



## **Tailor-Made Itinerary – Hakim**



## Custom Program

### Day 1: Arrival in Lisbon

[DAY\_IMAGE\_01:Lisbon Alfama]

- **Morning:** Arrival at Lisbon Airport. Private transfer (30 min, child seats available on request, +15 min buffer for family needs) to accommodation in the historic Alfama district. Early check-in if available.
- **Afternoon:** Gentle walk through Alfama's winding streets (Miradouro de Santa Luzia viewpoint, 1h). Suitable for all ages; stroller-friendly paths with some cobblestones. Rest break at a local café with playground nearby.
- **Evening:** Early dinner at a family-friendly Portuguese restaurant (children's menu, high chairs). Settle into accommodation.
- **Highlight:** First sunset over Lisbon's rooftops—a magical introduction for the whole family.
- **Hotel options:**
  - Boutique hotel in Alfama (family suite, up to 4 people: 2 adults + 2 children, separate sleeping areas, baby equipment on request, breakfast included, €160–220/night)

- Guesthouse with kitchen access (apartment-style, up to 4 people, garden, high chairs, €120–160/night)
- Eco-lodge near Lisbon (short transfer, family bungalows, pool with shallow area, playground, €140–200/night)
- **TIP:** August heat—schedule walks before 10am or after 5pm; pack hats, sunscreen, reusable water bottles for children.
- **[To Customize]:** Confirm arrival time for early check-in; specify children's ages for optimal room setup.

## **Day 2: Lisbon Family Discovery**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_02:Lisbon Oceanario]

- **Morning:** Visit to Lisbon Oceanarium (children from 2 years, 2–3h duration, moderate pacing, stroller-friendly, indoor for midday heat, changing facilities available).
- **Afternoon:** Ride the historic Tram 28 (all ages, 1h loop, fun for children). Stop at Jardim da Estrela (playground, shaded areas, snack kiosk).
- **Evening:** Dinner at Time Out Market (variety of foods, high chairs, family seating).
- **Highlight:** Watching the kids marvel at the Oceanarium's giant tanks.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 1.

- **TIP:** Indoor alternatives like Oceanarium perfect for hottest hours (12–4pm); bring snacks and tablets for tram queues.
- **[To Customize]:** Reserve Oceanarium tickets in advance (peak season); check for children’s workshops.

### **Day 3: Sintra’s Fairytale Palaces**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_03:Sintra Pena Palace]

- **Morning:** Private transfer to Sintra (45 min, car seats provided, +15 min buffer). Visit Pena Palace and gardens (children from 4 years recommended, 2h, moderate walking, strollers for gardens only).
- **Afternoon:** Picnic in the park or lunch at a family-friendly café. Explore Quinta da Regaleira’s gardens (all ages, caves and tunnels—children love it!, 1.5h, easy paths).
- **Evening:** Return to Lisbon (45 min). Light dinner near accommodation.
- **Highlight:** Exploring magical gardens and secret tunnels together.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 1, or consider overnight in Sintra (family room, garden, €140–180/night).
- **TIP:** Sintra hills can be tiring—pack water, snacks; split parents/kids if needed (one explores caves, others picnic).
- **[To Customize]:** Adjust pace based on children’s energy; consider

splitting day if children are young.

## **Day 4: Rest & Play in Lisbon**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_04:Lisbon Park]

- **Morning:** Free morning for rest, pool time, or visit to Parque Eduardo VII (shaded playgrounds, play structures, snack kiosks, stroller-friendly).
- **Afternoon:** Optional visit to Calouste Gulbenkian Museum (interactive children's activities, air-conditioned, all ages, 1–2h).
- **Evening:** Casual dinner at a pizzeria or local pastelaria (children's menu, early hours).
- **Highlight:** Relaxed family time, letting everyone recharge.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 1.
- **TIP:** Flexible day—shorten/extend activities at your pace; indoor museum ideal if rainy.
- **[To Customize]:** Add more rest days as needed; options for babysitting or parents' free time.

## **Day 5: Lisbon to Algarve – Beach Bound!**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_05:Algarve Coast]

- **Morning:** Private transfer to Algarve region (3h with 1–2 stops for bathroom/snack breaks, car seats provided, strollers stored, travel games/tablets suggested).
- **Afternoon:** Settle into accommodation near Lagos or Albufeira. Pool time or short walk to the beach (gentle, sandy, lifeguards on duty).
- **Evening:** Early dinner at a beachfront restaurant (children's menu, outdoor seating, high chairs).
- **Highlight:** First swim in the Atlantic—safe, shallow waters for children.
- **Hotel options:**
  - Boutique hotel near Lagos (family suite, pool with shallow area, up to 4 people, kitchenette, €170–230/night)
  - Eco-lodge in Aljezur (family bungalows, playground, garden, €140–180/night)
  - Guesthouse in Albufeira (apartment-style, close to beach, up to 4 people, €120–160/night)
- **TIP:** Pack beach toys, sun hats; check pool fencing for young children.
- **[To Customize]:** Confirm preferred Algarve base; check for pool fencing and family amenities.

## **Day 6: Algarve Beaches & Water Fun**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_06:Praia Dona Ana]

- **Morning:** Beach time at Praia Dona Ana (lifeguards, calm waters, shaded areas, suitable for all ages, sun protection essential, 2–3h).
- **Afternoon:** Optional boat trip to sea caves (children from 4 years, 1.5h, life jackets provided, calm seas in August) or sandcastle building on the beach.
- **Evening:** Dinner at a seafood restaurant (children's options, early seating).
- **Highlight:** Family boat ride exploring Algarve's famous sea caves.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 5.
- **TIP:** Morning beach before 11am avoids peak heat; bring rash guards for water play.
- **[To Customize]:** Book boat trip in advance; check weather/sea conditions.

## **Day 7: Algarve – Rest & Leisure**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_07:Lagos Old Town]

- **Morning:** Free day for pool, beach, or exploring Lagos Old Town (pedestrian, shaded, ice cream stops, stroller-friendly).
- **Afternoon:** Optional visit to Lagos Zoo (all ages, 2h, shaded paths, picnic area, playground).
- **Evening:** Casual family dinner in town.
- **Highlight:** Leisurely day—let the children set the pace.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 5.
- **TIP:** Zoo has rest areas; shorten visit if hot—pool as indoor alternative.
- **[To Customize]:** Add more rest days as needed; babysitting options available.

## **Day 8: Algarve to Douro Valley – Countryside Escape**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_08:Douro Vineyards]

- **Morning:** Private transfer to Douro Valley (4h with breaks every 1h for snacks/rest, car seats, games/tablets for children, scenic route).
- **Afternoon:** Arrival at rural accommodation. Relax in garden/pool, meet farm animals (children's favorite).
- **Evening:** Dinner at the property (local produce, children's menu, outdoor dining).
- **Highlight:** Children meeting farm animals and exploring the

countryside.

- **Hotel options:**
  - Eco-lodge in Douro (family suite, pool, garden, up to 4 people, €150–200/night)
  - Farm stay (apartment, kitchen, animals, up to 4 people, €120–170/night)
  - Boutique country house (family room, outdoor space, €160–210/night)
- **TIP:** Longer transfer—pack audiobooks/games; hydration breaks essential in August heat.
- **[To Customize]:** Confirm interest in farm activities; check pool safety features.

## **Day 9: Douro Valley Family Adventures**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_09:Douro River]

- **Morning:** Easy family hike or nature walk (1–2h, suitable for children 4+, shaded trails, picnic stop).
- **Afternoon:** Optional river cruise (all ages, 1h, shaded deck, life jackets provided) or visit to a local village market (stroller-friendly).
- **Evening:** Dinner at accommodation or local restaurant (children's menu).

- **Highlight:** Scenic river cruise—fun and relaxing for all ages.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 8.
- **TIP:** Morning walks cooler; market has shaded seating, child-friendly fruits/snacks.
- **[To Customize]:** Book river cruise in advance; adjust activities based on children's energy.

## **Day 10: Douro Valley – Rest & Explore**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_10:Douro Countryside]

- **Morning:** Free morning for rest, pool, or exploring the property's grounds (outdoor play, garden, animal feeding).
- **Afternoon:** Optional visit to Peso da Régua (wine museum with children's area, short 20 min transfer, air-conditioned, 1h).
- **Evening:** Early dinner and sunset walk.
- **Highlight:** Family downtime in nature.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 8.
- **TIP:** Flexible pacing—pool time if children tired; indoor museum for heat relief.
- **[To Customize]:** Add more rest days if needed; flexible pacing for families.

## Day 11: Douro Valley to Porto

[DAY\_IMAGE\_11:Porto Ribeira]

- **Morning:** Short private transfer to Porto (1.5h, car seats, luggage management for family, snack stop).
- **Afternoon:** Settle into accommodation in Porto's historic Ribeira district (family suite, up to 4 people, baby equipment on request). Explore the riverside promenade (street performers, ice cream stops, stroller-friendly).
- **Evening:** Dinner at a riverside restaurant (children's menu, early seating).
- **Highlight:** Porto's colorful riverside at sunset—a treat for all ages.
- **Hotel options:**
  - Boutique hotel in Ribeira (family suite, up to 4 people, river view, €170–230/night)
  - Guesthouse with kitchenette (apartment, close to attractions, €120–170/night)
  - Eco-lodge near Porto (short transfer, family bungalows, garden, €140–180/night)
- **[To Customize]:** Confirm preferred Porto location; check for family amenities.

## **Day 12: Porto Family Highlights**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_12:Porto Livraria]

- **Morning:** Visit Livraria Lello (children from 5 years, 1h, magical bookshop, skip-the-line tickets recommended) and Clerigos Tower (optional, 6+ years for stairs, 30 min).
- **Afternoon:** Picnic in Jardim do Palácio de Cristal (playgrounds, shaded peacocks area, snack kiosks).
- **Evening:** Dinner at Mercado Bom Sucesso (variety of foods, family seating).
- **Highlight:** Discovering Porto's magical bookshop together.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 11.
- **TIP:** Bookshop queues long—early visit; garden has rest areas for younger kids.
- **[To Customize]:** Reserve tickets in advance; adjust activities for children's ages.

## **Day 13: Porto – Beach & Play**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_13:Foz do Douro]

- **Morning:** Tram ride to Foz do Douro (all ages, 30 min, fun for children). Beach time (safe waters, lifeguards, shaded areas).
- **Afternoon:** Visit Sea Life Porto (children from 2 years, 1–1.5h, indoor, air-conditioned, stroller-friendly).
- **Evening:** Early dinner at a seaside café.
- **Highlight:** Beach and aquarium in one day—children’s favorites.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 11.
- **TIP:** Tram exciting but crowded—hold hands; Sea Life has feeding shows kids love.
- **[To Customize]:** Book Sea Life tickets in advance; check for family facilities at the beach.

## **Day 14: Porto – Rest & Flex Day**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_14:Porto Park]

- **Morning:** Free day for rest, pool, or exploring Porto’s parks/playgrounds (shaded, stroller-friendly).
- **Afternoon:** Optional visit to World of Discoveries (interactive museum, all ages, 2h, indoor, air-conditioned, hands-on exhibits).
- **Evening:** Farewell dinner at a family-friendly restaurant.
- **Highlight:** Relaxed end to your Portuguese adventure.
- **Hotel options:** Same as Day 11.

- **TIP:** Museum interactive for all ages; perfect indoor option if weather changes.
- **[To Customize]:** Flexible activities based on family's energy; add more rest days if needed.

## **Day 15: Departure from Porto**

[DAY\_IMAGE\_15:Porto Airport]

- **Morning:** Private transfer to Porto Airport (30 min, child seats provided, luggage assistance, +15 min buffer).
- **Afternoon:** Flight home (2h check-in buffer, snacks/games for children during wait).
- **Evening:** Arrival at home—memories of Portugal in tow!
- **Highlight:** Smooth, stress-free departure for the whole family.
- **Hotel options:** N/A (departure day).
- **[To Customize]:** Confirm flight time; arrange late check-out if needed.

## **Customizable Options**

- Private family guide for select days (history, nature, or food focus; can split activities for parents/children)

- Babysitting services at accommodations (evenings or during adults-only activities)
- Cooking class for families (children from 6 years, hands-on, 2h)
- Surf lesson for families in Algarve (children from 7 years, 2h, all equipment included)
- Wellness day for parents (spa with kids' club, half-day)
- Exclusive boat charter in Douro (private picnic, swimming stop, life jackets for all ages)

## **Alternative Options**

- **Alternative Option 1: Faster Pace** – Reduce to two main regions (Lisbon & Algarve or Lisbon & Porto), allowing longer stays in each and fewer transfers.
- **Alternative Option 2: Slower, Deeper Exploration** – Focus on just Lisbon and the Algarve, with more rest days, local experiences, and day trips.
- **Alternative Option 3: Lower Budget** – Emphasize guesthouses and budget hotels, reduce private transfers in favor of trains, shorten overall trip by 3–5 days.

## **Practical Info & Budget**

Item	Estimated Cost (Adults)	Estimated Cost (Children)
Accommodation (15 nights, family rooms)	€900	€450
Private transfers (with child seats)	€350	€175
Main activities (Oceanarium, boat trips, zoo, etc.)	€150	€75
Most meals (family-friendly restaurants)	€100	€50
Total Family Budget (2 adults + 2 children)	€3000	€1500
Total Estimated Cost	€4 500	

- **Seasonality:** August peak summer—hot, sunny (midday 12–4pm: rest indoors/shade). Beaches busy; book early.
- **Comfort level:** Boutique hotels, guesthouses, eco-lodges with family amenities (pools, kitchenettes, playgrounds).
- **What's included:** Accommodation, private transfers with child seats,

main activities, most meals, family amenities.

- **What's excluded:** International flights, insurance, optional upgrades, some meals, personal expenses.
- **Health & Safety:** Hydration/sun protection essential; lifeguards/life jackets at beaches; food safety for kids.
- **Visa:** Schengen Area—check requirements; most need no visa for short stays.

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