

# THE BRITISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PORTUGAL

## Three day trip to Urgeiriça, with visits to Belmonte, Gouveia, and Conimbriga

Friday to Sunday, 13-15 September, 2024

Following on from the fascinating talk at the Annual Lunch in January, this three day trip to the Beira Alta will be based at Urgeiriça. It includes a guided tour to the now deactivated uranium mine where Madame Curie sourced her first samples of radium. We also visit the Jewish heritage museum of Belmonte, where we visit one of the oldest synagogues in Portugal. In Gouveia, we visit two museums, one of which has the original lintel stone of the synagogue of Gouveia with the oldest existing Hebrew inscription in Portugal, which dates back to 1496. The other has on display the vestiges of the tombstone of a British colonel who died in the local hospital in 1813 from wounds incurred during the Peninsular War. On the return journey we stop off for a self-guided tour of the famous Roman ruins at Conimbriga.



**Venue:** The two nights will be spent at the 4-star [Hotel de Urgeiriça](#).

### **Programme:**

#### **Friday, 13 September:**

- 08.30: coach departs **Lisbon**, at the **Museu de Lisboa**, 245 Campo Grande, 1700-091 Lisboa
- 09.15: coach stops behind the **Estoril Casino** (the bus stop in front of 'Jezebel')
- 13.00: arrival in **Belmonte**. Lunch
- 15.00: visit to the [Jewish Museum](#) in Belmonte, as well as the Synagogue and Jewish Quarter
- 18.30: ETA at **Urgeiriça**. Book into the [Hotel de Urgeiriça](#), near Canas de Senhorim
- 20.00: dinner in the hotel

#### **Saturday, 14 September:**

- 10.00: guided walking tour of the **Urgeiriça mine**
- 12.30: lunch at Hotel de Urgeiriça
- 15.30: guided tour of the two main museums of **Gouveia**:
  - [Espaço Arte e Memória](#), and
  - Casa de Vivência Judaica
- 18.30: ETA at the Hotel de Urgeiriça
- 20.00: dinner in the hotel

**Sunday, 15 September:**

09.30: departure for the return journey to Lisboa

11.00: weather-permitting, self-guided visit to the **Romans ruins of Conimbriga**

13.00: lunch at the [Restaurante 'O Regalo'](#), near Pombal

16.00: ETA arrival at **Campo Grande, Lisbon**

16.30: ETA arrival at the **Estoril Casino**

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**Price: €370 per person sharing a double/twin room, €70 single room supplement - all inclusive, including accommodation, all meals and drinks, transport, museum entrance fees, and insurance. €30 surcharge for non-Members.**

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**Booking:** By e-mail to [info@bhspportugal.org](mailto:info@bhspportugal.org).

- The deadline for bookings is the **23 August**. Payment instructions and meal plans will subsequently be sent via email;
- A 50% deposit is payable on confirmation of your booking; the balance is due by **1 September**;
- As places are limited, bookings will be accepted on a **first-come-first-served basis**;
- **Cancellation** of bookings is possible if written notification reaches the British Historical Society (to [info@bhspportugal.org](mailto:info@bhspportugal.org)) before **30 August**, in which case the deposit will be refunded. Thereafter, a % of the total cost is refundable: 14-8 days = **50%**; 7-0 days = **0%**.

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**Please provide the following information:**

**Name/s:**

**D.o.b.** (for insurance purposes):

Where will you be meeting the coach? **Estoril** or **Lisbon**?

For those sharing, do you require a **double** or **twin room**?

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