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ATTRACTIONS

- <u>Tram #1</u>
- <u>City Parks</u>
- Lello Bookshop
- <u>Matosinhos Beach</u>
- Leça's Seawater Pool
- São Bento Train Station

5-STAR HOTELS

- <u>Torel Avantgarde</u>
- Torel Palace Porto
- Hotel Infante Sagres
- <u>Le Monumental Palace</u>

4-STAR HOTELS

- Se Catedral Hilton
- <u>NH Collection Porto</u>
- <u>Mercure Porto Aliados</u>
- <u>Eurostars Porto Centro</u>

CHURCHES

- <u>Clérigos Church</u>
- Santa Clara Church

MUSEUMS

- Casa do Infante
- Palácio da Bolsa
- House of Filigree

PORT WINE CELLARS

- Churchill's
- <u>Taylor's Port</u>
- Caves Ferreira
- <u>Graham's Port Lodge</u>
- <u>Cockburn's Port Lodge</u>

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5-STAR HOTELS

- <u>Torel Avantgarde</u>: boutique hotel located on Clérigos hill, with an amazing view to the river.
- <u>Torel Palace Porto</u>: boutique hotel closer to Bolhão market and the famous train station.
- Hotel Infante Sagres: first 5-star in town, classic, amazing service. Next to the nightlife area.
- <u>Le Monumental Palace</u>: right on the main avenue, with an art déco vibe and a lavish feel.

4-STAR HOTELS

- Se Catedral Hilton: new, up the road from the train station and easy access to Luis I Bridge.
- <u>NH Collection Porto</u>: very close to the main shopping street, the market and the station.
- <u>Mercure Porto Aliados</u>: outdoor pool, near the theatres, main avenue, shopping, train station.
- Eurostars Porto Centro: young, fun, near the theatres, main avenue, shopping, train station.

PORT WINE CELLARS

- <u>Churchill's</u>: more off the beaten path. Smaller and has a more private/exclusive approach.
- <u>Taylor's Port</u>: more central than the previous one. One of the best known brands, a classic.
- Caves Ferreira: easily accessible from the river. Great story about the only woman owner!
- Graham's Port Lodge: the best view! Great white Ports and cool cocktails on the balcony.
- <u>Cockburn's Port Lodge</u>: worth the uphill to see a functioning Port wine barrel workshop.

CHURCHES AND MUSEUMS

- <u>Clérigos Church</u>: its tower is the symbol of Porto. Free organ concerts everyday at 12 PM.
- Santa Clara Church: less known to visitors. 360° of impressive, Baroque gilded woodwork.
- Casa do Infante: the medieval Customs House. It encapsulates nearly 2000 years of History.
- Palácio da Bolsa: this Stock Exchange Palace cannot be missed! Very close to the river.
- House of Filigree: filigree is a beautiful & ancient art form, and here it can be seen made live.

OTHER ATTRACTIONS

- <u>Tram #1</u>: A beautiful ride along the river, finishing in Foz, where it meets the Atlantic ocean.
- City Parks: Parque da Cidade, Jardim Botânico, Palácio de Cristal, Jardim do Morro...
- Lello Bookshop: avoid the lines buy tickets online and visit closer to closing time (7 pm).
- Matosinhos Beach: family & pet friendly beach that locals prefer. Big for surf & wind sports.
- Leça's Seawater Pool: by Priztker Award-winner Siza Vieira in the 60s. A family classic!
- São Bento Train Station: w/ 20.000 plus hand-painted tiles. Go at night to avoid the crowds.

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