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## Summer 2024 International Trip

Northern Portugal and Galicia, Spain

August 02-11, 2024

## Tentative Itinerary

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| Day 1<br>FRI. 02 | Departure to Porto. | | |
| Day 2<br>SAT. 03 | **Braga, Portugal**<br>Hotel Melia Braga | AM Arrival in Porto in the morning.<br>PM Free-time in Porto for lunch and sightseeing.<br>PM Bus transfer to Hotel Melia in Braga<br>PM Light training in the evening. | |
| Day 3<br>SUN. 04 | **Braga, Portugal**<br>Hotel Melia Braga | **AM Match day #1 vs. Gil Vicente FC (Portugal)**<br>PM Visit of FC Porto stadium and museum. |  |
| Day 4<br>MON. 05 | **Braga, Portugal**<br>Hotel Melia Braga | AM Training session at SC Braga<br>PM Lunch at SC Braga training center<br>PM Visit of Braga Stadium and training grounds | |
| Day 5<br>TUE. 06 | **Braga, Portugal**<br>Hotel Melia Braga | **AM Match day #2 vs. FC Braga (Portugal)**<br>AM Visit of Braga and Guimaraes |  |
| Day 6<br>WED. 07 | **Vigo**<br>Hotel Attica 21 | PM Bus transfer to Vigo in the morning.<br>PM Free-time at Samil Beach in Vigo | |
| Day 7<br>THU. 08 | **Vigo**<br>Hotel Attica 21 | **AM: Match day #3 vs. ED Val Minor (Spain)**<br>PM: Sightseeing Baiona |  |
| Day 8<br>FRI. 09 | **Vigo**<br>Hotel Attica 21 | AM: Training session at Celta Vigo<br>PM Afternoon at Cies Islands | |
| Day 9<br>SAT. 10 | **Vigo**<br>Hotel Attica 21 | **AM: Match day #4 vs. Celta Vigo (Spain)**<br>PM Visit of Santiago de Compostela<br>**PM Possible attendance to LIGA or LIGA Portugal match** |  |
| Day 10<br>SUN. 11 | Return flight from Porto airport | | |

## Lodging Information

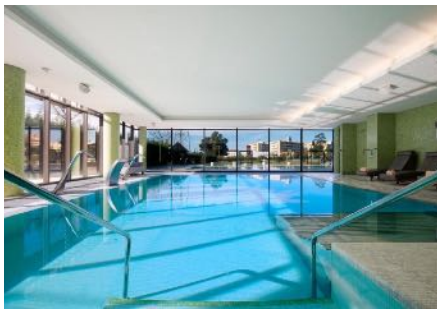
### Melia Braga Hotel and Spa ☆☆☆☆☆

Av. General Carrilho da Silva Pinto, 4715 - 380 Braga, Portugal
www.booking.com

Melia Braga Hotel & Spa offers top-tier 5-star lodging with excellent city center access, featuring a spa with pools, modern rooms, dining options, and proximity to Braga's historical attractions. Training can take place at SC Braga's training center or at the Estádio 1º de Maio / Campo Ponte municipal fields, less than a 10-minute drive. Porto's airport is just a 40-minute drive.








## Hotel Attica 21 ☆☆☆☆S

Avenida de Samil 36212 Vigo, Spain
www.attica21hotels.com

In summer 2022, Hotel Attica21 Vigo  will open its doors in a privileged enclave of the city of Vigo, in front of Samil beach and close to the city center.  The hotel counts 130 rooms with balcony. Training will take place at RC Celta's "A Madroa" training center at a 25 minute drive from the hotel.

















## Suggested Cultural Excursions

### PORTO



- **Ribeira District** - Discover the charming neighborhood along the Douro River, famous for its quaint cobblestone streets and vibrant, colorful houses.
- **Estádio do Dragão** - Tour the presidential box, locker rooms, players' benches, and on-site museum to explore FC Porto's history.



### AROUND PORTO

- **Braga -** Portugal's third-largest is renowned for its religious heritage and iconic stadium.
- **Guimarães** - One of Portugal's finest historic cities and the birthplace of Portugal's first king.

### VIGO



- **Estadio do Balaidos** - Visit Celta Vigo's home stadium, built in 1928.
- **Casco Vello Vigo -** The old town area of Vigo, known for its historical buildings and vibrant cultural scene
- **Castro Fortress -** This 17th-century fortress offers stunning views of Vigo's estuary, harbor, historic quarter, surrounding mountains, and the Cíes Islands.

### AROUND VIGO



- **Baiona, Spain** - Discover the lovely medieval center situated on Vigo Bay near the Portuguese border.
- **Cies Islands** - Embark on a 45-minute boat journey to the Natural Park and witness the stunning Rodas Beach, honored as the "World's Best Beach" by "The Guardian".

- **Santiago de Compostela -** A UNESCO World Heritage Site in northwestern Spain, is renowned for its majestic cathedral, and medieval architecture, and as the terminus of the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route.

