

The Lisbon Boutique Hotel- '5 Star': Lisbon Centre

Summary

This, the newest 5 star boutique hotel on the Lisbon scene, is perfectly located between the bohemian Bairro Alto district and the wide avenues of designer shops in Chiado. After a hard day's sight-seeing in Lisbon's colourful streets, chill out on the rooftop terrace with a sun-downer and contemplate the city-scape with the glimmering Tejo River beyond. This elegant and romantic boutique hotel is a delicious blend of vintage Portuguese style and contemporary comfort; a super-chic small luxury hotel in the heart of bustling Lisbon with a sense of nostalgia that's right on-trend.

Details

As you enter the cool, limestone clad lobby, the hustle and bustle of the city is immediately forgotten. Quirky artwork and huge commissioned photographs of Lisbon's landmark sites hang alongside preserved Arabic wall mosaics. This blend of old and new is continued throughout the hotel, from the garret-style loft bedrooms with their gorgeous Ralph Lauren wallpapers and fabrics to the cool, contemporary cocktail bar in the basement.

The guest rooms' decoration takes inspiration from the colours of the city, with painted panelling in subdued yellows, creams, sea greens and maroons. The décor is complemented by rich silk curtains, crisp white linen and dark Brazilian wooden floors. All the rooms have fabulous views across the city, with double glazed windows that magically ensure a good night's sleep! For the ultimate in pampering, ask for a room with a vintage roll-top bathtub, perfect for a long, old-fashioned bubble bath.

The hotel is walking distance to all Lisbon's sights. The Bairro Alto artists' quarter and designer Chiado areas are on the doorstep, whilst the delightfully higgledy-piggledy Arabic Alfama district (topped by the medieval Castelo Sao Jorge) and the elegant Lapa diplomatic quarter are just beyond. Given that Lisbon is built over seven hills, though, you may prefer to take the tram to get around, or one of the city's elevators which trundle to the viewpoints on the hilltops. A relaxing treatment in the hotel's wellness centre will certainly be well earned.

At night, there is wide choice of eateries near the hotel, not least being its own fusion restaurant. Traditional Portuguese "Fado" houses also abound, where you can enjoy inexpensive regional food whilst listening to the melancholy Fado singers, who's mournful voices fill the evening streets. As the sun sets, relax on the hotel's chill out terrace as the city lights twinkle over the Tejo River.

Lisbon has the added attraction of being close to some stunning beaches. So why not escape the heat of the city one day? Along with well-heeled Lisboetas, head for the seaside resorts of Estoril and Cascais which are just 20 minutes away by train. Alternatively, Sintra, just to the north of Lisbon, is a fairytale town of castles and palaces set among botanic gardens and redwood forests, and is not to be missed on a day trip out of the City.

For more images see www.c-boutiquehotels.com
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Facts & Figures

55 Guest Rooms and Suites:

- Loft Double – character rooms with sloping ceilings. Some with balcony.
- Superior Double – larger rooms with city or river views. Some with balcony.
- Deluxe Double – large corner rooms with city or river views. Some with balcony.
- Prestige Doubles – large rooms with city views and vintage roll top bathtubs with separate showers. Some with balcony.
- Suite – corner location with bedroom, separate sitting room, vintage roll top bath tubs with separate showers. Some with balcony.

All rooms have: *Ensuite bathrooms – LCD Plasma TV & DVD player – Minibar – Telephone & Wifi Internet Access – Air-Con/Heating – Double Glazing – Safe – Hairdryers*

Hotel facilities: Rooftop Terrace & Bar/Cafe – Restaurant (with gourmet tasting menu every first Wednesday of the month) - Drinks Service – Wellness Centre – Gym – Basement Cocktail Lounge and Bar

Also at and around hotel (extra cost): Golf – Wine-tasting – City Tours – Underground Parking – Personal Shopper – Baby-Sitting – Boutique – Beaches

Regional Highlights

- Lisbon's many colourful districts, museums, art galleries and historic sights within walking distance
- Tram rides and city viewpoints
- Designer shopping (personal shoppers available)
- Nightlife with Fado Houses, Clubs, Restaurants and Bars
- Day trips to Cascais and Estoril Beaches with many watersports and boat trips
- Estoril Casino (Ian Fleming's original inspiration for the James Bond book, "Casino Royale")
- Day trip to Sintra, the town of fairytale castles and palaces set amid protected redwood forests
- To the south, the natural beauty of the Alentejo Nature Reserve and to the north, the long sandy beaches of the Silver Coast
- Championship golf courses

Location

Nearest airports:
Nearest railway station:
Nearest shops and restaurants:
Nearest Beach

Lisbon (20 mins drive)
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Doorstep
20 mins by train

