



## Lisbon, Portugal

### Port information

<b>Currency</b>	The Currency in Lisbon is Euro. Foreign exchange is available from reception on-board on Deck 4. Major credit & debit cards are widely accepted.	<b>Language</b>	Portuguese is the official language, however English is widely understood.
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### Getting around

<b>Distance to town centre</b>	Distance to the centre is dependent on the docking location. Distance can be from 20 minutes to the town centre to 1 hour if we're at the Belem District. Check your Cruise News for our confirmed docking location.	<b>Main highlights</b>	<p><b>Sao Roque Church and Museum</b> - This church with the plainest façade in Lisbon has one of the city's richest interiors. Each of the chapels is a masterpiece of Baroque art, but the showpiece is the fourth one on the left, the "world's most expensive chapel".</p> <p><b>Jerónimos Monastery</b> is one of the most prominent monuments in Lisbon; dating back to 1501 the monastery's official name is Mosteiro da Santa Maria de Belém. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is in late-Gothic style and located in the Santa Maria de Belem area.</p> <p>The <b>Discoveries Monument</b> was inaugurated in 1960 and commemorates the 500 year anniversary of the death of Prince Henry the Navigator and is also 1 of the best known monuments in the city.</p> <p><b>Lisbon's City Gate</b> is situated on the seafront at the square of the Dom Jose/Praca do Comercio.</p> <p>The World Heritage <b>Belem Tower</b> is to Lisbon what the Eiffel Tower is to Paris, or Big Ben is to London. It is the city's most photographed landmark, which along with the marvelous <b>Jerónimos Monastery</b> should top your list of must-see monuments.</p> <p>The <b>Mosteiro de São Vicente de Fora</b> is one of the most majestic churches in Portugal. Its collection of baroque tiles (around 100,000 in total) is the largest on record, and a series of 38 of them, around the cloisters, tell the story of La Fontaine Fables. Many of the Portuguese kings are also buried here.</p>
<b>Taxis</b>	<p>Why not head out on a 'Hop on Hop off' sightseeing tour bus. Many different tour buses operate from outside the Cruise Terminal building and offer a variety of different routes around the city. Otherwise, there are frequent local buses which pass the Cruise Terminal and drop off close to the historical centre next to the Monument of the Black Horse.</p> <p>Taxis are available from outside the Cruise Terminal. Be aware that most taxis are metered but, if not, make sure that you agree a rate with the taxi driver before making your journey. Remember the cost per journey is approximately a euro per minute.</p>		
<b>Main highlights</b>	<p><b>Terreiro do Paco</b> (or Palace Square) was the site of the royal palace until an earthquake destroyed it in 1755. After the royal family moved to another residence, the riverfront square continued to serve as a bustling welcome area to all arriving by boats. Today, Praca do Comercio (Commerce Square, as it is now known) still feels like a gateway to the city, and its opulent setting, replete with ornate arcades and statues, is an ideal start for all visiting Lisbon.</p> <p><b>Alfama</b> is Lisbon's Moorish time capsule: a medina-like district of tangled alleys, hidden palm-shaded squares and narrow terracotta-roofed houses that tumble down to the glittering Tejo.</p> <p><b>Castelo de Sao Jorge</b> dramatically rises above Lisbon, the hilltop fortifications of Sao Jorge sneak into every snapshot. Here you will get amazing views of the city's red rooftops to the river. Entrance is approximately €8.50 per person.</p>		

### Essential information

<b>Tourist information</b>	Lisboa Welcome Centre is the main branch of tourist information centres. Here you can get maps and brochures. Located in the main gate close to the monument of the black horse.	<b>Shopping</b>	You'll find a little bit of everything in Lisbon's shops.
<b>Internet access</b>	Most cafes and restaurants offer free Wi-Fi - just ask for the <i>codigo</i> (access code)	<b>PLEASE NOTE:</b>	If you'd like to begin with traditional shops, there's nothing better than a trip to the <b>Baixa zone</b> , with its unique and picturesque, age-old shops which in certain cases, have remained unaltered for decades.
<b>Nearest beaches</b>	The easiest beaches to reach are Estoril/Cascais which are a 30 minute journey from the port by taxi. Along the railway line linking Lisbon to Cascais are several broad beaches. In the centre of Cascais are Praia da Conceição and Praia da Rainha. These are within 20 to 30 minutes from the capital.		As you walk up to the <b>Chiado zone</b> you'll find a more glamorous and diversified range of shops, including delightful design shops and bookshops, with a specific range of products that is hard to find anywhere else. In the <b>Avenida da Liberdade</b> , you'll find the top international brands, in particular fashion labels, thus guaranteeing the diversity and quality of a major European capital.

Your Destination Services team would like to wish you an enjoyable day in Lisbon

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