



THE ÉLAN OF PORTUGAL LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY

FOREWORD

(When needed) your passport needs to be valid for at least six months after your journey ends and should have enough blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps from each country you visit.

SECURE YOUR VISA

Some countries require a tourist visa, if you have any doubt about any detail with requesting your visa please contact us.

VACCINES AND MEDICATIONS

Check for the required and recommended vaccines. You will want to visit your doctor or local clinic a couple of months before departure to allow time for any vaccinations to take effect or to fill any prescriptions.

MONEY

Portugal has the euro (€) as its sole currency. We recommend travelling with some cash and at least two different major credit cards, such as Visa and Mastercard, so you have back up if your card is not accepted or lost. Contact your bank and credit card companies to let them know where and when you will be travelling, as well as confirm any foreign transaction fees. Only exchange currency at authorized outlets such as currency exchanges, ATMs or hotels and save receipts. To make a payment with a credit card, you are frequently presented a Chip and PIN device where you should confirm the amount and enter your PIN. This method tends to be safer as the card does not go out of your sight and there is less chance of fraud. Many smaller establishments, whilst accepting Portuguese Maestro and Visa Electron cards, are unable to accept international credit cards. Always have cash to spare just in case.

WI-FI CONNECTION

While most smartphones work overseas, you might need to turn on international roaming service before you travel. Contact your carrier for information on coverage and voice and data plan options while travelling abroad. If requested, we can help with local SIM card for Portugal (upon arrival).

GETTING ONLINE

Many hotels and public places have Wi-Fi and you will usually be able to stay connected throughout your journey, although Internet access may be poor in remote locations in Portugal.

ELECTRICAL OUTLETS & PLUGS

Be sure to bring a global travel adapter (if needed) set with you to recharge your electronics at your hotel. All power sockets in Portugal provide a standard voltage of 230V with a standard frequency of 50Hz. You can use all your equipment in Portugal if the outlet voltage in your own country is between 220V-240V. Portugal uses power outlets and plugs of types C (type E and F will also fit in a type C outlet) and F (type C and E will also fit in a type F socket).



WEATHER

Many websites and smartphone apps allow you to check the forecast and time zones for specific destinations. If you are doubtful about your information your travel manager can supply you with the weather report.

PACKING

The typical attire on our voyages through Portugal is relaxed and informal during the day. Choose comfortable, versatile clothing that can be layered to account for changes in the weather throughout the day. Smart casual is appropriate for evenings.

STAY HEALTHY

Carry your prescriptions and medications in their original containers in your carry-on luggage. If you are travelling with prescription medications, please consult your travel manager for further information. Pack a simple first-aid kit along with medicines for motion sickness and mild upset stomach.

KEEP YOUR VALUABLES SAFE

We recommend leaving high valuable items at home as Portugal360 cannot be responsible for any outstanding situation. Replacing a lost or stolen passport is much easier if you have a copy on hand. Pack a photocopy of your passport's personal information page with your luggage and keep a photo of it on your smartphone.

ARRIVE TO A WARM WELCOME

Your personal travel manager / local representative will meet you at your accommodation upon arrive. See your itinerary for additional arrival instructions.

SHOPPING

If you are interested in shopping, your travel manager will recommend local shops, however, Portugal360 is not responsible for the quality or value of merchandise. Any purchases and shipping are at your sole discretion. Be sure to review your credit card receipts before signing, paying special attention to currency conversion.

TIPPING

Tipping in Portugal varies depending on how good the services are. Ask your travel manager for more information.