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PORTUGAL

CULINARY & CULTURAL TOUR
WITH CHEF ALIZA GREEN

APRIL 5 - 15, 2024

9 NIGHTS - SMALL GROUP

\$6,625 Double room occupancy

Aliza Green: Portugal Culinary & Cultural Tour 2024

DAY 1: Friday, April 5, 2024 | DEPARTURE

Departure from the US for Porto, Portugal. *Airfare is not included but Celestial Voyagers can help you get the best airfare and schedule.*

DAY 2: Saturday, April 6, 2024 | PORTO: A SWEET WELCOME TO PORTUGAL | D |

Arrival and transfer to our highly-rated hotel for two nights. In the afternoon, we begin our **exploration of Oporto** with our knowledgeable local guide. Dinner at the renowned **Casa de Chá Boa Nova** (Michelin 2*) on the water adjoining the lighthouse of Leça

DAY 3: Sunday, April 7, 2024 | GET TO KNOW OPORTO | B D |

Tour of **Baroque and Neoclassical** treasures and Porto's much-admired **modern architecture** including the Casa da Música, the Serralves Foundation, Serra do Pilar Monastery and the Jewish district. We'll visit the **Bon Suceso Market** around noon and continue the tour after lunch. Dinner at a restaurant featuring local cuisine.

DAY 4: Monday, April 8, 2024 | EXPLORE THE BEAUTIFUL DOURO VALLEY | B D |

Travel through the **Douro Valley wine region**, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the first demarcated wine region in the World (1756). Winery visit with lunch in the vineyard. Stay two nights at the **1804 Casa Rural Dos Viscondes**, with its vineyard, farm and historical gardens.

DAY 5: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 | DOURO VALLEY AND THE PANORAMIC ROUTE | B L D |

Travel the world-famous **panoramic route N222** along the River Douro. Explore Lamego, its Baroque shrine and Jewish history. Afternoon cooking class at the wood-burning stove in the kitchen of our hotel followed by dinner al fresco or beside the fireplace.

DAY 6: Wednesday, April 10, 2024 | DOURO VALLEY, BUÇACO & COIMBRA | B L |

Explore the Sangalhos Region and the Bairrada Region, known for sparkling wines. Winery visit with lunch in the wine cellar. Visit the **Buçaco Forest Park** with 700 native and exotic species. Check-in to our small luxury hotel in Coimbra, a historic university town

DAY 7: Thursday, April 11, 2024 | CODFISH, THE VENICE OF PORTUGAL | B L D |

Visit the **Maritime Museum** In Ílhavo, learn about cod fishing as done in Newfoundland and Greenland; then Costa Nova, known for its colorful fishermen's cabins; codfish lunch; visit Aveiro; learn to **make Ovos Moles** "soft-cooked eggs" pastry. Hotel dinner in Coimbra.

DAY 8: Friday, April 12, 2024 | FADO & A MEDIEVAL VILLAGE | B D |

Explore Coimbra and the **Fado Music Center**, visit the medieval village of **Obidos** then drive to Lisbon and check into our boutique hotel for three nights. Dinner at a local restaurant.

DAY 9: Saturday, April 13, 2024 | GET TO KNOW LISBON'S NEIGHBORHOODS | B D |

Guided tour of **Lisbon's historic neighborhoods**. In the evening, visit a traditional Fado house, taste "petiscos" (small dishes) and wine while enjoying Lisbon-style Fado music.

DAY 10: Sunday, April 14, 2024 | MARKET COOKING & EXCURSION TO SINTRA | B L D |

Shop at a city street market for ingredients for **our cooking class**. In the afternoon, an excursion to the **beautiful seaside village of Sintra**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Return to Lisbon for our Gala Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant and our last night in Lisbon.

DAY 11: Monday, April 15, 2024 | BOA VIAGEM! A FOND FAREWELL TO PORTUGAL | B

After breakfast, drive to the Lisbon Airport for flights home (*or extend your stay in Portugal—we can help*).

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Tasting and stories of traditional sweets in Oporto at centenary bakeries
- Memorable dinner at Michelin 2* waterfront restaurant, Casa de Chá Boa Nova in Oporto
- Winery visit and tasting in the gorgeous Douro Valley wine region, a UNESCO World Heritage site
- Explore the old Jewish district of Oporto to discover its secret past
- Drive the panoramic route of the N222 Road, one of the best roads in the world for driving
- Join the countess at her family's Douro wine estate for a cooking class and a delicious regional meal "al fresco" or by the fireplace and stay at the property
- In the Sangalhos region, visit a winery, taste sparkling wines with lunch featuring roast suckling pig (we can provide an alternative)
- Visit the Buçaco Forest Park, founded in the 6th century by a monastic community and home to nearly 700 native and exotic species
- Listen to fabulous local music, Fado de Coimbra and the oldest type of Fado in Lisbon
- An afternoon in the beautiful seaside village of Sintra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

SERVICES INCLUDED

- English-speaking assistance for airport arrival and departure
- Expert commentary, culinary advice and background by Chef Aliza Green
- Professional English-speaking local guides for the visits in the program
- All activities and excursions in the program.
- Two cooking and two winery visits and tastings
- All entrance fees to museums and historical sites
- Luxury, private coach for transfers and excursions
- Meals as indicated



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