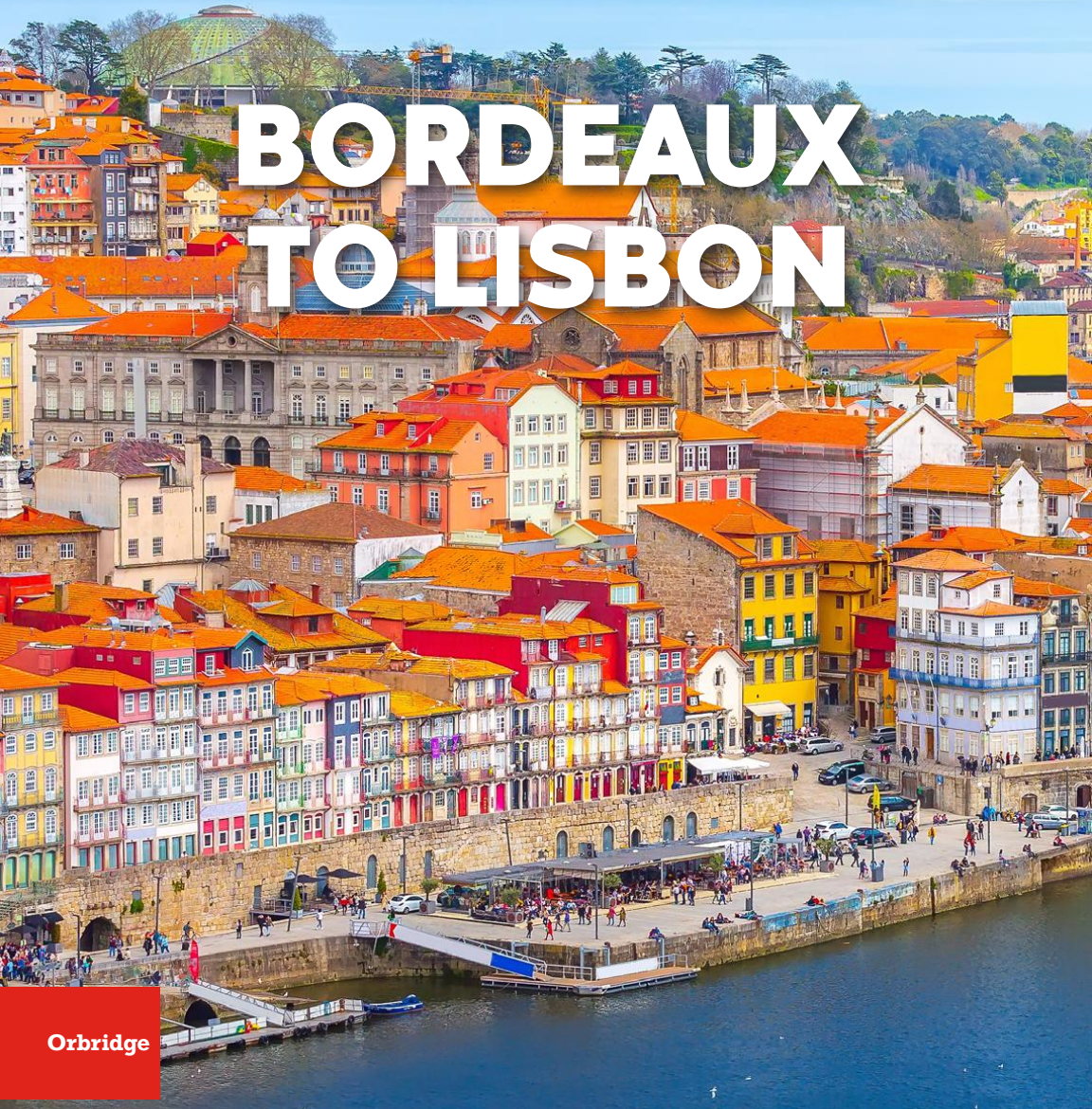
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AUG. 31 - SEPT. 8, 2027

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Bordeaux Pre-Tour
and Lisbon Post-Tour

BORDEAUX TO LISBON



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AN EPICUREAN JOURNEY ALONG THE COASTS OF FRANCE, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

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Sincerely,

Marinda Reynolds
Senior Associate Vice President, Alumni Relations
The University of Connecticut Foundation, Inc.

Bordeaux to Lisbon | Itinerary Highlights *(subject to change)*

Day 1 EN ROUTE FROM U.S. Full travel day from U.S. ✈

Day 2 ARRIVE IN BORDEAUX, FRANCE – EMBARKATION (R,D) Upon arriving an Orbridge representative will be waiting to assist with your transfer to the hospitality room prior to embarkation. This evening gather for a special welcome reception and dinner on board.

Day 3 DAY AT SEA (B,L,D) Awake this morning to a leisurely schedule on board as the ship cruises down the Gironde River in the morning and then into the Bay of Biscay en route to Santander. Take advantage of time for relaxation in the comfortable lounge while admiring the passing scenery.

Day 4 SANTANDER, SPAIN (B,L,D) During a guided tour of the expansive Magdalena Peninsula, stroll the colorful gardens and admire the exterior of the historic Palacio de la Magdalena, an early 20th-century royal summer palace built for King Alfonso XIII and Queen Victoria Eugenia. Later today enjoy an inside visit to Santander Cathedral followed by time to explore the bustling Esperanza market.

Day 5 GIJÓN (B,L,D) Join a guide for a scenic tour of the Cimavilla historic district, an old fishermen's quarter and cultural complex. The area exudes a timeless feel, with traditional stone houses, rustic façades and vibrant balconies. Next stop at Universidad Laboral for a brief visit. Once intended to serve as an orphanage, this important cultural center features an impressive central plaza, bell tower, church, art exhibition halls and workshop studios, and colorful gardens adorned with striking sculptures and installations. Following lunch on the ship, visit a cider factory for a tour and tasting of Asturias' famous beverage.

Day 6 FERROL (B,L,D) This afternoon join a guide for a panoramic tour of La Coruña, an area with a rich seafaring history and notable architecture. Visit the Tower of Hercules, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue to the city's large central square, dedicated to the heroine María Pita, housing the City Hall, beautiful arcaded buildings and a bronze statue of María Pita.

Day 7 VILAGARCÍA DE AROUSA • SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA (B,L,D) Set out for Pazo de Rubiáns, a historic 600-year-old estate famous for being the only Lordship in Galicia. During a guided tour explore the palace, botanical gardens and wine cellar. Then gather for a tasting including the estate's Albariño varietals. The afternoon features an excursion to Santiago de Compostela, a historic city in Galicia and UNESCO World Heritage Site. This area rose to prominence during the Middle Ages as a major center of pilgrimage and religious scholarship, and it became an essential part of the Christian reconquest of Spain. During a walking tour and inside visit to the cathedral, gain insight into Santiago de Compostela's ties to the Apostle Saint James the Greater.

Day 8 LEIXÕES, PORTUGAL • PORTO (B,L,D) Explore Porto's historic center, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known as the Ribeira district, during a guided walking tour. The colorful cobblestone streets dating back to the Middle Ages reveal hidden squares, charming alleyways and stunning views of the Douro River. The Dom Luís I Bridge is one of Porto's most iconic structures, connecting the city with Vila Nova de Gaia on the opposite bank of the river. Designed by a student of Gustave Eiffel, this iron bridge provides breathtaking views over the town. A visit to Porto would be incomplete without experiencing its world-famous port wine. This afternoon take part in a tasting accompanied by insights offered from vintners on the history of port wine production, the aging process and the various varietals. The final evening on board, gather for a convivial dinner to commemorate this epic cruise along Europe's Atlantic Coast and the Bay of Biscay.

Day 9 LISBON – DISEMBARKATION • DEPART FOR U.S. (B) After breakfast guests departing during the suggested times take a complimentary transfer to the airport for flights home.

(B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner, R = Reception)



Activity Level: Guests should be able to enjoy two hours or more of walking, be sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and walk up and down stairs without assistance. Historic city centers are usually more accessible by foot than vehicle. Due to the structure of some buildings, facilities for those with mobility issues may be limited.

What's Included

- 7 nights aboard the premium cruise ship, *SH Diana*
- All onboard hand-crafted meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners (served with wine, beer or non-alcoholic beverages) plus special welcome and farewell receptions
- Private tours and special small-group excursions as noted in the 9-day itinerary
- Full guiding services by an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage porterage
- Complimentary self-service laundry facilities on board the ship (washer, dryer, iron and ironing board plus detergent)
- Gratuities to ship crew, Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times


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Santiago de Compostela

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Accommodations — *SH Diana*

Signature Stateroom (Deck 4)
One double or two single beds, living room area, private bathroom, and flame-effect fireplace. (approx. 215 sq.ft.)

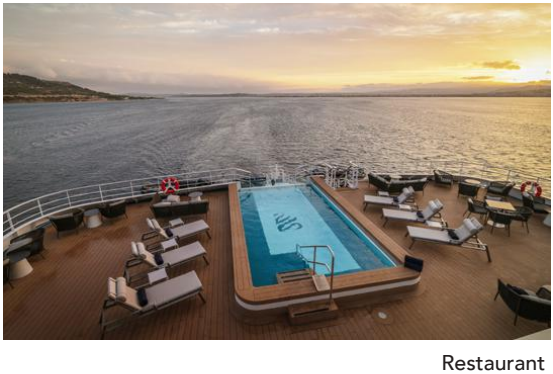
Deluxe Terrace | Deluxe Terrace Midship (Deck 5, 6)
One double or two single beds, living room area, private bathroom, flame-effect fireplace, and private balcony. (approx. 269 sq.ft. with balcony approx. 54 sq. ft.)

Luxury Terrace (Deck 6)
King bed, living room area, large private bathroom, and private balcony. (approx. 344-388 sq.ft. with balcony approx. 65 sq. ft.)

Signature Stateroom



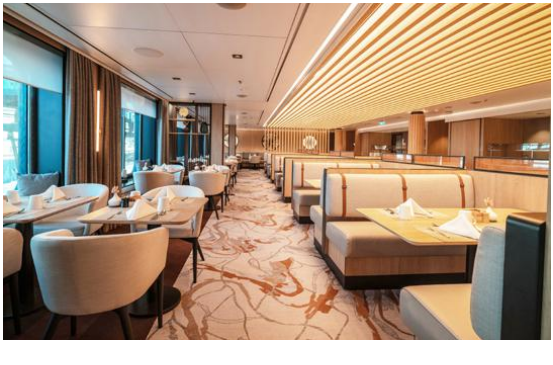
Pool



Deluxe Terrace | Midship



Restaurant



Luxury Terrace



Optional Pre-Tour: Bordeaux

Day +1 **EN ROUTE FROM U.S.** Full travel day from U.S. ✈

Day +2 **ARRIVE IN BORDEAUX, FRANCE** Upon arrival an Orbridge representative will be waiting to assist with your transfer to the hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently.

Day +3 **BORDEAUX** (B) Meet with a local guide for a captivating panoramic walking tour of Bordeaux—a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See Place de la Bourse, the Cathedral of Saint-André and Porte Cailhau. The remainder of the day is at leisure to take advantage of the plentiful amenities and dining options at the hotel.

Day +4 **BORDEAUX • SAINT-ÉMILION • MAIN PROGRAM BEGINS** (B,L)
Following breakfast set out for Saint-Émilion—a picturesque medieval village renowned for its vineyards and vintages. Descend into the fascinating network of underground passages, tunnels and chambers that played a crucial role in the region's winemaking history for centuries. Continue to a local winery for a gourmet lunch and wine pairing. This afternoon join guests arriving for the main program and embarkation.

What's Included

- 2 nights hotel accommodations at InterContinental Bordeaux – Le Grand Hotel (or similar)
- 2 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Guided panoramic city tour
- Guided Saint-Émilion caves tour
- Wine tasting experience
- Transportation for included activities
- Luggage porterage
- Guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guide, driver, porters, hotel staff, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving during the suggested times

Optional Post-Tour: Libson

Day 9 **LISBON** After disembarkation join a local guide for a panoramic city tour. First make a brief photography stop at Belém Tower, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Lisbon's most famous landmarks. Continue down Avenida da Liberdade famous for its luxurious boutiques, hotels and cafés. Next visit the Jerónimos Monastery, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, for an inside tour. Continue to the hotel for check-in. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore Lisbon independently.

Day 10 **LISBON • SINTRA** (B) After breakfast set off on a guided excursion to Sintra, a picturesque village and UNESCO World Heritage Site. See the opulent National Palace and Gardens of Queluz, dating back to 1654. Pass by Sintra National Palace in the heart of town, distinguished by its two conical chimneys. It's the oldest surviving palace in Portugal with roots tracing back to the Middle Ages. Sintra's charming old town is a delightful maze of narrow cobblestone streets lined with quaint shops, cafés and bakeries. Take advantage of the hotel amenities during free time this afternoon.

Day 11 **LISBON • DEPART FOR U.S.** (B) After breakfast guests departing during the suggested times take the complimentary group transfer to the airport for flights home.

What's Included

- 2 nights hotel accommodations at Altis Avenida Hotel (or similar)
- Guided panoramic touring of Lisbon and Sintra
- Admission to the Jerónimos Monastery
- Transportation for included tours
- Luggage porterage
- Guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times













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