bones** ✓ Full day • Lunch on own expense quide/coordinator ✓Entrance to Free afternoon to explore Évora • Dinner on own expense Chapel of Bones • Overnight at Ibis Evora Breakfast at hotel **MON MAR 16:** With guide/coordinator, transfer by private coach to the medieval village **ÉVORA – MONSARAZ** of **Monsaraz** (1hr) REDONDO – ÉVORA • Enjoy a walking tour with your guide/coordinator to see the main sights [B/L/-] including **Castle of Monsaraz**, and learn about the village's history • Group lunch at **Restaurant Centro Nautico Monsaraz** (2-courses + water) ✓ Full day **Dietary Requirements:** guide/coordinator Travelers with dietary restrictions - please reconfirm any allergies or √ Full day private restrictions with restaurant wait staff on location. coach • After lunch, transfer to **Redondo** (~35mins) • Visit **Herdade da Maroteira** for guided 4x4 and trekking tour; learn about their cork forest, sustainable farming, cattle rearing, wine production and management of their 1,400-acre estate (subject to availability) • Transfer back to hotel (~35mins) • Dinner on own expense • Overnight at **Ibis Evora TUE MAR 17:** Breakfast at hotel **ÉVORA – PORTALEGRE** Depart by private coach to Portalegre (~1hr40) – ÉVORA • En route, visit olive oil producer, **Azeite Amor é Cego**, tour the olive grove, [B/-/-]and taste freshly pressed olive oil (subject to availability) We start by strolling through the olive grove, which has been in the family ✓ Full day for three generations, we talk about the Galega variety and describe the guide/coordinator process that leads to the production of quality olive oil. We then carry out √ Full day private an olive oil tasting, in an official tasting glass, teaching you to recognize coach the positive attributes that we should look for in an olive oil. • Stop for lunch on own expense • Afternoon visit to Herdade Torre de Frade farm and winery, a producer of cereals, cork, Alentejo cattle, and wine (~2hrs). Visit includes an integrated tour of all the business areas of the estate and the agricultural aspects of the farm (field safari covering cork, grains, cattle, vineyard and wine), End with a visit to the aging cellar dating back to the 17th century (includes a tasting of 2 wines paired with a board of cheeses and local hams) (subject to availability) **Dietary Requirements:** Travelers with dietary restrictions - please reconfirm any allergies or restrictions with restaurant wait staff on location. • Return transfer to **Evora** (~1hr45) • Dinner on own expense • Overnight at **Ibis Evora**

DAY 5 WED MAR 18: EVORA – ALANDROAL – EVORA [B/L/-]

- ✓ Full day guide/coordinator✓ Full day private coach
- Breakfast at hotel
- Meet private coach, transfer to Alandroal (~1hr) for farm tour of Terramay
 Farm; learn about Regenerative Agriculture (subject to availability)
- Group lunch at local restaurant (2-courses + table water)
- Free time to explore Alandroal if interested, or return transfer to Évora (1hr)
- Dinner on own expense
- Overnight at Ibis Evora

DAY 6 THU MAR 19: EVORA – SETUBAL – LISBON [B/-/-]

- ✓ Full day
- guide/coordinator ✓ Private coach transfer: Evora to Lisbon
- ✓2-day Lisbon public transport card (day 1 of 2)

- Breakfast at hotel, followed by check-out
- With guide/coordinator, transfer by private coach to **Setubal** (~1hr40)
- Academic visit to an Oyster Farm including a tour and tasting (subject to availability)
- Continue to **Lisbon** (1hr)
- Lunch on own expense
- Academic visit at the Instituto Superior de Agronomia (ISA) (School of Agriculture) for a lecture on agriculture in Portugal, including information about their livestock programs and facilities, and opportunity to interact with ISA students (subject to availability)

<u>Address:</u> Tapada da Ajuda, 1349-017 Lisboa <u>Contact:</u> Madalena Lordelo Tel: +351964071656

- Arrive at Lisbon hotel
- End of coach services today
- Check-in to hotel (leave bags with reception until guaranteed check-in)
- Issue of 2-day Lisbon public transport card
- Evening walking tour (1.5hrs) led by your guide/coordinator learn how to use your Lisboa Cards to get around Lisbon by public transportation, while also providing important historical information about the city. View the main sights of Alfama and Mouraria neighborhoods
- Dinner on own expense
- Overnight at Hotel Exe Liberdade

DAY 7 FRI MAR 20: LISBON – SINTRA – LISBON [B/-/-]

- ✓ Full day guide/coordinator
- ✓ Full day private coach
- ✓2-day Lisbon public transport card (day 2 of 2)

- Breakfast at hotel
- With guide/coordinator, embark on a **full day excursion** with guide/coordinator via private coach
- **9am** Transfer to the area of **Sintra** (45mins), historically a sanctuary for Portuguese monarchs
- 10am Visit to Organic farm, Quinta da Ribeira for guided tour of the farm with opportunity to feed the animals (subject to availability)
- 12pm End of workshop
- 12:30pm Free time for quick lunch on own expense in Sintra
- 1:45pm Transfer to Quinta do Pisao in "Terras de Cascais" (25m)
- **2:15pm** <u>Meeting point:</u> Reception (Casa da Cal) of Quinta do Pisao, where a technician will be waiting for the group
- 2:30-4pm Brief presentation and workshop on composting or preparing a
 permanent vegetable bed in market gardening style
 Terras de Cascais is a strategy implemented by the Cascais municipality to
 encourage the production of locally grown organic food, promote
 sustainable consumption habits, provide education for sustainability, foster
 entrepreneurship and enhance social inclusion. It includes different
 production sites community vegetable gardens, orchards, vineyards, a

	prison farm, and a "pick-your-own" vegetable garden – and several projects related to food and agriculture. All our production sites are regenerative organic. (subject to availability) 4:15pm Return to Lisbon via private coach (~40m) 5pm End at hotel Remainder of day free to explore by foot or public transport Dinner on own expense Overnight at Hotel Exe Liberdade
DAY 8 SAT MAR 21: LISBON [B/-/-] Full day guide/coordinator 24hr Lisboa Card	Breakfast at hotel Issue of 24-Hour Lisboa Card – includes: Free entrances to 51 Museums and Monuments Skip the Line for 12 Places of Interest Discounts on tours, museums and other attractions Free Transportation in Lisbon More info: https://www.lisboacard.com/en/lisboacardads/?gad source=1&gad campaignid=22154970954 https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EQ_a1a_hyluBoW2I_ZaOBIFQ6FXNh5R8/view Full day free to explore at your own pace using your Lisboa Card Lunch on own expense Farewell dinner at Marisqueira Santa Marta (2-courses + water) Dietary Requirements: Travelers with dietary restrictions - please reconfirm any allergies or restrictions with restaurant wait staff on location. Take public transport back to hotel Overnight at Hotel Exe Liberdade
DAY 9 SUN MAR 22: ÉVORA – LIS – RETURN USA [B/-/-] Guide/coordinator and private coach for group transfer, Lisbon hotel to LIS airport	 Breakfast at hotel, followed by check-out Transfer to Lisbon airport (LIS) via private coach Check-in at airport and part ways with your guide/coordinator Flight details below, arranged by Purdue – not included by AEA LISBON to CHICAGO 22 Mar 2026 - In 243 days Direct TP0243 Details

*** No bookings have been made and rooms are subject to availability. Other hotels may be substituted if any of these are unavailable at time of deposit.