



Practical Information

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Welcome to Porto



Thousands of charms and corners are worth discovering in the capital of Northern Portugal. Classified as a World Heritage Site since 1996, Porto historical centre contains a monumental and landscape richness where you can see several urban conceptual solutions varying from the medieval times to early modernity.

It wouldn't be right to characterize Porto by simply choosing one of the factors that make this destiny more and more attractive. One is divided between the richness of its architecture and heritage, its ever growing artistic and cultural expression, the growing liveliness downtown, night and day, its gastronomy and excellent wine, and its charming hospitable genuine people.

More info: <http://www.visitporto.travel/>

University of Porto

With origins dating back to the eighteenth century, the University of Porto is a state university created the 22nd March 1911. Of the 1,854 full-time academic staff at the University of Porto, 1,522 (82%) have doctorates. It is this exceptional qualification level of the teaching staff, combined with advanced laboratory technology and equipment, as well as close connections with the business world, which ensure high-quality training.



The University of Porto is ranked in the QS World University Ranking, one of the most prestigious university rankings at the global level. The institution rose 22 positions compared to last year's results, distinguishing itself as the best positioned among Portuguese universities in 2017.



How to get to the city center

The Porto “metro” has a station at the [airport](#) with trains and buses into the city every 20-30 minutes. You should buy your “Andante” ticket from one of the 4 ticket machines of the airport. A ticket to the city center (4 zones) costs €2,45 and that includes the €0,60 rechargeable Andante card. **The ticket is valid during 1 hour, both for metro and buses.**

- If you are staying at Seminário de Vilar, you should catch the bus 601 at the airport, direction *Cordoaria*, and leave at the bus stop **Palácio**. Then you just have to [walk 3 minutes](#) to get to the hotel.
- If you are staying at Moov Hotel Porto Centro, you should catch the metro, leave at the metro station **Bolhão** and [walk 5 minutes](#).
- If you are staying at IStay Hotel Porto Centro, you should catch the metro, leave at the metro station **Bolhão** and [walk 8 minutes](#).

You can also catch a **taxi** at the airport; the price for the city center will be around 20€.



Accommodation

We strongly recommend participants to book accommodation as soon as possible, preferably by the **begining of April**. Participants may contact the hotels by themselves to assure reservations, on a first come first served basis. Below you can find our suggestions:



[Seminário de Vilar](#)

Price single room, per night: 35€ or 50€ (fully renovated room). Breakfast included in both options.

Price double room, per night: 45€ or 60€ fully renovated room). Breakfast included in both options.

Distance to the University: [16 min walking](#) / 4 min by bus (8 bus lines: 200, 201, 208, 207, 303, 507, 501 and 601)

Reservations at reservas@seminariodevilar.pt



[Moov Hotel Porto Centro](#)

Price single room, per night: 62€. Breakfast: 7,5€.

Price double room, per night: 62€. Breakfast: 7,5€/person.

Distance to the University: [10 min walking](#)

Reservations at porto@hotelmoov.com



[Istay Hotel Porto Centro](#)

Price single room, per night: 70€. Breakfast included.

Price double room, per night: 70€ Breakfast included.

Distance to the University: [13 min walking](#)

Reservations at groups@hoteispremium.com

Registration

Register on the SGroup website, [here](#), as soon as possible, **no later than 15 May**.