



SECRETS OF THE **DOURO & LISBON**



SMALL GROUP | EMERALD RADIANCE
MAY 25 - JUNE 5, 2027 | 12 DAYS | 22 MEALS
JOURNEY LEADERS: BRIAN & DEB TILSON

We are very pleased to once again offer this exciting itinerary to the Douro River and the great maritime city of Lisbon. This unique itinerary will delight river cruisers and those who love to explore the Old World. We begin our cruise in Porto for seven nights of discovery on the mighty Douro River, a major waterway of the Iberian Peninsula. The banks of the Douro are peppered with villages and vineyards that are uniquely Portuguese. We also take the time to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Salamanca, Spain, a gem of beauty and history, boasting the world's third oldest University. Our journey is capped off with a visit to Lisbon, the city where most of the Portuguese expeditions in the Age of Discovery began. We will spend three days here with many opportunities to explore its rich heritage as well as a visit to the mountain town of Sintra.

SMALL GROUP EXPERIENCE LIMITED TO ONLY 25 MEMBERS

Inclusive Features

- Return economy group airfare from Canada to Portugal
- 7 night cruise in an outside cabin on Emerald Radiance
- 3 nights hotel accommodation in Lisbon as indicated or similar
- Day trip to colourful Sintra, Cabo da Roca and the charming coastal town of Cascais
- Transfers between airports, hotel and the ship
- Baggage handling at the hotel and shipside
- All meals on board, with a selection of wines, beer, and soft drinks served with lunch and dinner
- Welcome cocktail, welcome dinner and Captain's gala dinner
- Shore excursions included in each port of call
- Knowledgeable local guides
- All gratuities (including guides and ship staff) and taxes for included services (including departure and port taxes)
- Airport transfers in Canada or equivalent value when booking air-inclusive
- Services of your journey leaders and/or cruise director

Journey Leaders

Deb and Brian Tilson joined the Craig Travel team in 2017. Their enthusiasm for travel has taken them to 17 countries, every province in Canada, one territory, and all 50 U.S. states. They divide their time between family in northwest B.C. and southern Ontario. Brian is a skilled photographer and is always happy to help with any photography questions along the way. Deb and Brian are avid hikers and enthusiastic pickleball players. They look forward to sharing their love of travel with you.



Emerald Cruises • Emerald Radiance

The spectacular Emerald Radiance debuted in 2017, and was specifically crafted to explore the Douro River. Like other Emerald Star-Ships, the Emerald Radiance features spacious and well-appointed staterooms, most of which include balconies. Riverview Staterooms (fixed window) are 153-160 sq. ft., Panorama Balcony Staterooms are 160-180 sq. ft. while spacious Suites are 285-300 sq. ft. Suites feature sitting area with chairs, and all staterooms feature complimentary internet access and Wi-Fi as well as in-room safes, flat-screen TVs with infotainment and on demand content, and an umbrella.

The Radiance also features a Sun Deck offering unimpeded panoramic views with lounge chairs and a swimming pool, as well as a fitness centre, and spa. The Horizon Bar & Lounge with a bar and a piano is a relaxing way to spend an evening and make new friends. Dining is a delight with sophisticated cuisine drawing on the best of the region with gourmet and all fresco options to complement the free-flowing local wines, beer and soft drinks at meals. The Radiance carries a maximum of 112 passengers in 56 staterooms/suites. There is a crew of 37 onboard.



MAY 25, Tuesday **DEPART CANADA**
Group members from across Canada fly to Portugal.

MAY 26, Wednesday **ARRIVE LISBON**
This morning, we arrive early in sunny Portugal and begin our exploration. After clearing customs we catch our transfer to our centrally located hotel. Later we meet our tour director and fellow guests for a welcome drink.
Sheraton Lisboa (3 nights)

MAY 27, Thursday **LISBON**
This morning, we'll take a guided tour of Lisbon, the capital, where limestone-cobbled streets are lined with terracotta-roofed houses and open onto breezy sea views. We'll visit the UNESCO-listed Jerónimos Monastery, one of the most prominent examples of late Gothic Manueline architecture in Portugal. Balance of the day at leisure. B

MAY 28, Friday **SINTRA**
Just north of Lisbon lays Sintra. With its rippling mountains, dewy forests thick with ferns, exotic gardens and ornate palaces, Sintra appears like a page torn from a fairy tale. Its World Heritage listed centre, Sintra-Vila, is dotted with pastel-hued manors folded into luxuriant hills that roll down to the sparkling blue Atlantic. B

MAY 29, Saturday **PORTO / EMBARKATION**
Today we venture north to Porto and our awaiting ship. Enroute we shall stop at a few iconic sights. After embarkation enjoy some time at leisure on board. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner on board.
Emerald Radiance (7 nights) BD

MAY 30, Sunday **PORTO / PINHAO**
Enjoy a leisurely day on board as we cruise up the Douro. The UNESCO World Heritage Listed Douro Valley boasts two millennia of wine-producing history that has very literally shaped the surrounding landscape. Small villages and rolling hills are peppered with sun-drenched vineyards. While on board enrich your experience with a Portuguese cooking demonstration. BLD

MAY 31, Monday **PINHAO / VEGA DE TERRON**
Our day begins with a visit to Quinta do Tedo in the heart of the Douro Valley. This 18th-century estate produces organic wines using traditional methods. Enjoy a tasting of their Port, or opt for a guided walk through the surrounding vineyards or a kayak excursion along the river. BLD

JUN 1, Tuesday **SALAMANCA, SPAIN**
This morning, we depart for a full-day tour to Salamanca, a UNESCO World Heritage Site often described as a "living museum." Built from golden sandstone, the city offers a glimpse into the Middle Ages. Our walking tour includes the grand Plaza Mayor, the Casa de las Conchas (House of Shells), known for its exterior adorned with more than 300 carved shells, and one of Europe's oldest universities, founded in 1218. You'll also have time to enjoy lunch on your own and try some local flavours. BD

JUN 2, Wednesday **POCINHO / REGUA**
From our docking location in Pocinho, we travel to the charming medieval town of Castelo Rodrigo. Our tour explores the history of this village fortress, shaped by centuries of conflict and political intrigue. Return on board for lunch, then enjoy a special Port wine cocktail lesson. BLD



Tour Salamanca, Spain



Lisbon's historic streets



Savour the flavours of Spain and Portugal



The stunning port of Porto, Portugal

JUN 3, Thursday**REGUA**

Today's excursion takes us to the ancient and picturesque village of Lamego, home to one of the most important pilgrimage sites in Portugal, 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. For lunch, we stop at Quinta da Pacheca, one of the finest estates on the Douro. Back on board, enjoy a mosaic tile painting lesson. BLD

JUN 4, Friday**PORTO**

Today, we are back in the vibrant city of Porto at the mouth of the Douro River. Famous for its export of Port wine, it's easy to imagine British merchant ships once clustered in the medieval harbour, waiting to carry their cargo across the water. Our city tour includes the fortified structures of Castelo da Foz and Castelo do Queijo. Those who wish can join a walking tour through the city for a closer look at local life. BLD

JUN 5, Saturday**PORTO / CANADA**

All too soon, we disembark our ship and transfer to the airport for our journey home. B



The timeless azulejos of Portugal

Important travel information regarding the ETIAS authorization: Starting in late 2026, Canadian citizens travelling to Europe will need to complete an online application for the European Travel Information and Authorization System (ETIAS). This is not a visa but a pre-travel screening for visa-exempt visitors entering the Schengen Area. The authorization costs about €20 and is each traveller's responsibility. For details and to apply, visit the official ETIAS website well before departure.

CT Rating 2.5/5 - Slightly Challenging: Excursions and land arrangements include some extensive walking, often over uneven surfaces. Cobblestones are common in many European cities, which can make walking more difficult. Access to some decks and to shore in certain ports may involve steep steps. Members should be in good physical condition and able to walk a kilometre or more without assistance to fully enjoy this cruise.

Cruise Cost in Canadian Dollars per person

Cruise / Tour Only (Join Ship / Leave Hotel).....	\$8,428
Toronto	\$9,935
Montreal / Ottawa	\$10,085
Halifax / St. John's	\$10,175
Winnipeg / Thunder Bay	\$10,175
Regina / Saskatoon / Victoria	\$10,265
Calgary / Edmonton / Vancouver.....	\$10,185

Cruise/Tour only price is based on joining at the hotel in Lisbon and leaving at the ship in Porto. Rates are per person based on sharing a Cat F Riverview Twin on Riviera Deck. Airfares from other gateways are available on request. Airfares are estimated and subject to change. Refer to inclusive features for details. **Pricing may be affected by current promotions; please inquire.**

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Supplement to upgrade to higher category:

Category/Description/Deck	Per Person
F Riverview (Riviera - Window)	Included
E Riverview (Riviera - Window)	\$285
D Riverview (Riviera - Window).....	\$465
C Balcony (Vista - Panorama Balcony)	\$1,430
R Balcony (Vista - Panorama Balcony)	\$1,630
A Suite (Horizon - Panorama Balcony)	\$1,760
P Suite (Horizon - Panorama Balcony)	\$1,925

Stateroom categories are subject to availability at time of booking - book early for best choice. See deck plan for more information on available staterooms. Singles are extremely limited and on request. Prices are based on taxes, surcharges, airfares and exchange rates effective March 2026 and are subject to change. Cruise price is based on sharing a twin-bedded stateroom with private bathroom. Cruise to be escorted with a minimum of 20 travellers.

Insurance is NOT INCLUDED but is highly recommended. Premiums are calculated based on the individual's age, destination (country), trip length, and trip booking window - please contact our staff to receive a quote. Your coverage starts on the effective date of your confirmation of coverage. Please discuss your insurance coverage prior to booking. Check our website for the most current information. Refer to the enrollment form for terms and conditions.

Final payment is due at booking confirmation

To reserve your spot on this tour, you can either book online through our website or submit an enrollment form along with your deposit to:

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