



DAY TRIP SINTRA PORTUGAL - PRIVATE TOUR

Magical day trip: Discover the castles and palaces of Sintra

Opt for a **day trip to Sintra** with private guide by Jinah Trans and travel back in time with your partner, friends or family to a magical world full of history and fantasy. Dreamy **castles** and romantic **palaces** adorn the surrounding hills just northwest of Lisbon. The **architecture** delivers scenes plucked from a movie. However, mystery is not all that this fantastic region has to offer on an exciting sightseeing tour through Sintra.

Type of travel: **Day trips**

Number of days: **1**



The love affair of romantic souls in this region stretches over the centuries. Even the famous poet Lord Byron glorified the area.

Byron missed the boat

Lord Byron, British romantic poet (late 18th, the beginning of the 19th century) missed the boat to Malta and ended up in Lisbon from where he travelled to Sintra. His writings describe that he landed in heaven and Sintra became his "glorious Eden".

Maybe, some 200 years later, this will also be true for you.

For a private tour from 1 to 7 participants: from € 42.40 per person.

Programme

Full day



The best way to see a lot with your partner or family in 1 day

While on a day tour in Sintra, it is virtually impossible to drive around and park with our minibus. The best way to discover Sintra and the surrounding area is by taking the hop-on hop-off bus. Whatever you choose to visit on this day trip, our English-speaking guide will accompany you throughout the day. During this day tour, he will tell you everything you want to know!

Tourist bus 434: takes you from the train station to **Palácio da Pena** and the **Castelo dos Mouros**, and back. This is the best method to avoid climbing a very challenging hill.

Tourist bus 435: runs from the train station to **Palácio de Monserrate**, passes the historic centre, stops at the **Quinta da Regaleira** and the **Seteais Palace** (now the Tivoli Palácio de Seteais Sintra hotel).

In the morning

Sights in Sintra that you should definitely see on this city trip:

Palácio da Pena (*the Pena Palace*): undeniably the romantic signature attraction of Sintra. The exterior is painted and tiled with sumptuous vivid colours and mythological statuesque creatures decorate the walls. The palace interiors offer many examples of rich opulence and decadent extravagance. As a counterpoint to all this, the park surrounding the palace has recuperative shaded walkways, serene hidden lakes and exotic flora.

Best time to visit: in the morning



Late morning



Moorish castle

Castelo dos Mouros (*Moorish castle*): this idyllic ruin which nestles in a dense forest was originally constructed by the Moors (8-11th century) as an observational stronghold. It offers truly stunning views over the Sintra region!

Noon-Lunch

Palace of Sintra

Palácio Nacional de Sintra (*National Palace of Sintra*): This Gothic palace in the heart of Sintra has been the preferred residence of the Portuguese nobility for centuries. With the two striking huge kitchen chimneys and varied staterooms one can witness the full history of the palace.



In the afternoon



Monserrate Palace

Palácio de Monserrate (*Monserrate Palace*): Built by Sir Francis Cook, a rich English merchant of the 19th century, this impressive building reflects an opulent Indian palace. It follows the geometric patterns and symmetry found in Arabic and Mongol architecture and holds magnificent fine marble latticework. Its corresponding park is a peaceful green area to enjoy fully.

Late afternoon

Quinta da Regaleira

Quinta da Regaleira: This impressive castle with a richly decorated facade looks a bit spooky. In the surrounding estate you will find small structures full of symbols and secret messages, mysterious corridors and underground crypts. There are references to the Templars, the Freemasons, Alchemy and the Rosicrucians. The domain also has a very deep well, the "inverted tower", with a spiral staircase that would allow you to descend into the depths of the earth. Thanks, but no thanks... because it seems that unexplainable things happen here...



Practical information

- For this day trip, you will be picked up from and returned to your accommodation in São Martinho do Porto / Salir do Porto
- Pick-up time: 9 am
- Return time at your accommodation: approx. 6.30 pm
- You can enjoy this tour all year round, except on public holidays
- Is your accommodation not located in the abovementioned towns? Then we will be happy to make a detour to pick you up, subject to a possible supplement depending on the distance. Please contact us for this and for the correct pick-up time!

Good to know

- Some lunch bars offer small snacks at reasonable prices
- Sintra is generally quite busy, so a restaurant visit can take some time. Booking in advance is necessary
- If you want to make the most of the time on your day trip, you can always bring your picnic

Below you will find some price indications for sights and tourist buses (keep in mind that these can change at any time)

- Museum entrance fees; below are price indications for adults for visiting some of the sights:
- Palácio da Pena and park: € 14.00
- Castelo dos Mouros: € 8.00
- Palácio Nacional de Sintra: € 10.00
- Palácio de Monserrate and park: € 8.00
- Quinta da Regaleira: € 8.00

Hop on-Hop off and other tourist buses (price indications are subject to change):

- Tourist bus 434 costs € 6.90 for the entire route
- Tourist bus 435 costs € 5.00 for the entire route

Price per number of participants

Based on 1 participant(s): €297.00 per person, per day

Based on 2 participant(s): €148.50 per person, per day

Based on 3 participant(s): €99.00 per person, per day

Based on 4 participant(s): €74.25 per person, per day

Based on 5 participant(s): €59.40 per person, per day

Based on 6 participant(s): €49.50 per person, per day

Based on 7 participant(s): €42.40 per person, per day

Included

- ✓ Guided day trip of 9.5 hours with personal guide throughout the day and everywhere allowed (no private guides are allowed in museums)
- ✓ Guidance in **English**, also during the trip with the tourist bus
- ✓ Pick-up and return to your accommodation in São Martinho do Porto / Salir do Porto
- ✓ The transfers to and from the train station near Sintra, including fuel, motorway tolls, parking, passenger insurance, personal driver

Excluded

- ✗ Museum entrance fees (see tab practical information)
- ✗ Tourist bus (see tab practical information)
- ✗ Guide inside castles and palaces
- ✗ Lunch, personal consumption and expenses

Extras

- + Extra hour € 30/hour; extra km € 0.95/km
- + Transfer from and to your accommodation in a location other than São Martinho do Porto/Salir do Porto

Make your reservation well in advance!

The day tours, mini-trips and special multiple-day tours of Jinah Trans are popular. So, book well in advance to avoid disappointment!

Our other day trips

Is this not the guided day trip you had in mind? Then have a look at our other day tours. If you still cannot find what you are looking for, please contact us! We will be happy to put together a **bespoke tour** for you.

Standardly, Jinah Trans provides trips for up to 7 people. Is your group larger? Then [contact us!](#)

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