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The Lumiares (LIS) **The Vintage** (LIS) **The Rebello** (OPR)

FROM BAIRRO ALTO TO GRAÇA

This drive starts in the leafy streets above the city and slowly unravels Lisbon from top to bottom. You'll wind through hilltop viewpoints and historic neighbourhoods, drop down to the riverfront, then climb east through Alfama to finish at one of the best panoramas in the city. It's a compact route that covers a surprising amount of ground.

ESTIMATED TIME: 2.5–3 hours (depending on how long you linger)

DISTANCE: Approx. 10–12 km

STARTING POINT: The Lumiares (Bairro Alto) or The Vintage (Príncipe Real) - both are within minutes of each other, so the route works from either hotel.

→ *STOP 1 – Miradouro de São Pedro de Alcântara*

Start here. The city unfolds beneath you. The castle sits directly across the rooftops, the river stretches out beyond it, and on a clear day you can see as far as the Serra da Arrábida. It's one of the best panoramas in Lisbon, and it's two minutes from the hotel.

There's a kiosk at the viewpoint if you want a coffee before setting off.

→ *STOP 2 – Chiado*

Chiado has been the cultural and intellectual heart of Lisbon for centuries. Bookshops, historic cafés and elegant streets sit alongside contemporary galleries and independent boutiques. The neighbourhood never quite decides whether it belongs to the 19th or 21st century, which is part of its charm.

WORTH A LOOK: *A Brasileira* is one of Lisbon's oldest and most famous cafés, open since 1905. Fernando Pessoa used to drink here. His bronze statue is still outside if you want proof.



→ 📍 *STOP 3 – Praça do Comércio*

One of Europe's largest riverfront squares sits directly on the Tagus, framed by the yellow arcaded buildings of the old royal palace and facing directly onto the river. The Arco da Rua Augusta stands at its northern end, triumphal and impossible to miss.

This is where ships once docked after crossing the Atlantic, and the square still carries that sense of arrival.

→ 📍 *STOP 4 – Ribeira das Naus*

Just a short distance west along the waterfront.

The old shipyard of the Royal Navy has been reborn as one of Lisbon's favourite riverside promenades. Grab a coffee, take a seat on the tiered wooden steps that lead down to the water, and watch the ferries crossing the Tagus while sailboats drift past.

It's a good place to slow down before heading east.

→ 📍 *STOP 5 – Feira da Ladra*

Only if you're visiting on a Tuesday or Saturday, 9am–6pm.

Tucked between Alfama and Graça, Lisbon's famous flea market has been running in this area for over 800 years. Vintage clothes, old ceramics, second-hand books, antique jewellery and things that defy categorisation. It's unpredictable and good fun to browse. Go without a shopping list. That's the only way to do it properly.



→ 📍 *STOP 6 – Alfama*

The oldest neighbourhood in Lisbon still feels like a village within the city. Narrow streets twist between whitewashed buildings, laundry hangs from balconies and conversations drift through open windows. Much of Alfama survived the 1755 earthquake that levelled most of the city, making it one of the few places where Lisbon still looks more or less as it did centuries ago. Drive slowly. The streets are steep and narrow and that's the point. Did you know? The name Alfama comes from the Arabic al-hamma, meaning "hot springs" or "baths" - a reminder that Lisbon was a Moorish city for more than four centuries before the Portuguese reconquest of 1147.

→ 📍 *STOP 7 – Graça*

Climb a little higher and the city falls away below you. The Miradouro da Graça is one of the most panoramic viewpoints in Lisbon, with views stretching across the castle, the river, the rooftops and the bridges beyond. The Igreja da Graça, right beside it, is one of the oldest churches in the city, quieter and less visited than the Sé, and worth a few minutes inside. The neighbourhood itself is a good place to feel what Lisbon is like outside the tourist trail. Worth a drink: Secret LX is right by the viewpoint, a relaxed bar with a terrace and one of the better views in the area. A good excuse to linger.

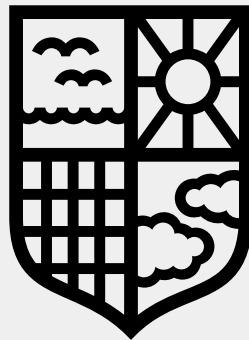
→ *RETURN*

Head back west through the city towards the hotel.



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