



# USASK ALUMNI

LAND JOURNEY



**NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT**  
for Solo Travelers

## Portugal

### Alluring Alentejo

#### Inspiring Moments

- Delight in the Alentejo’s **breathtaking capital, Évora**, an open-air museum.
- Spend the day in **spectacular Lisbon**, taking in its Old-World grandeur.
- Learn how to **prepare traditional Portuguese dishes** during a fun, hands-on lesson in a private home.
- Enjoy a wonderful visit to a **town market** to sample treats and chat with locals.
- Savor delectable food and wines amid the warm ambience of a **family-owned winery** and a **country estate**.
- Journey to **Spain** to admire impressively preserved **Roman ruins in Mérida** and the Portuguese flair of **lovely Olivenza**.
- Feel the heartfelt, melancholy emotion of **fado, Portugal’s iconic music**.
- Experience four **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

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Above: View of the Alentejo from Monsaraz



#### Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city ✈
- Day 2** Arrive in Lisbon and transfer 🚗 to hotel in Vila Viçosa
- Day 3** Vila Viçosa | Borba
- Day 4** Évora
- Day 5** Monsaraz | São Pedro do Corval
- Day 6** Mérida | Olivenza
- Day 7** Estremoz | Elvas
- Day 8** Lisbon
- Day 9** Transfer 🚗 to Lisbon airport and depart for gateway city ✈

Flights ✈ and transfers 🚗 provided for AHI FlexAir participants.  
**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

#### Included Features

**Accommodations** (with baggage handling)  
– **6 nights** in Vila Viçosa, Portugal, at the deluxe Alentejo Marmoris Hotel & Spa.

– **1 night** in Lisbon at the first-class Dom Pedro Lisboa.

**Transfers** (with baggage handling)

– Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program.

**Extensive Meal Program**

– 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

**Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**

– **Small group:** Sized just right at 28 guests.

– **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.

– **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.

– **AHI Connects | Local immersion.**

– **Free time** to pursue your individual interests.

– Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.

– **AHI Sustainability Promise |** Striving to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

– A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.

– Tipping of guides and drivers.

– Complimentary travel mementos.



**A World of Discovery**

**AHI Connects | Cooking at Sofia's House.** Chef Sofia welcomes you to her charming farmhouse near Évora's old town for a hands-on session covering authentic ingredients, techniques and insights. Then, grab a fork and dig into your tasty creations!

**AHI Connects | Estremoz Market Visit & Tasting.** Be a part of the lively, local scene as you and your guide chat with the vendors and sample freshly made cheeses, sausages, breads, pastries and more.

**The Marble Route: Vila Viçosa & Borba.** Soak up the gleaming splendor of Alentejo's marble towns, where the local white marble adorns façades, fountains, benches and doorways. Enjoy guided strolls through both towns, and tour the majestic, marble-clad Ducal Palace in Vila Viçosa.

**Winery Vila Santa.** Savor outstanding wines and lunch at a beautiful winery.

**Évora.** In Alentejo's capital city, take in Roman ruins, Moorish-influenced buildings, and handsome palaces and noble houses from its pinnacle as a royal city. Visit the Chapel of Bones, an unusual, 16th-century monument built by Franciscan monks.

**Monsaraz.** Relish the medieval ambience of this picturesque, hilltop village with great views of the rolling countryside. Travel next to Herdade do Esporão to taste delicious olive oils and enjoy a relaxing lunch with wine on this large estate. Stop later in São Pedro do Corval, known for its traditional pottery workshops. Visit a pottery studio and watch artisans craft colorful pieces.

**Mérida.** Journey into Spain to see Mérida's superb ruins that reflect the glory of the Roman Empire. Appreciate the classical lines of the elegant theater and stand in the amphitheater where gladiators battled.

**Olivenza, Bridge of Cultures.** Meander in one of Spain's prettiest villages, which was part of Portugal until 1801. See the blend of cultures revealed along its lanes and view artifacts at a museum inside a 13th-century castle and 18th-century bakery.

**Elvas.** This border town once protected the key crossing between Madrid and Lisbon, and its 17th-century fortifications feature a thick wall with jutting bulwarks to defend from any angle. On a guided walk, learn about its strategic importance and delight in inviting squares like the Praça da República.

**Lisbon.** Revel in vibrant Lisbon on a scenic tour/guided walk. Go inside the magnificent Jerónimos Monastery to see the exquisite church and cloisters ornamented in the Manueline style, and marvel at the imposing Tower of Belém over the Tagus River. Later tonight, enjoy a moving *fado* performance.



Lisbon

**Enrichment**

- Alentejo: Portugal's Best Kept Secret
- *Fado*, the Portuguese Song

**UNESCO World Heritage**

1. **Historic Center of Évora, Portugal**
2. **Archaeological Ensemble of Mérida, Spain**
3. **Garrison Border Town of Elvas and its Fortifications, Portugal**
4. **Monastery of the Hieronymites and Tower of Belém in Lisbon, Portugal**

**Accommodations**

**Alentejo Marmoris Hotel & Spa |**

Vila Viçosa



**Dom Pedro Lisboa | Lisbon**



**Activity Level:** We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



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**AHI Travel Expertise**

For more than six decades, our dedicated team has helped travelers explore the world safely and securely.

**Travel & Air Coordinators |** Help with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

**Travel Director |** Manages all details to ensure a safe and memorable trip.

**Travel information |** Prepares you fully for your journey.

**Expert local guides and lecturers |** Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for the destination.

**Let us arrange your flights!**

**AHI FlexAir |** Our personalized air program features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

**2025 Departures & Pricing**

**October 5-13, 2025**

**Full Price** From \$4,340

**Special Savings** \$750

**\*Early Booking Special Price From \$3,590**

\*Early Booking Special Price valid if booked by expiration date on website and paid in full at booking. If you pay only your deposit by early booking date, you still save \$250 per person.

Price includes applicable program taxes (such as VAT and port charges).

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

**Single supplement waived for solo travelers!** This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly.