# Urbandale Chamber of Commerce presents...

# **Sunny Portugal**

with Optional 4-Night Madeira Island Post Tour Extension March 15 - 24, 2026



Upgrade to Elite Airfare! See inside for details.



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10 Days • 13 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Lisbon, Choice on Tour: "Calcadas" Walking Tour or "The Way of the Cod" Tour, Belem, Cork Factory, Evora, Alentejo, Lagos, Algarve, Portimão, Setúbal, Portuguese Riviera, Obidos, Sintra, Choice on Tour: National Palace of Sintra or Walking Tour, UNESCO World Heritage Sites

## **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Turim Marques Hotel, Lisbon

Day 4 Vila Gale Evora , Evora
Days 5 – 7 Vila Gale Lagos, Algarve

Days 8, 9 Vila Gale Cascais Hotel, Cascais

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Sunday, March 15, 2026 Overnight Flight Ancient castles and Roman ruins, groves of orange and almond trees, quiet whitewashed villages, and welcoming locals – Portugal is waiting for you.

**Day 2: Monday, March 16, 2026 Lisbon, Portugal** Say hello to Lisbon, Portugal's capital and a city full of authenticity, where old customs and ancient history intermix with cultural entertainment. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Tuesday, March 17, 2026 Lisbon Choose how you want to explore Lisbon today because it's your choice! Discover the art and tradition of Portuguese sidewalks during a locally led walking tour -OR- venture with your Tour Manager on foot and discover the city through the lens of the businesses and streets connected with the country's most loved fish, bacalhau (salted codfish). After, travel to Belem and see the iconic Belem Tower (UNESCO). View the façade of the 16th-century Jeronimos Monastery\* (UNESCO) and learn about the importance of this iconic site. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional tour to listen to local artists perform traditional Fado music, a UNESCO intangible cultural heritage highlight. (B)

Day 4: Wednesday, March 18, 2026 Lisbon - Evora Today, make your way through Portugal's charming countryside. Visit a family-owned cork factory, where you'll learn about the product's importance to the local economy and why Portugal is the world's top cork producer. Your journey then takes you to Evora (UNESCO) – the "Museum City of Portugal." In the afternoon, with your local expert, take time to explore this medieval walled city and see its well-preserved Roman temple up close. (B)

Day 5: Thursday, March 19, 2026 Evora - Lagos Journey to the stunning coasts of the Algarve - the southernmost region of Portugal. On the way, visit a local gin distillery. Learn how one man took a homemade drink and implemented traditional Portuguese stills and local ingredients to craft a premium gin. Savor the flavors of these botanicals before continuing your journey south. This afternoon, keep the day balanced and fruity at a winery. Indulge in full-bodied wines from the Alentejo region during a winery tour, tasting, and light lunch before continuing on your drive. Later, switch the rich taste of local wine and spirits for salty ocean air in Algarve. This evening, explore the historic resort town of Lagos, where Moorish and Renaissance influences meet towering seaside cliffs. Many celebrated voyagers began their explorations from this bustling port city. (B, L)

Day 6: Friday, March 20, 2026 Lagos It's your day to experience the Algarve on your own. Geraniums, camellias, and oleanders grow alongside fig, orange, and almond trees, while brightly colored fishing boats bob in the sea. Protected by hills to the north and warmed by the sea, the Algarve's mild climate and beautiful beaches attract visitors from all over the world. You may choose to join an optional boat tour\*\* today that gets you closer to some of the most famous coastal scenery in Portugal. (B, D)

Day 7: Saturday, March 21, 2026 Lagos - Portimão - Monchique - Lagos This morning venture along the coast to discover the importance of the sardine canning industry in the Algarve. Then, continue to Monchique, a mountain village nestled within a rich landscape, to learn the secrets of regional bread and fruits. Sample them with a savory picnic lunch featuring freshly prepared Algarve seasonal and local specialties. Return to Lagos for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 8: Sunday, March 22, 2026 Lagos - Setúbal - Cascais En route to the Portuguese Riviera, stop in Setúbal a colorful industrial city and one of southern Europe's best-kept secrets. See the Mercado (Farmers Market) do Livramento up close. It is considered one of the best fish markets in the world, and it's also rich with displays of fresh fruits and vegetables. Meet local artisans at a family-run shop and learn how the famous handpainted Portuguese tiles, azulejos, are made. Then, head to the Portuguese Riviera. Mansions scattered throughout Cascais and Monte Estoril all hint at this area's history as a haven for exiled European royals and nobility. (B)







# **Book Now & Save \$200 Per Person:**

Double \$4,349; Single \$4,849; Triple \$4,319 Triple \$4,119

For bookings made after Sep 16, 2025 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Des Moines Municipal Airport or Eppley Airfield, Air Taxes and

Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$549 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from DSM

# Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Premium Economy \$1,890; Business Class \$4,290

- \* Elite Air pricing (Premium Economy, Business Class or First class) is valid until 8 months prior to departure, after which rates are subject to change and will be quoted based upon availability.
- † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

**IMPORTANT CONDITIONS**: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

Day 9: Monday, March 23, 2026 Cascais - Obidos - Sintra -

**Cascais** Explore the picture-perfect city of Obidos, where white-washed houses sit snug within medieval city walls, and toast with a ginjinha, a sour cherry liqueur served in a small chocolate cup. Continue on to Sintra (UNESCO), a breathtaking hub that served as the summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Then, **it's your choice!** Explore the quaint hilltop village of Sintra

and take some time to wander through the winding streets **-OR**-join a guided tour of the National Palace of Sintra, considered the best-preserved medieval palace in Portugal. Bid Portugal goodbye during dinner in Cascais and celebrate the end of your unforgettable journey. (B. D)

Day 10: Tuesday, March 24, 2026 Cascais - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)

### **Experience It! Algarve**

The Algarve is alluring. Coastal Algarve receives much exposure for its breathtaking cliffs, golden beaches, scalloped bays and sandy islands. But the letter 'S' (for sun, surf and sand) is only one letter in the Algarvian alphabet: activities, beach bars (and discos), castles (both sandy and real), diving, entertainment, fun. Coastal Algarve is not all there is to the region. The enchanting inner Algarve boasts pretty castle towns and historic villages, cork tree– and flower-covered hillsides, and birdlife.

# **EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH**

# **Optional 5 Days 4-Night Madeira Island Post Tour Extension**

Per Person Rates: \$1,699.00 USD double, \$2,099.00 USD single, land & air inclusive

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1366474

## **Important Tour Information:**

Book Now rates valid until Sep 16, 2025, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

#### Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).

During your Choice on Tour of Lisbon, one of the walks offered requires walking 2 miles on cobblestone streets and uphill at times.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Lisbon is a hilly city and all sidewalks are cobblestoned which can get slippery when wet.

\*Please note, you will only see the Jeronimos Monastery from the exterior.

\*\*Due to inclement weather or challenging sea conditions, operation of the optional boat tour will only be reconfirmed on the day of service.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Air travelers will arrive into and depart from Lisbon, Portugal airport. All transfers will depart from Cascais to Lisbon airport (approximately a 40-minute drive).

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.



### **Travel Requirements:**

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa require travelers to a photography of their

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of September 16, 2025 are based upon availability. Final payment due by December 15, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until September 16, 2025.

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BOOKING NUMBER: 1366474 TOUR: Sunny Portugal Lisbon, Alentejo, Algarve &

Portuguese Riviera

DEPARTURE DATE: March 15, 2026 GROUP NAME: Urbandale Chamber of Commerce

# **Available Options**

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

# Algarve



# Algarve's Coastal Cruise

\$50 USD

Set sail on the clear blue waters of the Bay of Lagos to experience the stunning Ponta da Piedade with some of the most beautiful and famous coastal scenery in Portugal, including pristine beaches and rocky cliffs that are simply breathtaking. Upon arrival at Ponta da Piedade transfer to smaller boats... then, it's off to explore the magical grottoes! Take in the striking rock formations sculpted by the sea for thousands of years as you weave in and out of tiny inlets, serene grottoes and impressive caves. This excursion may not operate based on weather conditions. Also due to weather conditions, this excursion may operate in the afternoon. *Duration: Approximately 2 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

# Lisbon

# A Night of Fado \$120 USD

Fado: the perfect blend of voice and guitar. Declared a UNESCO World Heritage Cultural Patrimony, it is a celebrated form of world music that captures what it is to be Portuguese. The word Fado comes from the Latin word "fatum," which means fate or destiny. It is a style of music that is about deep feelings: the disappointments of love, the ups and downs of life. No one knows quite how Fado first came into being, but to this day, Portugal's traditional music remains at the very heart of the country's culture. In one of Lisbon's most popular Fado restaurants, professional performers entertain you while you enjoy a typical Portuguese three-course dinner with wine included. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 8 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

# **Extend your vacation with**

# **Optional 5 Days 4-Night Madeira Island Post Tour Extension**

Per Person Rates: \$1,699.00 USD double, \$2,099.00 USD single, land & air inclusive 5 Meals: 4 Breakfasts. 1 Dinner

#### Day 10: Cascais - Lisbon - Funchal, Madeira

Fly to Madeira Island, the "Pearl of the Atlantic" where you arrive in the early afternoon. Madeira boasts a subtropical climate, majestic mountain ranges and volcanic caves. After free time for lunch on your own in the colorful Santa Maria district, go on a walking tour of Funchal's old downtown with its quaint narrow streets and historical sites, such as a 15th-century cathedral. Visit the Botanical Garden of Madeira with its collection of more than 2,500 plants from all continents.

### Day 11: Funchal - Câmara de Lobos - Porto Moniz - Funchal

Begin your day with a tour that takes you to Câmara de Lobos, a traditional village on a picture-perfect bay that served as a special retreat for Sir Winston Churchill. It was here that Madeira's natural beauty captivated him and inspired many of his paintings of the island. Drive along mountain roads, passing banana plantations and vineyards while en route to the world's second-highest cliff, Cabo Girão. After, visit a sugar mill and learn about the importance of sugar cane production in the early 15th century. Sample some local specialties made at the mill before leaving for the fishing village of Porto Moniz. Here, enjoy free time for a swim\* (weather permitting) in the natural volcanic rock pools before returning to Funchal. *Today breakfast will be included*.

#### Day 12: Funchal

The day is yours. During your free time, you may choose to visit the Sacred Art Museum and learn how the sugar-cane trade allowed for the purchase of Flemish art dating back to the 15th century. Or simply relax and enjoy the amenities that your hotel has to offer. Then gather in the evening for a traditional dinner known as an espetada. Folk dancers and lively music entertain you as you feast on a favorite local dish cooked over an open fire. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 13: Funchal - Lisbon

Board your flight and return to the metropolitan energy of Lisbon. Enjoy your afternoon as you please. Today breakfast will be included.

### Day 14: Lisbon - Extension Ends

Depart for home with Portugal in your heart as your tour ends today. Today breakfast will be included.

### **Important Tour Extension Information:**

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2. This means you can partake in a two-hour walking tour covering up to 2 miles (including breaks), over a variety of terrains. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease and handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences.

During your extension, your local guide or driver guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 travelers is not met to operate.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Air inclusive rate is valid for travelers who have purchased our air package for the full tour, depending on the air schedule selected. Rate may vary for those who have purchased their own air.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

An internal flight is required in order to participate on this extension and is included in the final price, quoted at time of booking.

### **Tour Extension Travel Requirements:**

\*Bathing suits are required if partaking in the thermal water pools at Porto Moniz.