



# THE PERFECT DAY

### A CURATED INTINERARY OF PORTO'S FINEST EXPERIENCES

# CRAFTED FOR DISCERNING TRAVELLERS

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Porto, a city where old-world charm meets contemporary luxury. Your stay at InterContinental Porto – Palácio das Cardosas promises timeless elegance, impeccable service, and unforgettable memories.

To enrich your journey, we present the Perfect Day in Porto – a curated itinerary designed to guide you through the very best the city has to offer. Whether you're seeking history, gastronomy, or the rhythm of local life, Porto will enchant you. Our Concierge team is at your disposal to personalise this itinerary to your preferences.



# ITINERARY

#### 08:00HRS – BREAKFAST AT ASTÓRIA RESTAURANT

Start your day with a rich à la carte breakfast at Astória Restaurant, where freshly baked Portuguese pastries, seasonal fruits and made-to-order eggs are served with heartfelt care by our team.

#### 09:30HRS – RIBEIRA & DOURO RIVER WALK

Stroll through the cobbled streets of the Ribeira quarter, a vibrant part of Porto's historic centre - recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Take in the colourful facades and walk along the Douro River promenade, where traditional rabelo boats gently bob on the water.

### II:00HRS – LIVRARIA LELLO & CLÉRIGOS TOWER

Step into the world-renowned Livraria Lello, a true gem in Porto's cultural scene. Often celebrated as one of the most beautiful bookstores globally, its intricate woodwork and stunning stained glass ceiling will transport you to a time of literary charm. After soaking in the beauty of this historic space, take a short stroll to the nearby Clérigos Tower. Climb its iconic staircase to be rewarded with breathtaking panoramic views of Porto's skyline, where the red rooftops stretch out before you, offering a unique perspective of the city.

### 12:30HRS – LUNCH AT MERCADO DO BOLHÃO

Experience the true essence of local life at the historic Bolhão Market. Wander through colourful stalls brimming with seasonal fruits and vegetables, fresh seafood, selected wines, regional cheeses, cured meats, artisanal conserves, and traditional sweets. On the upper floors, you'll find charming little restaurants serving authentic Portuguese dishes - the perfect spot for a relaxed lunch amidst the vibrant market atmosphere.

14:00HRS – VISIT TO PALÁCIO DA BOLSA & CHURCH OF SÃO FRANCISCO Explore the majestic Palácio da Bolsa, a 19th-century neoclassical landmark, where every room tells a story of power, prestige, and artistry. Don't miss the stunning Arab Room, inspired by the Alhambra in Granada, adorned with intricate stucco patterns and opulent gold leaf. Just next door, visit the Church of São Francisco, the most prominent Gothic monument in Porto, being also noted for its outstanding Baroque inner decoration.



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15:30HRS – PORT WINE CELLAR TOUR & TASTING Cross the Dom Luís I Bridge to Vila Nova de Gaia and tour a historic Port wine cellar such as Graham's, Sandeman, or Taylor's. Enjoy a guided tasting and learn about the legacy of this world-renowned wine. Conclude your experience with a curated tasting, where you'll savour the complex flavours of aged Ports, guided by expert sommeliers who will share the fascinating stories of each vintage.

18:00HRS – MANTEIGARIA, FABRIC OF PASTÉIS DE NATA Delight in the simple pleasures of a perfect Pastel de Nata and Portuguese coffee at Manteigaria, a renowned spot where these iconic pastries are baked to perfection. A modern, cozy atmosphere invites you to enjoy the best of Porto's culinary tradition.

19:00HRS (EVERY THURSDAY) – FADO NIGHT AT BAR DAS CARDOSAS
Celebrate the soulful sounds of Portugal with a Fado performance at Bar das
Cardosas. Every Thursday, from 7 PM to 9 PM, experience the passionate
melodies and heartfelt lyrics of this traditional Portuguese music genre.

20:00HRS – DINNER AT ASTÓRIA OR A MICHELIN-STAR EXPERIENCE Indulge in an exquisite dinner at Astória, where seasonal Portuguese cuisine is elevated with contemporary flair. For a truly exceptional experience, our Concierge can also arrange a reservation at Pedro Lemos or Antiqvvm, both Michelin-starred and celebrated for their innovative approach and unforgettable flavours.

### 21:30HRS – NIGHTCAP WITH A VIEW

Wrap up your day at a rooftop bar such as 17° Bar, where you can enjoy breathtaking views of the Douro and Porto's illuminated skyline. Sip on a signature cocktail and immerse yourself in the romantic atmosphere of our city. A perfect way to end your evening, contemplating the beauty of Porto from a privileged and unique perspective.



## INSIDER PARTNERSHIPS

CULINARY & GASTRONOMY EXPERIENCES

Culinary Walking Tours with a Chef: A market-to-table experience with guided tours, where you'll taste authentic Portuguese flavors. Chef's Table Indulgence: A private, intimate dinner with a renowned chef, offering an exclusive tasting menu. Chef-Led Market Tour & Private Cooking Class: A personalized culinary adventure, guided by a chef, using seasonal, locally-sourced ingredients. Cooking Class: Taste of Portugal - Join a local chef to learn how to make classic Portuguese dishes like Bacalhau à Brás or Caldo Verde. An interactive and flavorful experience.

### ART & CULTURE

Tile Painting Workshop: Create your own azulejo tile with a local artisan, learning the history of this iconic Portuguese art form. Exclusive Visit to Tilsitt Gallery: Meet the director and enjoy an exclusive, private gallery tour. VIP Experience at Fundação Serralves: Access exclusive workshops, private dinners, and cocktails. Private After-Hours Tours: Experience Porto's top art institutions after hours for a more intimate experience.

#### WELLNESS & RELAXATION

Reconnect with Nature: Exclusive wellness experiences at top spas, including tailored personal training and outdoor workouts.
Private Yoga & Meditation: Customized yoga sessions and mindfulness experiences in tranquil locations.
Bespoke Wellness Retreats: Personalized wellness programs with treatments, yoga, pilates, and rejuvenating experiences.



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#### UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

Private Rooftop Yoga & Pilates: Enjoy private rooftop sessions of Pilates, mindfulness, and relaxation in stunning settings.
Exclusive After-Hours Access to Landmarks: Tour Porto's iconic landmarks after hours, from Livraria Lello to the Torre dos Clérigos, in private settings.
Private Sunset Sail on the Douro: Set sail along the Douro River with gourmet delights and breathtaking views of Porto.

### ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS

Fado Performances: Experience intimate Fado performances with traditional Portuguese wine tasting.
Gala Porto Canal: Attend a prestigious evening of elegance with exclusive access to Porto's top cultural events.
FC Porto Matchday Experience: Feel the thrill of a live match with VIP access to the stadium and museum tour.

#### FAMILY & KIDS

Epicurean Family Dining Journeys: Special family-oriented gourmet dining experiences for all ages.
Private Concierge Nanny Service: Personalized childcare services, allowing parents to fully enjoy their experience.
Enchanted Toy Emporium After Dark: Explore Porto's hidden toy wonders with a magical after-hours experience.

For further bespoke experiences and personalized activity recommendations, please do not hesitate to contact our Concierge team, who will be delighted to assist you.



# CONCIERGE TEAM

Let us personalize your Porto journey - from private tours to Port tastings, restaurant reservations and local insider tips.

Meet us at our desk or contact us for more information!

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