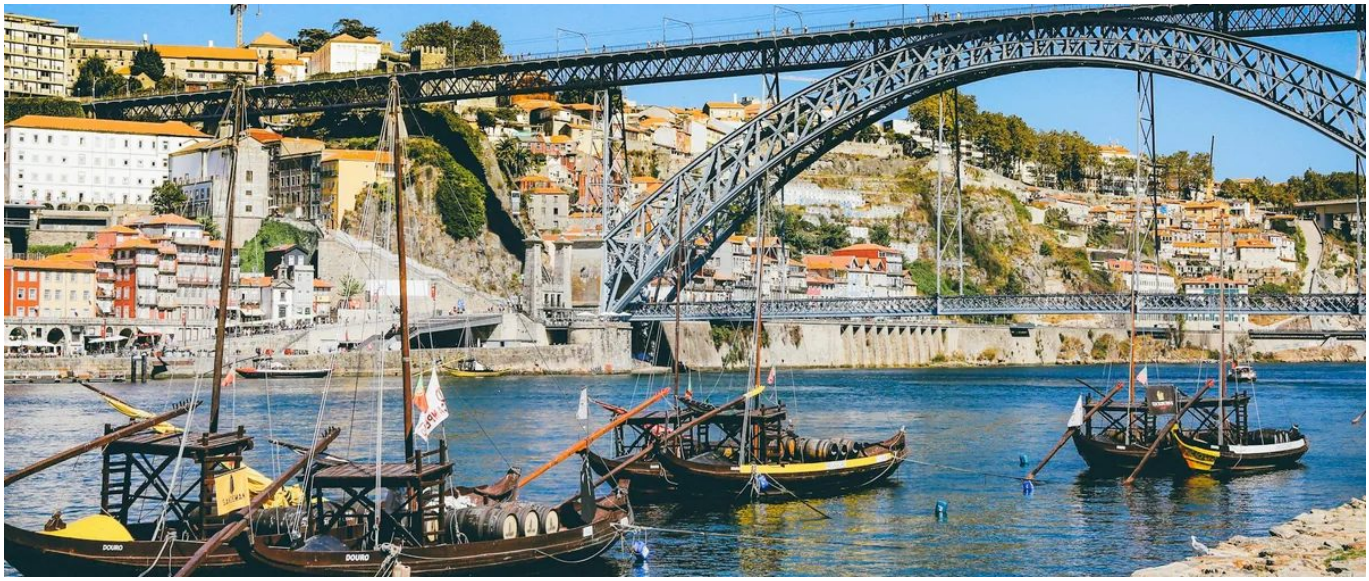
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A 3-Day Porto Itinerary

From our guide **Top 10 Things to Do in Porto**. Print it or save it to your phone.



Three days lets you see the city at a relaxed pace and spend a day in the Douro Valley.

Day 1: The Historic Centre

Start at São Bento station, visit Livraria Lello and climb the Clérigos Tower. In the afternoon, wander down to Ribeira and the Church of São Francisco, then cross the Dom Luís I Bridge for sunset at Serra do Pilar.

Day 2: Port, the River and Foz

Visit a port cellar in Gaia in the morning, take a Six Bridges cruise, then ride vintage tram line 1 to Foz do Douro for a walk by the Atlantic.

Day 3: The Douro Valley

Take the train to Pinhão or join a wine tour to the quintas of the Douro Valley, returning to Porto for dinner.

The 10 places at a glance

1. Wander the Ribeira District

Getting there: Walk downhill from São Bento metro station in around ten minutes.
Time needed: Half a day, including São Francisco and the Bolsa.
Best time to go: Early morning for quiet lanes, or evening for the atmosphere by the river.
Insider tip: Eat a street or two back from the waterfront for better value meals.
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2. Cross the Dom Luís I Bridge

Getting there: Walk across from Ribeira on the lower deck, or from the upper town on the upper deck.
Time needed: About an hour, including the viewpoint.
Best time to go: Sunset.
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3. Taste Port Wine in Vila Nova de Gaia

Getting there: Walk across the lower deck of the Dom Luís I Bridge from Ribeira.
Time needed: Two to three hours to visit one or two cellars.
Tickets: Book cellar tours online, especially at weekends and in summer.
Insider tip: Smaller, family-run cellars often offer more personal tastings than the big brands.
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4. Visit Livraria Lello

Getting there: The shop is a short walk from the Clérigos Tower.
Time needed: 30 minutes to an hour.
Tickets: Book a timed ticket online in advance.
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5. Admire the Tiles at São Bento Station

Getting there: São Bento has its own metro station on line D.
Time needed: 15 to 20 minutes.
Best time to go: Early morning, before the tour groups arrive.
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6. Climb the Clérigos Tower

Getting there: The tower is in the centre, a short walk from São Bento and Livraria Lello.
Time needed: About an hour.
Tickets: Buy online to skip the ticket queue.
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7. Take a Six Bridges Cruise

Getting there: Boats leave from the quaysides in Ribeira and Gaia.
Time needed: Around an hour.
Best time to go: Late afternoon, for warm light on the riverside houses.
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8. Eat a Francesinha

Time needed: An hour for a leisurely lunch.
Insider tip: Francesinhas are huge, so consider sharing one if you want to try other dishes too.
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9. Shop at Mercado do Bolhão

Getting there: Bolhão metro station is right outside.
Time needed: One hour.
Best time to go: A weekday morning, when the stalls are busiest and freshest.
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10. Take a Day Trip to the Douro Valley

Getting there: Trains run from São Bento to Pinhão in around two and a half hours.
Time needed: A full day, or two days with an overnight stay.
Best time to go: May to October, especially at harvest time.
Insider tip: Sit on the right side of the train heading east for the best river views.
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Getting Around Porto

Porto's centre is walkable, but steep. The metro is clean and efficient, and the violet line connects the airport with the city centre. Buy a rechargeable Andante card for the metro, buses and some trains.

Heritage trams run on a few routes, including line 1 along the river to Foz. The Guindais funicular and the Gaia cable car save a climb, and taxis and ride-hailing apps are reasonably priced.

Opening times, prices and transport change often, so check with each venue or operator before you go. For the full guide, photos and FAQs, see https://toptravelinsider.com/top-10-things-to-do-in-porto/.