

Lisbon, Portugal

Pastel hills, hand-painted tiles, soulful fado, and the world's best custard tarts — from the main terminal, Alfama's medieval lanes rise directly above your gangway.

Docked (no tendering) Typical call: 8–12 hrs Euro (EUR) Portuguese · English widely spoken

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Santa Apolónia or Alcântara terminal

To Alfama: 10–15 min walk (Santa Apolónia)

Best For: Tiles · Trams · Tarts · History

Don't Miss: Belém & pastéis de nata

Getting around: **Taxi** ✓ €10–€15 · **Rideshare** ✓ Uber, Bolt · **Hop-on hop-off** ✓ Hop-on hop-off · from €47

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Alfama & São Jorge Castle** — Lisbon's oldest quarter — tangled lanes, viewpoint miradouros, the Sé Cathedral (1147), and the Moorish hilltop castle.
- **Belém — Tower, Monastery & Pastéis** — UNESCO Jerónimos Monastery and Belém Tower flank the river, plus the Monument to the Discoveries and the original Pastéis de Belém bakery (open since...
- **Historic Tram 28 Ride** — The quintessential Lisbon experience — a vintage yellow tram grinding through Graça, Alfama, and Estrela.
- **Sintra Palaces Day Trip** — Fairytale palaces in misty hills 40 min from Lisbon — the colorful Pena Palace and the mystical Quinta da Regaleira with its famous Initiation Well.
- **Lisbon Food & Wine Tour** — Sample pastéis de nata, petiscos (Portuguese tapas), ginjinha cherry liqueur, bacalhau (salt cod), and local wines in Baixa and Bairro Alto.

BEST WALKS

- **Terminal → Alfama → Portas do Sol viewpoint** ~2 km · 1.5 hrs · moderate (hilly) — Climb straight from the gangway into Alfama's ancient lanes to the Portas do Sol and Santa Luzia miradouros, with sweeping views over the red rooftops and the Tagus.
- **Baixa & Praça do Comércio waterfront** ~2 km · 1–1.5 hrs · easy (flat) — Flat, grand downtown: the vast riverfront Praça do Comércio, the triumphal Rua Augusta arch, and the elegant Baixa grid up to Rossio Square.
- **Belém waterfront walk** ~2.5 km · 1.5 hrs · easy (flat) — If docking at Alcântara or arriving by Tram 15E, stroll the scenic Tagus riverside from the Monument to the Discoveries past the National Coach Museum to Belém Tower.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				DAYLIGHT & MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 7:00AM–8:13PM · Jun 6:11AM–9:02PM · Aug 6:50AM–8:30PM · Sep 7:18AM–7:44PM · Oct 7:46AM–6:57PM	
Apr	66°	54°	9d	Euro (EUR)	
Jun	76°	62°	4d		
Aug	82°	65°	1d		
Sep	78°	64°	5d		
Oct	73°	61°	9d		

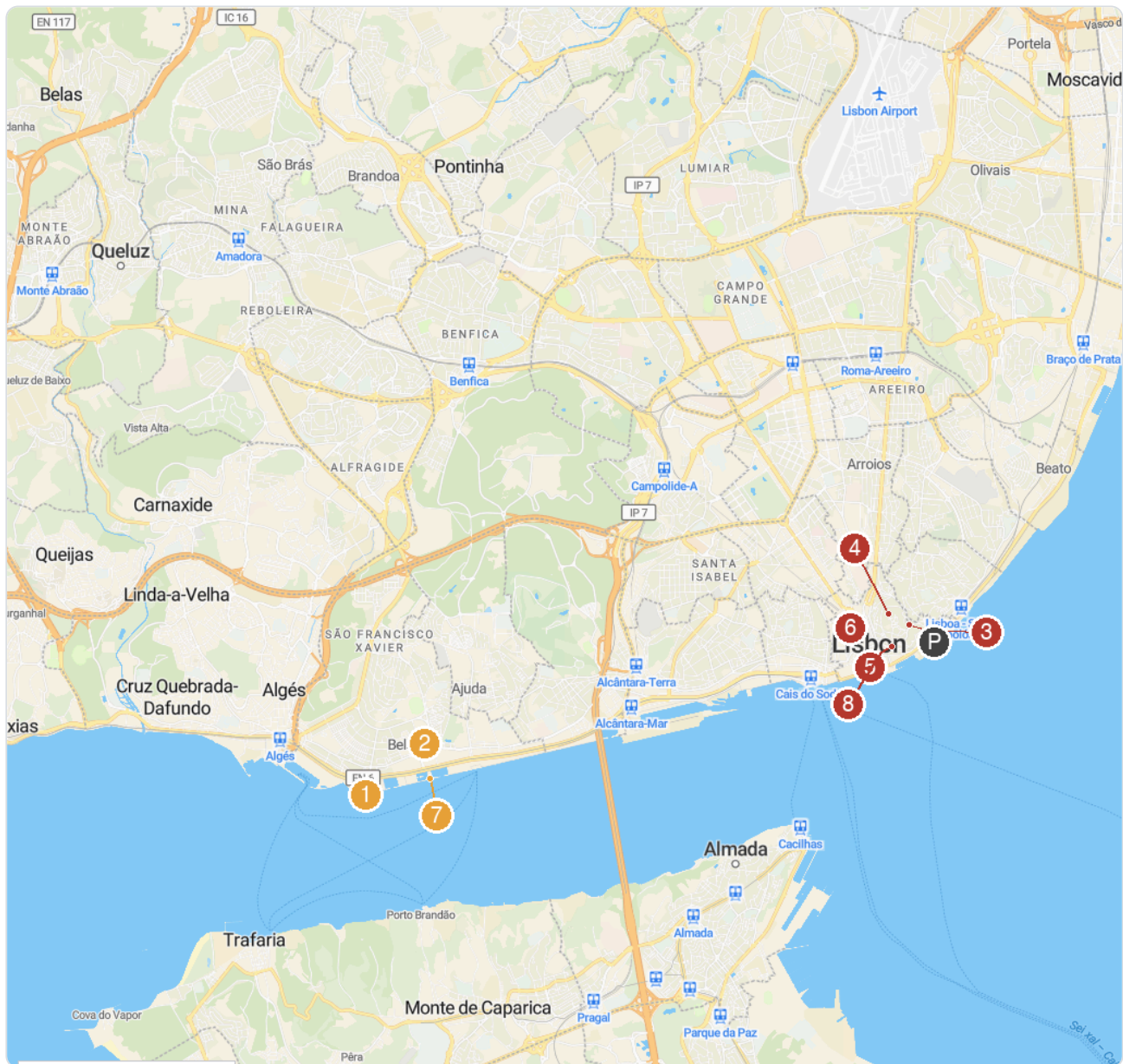
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Ride Tram 28 early or skip it. By 10am it's jammed with cruise crowds and pickpockets working the line. Board at Rua da Conceição or Martim Moniz, or take the quieter Tram 12. Keep bags against your body. Carris 28E: <https://www.carris.pt/viaje/carreiras/28e/> (checked 2 October 2026).
- Lisbon is steep and the cobblestones are slippery. The pretty calçada tiles get glassy even when dry — wear grippy, comfortable shoes. Sandals are asking for trouble in Alfama.
- Eat pastéis de nata warm. The original Pastéis de Belém bakery is worth the queue, but any good pastelaria in Alfama will do. Ask for cinnamon (canela) on top.
- Know which terminal you're at. Alcântara is 6 km from Alfama — if you expect to walk into the old town and end up there, you'll need a taxi or tram. Check your daily program the night before.
- Cards accepted nearly everywhere, but keep €10–€20 cash for tram tickets, kiosk snacks, small cafés, and market vendors. ATMs are common throughout Baixa.
- Pastéis de Belém — great bakery in the Belém area, worth stopping even if there's a line. It moves fast. — tip from Gordon.

Lisbon, Portugal — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Torre de Belém | 16th-century fortified tower guarding the Tagus River entrance. | 2 Mosteiro dos Jerónimos | Grand Manueline-style monastery honoring Portugal's Age of Discovery. |
| 3 Alfama | Lisbon's oldest quarter, a maze of steep lanes and fado bars. | 4 Castelo de São Jorge | Hilltop Moorish castle with commanding views over the city. |
| 5 Praça do Comércio | Grand riverfront plaza framed by yellow arcaded buildings. | 6 Elevador de Santa Justa | Ornate iron elevator connecting downtown to the Bairro Alto above. |
| 7 Padrão dos Descobrimentos | Riverside monument shaped like a caravel honoring Portuguese explorers. | 8 Sé de Lisboa | Fortress-like Romanesque cathedral, the city's oldest church. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |