



Alentejo

Type Moderate

Duration 5 days cycling + 2 days transfers



The Alentejo Heritage

The plains of the Alentejo as your tour mate

- Picturesque landscapes of Alentejo and immense cork and olive tree meadows
- The beauty of UNESCO city of Évora

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Day 1

Arrival

Arrival to Lisbon airport and transfer to Palacete do Cacau, built in the late nineteenth century in the historic center of Montemor-o-Novo, overlooking the castle has extensive gardens and swimming pool, in a very quiet environment. After check out our team will do a briefing on the tour.

Accommodation: Royal Cocoa Company Palace

Day 2

Montemor Castle

After breakfast you'll be cycling in a smooth dirt track that will take you around Montemor city. Continue to cycle to a local dam, and admire the landscape. Afterwards continue back to your hotel.

Stage:44km

Accommodation: Royal Cocoa Company Palace

Day 3

World's Heritage Évora

Our journey for today will lead us to the UNESCO city of Évora. The outskirts of Évora, and especially the land immediately to the west of the city, make up the most diverse and monumental megalithic landscape in the Iberian Peninsula. Such a variety and diversity is related to the area's privileged location in terms of natural travelling routes, and along our cycling route we'll be passing by the S. Brissos Dolmen Chapel, converted into a catholic chapel and still an object of reverence in case of major drought, and by the large Zambujeiro Dolmen, a funereal collective monument, probably one of the tallest in the world, with large granite supports that reach up to 6 meters in height.

Biking to Évora, a city with more than two millennia of history, with its narrow streets evoking memories of the Moorish presence, in sharp contrast to its squares, which are flooded with sunlight. Definitely conquered by the Romans in 59 BC, it took the name of "Liberalitas Julia". Dating from this time is its first city hall, which established its original perimeter.

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Stage: 45km

Accommodation: Mar de Ar Muralhas

Day 4

Wine traditions

Enjoy your breakfast before start another day of great cycling!

Alentejo is a famous wine region known for producing high quality wines, with ancestral traditions related to wine and wineries and unique landscapes, so today why not visit one of the most famous wineries of Alentejo, which produces the limited edition wine Pera Manca. But before, there's still time to learn more about such a versatile product like cork, when biking through the cork forests and the traditional villages that survive thanks to this unique industry. Stop by one of the local factories.

Stage: 55km

Accommodation: Mar de Ar Muralhas

Day 5

Leaving Évora

Today we say goodbye to Évora and our historical hotel.

Our bikes takes us through the Alentejo plains, passing by Redondo a lovely small village in the heart of the region, famous for its pottery and quality top wine.

Admire the typical white washed houses, with coloured bands around doors and windows.

In Redondo, old techniques are still used to produce the traditional pottery and clay work, with flowers and naïf images of rural life. Our aim is to arrive to Vila Viçosa, known as the "Princess of the Alentejo", a land of churches, monasteries, chapels, hermitages and convents. It is widely known for the abundance of marble in the region, extracted and exploited in more than 160 quarries.

Stage: 58km

Accommodation: Pousada de Vila Viçosa

Day 6

Cycling through history

Following breakfast, the morning will be spent cycling around Vila Viçosa.

Throughout the village you can observe the many small palaces and manor houses decorated with the traditional Marble, and the great Manueline inheritance present in many small architectural and decorative details. Admire the XIII Century Castle, the beautiful Mother Church, the Agostinhos Church and

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Convent, the Santa Cruz, Capuchos, Esperança and Chagas Convents. Make the most of such a relaxing moment. Pedaling back to tonight's accommodation, it's time to relax and enjoy the most of the atmosphere.

Stage: 52km

Accommodation: Pousada Vila Viçosa

Day 7

Departure

After breakfast it's time to say goodbye to the Alentejo. A transfer* will be made to the Lisbon Airport at 10h00.

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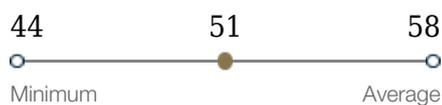
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Type



Distance/day



Total distance (km)

254

Total altimetry

+2192

Trails



Bike Type

MTB (by road also available)

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Details

Included on the Self Guided

- 6 breakfasts
- 6 nights in double accommodation
- Bike and helmet
- Mini-Pump, Saddle Bag
- Quick tyre repair kit (spare inner tube and multi-tool kit)
- GPS with with route and POI's
- Spot Me location device
- Cell phone for emergencies
- Full maintenance and technical assistance during the tour
- Backpack, water bottle, bike jersey, casual polo and luggage tags with Bike Tours Portugal Logo
- Insurance
- Arrival transfer lisbon airport – 1st hotel) Aeroport Lisboa, at 15h on fixed departures
- Departure transfer (last hotel – lisbon airport, at 10h00 on fixed departures
- Luggage transportation (hotel-to-hotel)
- Technical assistance in case of necessity
- Tire repair€90/Tire

Not included on the Self Guided

- Lunches
- Dinners
- Bike shorts and shoes
- Extra equipment non specified as included
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- Air fares
- Mini-bar and extra consumptions not mentioned on the programme
- SPA treatments

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Why choose us?

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“Luxury on Two Wheels” means what it says: Unforgettable, premium cycling experiences, where no expense is spared to offer you the most exclusive lodgings; gourmet cuisine that deliciously combines tradition with innovation; genuine points of interest; the kind of personal service only possible with small groups; and highly customized, educational cycling routes.

Last but not least, our Tours are not only family-friendly but family-oriented: from the choice of accessories that range from tandem bikes to baby chairs, to our selection of routes that are accessible enough to be made by beginner cyclists, every detail of our Tours was carefully designed with family and friends in mind. Whether a member of your group is 8 or 80, he or she will certainly enjoy our rides with minimum effort and complete comfort.

We’re sure you’ll compare us to others. We actually hope you do, as you’ll quickly realize the differences between a “Cycling Holiday” and “Luxury on Two Wheels”.

Our team

From customer support to route planning, on-tour bike repair and gourmet picnics, everyone in our team is passionate about Portugal, Cycling, and making your stay nothing less than spectacular.

Our Vans

Luxury on the Road

Our trailers were custom-built to be the perfect partner for all our Guided Tours. Not only can they hold all necessary bikes and equipment, they also have plenty of space for our client’s luggage. A fully-equipped kitchen, water closet, built-in repair shop and wi-fi hotspot complete our ‘hotel on the road’.



Our Vans

Premium Support

Used in both our Guided and Self-Guided Tours, our Vans holds up to 8 passengers and their luggage, and 8 bicycles. Equipped with a mini-bar, double air conditioning, 12V USB charger and wi-fi hotspot, it’s a perfect companion for all our Tours.



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