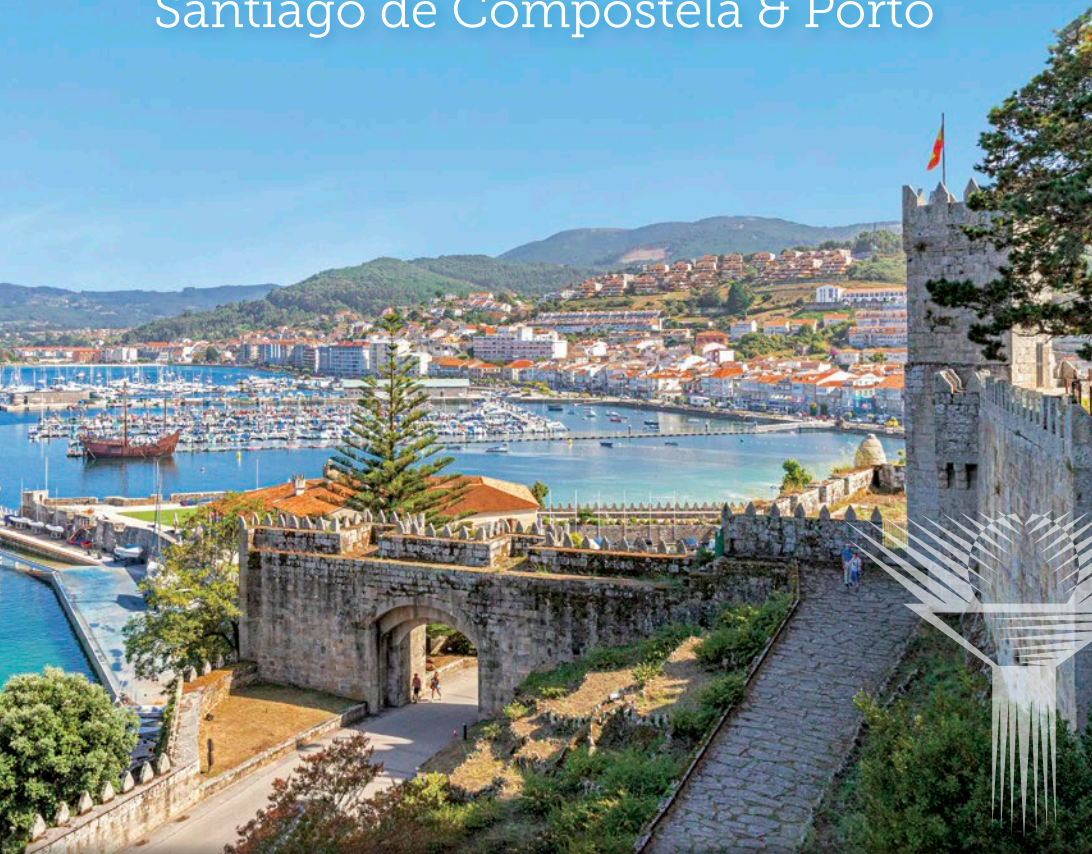


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Derrick Olsen is President of WorldOregon and a former U.S. Foreign Service Officer. He previously served as Vice President of Regional Strategy at Greater Portland Inc., leading the Greater Portland Global trade and investment plan under the Global Cities Initiative. Before that, he managed international trade and investment issues for Business Oregon. Derrick participated in the 2013 U.S. -Spain Council Young Leaders Program and spent over 13 years with the U.S. Department of State, including four overseas tours and service as Chief of the Political Section at the U.S. Embassy in Honduras. Fluent in Spanish, he holds a B.A. from Dartmouth College and an M.S. in Foreign Service from Georgetown University.

Dear Curious Travelers,

Venture off with us to Galicia, a unique corner of Spain famed for its stunning, rugged Atlantic coastline, cozy fishing towns, and Santiago de Compostela, the illustrious, centuries-old pilgrimage site. Feel enveloped in the incredible waterside scenery over seven nights at a first-class, historic parador set on a peninsula.

Each day, look forward to explorations around this alluring region, from Santiago's lively old town and its awe-inspiring cathedral to small coastal villages steeped in maritime heritage. You'll also cross into Portugal to visit three UNESCO World Heritage sites: captivating Porto and Guimarães as well as the Bom Jesus do Monte Sanctuary. Along the way, culinary pleasures abound with opportunities to indulge in tasty, fresh-from-the-sea specialties, and wines of the Rías Baixas and Portuguese port.

Throughout your travels, expert guides and lecturers reveal interesting facets of Spanish and Portuguese history and culture, while a professional Travel Director handles the daily details. When you factor in the camaraderie of traveling with a small group, it all adds up to a marvelous, carefree experience not to be missed. Ensure your place by reserving today, and we'll be waiting to welcome you!

Sincerely,

Andrew Haught
Director of Travel
World Affairs Council of Philadelphia

UNESCO World Heritage

1. **Historic Center of Guimarães,** Portugal
2. **Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte in Braga,** Portugal
3. **Historic Center of Porto and Luís I Bridge,** Portugal
4. **Santiago de Compostela (Old Town),** Portugal

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Discovery begins here



Surrounded by wild coastal grandeur, settle into a historic parador in Galicia, a magical northern region of Spain where everyday life is closely intertwined with the sea. You'll set off to explore small coastal communities and Galicia's spiritual heart, the venerated Santiago de Compostela. On outings in northern Portugal, be enchanted by the splendor of Porto, Guimarães and the Bom Jesus do Monte Sanctuary. Tantalizing cuisine and fine regional wines complete this remarkable and rewarding experience!

Top: Cathedral and Plaza del Obradoiro, Santiago de Compostela | Above: Rías Baixas winery

Cover: Medieval fortress, Baiona | Mail panel: Porto | Castro de Santa Trega, A Guarda

Inspiring Moments



- Take in **spectacular ocean views from your historic parador** inside the walls of a medieval fortress on a peninsula.
- Admire lovely **Santiago de Compostela** and its **magnificent cathedral**, the journey's end for pilgrims on the famed Camino de Santiago.
- Appreciate the legendary Portuguese cities of **Porto** and **Guimarães** and the splendid baroque sanctuary in **Braga**.
- Meander in charming, seaside **Baiona**, where the famous *Pinta* landed in 1493.
- Relish breathtaking scenery on a walk along the **coastal path near A Guarda**.
- Stroll through atmospheric **Combarro**, a traditional Galician fishing village.
- Sample Galicia's **Albariño wine** at a Rías Baixas winery and Portugal's acclaimed **port wine** in Porto.
- Experience four **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.



Day 1 | In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Porto, Portugal. 🌐

Day 2 | Porto, Portugal | Baiona, Spain

Upon arrival, transfer 🚗 to the Parador de Baiona in Baiona, Spain.

Meet the members of your group at tonight's Welcome Reception and Dinner at the parador.

Day 3 | Baiona

Enrichment: History of Galicia. Since the 10th century, pilgrims have traveled along the many routes that form the renowned Camino de Santiago to their ultimate goal, the tomb of St. James in the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. A local expert traces Galicia's history from its early Celtic settlers to the profound influence of its Christian heritage.

Baiona. This medieval port town rests in the heart of the Rías Baixas, a dramatic landscape of craggy cliffs, windswept beaches and rolling hills shaped by four large estuarian inlets along Galicia's southwestern coast. On a guided walk, see its historic churches and other landmarks, then step aboard a replica of the *Pinta* caravel in the harbor and get a glimpse into what life at sea was like for the crew. In March 1493, the *Pinta*, part of Christopher Columbus' first voyage and piloted by Martín Alonso Pinzón, landed in Baiona, bringing the first news to Spain of the fleet's transatlantic travels. A lunch in Baiona follows the walking tour.

Free Time: Explore around Baiona for the rest of the day. Your Travel Director can offer suggestions on sightseeing and dining options.

Day 4 | Guimarães, Portugal | Braga | Baiona, Spain

Enrichment: Northern Portugal. Learn about this region's connections to the founding of the Portuguese nation during the Middle Ages.

Historic Gems of Northern Portugal. Travel today to Guimarães, the birthplace of Portugal's first king, Alfonso Henriques. On a stroll with your guide, pass by Guimarães Castle, fortified in the 13th century, and admire the wonderfully preserved medieval architecture in the compact historic center. Your visit concludes with a delicious lunch of Portuguese specialties. Next, head to the Bom Jesus do Monte Sanctuary atop Mount Espinho near Braga. This religious complex is celebrated for its elaborate, outdoor baroque staircase adorned with fountains and sculptures, which leads to the 18th-century Basilica of Bom Jesus. On a guided tour, see the basilica's interior details, learn about the significance of the staircase's three sections and enjoy the panoramic views over Braga.

Free Time: Craft your own agenda in Baiona.

Day 5 | Combarro

Combarro. Galicia's Rías Baixas boasts a rich maritime culture deeply rooted in fishing. In fact, the city of Vigo near Baiona is Europe's largest fishing port, supplying Spain and other countries with a bounty of fresh Atlantic fish and shellfish. This morning, get a sense of traditional life by the sea in the small fishing village of Combarro. Wander down quiet lanes in the old quarter, where fishermen's houses and 18th-century hórreos, stone granaries



Left: Basilica of Bom Jesus, Braga | Above: Waterfront dining in Porto

raised on stilts, sit at the water's edge, and weathered cruceiros, or crosses, protect those setting out to sea and their families.

AHI Connects | Rías Baixas Winery Visit & Lunch. Rías Baixas' proximity to the Atlantic creates an excellent climate for grape-growing, resulting in the region's signature crisp wines produced with the Albariño grape. Taste the aromatic Albariño and other varietals at a winery and enjoy a flavorful Galician lunch.

Day 6 | Porto, Portugal | Baiona, Spain

Porto, Portugal. Today, get acquainted with dynamic Porto, Portugal's second-largest city. Its vibrant centerpiece is the Ribeira district with colorful buildings hugging the Douro's riverbanks and the striking, double-decker Dom Luís I Bridge looming over the water. Begin with a guided tour of the majestic

Sé do Porto, or Porto Cathedral, overlooking the city. Continue on a guided walk in the Ribeira and check out the detailed azulejo tile murals in the São Bento Railway Station. Spend some free time in the Ribeira for lunch on your own, then take a short cruise across the Douro River to Vila Nova de Gaia. In this historic home of port wine cellars, sample Portugal's signature, fortified port wines.

After returning to Baiona, gather for dinner in the parador this evening.

Day 7 | Santiago de Compostela

Santiago de Compostela. Feel the special ambience of this revered destination, where life revolves around its grand cathedral. Step inside to marvel at the ornate, baroque main chapel dominated by a silverwork altarpiece encasing a statue of Saint James, topped by a glittering baldachin of angels. Directly below this chapel lies the apostolic crypt containing the remains believed to be those of St. James the Apostle. Take time to study the intricately decorated chapels and highlights like the 12th-century Pórtico de la Gloria, featuring superbly rendered biblical figures by Master Mateo. Later, walk with your guide through

Traditional port wine boats, Porto





the picturesque old town, then browse the Mercado de Abastos' bustling aisles, packed with just-caught seafood, fresh produce, local cheeses and tempting pastries.

Free Time: Make your own plans for lunch and exploring before departing for Baiona.

Day 8 | Oia | A Guarda

Coastal Portuguese Way. On a drive to Oia, delight in the untamed beauty of the Camino Portugués Coastal pilgrimage route. Pause for coffee and the gorgeous views from Oia. Next, travel to A Guarda, and if you'd like, take a refreshing walk on a nearby coastal path. Following a break for lunch in A Guarda, ascend to the top of Mount Santa Trega for a tour of the fascinating archaeological site of Castro de Santa Trega, an ancient, fortified Celtic village. This vantage point also offers terrific views of the Atlantic Ocean and the coastlines of Spain and Portugal.

At the parador this evening, join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Reception and Dinner in celebration of your memorable adventure!

Day 9 | In Transit

After breakfast, transfer to the Porto airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

Flights and transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Activity Level

We have designated activity levels for all excursions on this program. For more details, please call or visit our website.

Excursions on this itinerary require:

- walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches

Included Features



Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- 7 nights in Baiona, Spain, at the first-class Parador de Baiona.

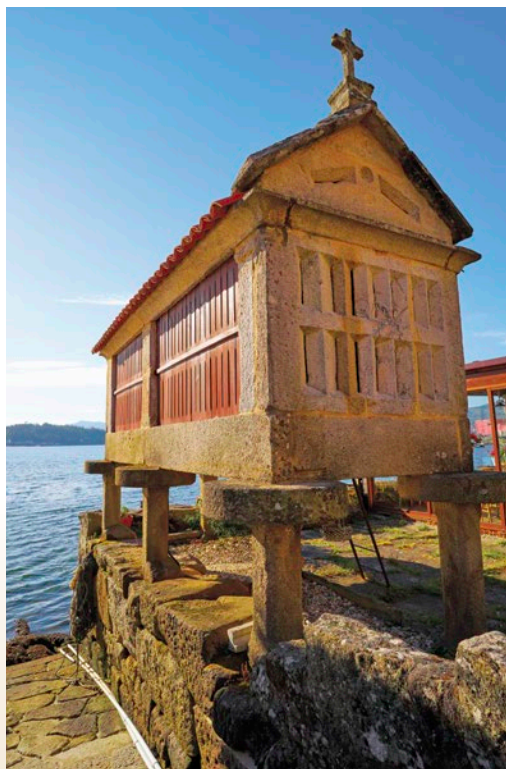
Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 3 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.
- **Free time** to pursue your individual interests.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

A hórreo, a stone granary, along the waterfront in Combarro

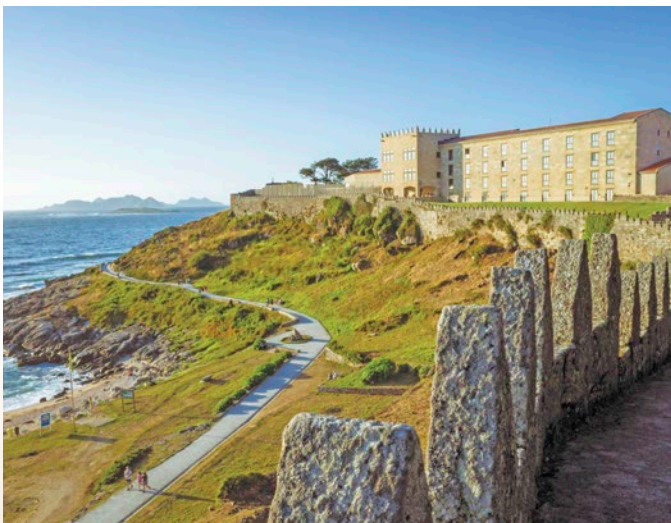




Oia, Coastal Portuguese Way



São Bento Railway Station, Porto



Parador de Baiona and scenic walkway along the coast

2027 | Departure Details

Program Dates

Travel dates † **May 12-20, 2027**

† Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

Tour dates* **May 13-20, 2027**

* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

Land Program

Category	Full Price	Special Savings Price*
Standard	\$4,945	\$4,445
Superior Sea View	\$5,245	\$4,745

***This Special Savings Price includes our \$250 Early Booking and \$250 Pay-in-Full discounts and is valid if you book by the date on the address panel and pay in full at booking.**

Deposit amount is \$1,000 per person.

Final Payment is due at least 150 days prior to departure.

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).

Special offers, promotions and discounts cannot be combined.

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

Please note: Program-specific terms and conditions are available at <https://worlda.ahitravel.com/destinations/2048A?schoollid=235>.

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- **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase
- arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates
- **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservation before departure on most flights (Fees may apply.)
- **assistance** in the event of schedule changes or delays

AHI Travel Expertise

Travel Consultants guide you through the reservation process.

Travel & Air Coordinators offer assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

Travel Information provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

Your Travel Director, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

Handpicked Expert Guides and Knowledgeable Lecturers deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.



Accommodations



Parador de Baiona | Baiona



Impressively situated by the Atlantic Ocean within the medieval walls of an old fortress, the Parador de Baiona has been carefully selected by our travel planners for its historic character, attentive service and thoughtful amenities. Savor a truly comfortable stay and enjoy leisurely, scenic walks around the tranquil grounds and along the waterfront promenade.



Book your journey today!

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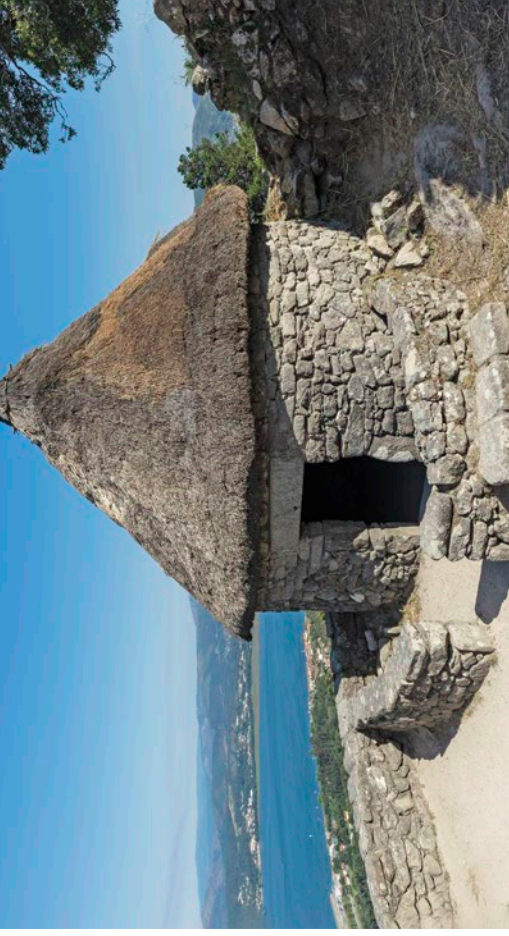
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