



TEMPLE BETH EL PORTUGAL JOURNEY WINE & JEWISH HERITAGE

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Oct 22, 2025 - Oct 30, 2025



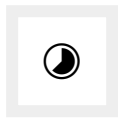
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PORTUGAL



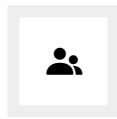
WHO'S GOING
ADULTS ONLY



TRIP TYPE
**SPECIAL
JOURNEY**



DURATION
9 DAYS



GROUP SIZE
20+



PRICE
FROM \$6,999

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REGISTRATION DATES

FEB 25, 2025 - JUN 14, 2025



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YOUR JOURNEY

J² crafts journeys of inspiration, education, and Jewish connections to Israel and worldwide. We are guided by a simple but powerful concept: No two trips are the same; each experience should be personal, meaningful, and backed by superb service. Travel is not just about the places you visit, but the connections you make along the way.

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PROGRAM ITINERARY

DAY 1

ON OUR WAY

Wed. Oct 22, 2025

- Depart the US.

 Overnight: Flight

DAY 2

WELCOME TO PORTUGAL

Thu. Oct 23, 2025

- Arrive at Lisbon International Airport.
- Meet your J² Expert Educator and your local guide who will accompany you on this journey.
- Check into the hotel. (Rooms available from 3:00 p.m.)
- Explore the Belem district of Lisbon, located on the River Tagus, from where many of the great Portuguese explorers embarked on their momentous voyages.
- Stop at the Monument to the Discoveries to explore the Portuguese Age of Discovery in the 15th and 16th centuries.
- Pass by the impressive Jerónimos Monastery and learn about the story behind its impressive walls.
- Festive welcome dinner at a local wine bar.

 Overnight: Lisbon  Meals: Dinner

DAY 3

JEWISH LIFE IN LISBON

Fri. Oct 24, 2025

- A Jewish Museum in Lisbon: A Conversation with Esther Mucznik, Chair of the forthcoming Tikvá Museu Judaico Lisboa. Esther, the visionary behind the museum's concept and programming, has collaborated with the Lisbon City Council and architect Daniel Libeskind to bring this project to life, set to open in 2027.
- Enjoy a tour of the center of Lisbon, including Rossio Square, Baixa (the downtown area), and Praça do Comércio.
- Explore the Alfama Quarter, including the site of the Lisbon massacre of 1506, with its steep winding alleys, hidden landmark churches, and breathtaking views of the Tagus River—all while hearing about the tension between tradition and modernity.
- Let your taste buds loose: Free time for lunch on own at the Time Out Market.
- Remainder of the afternoon at leisure.
- Shabbat service with the community at the Shaaré Tikva Synagogue, the first synagogue to be built in Portugal since the late fifteenth century.
- Shabbat dinner at a local restaurant.

 Overnight: Lisbon  Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 4

THE MAGIC OF SINTRA

Sat. Oct 25, 2025

- Depart the hotel for a visit to the Pena Palace grounds and its surrounding Pena Park.
- Excursion to the city of Sintra, the resort town of Portugal kings, perched high in the mountains. The town's picturesque romantic monuments and mountainous vistas serve as the backdrop for unparalleled architectural and natural beauty.
- Lunch on own and free time to explore the tiny winding streets of Sintra.
- We will visit a unique wine shop in Sintra, situated on a village farm where wine production ceased 100 years ago. The current owners, with support from Portuguese and French experts, have revitalized the vineyards by analyzing the local soil and climate, modernizing the production process. Today, they produce high-quality red and white wines using traditional methods.
- Meet a producer of Colares wine followed by tasting at the Colares cooperative winery. Nestled between Sintra mountain and the Atlantic Ocean, the Colares region has been an Appellation Origin since 1908, making it the westernmost and smallest still-wine producing region in mainland Europe. Founded in 1931, Adega Regional de Colares is one of the few places where you can buy authentic Colares wines.
- Continue your route to Cabo da Roca. Overlooking the deep blue of the Atlantic Ocean, stand at the western-most extent of mainland Portugal and continental Europe.
- Devote time to mark the end of Shabbat with a group havdalah and reflection.
- Return to Lisbon.

 Overnight: Lisbon  Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5

JEWISH HISTORY IN TOMAR

Sun. Oct 26, 2025

- Check out of the hotel and depart Lisbon.
- Visit the beautiful medieval village of Óbidos, located within castle walls, and stroll through its cheerful, narrow streets.
- Try a cup of Ginginha de Óbidos, a beloved cherry liqueur made from Morello cherries and brandy, originating from 17th-century monks in Portugal. Traditionally served in a chocolate cup, it has become a signature treat of the town of Óbidos.
- Continue to the historic city of Tomar.
- Free time for lunch on own in Tomar.
- Visit the famous and ancient Jewish synagogue dating back to the 15th century and the Abraham Zacuto Luso-Hebrew Museum.
- Discover the Convent of the Order of Christ, originally a Templar stronghold built in the 12th century and one of Portugal's most important historical and artistic monuments. The Convent is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Continue your journey to Porto.
- Check into the hotel, followed by dinner & wine together.

 Overnight: Porto  Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 6

PORTUGAL'S MEDIEVAL CAPITAL

Mon. Oct 27, 2025

- Romanesque to Romanticism: View the main sites of the city, including Avenida dos Aliados, Clérigos Tower, which is known as the symbol of the city, and the São Bento railway station, decorated with 20,000 tiles depicting the history of Portugal.
- Tour of the Porto Old Jewish Quarters: We'll learn about the Jewish heritage in Sepharad Portugal, the Jews of the Middle Ages and the terrible times of the Inquisition, the new Christians of the modern era, and the 20th-century Jewish Renaissance.
- Free time for lunch on own in the Old Town.
- Visit a port wine cellar followed by a tasting.
- Remainder of the afternoon at leisure to explore Porto on your own.
- Optional: End the day with a traditional Fado concert. (additional cost)
- Free evening to explore the local food scene on own.

 Overnight: Porto  Meals: Breakfast

DAY 7

THE ENCHANTED VALLEY

Tue. Oct 28, 2025

- Depart Porto for the Douro Valley, known primarily for port, a sweet wine that has been produced here for two thousand years. The Douro Alto was made a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2001.
- Visit a local vineyard, where you will enjoy lunch followed by a wine tasting with the producer.
- Enjoy the scenic town of Pinhão, where you'll board a private traditional rabelo boat for a river cruise. As you glide through the Douro Valley, you'll be surrounded by terraced hillsides, home to vineyards that

produce world-renowned port wines like Cockburns, Taylors, and Sandeman. Sail upstream toward the Tua River's mouth, passing vineyards, terraces, charming villages, and historic 18th- and 19th-century wine estates along the way.

- Continue to a second winery and meet with the wine-makers.
- Return to Porto.

 Overnight: Porto  Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 8

THE CRADLE OF PORTUGAL

Wed. Oct 29, 2025

- Drive to Guimaraes, the birthplace of Portugal.
- Ascend to the Guimaraes Castle, perched atop a hill. Its brooding silhouette tells tales of knights, battles, and medieval intrigue. From the ramparts, gaze across the landscape—the same view that once inspired Portugal's founder-king, Afonso Henriques.
- Wander through Largo da Oliveira, a charming plaza adorned with traditional houses. The centerpiece? A majestic olive tree, symbolizing endurance and resilience.
- Free time for lunch on own in Guimaraes.
- Depart Guimaraes.
- On our way back to Porto, we will visit two Vinho Verde (Green Wine) producers in the region, one small and one medium-sized. This will allow you to appreciate the differences in production techniques and tasting experiences. At each winery, you'll also learn about the unique characteristics that make Vinho Verde a distinctive and cherished wine.
- Farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

🌙 Overnight: Porto 🍴 Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 9

UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

Thu. Oct 30, 2025

- Check out of the hotel.
- Return flight to the US.

🍴 Meals: Breakfast





RATES & LODGING

PARTICIPANTS	COST P/P IN DOUBLE ROOM	COST P/P IN SINGLE ROOM
20+	\$6,999	\$8,994

LISBON: OLISSIPPO LAPA PALACE

 Nights: 3

 [Hotel Website](#)

PORTO: FORTE DE GAIA, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION

 Nights: 4

 [Hotel Website](#)

WHAT TO EXPECT

◆ Included

- 7 nights' accommodations.
- 7 days of touring with a J² Expert Educator and a local guide, in a luxury, air-conditioned bus.
- All arrival transfers at the Lisbon airport.
- All departure transfers to the Porto airport.
- Gratuities for your J² Expert Educator, local guide, and drivers.
- Daily breakfast, 2 lunches & 4 dinners.
- The J² adventures App available on the App Store & on Google Play (active 7 days before your departure and throughout your trip).
- Water on the bus.
- Porterage at the hotels.
- All site entrance fees & program fees as per your final program.

⚙ Excluded

- Credit card fees.
- Flights to & from Porto.
- COVID related expenses, including tests.
- Evening transportation when dinner is not included.
- Amendments to the program: In the event that any sites, programs or meals etc. are added to the program, an additional fee may be required.
- Personal extras: Items of personal nature such as laundry, wines, mineral water, beverages, coffee, tea, food other than the table d'hotel menu, passport and visa fees, insurance, and foreign port taxes, unless otherwise specified.
- US and foreign airport taxes, Q fuel surcharge and border taxes when applicable.

The small print

- Please review our terms & conditions (T&C's) or request that we send you our full T&C's. Until you do that, here is the small print, and other stuff you may want to know:
- Validity | All prices quoted are based on exchange rates as of the proposal date and are subject to change without notice. Rates are per person and are based on shared twin room occupancy.
- How to Make a Reservation | The quickest way to make a reservation is to register online or contact us by email. We accept VISA, MasterCard, and American Express credit cards. A non-refundable deposit of \$1,000 is required in order to complete the registration process.
- For any assistance with this registration process or other trip-related queries, please email Customer Care: customercare@j2adventures.com.
- Payments | The balance of your payment is due 130 days before your trip begins, or as specified in your invoice. You will receive an email reminder 2 weeks before this date. Various payment options are available as follows:
 - Credit card | We accept Visa, Mastercard and American Express. Please check with your credit card provider regarding international processing fees. We are unable to process payments of over \$1,000 over the phone. Please submit payment online via a credit card or by wiring funds via your bank.
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- J² Adventures reserves the right to automatically cancel your reservation on that date and it may be subject to reconfirmation should the final payment not be received.
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- Cancellation fees | Cancellations made 130 or more days prior to departure incur the loss of the deposit. Cancellations made 129 to 46 days prior to departure incur the loss of 50% of the full trip cost. Cancellations made 45 days or less prior to the departure incur the loss of 100% of the full trip cost.



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