

Porto is nowadays one of the trendiest European destinations. The city is, at the same time, contemporary and cosmopolitan and it is a great place to walk, explore and discover. On every corner you will find examples of the most diverse architectural styles and fall in love with a city where the charm of other centuries blends with the best that our modern days have to offer.

We invite you to start out by taking the Yellow Line of the metro, heading towards Santo Ovídio, and get off at the Jardim do Morro station. By doing this, you will go across via the upper deck of the [D. Luis I Bridge](#), the work of one of Eiffel's disciples, from where you will have a breath-taking view over the city, with its houses right down of the Douro River. Walk to the bridge and let Porto invade your soul. Stand there for a while and take your time to observe and feel the atmosphere.

Then prepare to discover one of the symbols for which our city is best known: [Port Wine](#) is something we are proud of and a visit to the Cellars is a must-do! You will find them on the left bank of the Douro River, on the Vila Nova de Gaia side: [Burmester](#), [Calém](#), [Ferreira](#), [Real Companhia Velha](#) or [Sandeman](#) are just some examples amongst many others.

As you leave the cellars, the magnificent [D. Luis I Bridge](#) motivates you to go back to the city of Porto and let yourself fall in love with this part of the city which is so characteristic and where the buildings fill the days with colour. This location was designated a World Cultural Heritage by UNESCO in 1996 and was the site from which Prince Henry the Navigator sailed from, towards his big adventure to the Conquest of Ceuta. It was here, too, that the French attempted an invasion on more than one occasion. Stay a while and breathe in the history. Strolling through the narrow streets is like embarking on a time machine...

On the left side of the bridge you will find the entrance to [Guindais Funicular](#), that will take you up the slope along a route where you will be able to see the river and the [Fernandina Wall](#) that surrounds part of the city. You will also be taken up to one of the most emblematic buildings of Porto: the [Cathedral](#), one of the best places from which to see the city's landscape. It's an imposing building and offers you one of the best views of Porto. This religious temple has survived throughout the centuries, during which time it was enlarged and renovated.

Head towards Avenida dos Aliados, the main avenue of the city. Along the way, stop to contemplate one of the eight most beautiful train stations in the world. [São Bento Station](#) has one of the most beautiful tile panels in the city. There are over 20 thousand blue-and-white tiles covering the enormous walls that form the entrance of this magnificent monument. Here you will be able to see scenes depicting Portugal's history and the lives of the Portuguese people, as well as the evolution of transport, as portrayed by Jorge Colaço, a 19th-century Portuguese painter.

After that leisurely walk, head for [Lello Bookshop](#), the place that it is said to have inspired the author of Harry Potter for the creation of Hogwarts. Come in and travel into a world of fantasy and adventure. Keep in mind that if you decide to buy a book, you can always deduct the amount from your admission ticket. And since you are there, climb the [Clérigos Tower](#) and be amazed by the 360º view!

Do not miss the more cosmopolitan side of the city, [Casa da Música](#) and the [Serralves Contemporary Art Museum](#) are the finest examples of contemporary architecture and a must-see! Walk down Avenida da Boavista towards Foz and enjoy the sunset on the terrace of one of the many Blue Flag beaches.

There are many ways to get to the city called the "Invicta" (Unconquered), so let us give you a rundown of the extended [transport system](#) that serves the city.

If you prefer, you can travel around the city on a sightseeing bus that has a set route, with stops at the most important attractions: [City Sightseeing Portugal - Douro Acima](#), [Porto Sightseeing Tours - Blue Bus City Tours](#) or [Porto Vintage - Carristur](#) are some of the options.

Porto has unforgettable delicacies too. You can't afford to miss [specialities](#) such as the famous Francesinha, or Tripas à moda do Porto (Tripes Porto style), or Bacalhau à Gomes de Sá (Gomes de Sá Codfish). If you prefer something more refined, the city has lots of Chefs recognised for their talent, where you can try various dishes of Contemporary Cuisine...you just have to choose.

Finally, we suggest that you get the [Porto.CARD](#), which gives you over 170 benefits and discounts. To make your visit even more comfortable, there is an option that includes transports.

Whatever you choose to do, let yourself be carried away by your senses, because it's only then that you can be sure that your experience will be an unforgettable one!

We hope you have a wonderful time in Porto!