

HISTORY AND ART:

JERONIMOS MONASTERY

Vasco da Gama's resting place is a church built in the 1500s as part of a magnificent monastery. Its cloisters are considered among the most beautiful in the world and has been listed as a World Heritage Site.

BELEM TOWER

The city's icon is also a symbol of the Age of Discovery. Built in the early 1500s, it has been declared a World Heritage monument by UNESCO.

ST. GEORGE'S CASTLE

From the millennium-old walls of this castle you have a bird's-eye view of the city in the company of roaming peacocks. Inside is a small archaeological museum.

CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN MUSEUM

Treasures from the East and the West collected by one man is now one of the world's finest private art collections. It includes works by Rembrandt, Rubens, Monet and René Lalique.

ANCIENT ART MUSEUM

Fascinating Oriental and European art makes up the collection of Portugal's "National Gallery." Much of it is related to the Age of Discovery, illustrating Portugal's links with Asia and Africa.

TILE MUSEUM

Unique in the world, this museum showcases an ancient art form (decorative ceramic tiles) in a lavish old convent (see also the top 10 tiled attractions in the city)

THE GOLDEN BAROQUE TRIO

The world's largest collection of royal carriages is housed in the Coaches Museum which should be seen after a visit to two other golden baroque attractions: São Roque Church (home to "the world's most expensive chapel") and Santa Catarina Church (one of the city's most magnificent golden interiors).

DESIGN & FASHION MUSEUM

Design and fashion by some of the top international designers is being "previewed" in a space which in a couple of years will be expanded to become one of the world's leading design and fashion museums. Admission is free.

OCEANARIUM

An odyssey of sea creatures swim together in a state-of-the-art building. Around it (in the Parque das Nações district) are fine examples of contemporary architecture which includes Europe's longest bridge

WHERE TO HAVE A COFFEE:

A Brasileira in the Chiado - a quick espresso coffee

Casa Pastéis de Belém - Portuguese famous tarts dusted with cinnamon and icing sugar.

Bairro Alto hotel - drink an aperitif at the rooftop bar while watching the sunset and the river

Lost in – Príncipe Real District

WHERE TO SHOP:

Shops in the Chiado and the Bairro Alto district

Avenida da Liberdade

Shopping Centres – El Corte Inglés, Amoreiras, Colombo and Vasco da Gama

TRENDY RESTAURANTS:

100 Maneiras - <http://www.restaurante100maneiras.com/?q=N/-/79>

Alma - <http://www.almalisboa.pt/en>

Bairro do Avillez - <http://www.joseavillez.pt/pt/bairro-do-avillez>

Belcanto - <http://belcanto.pt/PT/>

Brasserie Flo - <http://www.tivolihotels.com/pt/restaurantes-bares/portugal/lisboa/restaurante-brasserie-flo-lisboa.aspx>

Cevicheria – <http://www.chefkiko.com/#ACEvicheria>

Eleven - <http://www.restauranteleven.com/homepage>

Mini Bar - <http://www.minibar.pt/en/>

Olivier - <http://avenida.olivier.pt/>

Rio Maravilha - <http://www.riomaravilha.pt/>

Tasca da Esquina - <http://www.tascadaesquina.com/>

TRENDY BARS:

Here is a website with some of Lisbon's trendiest bars

<http://www.worldsbestbars.com/portugal/lisbon>

I recommend:

José Maria da Fonseca August 2016

- Silk

- Bedroom

- Bar do Rio

For nightclubs I recommend Lux

For rooftop bars both the Bairro Alto Hotel as well as Tivoli hotels have some great bars.