



## DAY TRIP TOMAR, FÁTIMA AND THE MIRA CAVES PORTUGAL

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In preparation for this day trip Tomar, Fátima and Mira caves, it is best to have a hearty breakfast. And don't forget to put on your walking shoes! For a private day trip with your partner, your family or friends full of fascinating sights, culture and history.

Type of travel: **Day trips**

Number of days: **1**

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# Programme

In the morning



## Tomar, the Knights Templar headquarters

We start our day trip with a visit to the **Convento de Cristo** and its castle in **Tomar**, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The construction of the complex started in 1160 and it later became the headquarters of the Knights Templar and the Order of Christ.

One of the important historical figures who played a major role in the Military Order of Christ was Henry the Navigator. As Grand Master and initiator, he invested the order's earnings in the many voyages of discovery that ushered in the Portuguese global empire. There is much more to discover in the building.

Morning and lunch

## A short stroll through the town

After visiting the Convento, there is some time to stroll through the streets of the town centre and enjoy lunch. Tastes differ and the restaurant scene can change quickly, so search for yourself on the internet where you want to eat. Finding your favourite eatery haphazardly while strolling is also possible!



In the afternoon

### After lunch to Fátima

After a quick lunch in the city centre of Tomar, we continue our day trip to Fátima. This world-famous pilgrimage site is where the Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children between May and October 1917. During these apparitions, Our Lady of Fátima communicated three secrets to them.



The last miracle that took place on October 13, 1917 was the **miracle of the sun**. When a crowd gathered around the shepherd children, it seemed as if the sun was tumbling down toward the earth.

Visit the huge square with the open chapel, the original church, where the shepherd children are buried, and the ultra-modern cathedral. Would you like some time for yourself to meditate, pray or light a candle? No problem!

Late afternoon

### From man-made cathedrals to the natural caves of Mira

The last stop on this day trip is a visit to the **Mira Caves** in Serra d'Aire. The caves are the largest in Portugal and form a true underground cathedral. They were only discovered in 1947 and descend to a depth of 180 metres underground.

The caves are attractively lit with coloured lamps that emphasise the beauty of the hundreds of stalagmites and stalactites. Discover the unusual shapes that have formed over millions of years and enjoy the rippling water of the *Rio Negro* that flows into the underground lake.



## Good to know

- In Tomar you will find nice restaurants and lunch bars where you can have a small snack at democratic prices
- If you want to make the most of the time on your day trip, you can always bring your own picnic

## Book well in advance!

### Why?

Making your reservation in advance is always necessary! Jinah Trans' airport transfer service and [day trips with private driver](#) have become very popular over the years. Therefore, book well in advance so we don't have to disappoint you.

Airport transfers can be booked online. If you don't want to order online, send us an e-mail. Also contact us if you want to plan a day trip. We will be happy to assist you!

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