

Coimbra Old Quarter and University Walking Tour



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Half Day
(Duration: 4h approx.)

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Coimbra

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Price from:
50.00 euros

On this privately guided walking tour you will visit the old quarter and university of Coimbra

Highlights

- Discover one of the **most famous universities** in the world
- Explore **Coimbra**, the capital of **Portugal** during the Middle Ages
- **English Speaking Local Guide**

General Overview

Country: Portugal
Region: Beiras
City: Coimbra
Duration: Half Day (Duration: 4h approx.)

Type: Half Day Tour Private
Theme: City and Village Walks
Group Size: 1 - 12 People
Price from: 50 €

Introduction

Coimbra was the capital of **Portugal** during the Middle Ages, but it was the **Renaissance** that transformed the city into a place of knowledge when Dom Joao III (1521-57) decided to move the University to the city on a definitive basis, whilst at the same time numerous colleges were created to provide an alternative to the official form of teaching. In the 17th century, the Jesuits arrived in the city, immediately announcing their presence with the building of the Sé Nova (New Cathedral). In the following century, the royal work instituted by Dom Joao V (1706-50) was to enrich some of Coimbra's monuments, including the **University**. Dom José I (1750-77) also introduced some alterations into the city through the influence of his minister Marques de Pombal, particularly in the field of education.

At the beginning of the 19th century, the French invasions and the Portuguese liberal wars were to mark the beginning of a period of great agitation that brought no great developments to the city. Since then, it has been the students who have brought most changes to **Portugal's quintessential university town**.

Day by day itinerary

DAY 1: COIMBRA

- In Coimbra meet up with a private local guide where you will take a walk around the Old town and visit the Universidade Velha (Old University).
- We have reserved a table for your lunch at a recommended restaurant after the tour.

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Included

- English-Speaking Official Guide for the duration of the tour
- Entrance fees included when with guide
- **(LR)** *Lunch Table Reservation in a recommended restaurant with fine cuisine (*Meal not included must order directly at the restaurant)
- Local Taxes

Excluded

- Meals not specified in itinerary
- Beverages not specified in selected meals
- Personal & Travel Insurance
- Transportation
- Tip and Gratuities to Local guide

Map

