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DATE	DETAILS	
31 September	*	Travel to Lisbon Portugal
01 October	*	Arrive in Lisbon, Portugal and check into your hotel. Evening at your leisure
02 October	*	Explore the city of Lisbon at your leisure; or, an <u>optional excursion</u> to Cascais. Cascais is a short train ride along the shore from Lisbon. This town was formerly a quaint fishing village that became a popular cosmopolitan town with elegant pedestrian streets, luxuriant villas, fashionable shops and restaurants.
03 October	*	• On your guided sightseeing tour of Lisbon, see the enormous monument dedicated to Henry the Navigator, as well as the 16th-century Belém Tower, the Moorish citadel, and impressive Black Horse Square. Visit the CATHEDRAL LA SE', where St. Anthony was baptized, and JERONIMOS MONASTERY, which dates back to the mid-1400s and was built in thanks to the Virgin Mary for Vasco de Gama's successful voyage to India. Head north for a stop in Santarém to visit the CHURCH OF THE EUCHARISTIC HOLY MIRACLE. Arrive in Fatima, home to the most famous Catholic shrines. Enjoy an orientation walk and visit the Tomb of the Visionaries and the Chapel of the Apparitions made famous by the Virgin Mary's 1917 appearances to three shepherd children, which culminated in the revelation of the Three Secrets of Fatima. This evening, join pilgrims from around the world for the Rosary and candlelight procession at the Our Lady of Fátima Basilica. (B,D)
04 October	*	 Join an optional excursion to Tomar with a visit to the Monastery-Fortress of the Knights Templar. This afternoon attend Mass at the Sanctuary of Our Lady with time on your own to explore the tiny hamlet of Aljustrel and see the home of the 3 shepherd children. This evening maybe join the Rosary. (B,D)
05 October	*	 Fatima – Braga - Santiago De Compostela, Spain Journey to Braga, one of the oldest Christian cities in the world and nicknamed the "Portuguese Rome." Visit the BOM JESUS DO MONTE SANCTUARY, an important pilgrimage site where devout followers have walked the "Stations of the Cross" for contemplation and penance since 1811. See the unique zigzag stairway dedicated to the five senses (sight, smell, hearing, touch, and taste) and the three theological virtues (faith, hope, and charity). Continue into Spain and head for Santiago de Compostella, one of the top pilgrimage destinations since the Middle Ages. On arrival an orientation walk introduces you to the old city center. Then attend the Pilgrims Mass in ST. JAMES' CATHEDRAL, which houses the Apostle James' remains beneath the high alter, followed by the famous Botafumeiro to close the celebration. (B, D)

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06 October	 Santiago de Compostela This morning, join an optional excursion to Cabo Finisterre, where pilgrims have traditionally completed their walk and burned their robes. Later, return to Santiago de Compostela known throughout history for the key 9th-century pilgrimage route, the Camino de Santiago (or Way of St. James) with time to explore on your own. [B]
07 October	 Santiago De Compostela - Burgos Travel to Burgos, the historic capital of Old Castile. Your visit takes you to the magnificent CATHEDRAL, a masterpiece of gothic architecture and the burial place of Spanish national hero El Cid. (B)
08 October	 Burgos - San Ignacio de Loyola - Lourdes, France Travel through the Basque region toward Lourdes. En route, attend Mass at the 17th-century SANCTUARY of Loyola, built in honor of San Ignacio de Loyola, founder of the Jesuit religious order. See its spectacular dome and main altarpiece, built in marble and jasper. Cross the border into France, and overnight in Lourdes, home to another of the world's most famous places of pilgrimage. Join the nightly Rosary and candlelight procession for a memorable experience. (B,D)
09 October	 Lourdes Guided walking tour includes the GROTTO where the Virgin Mary appeared to St. Bernadette in 1858, Our Lady of Lourdes SHRINE, Bernadette's BIRTHPLACE, and her FAMILY HOME. The afternoon is at leisure to further explore this little market town and to attend Mass if you like. (B,D)
10 October	 Lourdes - Carcassonne - Barcelona, Spain This morning, head for the France/Spain border. En route, visit the FORTIFIED CITADEL of Carcassonne, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See the ramparts, castle walls, and drawbridges that are still well preserved from the Middle Ages. Overnight in Catalonia's lively and beautiful capital, Barcelona. (B)
11 October	 Barcelona Today's guided sightseeing includes a drive around Montjuïc to see the Olympic Stadium and a panoramic view of the port and city. Continue to the city center's Plaza Catalunya and Paseo de Gracia to admire Gaudi's eccentric Houses Batlló and Milà, as well as his SAGRADA FAMILIA, an unfinished architectural masterpiece that is still a consecrated expression of the Catholic faith. (B)
12 October	 Barcelona Day at leisure. Optional excursion to the pilgrimage site of Montserrat and its countryside, situated 4,055 feet above sea level in a mountain range composed of strikingly pink conglomerate, a form of sedimentary rock, and site of the Benedictine abbey that hosts the Black Virgin of Montserrat Sanctuary, patron saint of Catalonia. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B,D)
13 October	 Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)
14 October	❖ Arrive home

- * Price includes airfare (round-trip from/to Winnipeg to Lisbon), guide/host, transportation, quality accommodations, sightseeing and meals as noted in the above itinerary. A \$250 deposit (per person) required by January 15, 2018; final payment due July 15, 2018.
- ** Not included: \$123 gratuity, travel insurance, and optional excursions.

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