



Portugal – Castles and Wine Bike Tour (2025)

8 Days/ 7 Nights

Individual Self-Guided or Guided



The Castles and Wine PORTUGAL BIKE TOUR will live up to its name. Most nights will be passed either in a castle or an old convent, now beautiful charming hotels.

Along the way, the great ancient city of Évora, world heritage site, and small fortified hamlets will tell the stories of wars with moors and Spain. The border is right there on the other side of Alqueva, the biggest artificial lake in Europe. The loveable Alentejo people, at first shy, the Mediterranean typical gastronomy along with the wonders of cork, marble, olive oil and other crafts will enrich your experience. And the wine... well come and judge for yourself... All this in safe backroads with some easy bits off the asphalt riding, with us by your side. If you want an easier grade experience please request to do the Bike Tour in the opposite direction. You will have more down hills and you can finish with more time to visit the great UNESCO city of Évora or even have a rest day from cycling, enjoying the city and your lovely hotel.

You can make this Portugal Bike tour:

1. with us in a [guided bike tour](#) getting all the interpretation and companionship
2. together with friends in a [self guided biking tour](#).

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Itinerary Day to Day

DAY 1 - ARRIVAL AND WELCOME TO ARRAIOLOS

Arrive early at the airport and transfer to the charming medieval village of Arraiolos, known for its beautiful castle. 5:00 PM – Enjoy a welcome drink while your guide gives a briefing about the exciting bike tour ahead. Get to know the route details for the upcoming days.

DAY 2 - FROM ARRAIOLOS TO ÉVORA 30 - 44 km + 400 m

The bike tour begins with a ride through the historic village of Arraiolos. Explore its charming center, visit the fascinating Carpet Museum to learn about this centuries-old craft, and savor the local treat, Pastéis de Toucinho. Don't miss the climb to Arraiolos Castle, one of the peninsula's rare round castles, offering breathtaking views. As you head toward Évora, stop at the Fita Preta winery, set in a restored 14th-century palace, and enjoy its award-winning wines. Alternatively, visit an aromatic herbs farm to taste exquisite teas, honey, and olive oil while soaking in the delightful scents. Distance: 44 km, if you sleep at our farm Distance: 30 km, if you sleep in Évora



Optional Extras:

MONTE DA RAVASQUEIRA WINERY Start your day at Monte da Ravasqueira, exploring its vineyards, rich winemaking heritage, and classic carriage collection. Enjoy a guided wine tasting with regional flavors. The winery is just 1 km away and opens at 11 AM, so you must have a late start. Visit and Winetasting (+- 2 hours) 15 €

FITA PRETA WINERY Experience the flavors of Alentejo with a guided wine tasting at Fita Preta Winery, where you will sample three distinct local wines. Set in a stunning historic estate, a convent from the 14th century, this tasting offers a deep dive into the region's winemaking excellence. Visit and Winetasting (3 Wines) 35 € Gastronomic Experience (Lunch) From 150 €

MONTE DO SERRADO DE BAIXO FARM Welcome to the farm, home to the bike office - we would love to meet you! Even if you are not staying here, stop by and enhance your experience with a hands-on cooking class. Discover the secrets of traditional Portuguese cuisine and take a taste of Portugal home! Picnic lunch at the farm 35 € Dinner at the farm (drinks not included) Cooking Class at the farm (drinks not included) 35 € 50 €

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BE AROMATIC FARM This charming farm is the passion project of Rute, a former designer turned dedicated organic farmer. Specializing in aromatic herbs, honey, and olive oil, she brings creativity and elegance to everything she touches - from planting to harvesting, teas to honey, and even a beautifully crafted cookbook. With the unwavering support of Margarida, this dream team transforms a small farm into a world of flavor and inspiration! Visit and Drink 35 € Herbarium 45 € 85 €



Day 3: - FROM ÉVORA TO ÉVORA (ROUND TRIP) If you're fascinated by human evolution, intrigued by Neolithic monuments, or curious about the mystical significance of prehistoric sites, this bike tour day is perfect for you. Explore Europe's largest dolmen and one of the continent's most important cromlechs, both over 5000 years old. The ride concludes in Évora, an ancient pre-Roman settlement where you can wander through its historic streets. A highlight of the day will be a visit to the 13th-century Chapel of Bones, a surreal and unforgettable experience. Distance: 49 km (if you sleep at the our farm, you will have a transfer at the

beginning of the day)

Optional Extras:

ERVIDEIRA WINE SHOP IN ÉVORA Alentejo's unique terroir makes Alentejano wine a truly mystical experience. At Ervideira, enjoy unforgettable wine tourism moments in a warm, welcoming atmosphere. Savor exceptional wines perfectly paired with the rich flavors of the region, sharing smiles and memorable experiences along the way. Ervideira's Winetasting 12 €

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Day 4: FROM EVORA TO REGUENGOS DE MONSARAZ

Most of the day is spent cycling along a brand-new ecotrail, offering peace and serenity, far from traffic. There are opportunities to leave the trail and explore charming villages and local cafés. The route is flat, making for an easy ride. In the village of Nossa Sr^a de Machede, you'll find a local leather artisan to visit. After a refreshing break, continue to the mysterious Castle of Valongo, where you can explore its Roman history in the shade. From here, you can either stick to the ecotrail, take the asphalt road, or venture on an adventurous dirt track. For wine lovers, you may choose to book a visit to a unique local winery, where wine is still aged in traditional clay pots. Distance: 58 km, if you slept at our farm
Distance: 50 km,



Optional Extras

JOSÉ DE SOUSA WINERY Keeping alive a tradition started by the Romans more than 2000 years ago, the José de Sousa winery is equipped with 114 clay amphorae, an ancestral and extremely rare fermentation method. Here you can find a room with a menhir with 7000 years. All of this makes this the ideal place to witness the combination of innovation and tradition, and thus learn a little more about exceptional wines. We always try to show you special wineries, that have something more than wine. Visit and Winetasting (3 Wines) 30 €

Day 5: FROM REGUENGOS DE MONSARAZ TO MONSARAZ

Today's bike tour takes you to the fortified village of Monsaraz, a key stronghold near the Spanish border. Along the way, visit the pottery village of São Pedro do Corval, where artisans craft and decorate clay pots. With Spain in sight, enjoy lunch by the Alqueva Dam reservoir, Europe's largest artificial lake. Afterward, climb to the Monsaraz Castle for breathtaking views, and end the day with a perfect sunset from the tower. Distance: 31 kms



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Optional Extras

ERVIDEIRA WINE SHOP IN MONSARAZ Located in the medieval village of Monsaraz, in the old primary school, this Wine Shop will undoubtedly leave you speechless. The space is divided into a closed room and a terrace, the latter of which allows us to share with you one of the most beautiful landscapes in Alentejo Ervideira's Winetasting 12 €

RETURN TO MONSARAZ BY BOAT End your cycling day with a scenic boat ride across the stunning Alqueva Lake, from Praia do Mourão to Praia Fluvial de Monsaraz. A perfect way to unwind on warm days while enjoying the beauty of the lake and the surrounding landscape. Private Boat Trip - Minimum 2 180 €

Day 6: FROM MONSARAZ TO VILA VIÇOSA

Today's ride takes you to the marble capital of Portugal, one of the largest marble-producing areas in Europe. The "white gold" of the region shapes the landscape, with its presence seen in the wide streets and towering buildings. Visit to an impressive fortified sanctuary with a captivating history, you'll enjoy a rare view over vibrant, colored lagoons. The day concludes with a stay in an aristocratic convent, offering a perfect blend of history and comfort. Distance: 61 km



Day 7 - FROM VILA VIÇOSA TO ESTREMOZ

Today's ride is easy-going, giving you the perfect opportunity to savor local delicacies - Petiscos (Portuguese snacks) - as you cycle from tavern to tavern, delighting your senses. The afternoon will be spent in peaceful contemplation as you make your way to Estremoz, the journey's final destination. Dinner and closing celebrations await in a historic 15th-century jailhouse - reserved only for the nobles! (included only on guided and van-guided tours). The adventure concludes with a climb up the marble Donjon tower of the castle, where you'll spend the night. Distance: 33 kms

Optional extras

CASA DO GADANHA Enjoy an exceptional experience at Casa do Gadanha, where incredible gastronomy is paired with some of the best wines from the region. This exclusive experience is available for guests staying two nights at Casa do Gadanha in Estremoz (upgrade hotel option). Food and Wine Lovers Package Price on request

JOÃO PORTUGAL RAMOS WINERY This is the place where João Portugal Ramos crafted his first wines. Since then, the vineyard has expanded, with a focus on carefully selecting the finest grapes each harvest

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to create exceptional wines. Winetasting I (Visit and 4 Wines to taste) 25 € Winetasting II (Visit and 5 Wines to taste) Cooking Class - 6 PM 40 € 95 €

Day 8: Departure

Transfer to Lisbon airport



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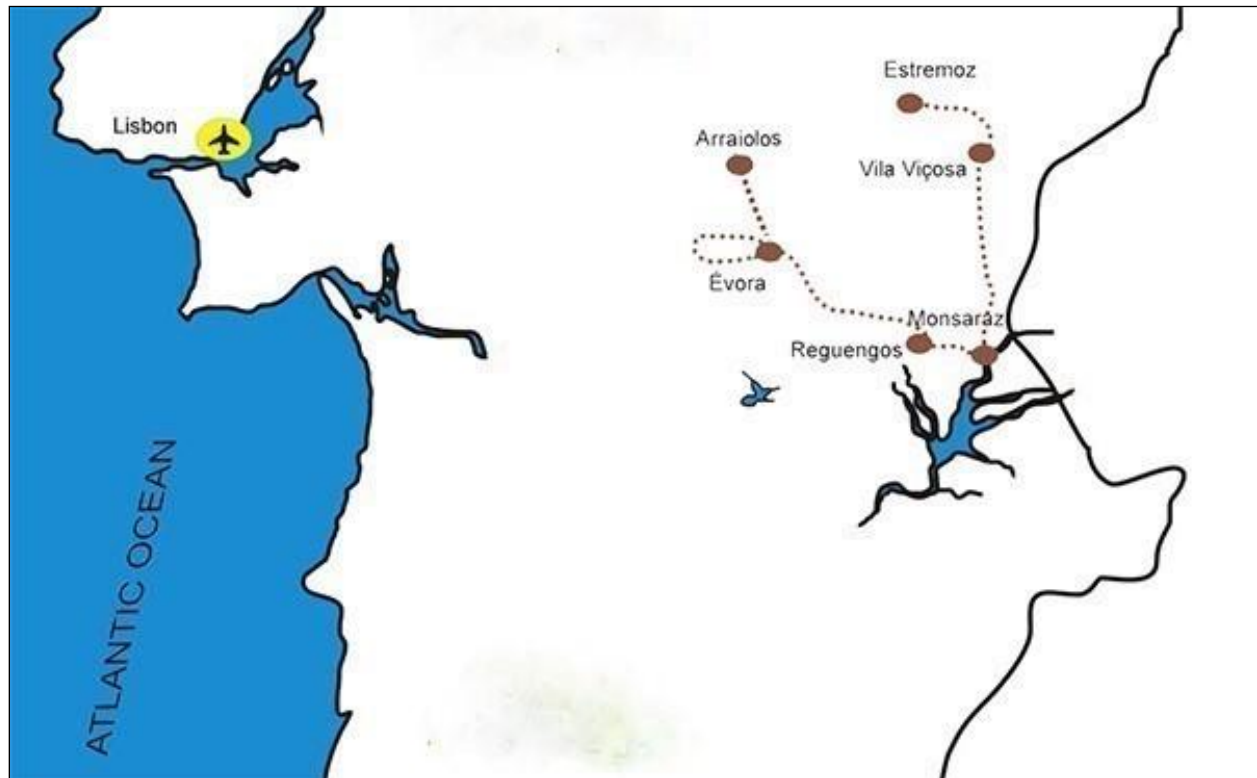
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Route



Route Characteristics:

Route Profile: This tour is rated as easy. Overall terrain is on well paved roads and some dirt roads as well.

Distance: 258 km

Travel Season: Self-Guided: Saturday departures all year

Guided: Departures March 22, May 24, October 4, November 1

Private Guided tours can be arranged on other dates for an additional fee

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Price per Person: all prices subject to confirmation on booking

	Self-Guided	Guided Tour
*Double Occupancy (min 4 adults)	€1020	€3000
*Double occupancy (min 2 adults)	€1210	€4560
*Double Occupancy Guided Tour on Group Tour Dates		€ 4000
*Plus seasonal supplement if applicable		
Seasonal Supplement April 1 – October 31; Easter on request, Christmas, New Years and national Holidays on request.	€175	
Single Supplement April 1 – October 31 and holidays	€815	
Single Supplement other dates	€480	
Departure different than a Saturday	€110	
Upgrades for hotels- prices available on request		
Bike Rental	€100	included
E-Bike Rental	€200	€100
GPS Rental	€50	
Transfer from airport to first hotel per person	On request	
Transfer from last hotel to airport per person	On request	

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Included:

Self-Guided:

- Accommodation in double room with breakfast
- Maps, route instructions and history notes
- 24h phone support
- Personal accident insurance
- Luggage transfer
- Basic tools
- Transfer back to our farm from Megalithic tour (if you sleep at our farm)
- VAT tax
- Souvenir

Guided Tours:

- All of the above plus
- Airport transfers
- Support car with Guide
- Bike, Helmet and Rack – additional charge for e-bikes
- Water and fruit
- 6 lunches, 5 dinners
- Entrance fee at Bones chapel, in Évora
- Entrance fee at Évora's cathedral
- Entrance fee at Vila Viçosa's Ducal Palace
- 1st aid assistance
- Cycling jersey
- Guide on bike
- 2 wine tastings

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Not Included:

- Insurance for bikes
- Travel insurance
- Tour cancelation insurance
- All items not mentioned in the "Included" section

Bikes



Frame 27 gears



Trekking bike KROSS EVADO 6.0- Aluminum

E-bikes Cube Touring Hybrid one 400/500



Assisting people in realizing their touring dreams worldwide is our passion.

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