

PORT INFORMATION



LISBON



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Take Ashore

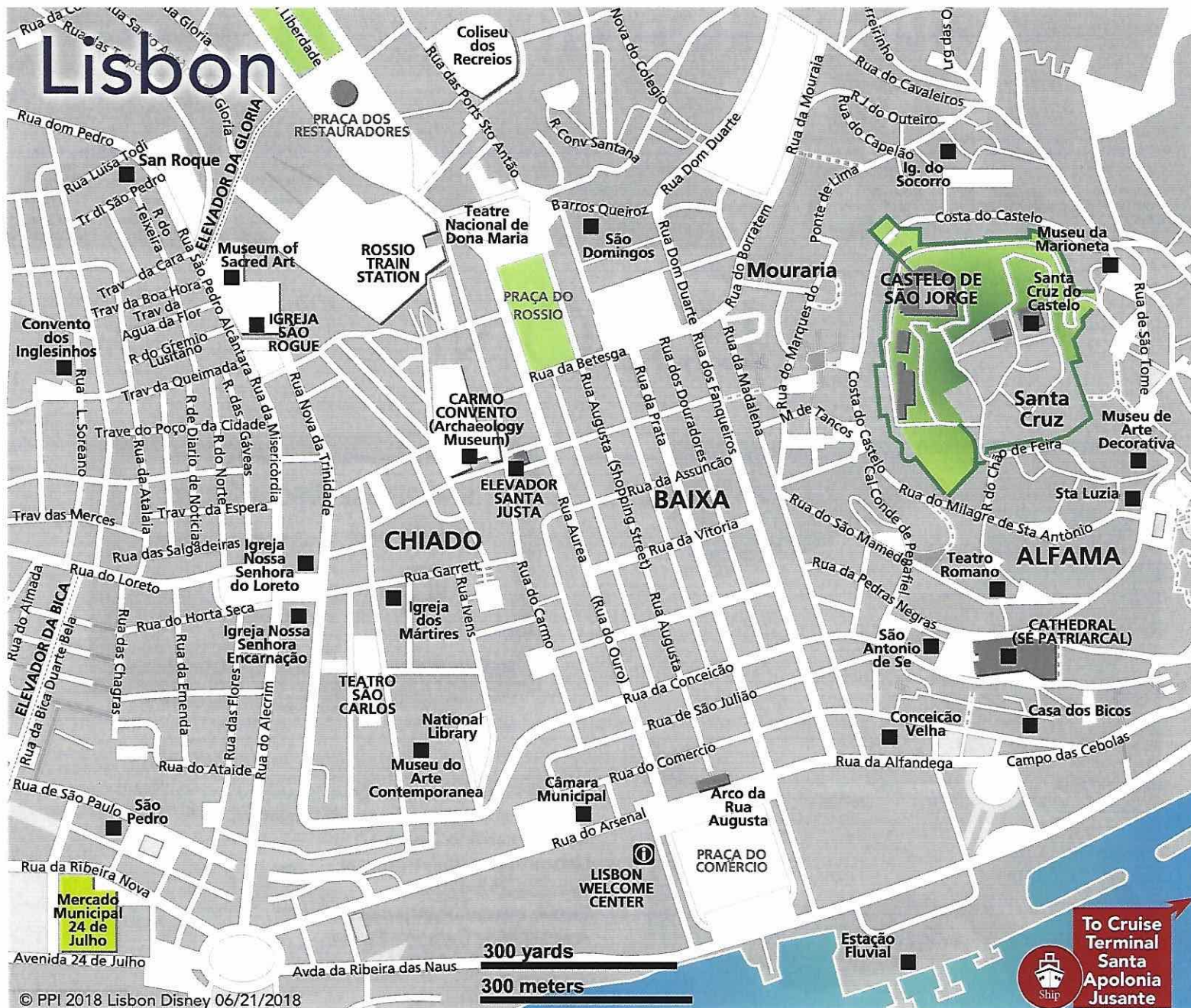
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Travel Safety Tips

As in any tourist destination, you will want to take some basic precautions to make the most of your time ashore.

- Be aware of your surroundings, especially in crowded areas.
- Avoid wandering from the main shopping and tourist areas into unfamiliar territory. If venturing out independently, have a plan, use only licensed taxi operators.
- Leave your valuables in your stateroom safe and avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Exercise caution when using ATMs.
- Cameras and handbags should be carried close to your body or concealed out of sight. People who carry handbags or backpacks are particularly vulnerable to purse snatchers on scooters.
- When going ashore, each adult and child is required to carry a passport or other government-issued photo ID. – Note: Some ports may require Guests to carry passports ashore.
- In general, use the same level of precaution you would use in any tourist destination.

Please remember that while in a foreign country, you are subject to its laws.



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LISBON OVERVIEW

Europe's westernmost capital, Lisbon grew up along the northern bank of the Tagus River. It long ago outgrew its original site, however, and the residential area now spreads up into the valley and across the river. In some districts, a distinct "small town" atmosphere still pervades, particularly in the narrow, winding streets of the old Alfama Quarter. Visitors notice sharp architectural contrasts between modern high-rise towers and elegant old buildings like The Ritz. Often compared with San Francisco for its hills and bridge, the city soul is Rossio Square. Contrast is a tacit city theme. Gourmet shops overflow with imported foods, but restored shops between them offer traditional bacalhau (cod).

The city is generous with displays of public art (don't miss Lisbon's pretty fountains or public statues). Above it all, a 752-foot figure representing Christ the Redeemer, towering above the southern bank of the Tagus, reminds you that there is more than casual kinship between Lisbon and Brazilian sister city Rio de Janeiro.

Old Lisbon's cobblestone maze, the Alfama clearly shows Moorish influence – some streets are so tight two people cannot pass abreast. One of Europe's most colorful districts, its streets are lined with wrought iron lamps, framed with balconies, and decorated with flowers. Some buildings are Moorish; others are medieval, but nearly all were built prior to the late 1700s. The Baixa (BAI sha) is a good starting place for pedestrians who want to get a feel for Lisbon. Its borders are hills, the Alfama, and the sea. A funicular ascends the hills from neighboring Rossio district.

Baroque Estrela Church's stone dome is one of Lisbon's best-known landmarks. Queen Maria I built it in the late 18th century to fulfill a promise to God for giving her a son. Pretty Estrela Gardens across the square lead to the old English Cemetery where the remains of Henry Fielding, among others are buried.

The five-story Tower of Belem, is Lisbon's 2nd most recognizable landmark looks like an enormous chess piece, and is the very symbol of Portuguese national heritage. The silhouette often appears on official publications. The masterpiece of Manueline architecture was built on what was once an island in the middle of the Tagus River between 1515 and 1521. Atop the structure, Our Lady of Safe Homecoming is a welcome beacon for seafarers.

Capital: Lisbon

Location: Central Portugal

Taxi: Taxis are available outside the secure port. An excellent (and charming) light rail system serves the capital

Currency: Euro

Language: Portuguese

Population: 474,697 (2010)

Banking: Most Portuguese banks open weekdays from 8:00am to 3:00pm

Post Office: Post Office hours are generally weekdays 8:30am to 6:00pm. Large cities also have one office that opens Saturday mornings.