



BLUE
PARALLEL

PORTUGAL LUXURY TOURS

Insider culinary and historical journey in a country that once ruled
over half of the known world

JOURNEY OVERVIEW

Your Portugal luxury tour begins in the capital of Lisbon, where you will visit landmarks such as the Jerónimos Monastery and Tower of Belém, the Atlantic coastline at Cascais, and the palaces and castles of Sintra. Your private tour of Portugal continues as you head to Porto, stopping at the medieval town of Coimbra along the way. In Porto, taste your way through the city's seafood delicacies as you take in impressive views along the Douro River. On the way to your next destination, the dreamy Douro Valley, stop in Guimarães, where the medieval center is another UNESCO World Heritage site. Upon arrival at the luxurious Six Senses, nestled among the valley's rolling hills, indulge in a specialty treatment at the property's world-class spa, or enjoy lounging by the outdoor or indoor pools. Spend the final days of your tailor-made tour sampling vintage ports, touring the area's best vineyards in private, or hiking, biking, or boating through the region's stunning landscapes.

A Taste of Blue Parallel's Insider Access

- Exclusive access to UNESCO World Heritage Site Jeronimos Monastery in Belém, Lisbon, before opening hours
- VIP tour and port tasting at Graham's Port Lodge with a senior executive of the company
- Exclusive access to the University of Coimbra library with collections that date from the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries
- Private horseback ride through an ancient path leading to a medieval village for sunset vistas from a hilltop viewpoint
- Exclusive tour of a historical quinta once owned by King João V and lunch with the present owner
- Insider shopping excursion around Lisbon's finest artisanal shops and specialty stores
- Private cooking class and tour of the vineyards in a private estate in the Douro Valley
- Exclusive tasting of 100-year old rare vintage Ports at an exclusive estate in the Douro Valley

The Discovery

- Lisbon
- Coimbra
- Porto
- Douro Valley

The Adventure

- Biking
- Hiking
- Private boating

Duration

8 Days

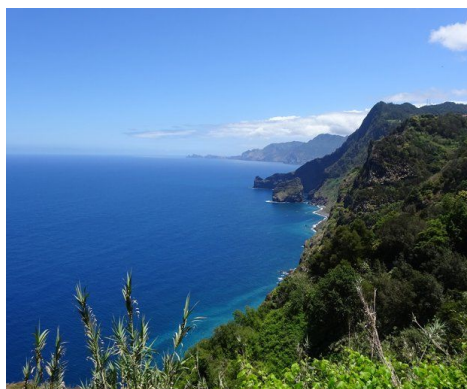
When to go?

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DESTINATIONS		TRAVEL TIME
LISBON	PORTO	3 hrs 30 min
PORTO	DOURO VALLEY	1 hr 30 min



PHOTOGRAPHY



PRIVATE TOUR PORTUGAL

Please note this private Portugal tour is an example, as all of our luxury journeys are custom-made. You will find below a summary outline.

Please contact us to start planning your custom-made private adventure of a lifetime.

Lisbon (3 nights)

Begin your luxury Portugal tour in Lisbon where you will be greeted by your guide and taken to the Four Seasons Hotel, located by the heart of the historic city center. As one of the capitals of Romanticism in Europe, Lisbon showcases a remarkable mix of charmingly colorful architecture and a captivating vintage soulfulness. Over the following days, unravel the mysteries of this historically complex European capital.

Explore Belém, home to the Jerónimos Monastery and the Tower of Belém, both UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Visit Sintra's fairytale-like Pena Palace as well as some of Lisbon's finest beaches in the coastal city of Cascais. Discover the city's main attractions including Rossio Square, the Church of Saint Roque, and the Se Cathedral. In the evening, prepare for an unforgettable live Fado show.

For art lovers, we will take you to explore some of Europe's most famous museums including the Calouste Gulbenkian and the Berardo Collection. Alternatively, head out on an exclusive shopping experience around Lisbon's finest artisanal shops and specialty stores with the assistance of your own personal shopper.

Porto (2 nights)

Your private Portugal tour continues with a private transfer to Porto. Along the way, stop at the Alcobaca Monastery before continuing to Coimbra. Enjoy a privately guided visit to the Universidade de Coimbra, the country's oldest university, and a visit to the Baroque library. Enjoy an exclusive access tour to areas that are inaccessible to the public such as the São Miguel Chapel and its books from the 16th century. Continue on to your hotel in Porto to rest and relax for the evening.

No luxury Portugal trip would be complete without a gastronomic sightseeing tour. Head out in the morning around the city passing by Porto's historic waterfront neighborhood, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy lunch at a local seafood restaurant by the Douro River. Back at the hotel, spend the afternoon at leisure, and take some time to relax at the Yeatman Caudalie Vinotherapy Spa. In the late afternoon, enjoy an exclusive VIP tour and port tasting at Graham's Port Lodge, before savoring a delicious dinner at their restaurant with views overlooking the Luís I Bridge.

Douro Valley (2 nights)

In the morning, you will be privately transferred to the Douro Valley (approx. 1.5 hours). Along the way, you will have the option to enjoy an 18-mile biking adventure through the countryside ending in Amarante or a visit to Guimarães, a historic city marked with an impressive UNESCO World Heritage Site at its center. Continue on to the Six Senses for check-in. Relax in the afternoon at the Six Senses Spa or pool. After taking time to wind down, indulge in a private tasting of rare Tawny selections at an exclusive Port vineyard. In the early evening, you will be privately transferred to one of acclaimed Chef Rui Paula's restaurants for dinner with spectacular views of the river.

During your stay in the Douro Valley, you will have the opportunity to explore the picturesque village of Provesende. Enjoy fresh homemade bread at a bakery in the heart of the village. From there, begin a 3 mile downhill hike towards Pinhão with beautiful scenery of the local vineyards and terraces along the way. Embark on a private boating venture down the Douro River until you reach a private wine estate. Here you will be treated to an exclusive lunch and wine pairing on their terrace with breathtaking panoramic views. In the evening, enjoy a delicious dinner made with fresh ingredients harvested only as needed, at your hotel.

ABOUT BLUE PARALLEL

Blue Parallel is a bespoke luxury travel boutique.



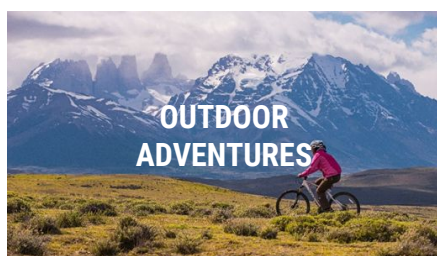
Our mission is to take discerning, time-constrained travelers to the most spectacular natural and cultural wonders of Latin America, the Mediterranean, and the Polar Regions.



We create private, tailor-made journeys that focus on UNESCO World Heritage Sites, insider access experiences, and extraordinary outdoor adventures.



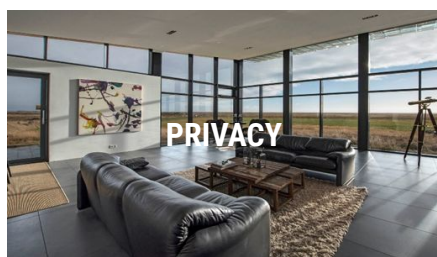
Since launching in 2003, we have become the go-to service for luxury travelers searching for top-of-the-line experiential journeys. We have been selected as an A-list Top Travel Advisor by Travel + Leisure every year since 2009, and are proudly part of the leading luxury travel network Virtuoso and their Ultraluxe Community (a by-invitation-only membership for the industry's most exclusive services and providers). We have hosted numerous eminent travelers since our inception and are frequently featured in prestigious international publications.



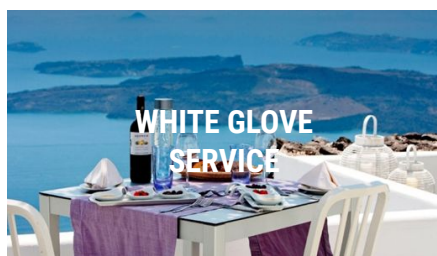
Blue Parallel journeys feature breathtaking outdoor adventures led by expert guides or accomplished athletes. Scuba diving in the Belize Reef, biking through Berber villages in the Atlas Mountains, ice-trekking on the Perito Moreno Glacier, dog sledding in Lapland, rafting on the Pacuare River in Costa Rica, and hiking the fjords of Norway are only a few examples of the extraordinary outdoor adventures we incorporate in our tailor-made itineraries. We take great satisfaction in designing custom-made adventures of a lifetime.



At Blue Parallel, we open doors to unique opportunities that match our travelers' interests. Our team travels year-round, seeking out the most intriguing insider experiences. Over the years, we have developed invaluable relationships with esteemed scholars, acclaimed artists, Olympic athletes, renowned chefs, directors of historical and natural landmarks, as well as with local leaders in politics and business, to name just a few examples.



Privacy has always been a top priority in all aspects of a Blue Parallel journey. Exclusive accommodations range from remote, fully-serviced villas in Iceland, a lighthouse on a private island in Norway, or a luxury private camp in the Sahara Desert. Examples of private custom experiences include an after-hours tour of the Alhambra in Andalusia, chartering a luxury yacht in the Galapagos Islands, or taking a private train ride to Machu Picchu. We can provide all these ultimate exclusive experiences and more so that our travelers can have the option to enjoy some of the world's most spectacular sights without the crowds.



Blue Parallel travelers are assigned a dedicated team comprised of:

- A personal travel expert
- A personal host in each destination
- Expert on-site guides and scholars
- Behind-the-scenes logistical experts to monitor every step of the journey

We are on call for our travelers 24-hours a day during their trip, ensuring a smooth and stress-free experience. Whatever happens, our team is one step ahead, and we provide the flexibility to change the program during the journey, if need be.

CERTAINTY IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

Blue Parallel's expertise and our obsession with details offer certainty in an uncertain world. We have almost 2 decades of experience handling unforeseen circumstances, and the recent pandemic has only increased the significant value of having our dedicated teams offer limitless support to our travelers before, during, and after their journeys.

OUR DESTINATIONS

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ARGENTINA



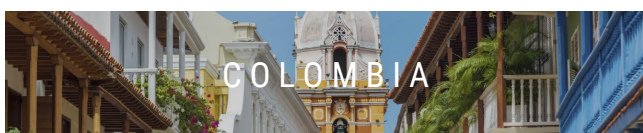
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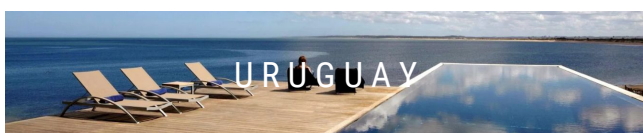
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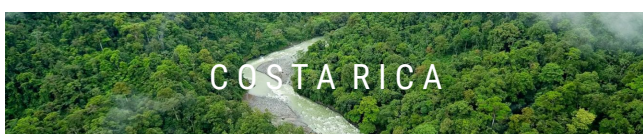
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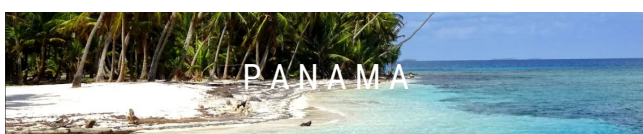
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PANAMA



BELIZE



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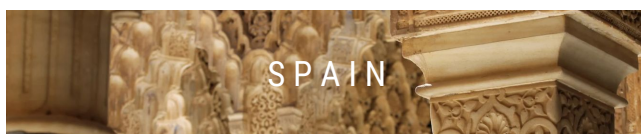
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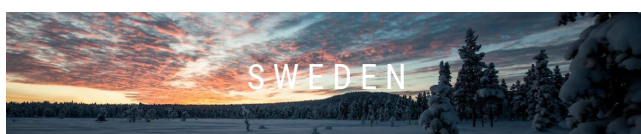
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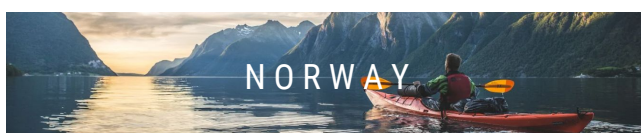
CORSICA



TURKEY



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START PLANNING

We are experts in creating inspiring tailor-made itineraries. We will take your vision, try to enhance it, and then make your dream trip a reality. You can call us at 1-301-263-6670 Monday-Friday | 9 AM - 5PM ET, or send us an email to info@blueparallel.com.

How it all works

- 1 Contact us**
Give us a call or send us an email in order to connect with one of our expert travel advisors.
- 2 Initial Consultation**
We will ask you questions about your dream trip, make recommendations, and answer any questions you may have.
- 3 Summary Itinerary Outline**
We will check availability for your preferred travel dates with our favorite accommodations and then provide you with a recommended summary trip outline.
- 4 Detailed Itinerary Proposal**
Upon your approval of the summary outline, we will make tentative reservations and create a detailed custom-made itinerary with pricing documentation for your review.
- 5 Booking Procedures**
If you would like Blue Parallel to secure your itinerary, we will email you our booking procedures and kindly request a deposit payment.
- 6 Pre-Trip Support**
Closer to your travel dates, we will mail you a personalized travel package to ensure you are fully prepared for your journey.
- 7 During the Trip**
While you are traveling, our team will be available to assist you with anything you may need at any time.
- 8 Post-Trip Debrief**
After your journey, we would kindly ask to schedule a "debriefing call" to hear your feedback. Alternatively, you could fill in an online survey.

We will do our very best to surpass your expectations every step of the way. Most of our travelers are repeat travelers - we take great pride in forging long-term relationships with our savvy guests.