



Barrington Community School

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Lisbon

Our 13th Annual Superbowl Getaway
February 1 - 6, 2011

Portugal: land of startling contrasts. This tiny country, squeezed between Spain and the sea, has a long and proud history of fierce independence. Its traditional agricultural and fishing communities continue unchanged beside its bustling and cosmopolitan cities. Its mountainous landscapes, untouched by time and modernization, stand in curious juxtaposition above the jet-setting coastal resorts.

We stay in Lisbon, a city with a vitality and pulse like none other, from the chic shops of Chiada to its ancient moorish quarter, the Alfama, to the planned elegance of the Baixa district. A morning sightseeing tour with a local guide will introduce the various districts of the city – often compared to San Francisco – and one evening we will experience the haunting soulfulness of “Fado.”

We’ll take an excursion up the coast to the north, where the ruling royal family built their palaces away from the hustle and bustle of the city, and have time in the charming coastal towns of Cascais and Estoril.

Join BCS’ Director, Sandi Tinyk, and escape the harsh New England winter on BCS’ 13th annual Superbowl Escape to Lisbon.



Lisbon's Belem Tower

Please Note: This tour uses British Airway's daytime service from Boston to London. This means that there is an extra overnight in London on the outbound connection, but doing this reduces the effects of jet-lag to a negligible amount.



The Avenida Palace Hotel

The cost of this itinerary, per person, double occupancy is:

Boston Departure:	\$2990
Land only:	\$2280
Single supplement:	\$690

Airfares are available from many other U.S. cities. Please call for details.

The following services are included:

Airfare:	Round trip air from Boston to Lisbon. All customs fees and airport taxes included.
Hotels:	5 nights accommodation in first-class hotels. All hotel taxes and service charges included.
Coaching:	All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary.
Meals:	Buffet breakfast daily; 3 dinners (one with Fado), 1 lunch.
Guides:	BCS Director Sandi Tinyk throughout. Local guide for sightseeing in Lisbon and Sintra excursion.
Expenses:	Porterage of one large suitcase per person.
Entrances:	Entrance fees to all sites featured in the itinerary.
Insurance:	Complete travel insurance including cancellation coverage.

For further information & registration please contact:
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Tuesday, February 1st

This morning we leave Barrington early to take our private bus to Logan Airport where we board British Airways' daytime flight to London. On arrival we'll transfer to our airport hotel where we'll have a late supper and spend the night. **(D)**

Overnight: London

Wednesday, February 2nd

Back to the airport this morning for our onward flight to Lisbon, arriving in the late morning. We'll be met at the airport for the transfer to our city-center hotel. After time to check-in and unpack, panoramic sightseeing, with a local guide, introduces this fascinating city; from the grand neo-classical buildings of the Baixa district to the narrow cobbled alleys of the Moorish Alfama quarter, you'll experience the rich variety which is Lisbon today. We'll stop for visits to the Castelo de Sao Jorge, a hilltop fortification with magnificent views over the city and the Tagus River, Belem Tower and the exquisite Monastery of Jeronimos. Dinner at the hotel this evening. **(B, D)**

Overnight: Lisbon

Thursday, February 3rd

Today, we explore the coast north of the city: the beautiful hill town of Sintra and the palaces which dot the wooded hills. We'll visit the Queluz Palace and the Palace of Pena and, after a break for lunch (included), we'll spend time in the cosmopolitan seaside resort of Cascais. We'll return to Lisbon for a free evening. **(B, L)**

Overnight: Lisbon

Friday, February 4th

A morning spent touring two of the city's best loved museums: the Gulbenkian, one of the world's foremost private art collections, and the Fronteira Palace, known for its tiles and its formal gardens. The afternoon is free to pursue individual interests. This evening is also free to sample a local restaurant. **(B)**

Overnight: Lisbon

Saturday, February 5th

The day is free for independent exploration. Visit the National Tile Museum in the cloisters of the splendid Madre de Deus Church to view Portugal's traditional "azulejos", take the Santa Justa Elevator, created in 1901 by Gustave Eiffel (of Eiffel Tower fame) to the elegant Chiado district or explore the Botanical Gardens. This evening we gather again to have dinner and experience the husky beauty of a "fado," Portugal's traditional music. **(B, D)**

Overnight: Lisbon



Lisbon's Magnificent Suspension Bridge



Lisbon's Castelo de Sao Jorge

Sunday, February 6th

Overnight: Home

Morning transport to Lisbon Airport for our returning British Airways' flights to Boston, via London Heathrow. On arrival at Boston our bus will be waiting to take us back to Barrington. **(B)**

Key to included meals:

B - breakfast, L - lunch, D - dinner