

LISBON, MORE ACCESSIBLE THAN EVER FOR THOSE IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

Additional summer flights from Manchester to the Portuguese capital



5 August 2014 – Getting to know the Portuguese capital has never been easier for those living in the north of England, with Ryanair adding two more weekly flights from Manchester to Lisbon this summer, upping their number of flights to the capital to four per week. This increase, together with the current 14 weekly flights available by TAP Portugal from Manchester and easyJet's four flights a week from Liverpool, means a weekend city hop or a longer beach break has never been simpler to arrange.

A popular year-round destination due to its pleasant climate, sea breezes and extraordinary history, Lisbon is just over a two-hour flight from the UK and it is not only northerners who benefit from excellent access to the city. British Airways, TAP Portugal, easyJet and Ryanair operate over 120 weekly flights to the Portuguese capital from Edinburgh, London and Bristol. Lisbon Portela Airport is the main international gateway to Portugal and is situated about 20 minutes' drive to the north of the city.

Lisbon occupies around an area of 33 square miles, it is surprisingly easy to travel around by foot or by public transport. A great option for travellers who are time-poor and budget savvy, is the [Lisboa Card](#) which is available in 24-, 48- and 72-hour denominations and offers free travel on public transport, including the Metropolitano de Lisboa (metro), buses, trams and lifts run by the Carris public transport company. It also gives access to the Rossio-Sintra and Cascais-Cais do Sodré train lines as well as free or discounted entry to 26 museums and places of interest.

The stunning two UNESCO World Heritage sites [Mosteiro dos Jerónimos](#) and [Torre de Belém](#), and the Lisbon's [City Museum](#) are some of the attractions which are free to card holders and can be purchased at Turismo de Lisboa tourist offices or online at www.askmelisboa.com.



The good news for travellers is that according to the *Post Office's 2014 City Costs Barometer*, Lisbon ranks as the most affordable city break destination in the Eurozone and with its many districts offering free or inexpensive entry to their cultural attractions, it is possible to see a lot and spend a little.

For more information on Lisbon please visit www.visitlisboa.com.

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About Lisbon

Portugal's national capital, Lisbon, boasts one of the longest histories, warmest climates and bustling nightlife of any major European city alongside its dramatic location sprawled along seven hills overlooking the river Tagus and Portugal's west coast. Famed for its year-round sunshine and beauty, Lisbon's grand architecture dazzles and its old-world charm mingles with chic streets, galleries, lively nightlife and a centre which gives way to sandy beaches just minutes away. It also one of the most affordable capitals in Europe, perfect for a captivating city break or short haul escape.

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About Turismo de Lisboa

Turismo de Lisboa is a non-profit organization established through an alliance of public and private bodies operating in the tourist sector. It now has around 700 associated members. Since its inception in 1998, the main objective of this association is to improve and increase the promotion of Lisbon as a tourist destination and therefore enhance the quality and competitiveness of the city.