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Secrets of the Douro

8-day itinerary | Porto to Porto | September 26, 2020

A symbol of Portugal's birth and growth as a nation, the Douro has long been the country's lifeline. Leaving the pastel-coloured metropolis of Porto, navigate a path through the country's enchanting countryside. Terraced vineyards rise from the river banks, historic landmarks pepper distant horizons and charming townships lay hidden in the rural hillsides. Salamanca glows myriad colours both day and night and canoeing experiences in Pocinho introduce a new perspective on the Douro.

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Cabin rates

Emerald Stateroom (F)	\$5,345
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Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite (A)	\$6,995
Emerald Panorama Balcony Suite (P)	\$7,145
Emerald Riverview Suite (RA)	\$8,425

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Day 1 Arrive Porto

You will be met at the airport and transferred to your contemporary Emerald Waterways Star-Ship, where a sunset cruise will introduce you to the best of Porto's illuminated skyline.

- A sunset cruise through Porto

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 Porto – Pinhão

Relax on board today and enjoy a full day of sailing through the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Douro Valley. This fascinating area was inscribed because it hones in on two millennia of wine producing history, where viticulture has shaped the surrounding landscape and small, sleepy villages are peppered with dozens of sun-drenched vineyards.

Tonight, your captain will host a welcome dinner and cocktail reception.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 3 Pinhão – Vega de Terrón

Begin your day with a visit to the beautiful Quinta do Tedo vineyard in the heart of Portugal's Douro Valley, nestled on the confluence of the Douro and Tedo rivers. This 18th-century estate is environmentally sound, creating organic produce by using traditional viticulture methods.

Alternatively, enjoy a guided walk through local vineyards, stopping along the way to admire your surroundings.

This afternoon, enjoy sailing to Vega de Terrón, perhaps relaxing on the Sun Deck before your included Port wine cocktail demonstration or cooking demonstration on board.

- A Port wine cocktail lesson on board
- A Portuguese cooking demonstration on board
- A guided walk through the vineyards
- A visit to Quinta do Tedo with wine tasting

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 4 Vega de Terrón – Salamanca

Founded in Roman times, the ancient city of Salamanca and its UNESCO World Heritage-listed old quarter have an illustrious past, having been held by the Carthaginians, Romans and Moors.

Travel to the beautiful golden city for a walking tour, starting among the postcard-worthy galleries and arcades that adorn Plaza Mayor. You will have the opportunity to see Casa de las Conchas, a building that has been lovingly decorated with more than 300 shells.

- Enjoy local entertainment from a Tuna Music band
- A guided tour of Salamanca

Meals: Breakfast and dinner

Day 5 Pocinho – Régua

This morning, arrive in Pocinho where you'll have the opportunity to embark on a canoeing excursion or to visit the Côa Valley Museum. Later, return to your ship for lunch and soak up your idyllic surrounds as you sail towards Régua, taking part in a casa painova tasting on board. A rural dinner at a wine estate is certain to be a highlight of your trip.

- A Casa Painova product tasting on board
- A rural dinner with entertainment at Quinta da Pacheca
- A guided canoeing experience
- A visit to the Côa Valley Museum

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 6 Régua

Today, on an included excursion, you will visit the marvellous Baroque village of Lamego, stopping to see the picturesque Shrine of Our Lady of Remedies, a structure that stands gracefully over the town.

- A mosaic tile painting lesson on board
- A traditional fado band on board
- Walk down the steps of the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Remedies
- A visit to the Baroque village of Lamego and Our Lady of Remedies
- A visit to Mateus Manor House with wine tasting

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 7 Porto

Located at the mouth of the Douro River, Porto is a fascinating eclectic mix of modern and ancient architecture. Famous for its exports of Port wines, it's easy to imagine how British merchant ships would have once clustered together in the medieval harbour, waiting to take Port wines across the water.

Your included tour of the coastal city will touch on the fortified structures of Castelo da Foz and Castelo do Queijo, a building whose pentagonal façades overlook the ocean.

- A guided active walk in Porto
- A guided tour of Porto
- An excursion to Guimarães

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 8 Depart Porto

After breakfast, it's time to say farewell to your fellow guests, taking memories of sun-drenched vineyards with you.

Meals: Breakfast