

May 14th - 24th 2025

Portugal River Cruise on the Douro "River of Gold"



Join **Jonesboro Travel** and enjoy River cruising at its finest! A symbol of Portugal's birth and growth as a nation, the Douro River has long been the country's lifeline. Spend two nights in the cosmopolitan capital of Lisbon, Portugal with a tour showcasing the famous sights of this remarkable city. Enroute to Porto, visit the pilgrimage site of Fátima and the university town of Coimbra. Navigate a path through Portugal's enchanting countryside while cruising along the dramatic Douro River. Terraced vineyards rise from the river banks, historic landmarks pepper the distant horizons and charming towns lay hidden in the rural hillsides. From Spain's walled city of Salamanca to the charming baroque village of Lamego, enjoy a new perspective of Europe as you sail the along the Douro, known as the "River of Gold". River Cruising is one of the most luxurious ways to travel the world. Enjoy all the features of Emerald Cruises' award-winning ships including all gratuities, comfortable, well-appointed staterooms, ample public spaces, an attentive onboard staff, and Activity Manager on each river cruise departure. Best of all, once onboard, you will only need to unpack once. Your floating hotel will take you from port to port, ensuring an enjoyable experience. Our cruise tour vacation combines world-class service, all-inclusive amenities, and enriching INCLUDED shore excursions to provide you with an unparalleled travel experience. **PASSPORTS REQUIRED.**

What's Included:

- All Flights and transportation
- 22 Meals: 9 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 8 dinners
- Visit two countries-Portugal and Spain
- Two-night hotel stay and touring in Lisbon, Portugal before cruising
- Seven-night cruise on the Emerald Radiance
- Onboard Activity Manager to host daily onboard wellness activities, games, classes and evening entertainment
- Shore excursions with English-speaking local guides
- All gratuities included onboard your ship
- Complimentary regional wines, beer and soft drinks accompany onboard lunches and dinners. Complimentary bottled water in your stateroom
- Complimentary WiFi onboard
- Variety of onboard evening entertainment



Tour Itinerary on back →

Trip Cost: \$6999 per person Deluxe Room. Balcony Upgrades Available. Deposit is \$1500 per person. Final payment due by February 10th, 2025.



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Cruise Tour Itinerary:

Day 1: Depart the USA-Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Lisbon, Portugal.

Day 2: Lisbon, Portugal-Upon arrival, you'll be met by a representative and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure to explore Lisbon. This evening, join your fellow travelers for an included dinner. Meal: D.

Day 3: Lisbon-After breakfast, an included tour highlights the famous sites of the city. During a panoramic coach tour, see 'Monument to the Discoveries,' and Belem Tower, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit Jerónimos Monastery and discover the unique architecture and history. Enjoy a free afternoon to shop, dine and experience this cosmopolitan city on your own. Meal: B

Day 4: Fátima – Coimbra – Porto-Depart Lisbon by coach and journey to the ship in Porto. Enroute, visit Fátima, home to the Sanctuary of Fátima, an important Catholic pilgrimage site. The city's fame originates from the apparitions of Our Lady of the Rosary that appeared to three shepherd children in the nearby fields. Continue to Coimbra and its famous university before arriving in Porto to embark the MS Emerald Radiance, home for the next seven nights. Meals: B, D.

Day 5: Porto – Pinhão-Today is a day of sailing through the twists and turns of the Douro Valley. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, this area is sparsely populated by quaint villages, sun-drenched vineyards and small farms. Later today, arrive in the village of Pinhão, perfectly situated on a river bend surrounded by terraced hillsides that produce some of the world's best Port wine. Tonight, enjoy a welcome reception and dinner. Meals: B, L, D. Included Feature: A Portuguese cooking demonstration onboard

Day 6: Pinhão – Vega de Terrón-Begin the day with a visit to the beautiful 18th-century estate of Quinta do Tedo Vineyard with spectacular views of the Douro Valley. Learn about wine production, its importance to the culture and economy, and enjoy a tasting of the local vintage. Alternatively, enjoy a guided walk through local vineyards OR, embark on a kayak excursion along the river. This afternoon, the ship sails for Vega de Terrón, gateway to Spain. Meals: B, L, D.

Day 7: Salamanca, Spain-Today's excursion takes you to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Salamanca, Spain. During the guided walking tour, see amazingly detailed and intricately carved buildings of the university and the House of Shells. Regal splendor abounds in the Plaza Mayor, the heartbeat of the city. You'll have free time for lunch and to explore independently before returning to the ship in Portugal. Meals: B, D. Included Feature: Entertainment by a Tuna music band in Salamanca

Day 8: Pocinho / Régua, Portugal-Arrive in Pocinho and disembark for a morning tour to the Côa Valley Museum. Designed to blend in with its surroundings, the museum's concrete structure houses prehistoric stone carvings made by the early inhabitants of the Douro which were uncovered during construction of a nearby dam project. Return to the ship for lunch and relax on deck as the ship sails through idyllic surroundings on the way to Régua. This evening, enjoy an off-ship dinner at a traditional vineyard estate. Meals: B, L, D. Included Feature: Port wine cocktail lesson onboard & Dinner at a vineyard estate

Day 9: Régua – Lamego. From Régua, journey by coach to the marvelous baroque village of Lamego, home to the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Remedies – one of the most important pilgrimage sites in Portugal. Visit the Sanctuary perched atop the hill, with its iconic 686-step granite staircase, decorated with the traditional Portuguese blue and white 'azulejos' tiles. Return to the ship in Régua after the excursion. Meals: B, L, D. Included Feature: Mosaic tile painting lesson onboard

Day 10: Porto-Having traversed the Douro River, the ship returns to Porto – a city with an eclectic mix of modern and ancient architecture. An included tour highlights the sights from its scenic beauty to the historic landmarks of the Castelo da Foz and Castelo do Queijo. For those who wish to see the charms of Porto on foot, the Active Walk through the town will bring you closer to the vibrant daily life of the locals. The remainder of the afternoon is at leisure in Porto. Meals: B, L, D.

Day 11: Porto / USA. This morning, disembark the MS Emerald Radiance and bid a fond farewell to Portugal, filled with memories of this remarkable cruise along the 'River of Gold.' Meal: B.

