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PORTO WINE EXPERIENCE

3 days

There's a nickname for the people of Porto: tripeiros. Taken literally, it means "person who eats tripe", which may sound a little insulting. But in fact it's a reference to the 15th century, when Porto's inhabitants gladly gave up all their meat for sailors heading off on their conquests, leaving only tripe for the locals to eat.

Today, this selflessness still survives in the residents of Porto (even if the culinary choices have thankfully become more varied).

Wander the vertiginous streets winding upwards from the banks of the River Douro and you can't fail to notice the generosity and fine manners of the Portuguese (that's a slightly less colloquial term for the locals).

From the bustling city of Porto to the renowned wineries of the magnificent Douro Valley, the home of Port is the ultimate destination for lovers of Portuguese culture and fortified wine.

Trip Highlights

- Rest your head two nights in a boutique hotel in the heart of historic Porto
- Sample exquisite wines from one of the best Port producers in the famous Vila Nova de Gaia
- Explore in style with a private chauffeured port tasting tour winding through the magnificent Douro valley
- Feast on a 4 course lunch paired with local wines in a breathtaking location

Day 1 Arrive in the heart of Porto and discover Vila Nova de Gaia. Separated from Porto by the sweeping Douro River, this bustling town is the true home of Port production – the perfect place to kick off your trip with a tour of the ageing cellars and a tasting of fine wines.

Day 2 Setting off in the morning with your private guide, you'll explore the stunning scenery of the Douro Valley along the winding roads towards Pinhao. There you'll take a tour of a famous Port Lodge and wander through vineyards with dramatic views across the surrounding hills and nearby Távora River. A 4 course with wines lunch will be served in a magnificently placed restaurant with terraced garden commanding views down the Douro.

Day 3 The final day of your trip is yours to explore Porto. The city reveals its magical secrets as you wander its charming streets, taking in such splendid sights as the Porto Cathedral, the gothic-style Church of Saint Francis and the old Stock Exchange Palace. Or why not extend your trip and discover Lisbon?

To discuss details on this trip, or to make a tailor-made package for Porto or many of the other amazing places (Croatia, Italy, France, Spain, Iceland, Portugal etc), with your dates and numbers, please contact Liz@EMG_EVENTS LTD

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