

ENTICING DOURO

Round-trip Porto, Portugal



Rambling vineyards and charming native farms cling to the steep sides of the Douro River Valley, creating an incomparable backdrop to one of Europe's most unspoiled regions and to Port country — the world's oldest demarcated wine region. Visit Porto, the beautiful "City of Bridges"; and Salamanca, the "Golden City." Taste wines from historic wineries and soak up the genuine beauty of one of Europe's most unadulterated landscapes.



DATES: SATURDAYS

2023: MAR 25-DEC 23

2024: MAR 23 – DEC 21

DURATION: 8 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

EMBARK: PORTO, PORTUGAL

DISEMBARK: PORTO, PORTUGAL

SHIP: AMA DOURO

FROM: \$3,099* + Port Charges

**After \$500 per person Savings*

COUNTRIES VISITED: PORTUGAL, SPAIN

RIVERS: DOURO

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DAY 1 - EMBARKATION – PORTO, PORTUGAL

Embark your cruise in Porto. Gather on board tonight and meet your fellow passengers. (D)



DAY 2 - ENTRE-OS-RIOS

Entre-os-Rios translates to “between the rivers,” and this small village is, quite appropriately, located at the confluence of the Tâmega and Douro rivers. This tranquil village offers an authentic slice of Douro River life. In the afternoon, indulge in a traditional Portuguese lunch with your fellow travelers in Entre-os-Rios at a local quinta – a country estate – for a truly authentic culinary experience. (B,L,D)



DAY 3 – RÉGUA – PINHÃO

Visit the Baroque-style Palacio de Mateus and its gardens. Inside the house, you’ll see interesting furnishings, paintings and a ceiling of intricately carved wood.

The gardens here are considered some of the most beautiful in Portugal. Later in the day, savor the flavors of Portugal’s renowned fortified wine, vinho do porto, made exclusively in the Douro Valley. Head to a local quinta for your authentic Port-wine tasting experience and enjoy the sweet nectar of this fascinating region. (B,L,D)



DAY 4 - VEGA TERRÓN, SPAIN

Drive to Salamanca, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Built of golden sandstone, Salamanca is known as a “living museum,” and you will have an opportunity to step back in time to the Middle Ages during your escorted tour, which includes the city’s elegant university buildings, the New Cathedral, the intriguingly decorated House of Shells and Plaza Mayor. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 – BARCA d’ALVA - PINHÃO, PORTUGAL

Spend time soaking up the beauty of the Douro River as you cruise to Barca d’Alva, where you will visit Castelo Rodrigo, a small fortified village perched high on a hilltop with centuries-old walls, steep narrow streets and fantastic views. You can also opt to hike up to the village should you wish a more active exploration. While here, taste some delicious locally grown produce. Be treated to an exclusive dinner at Quinta da Aversada, where you’ll enjoy an authentic and traditional dining experience complete with entertainment. Quinta da Aversada is also a fascinating interactive museum commemorating the history and culture of wine in the Alto Douro region, so you’ll have fun discovering all the various stages of wine production as well as doing plenty of tasting. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 – RÉGUA

Travel to picturesque Lamego, home to one of the most important pilgrimage sites in all of Portugal, where you'll go to the Nossa Senhora dos Remédios (Sanctuary of Our Lady of Remedies). The shrine features a staircase of nearly 700 steps, beautifully decorated with white and blue tiles, which the more active adventurer will want to climb on a guided hike. Concluding both tours, you will have the opportunity to sample local traditional specialties, such as bôlas de Lamego, bread filled with smoked ham; presunto, a type of dry-cured ham; and Espumante, a Portuguese sparkling wine. (B,L,D)



DAY 7 - PORTO

The colorful city of Porto blends the best of old and new, which you can discover on an escorted tour of the historic quarter, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, including the Cathedral, one of the city's oldest monuments; and the São Bento Railway Station, known for its blue and white tile panels depicting scenes from Portuguese history. You'll also enjoy a tasting of Port, Portugal's most renowned contribution to the world of wine. If you prefer to get more active, you can go on a guided hike and then enjoy a Port wine tasting. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore all of Porto's charms on your own. (B,L,D)



DAY 8 - PORTO – DISEMBARKATION

Your cruise comes to an end as you prepare for your homeward flight. (B)

About AmaDouro

The 102-passenger AmaDouro made her debut on Portugal and Spain's Douro River in 2019. Spacious, elegantly appointed staterooms range in size from 161-215 sq. ft., or indulge even more in one of the suites at 323 sq. ft. Most staterooms have balconies. Additional stateroom amenities include Entertainment-On-Demand, featuring free high-speed Internet access, unlimited Wi-Fi, movies, music and English language TV stations; climate-controlled air conditioning; and an in-room safe. In the bathroom, enjoy multi-jet shower heads. AmaDouro offers a host of added comforts and conveniences, including a stylish and inviting Main Lounge, a spa, fitness room, Sun Deck swimming pool and a gift shop. As a member of La Chaîne des Rôtisseurs, the exclusive international culinary society, you'll be treated to exquisite, locally-inspired cuisine always paired with unlimited wine, as well as beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner in Main Restaurant.



TECHNICAL DATA

Built: 2013
Built in: Portugal
Length: 260 feet
Width: 37 feet
Crew: 30
Staterooms: 51
Registry: Portugal



2023 DATES	Mar 25	Apr 1	Apr 15	Apr 22; Oct 21	Apr 29 – Aug 12; July 1W, July 29W
Base Fare – Cat E	\$3,399	\$3,499	\$3,699	\$3,899	\$4,099
2023 DATES - cont	Aug 19; Oct 7	Aug 26 – Sep 30	Oct 28	Apr 8; Nov 4W; Nov 11-Dec 23	
Base Fare – Cat E	\$4,199	\$4,299	\$3,799	\$3,599	
Plus Port Charges - \$210 per person					
2024 DATES	Mar 23	Mar 30	Apr 6; Nov 2- Dec 21	Apr 13	Apr 20; Oct 19
Base Fare – Cat E	\$3,599	\$3,699	\$3,799	\$3,899	\$4,099
2024 DATES - cont	Apr 27– Aug 10; Oct 12	Aug 17; Oct 5	Aug 24-Sep 28	Oct 26	
Base Fare – Cat E	\$4,299	\$4,399	\$4,499	\$3,999	
Plus Port Charges - \$224 per person					
Category Upgrade	D	C	B	A	SUITE
2023 Supplement - ADD	\$299	\$1,099	\$1,699	\$1,999	\$3,699
2024 Supplement - ADD	\$299	\$1,299	\$1,899	\$2,199	\$3,899

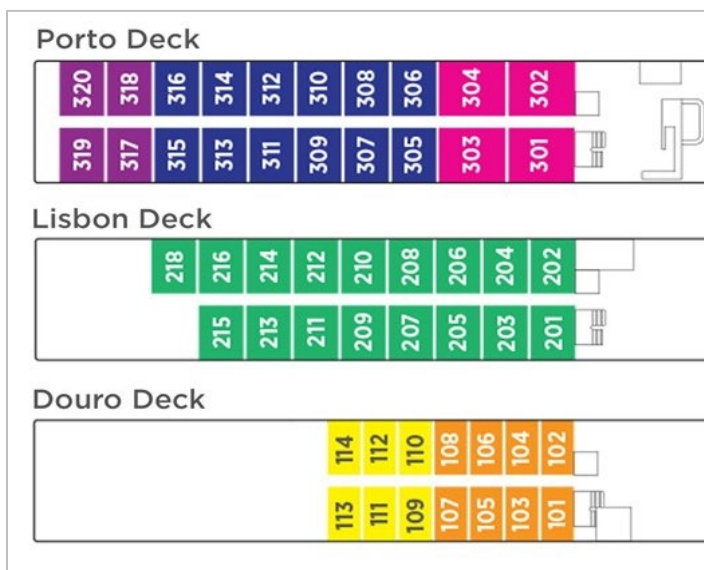
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