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Palaces Tour Palácio São Marcos Braga Ref. 25434



### Percurso

- 10h de Trip

8am Estimated Arrival 6pm at Hotel

### Região



The Braga region stands out for its historical and religious monuments, reflecting centuries of power and sacred art. The imposing Monastery of Tibães, the former motherhouse of the Benedictine Order, impresses with its exuberant Baroque and spiritual ambiance. In the city center, the Biscainhos Palace reveals the splendor of eighteenth-century nobility, with luxurious interiors and elegant gardens Braga offers a unique heritage, where faith, history, and architecture coexist in harmony and exceptional cultural richness

### Preço

Preço por 175€ for 2 People

FOR GROUPS WITH

pessoa: 325€ for 1 Person 125€ for 3 People

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## Booking

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### PORTO

**BRAGA** PORTO

- Aprox. 170 km

Departure from Hotel

Here is what we offer in this program; it is just a suggestion.

ensuring if necessary an alternative, always the best experience during your visit.

This 10-hour circular tour, departing and arriving in Porto, features a visit to the elegant Palácio de São Marcos in Braga. Ideal for lovers of architecture, history, and sacred art, the route includes other stops at notable monuments in the region, providing a culturally rich and visually enchanting day.

Although some tours may not be available on certain days, there may be other alternatives within the scope of the program theme,

Departing Porto in the morning, head towards Braga, with a possible stop at the Monastery of Leça do Balio in Matosinhos. This ancient Romanesque-Gothic monastery, linked to the Order of Malta, is one of the oldest in the country and marks the ideal start for a tour dedicated to monumental heritage.

Arriving in Braga, the morning is dedicated to a visit to the imposing Palácio de São Marcos, the former episcopal residence of the Archbishops of Braga. This 18th-century palace stands out for its noble architecture, symmetrical façade, and beautiful gardens. Currently belonging to the Archdiocese of Braga, the palace preserves rooms with refined decoration, religious paintings, and antique furniture, reflecting the power and influence of the Church in northern Portugal. The formal gardens, with fountains and tree-lined paths, invite contemplation.

Following Braga tradition, lunch can be enjoyed in a typical restaurant in the historic center, with dishes such as codfish à Narcisa or Minho-style rojões (roast pork sausage), accompanied by local vinho verde (green wine). In the afternoon, the tour can include a visit to the Monastery of Tibaes, on the outskirts of Braga. The former motherhouse of the Order of Saint Benedict in Portugal, the monastery impresses with its grandeur, serene cloisters,

monumental staircases, and church with exuberant Baroque carvings. On the way back to Porto, we suggest a brief stop at the Monastery of Singeverga, in Santo Tirso, famous not only for its austere Benedictine architecture but also for the production of Singeverga liqueur.

This tour concludes a full day of cultural discovery, where ecclesiastical heritage and architectural splendor reveal the best of northern Portugal's monumental heritage.



## Restaurante Dona Júlia

Dona Júlia Restaurant, in Braga, offers an exquisite dining experience with panoramic views of the city. In an elegant and cozy setting, it serves traditional Portuguese cuisine with a contemporary twist.

Highlights include dishes such as roast octopus, goat, and duck rice, paired with select wines. It's ideal for special meals with authentic flavors and a sophisticated atmosphere.



### Restaurante Arcoense **Braga**

The Arcoense restaurant in Braga has been a beacon of traditional Minho cuisine since 1987. In a welcoming and family-friendly atmosphere, it serves typical dishes such as rojões (pork stew), Braga-style cod, duck rice, and roast goat. Recognized for its authenticity and quality, it is ideal for those seeking intense regional flavors and a gastronomic experience rooted in the traditions of northern Portugal.