



Porto City Centre

This walking tour winds its way through the city centre, skirting the edge of Ribeira before running along the river. The route takes in some of the city's architectural highlights and two of the best waterfront dining areas.

Start Torre dos Clérigos

Distance 2km

Duration Two to three hours

1 Begin with unrivalled views from the 76m-high baroque tower of the **Torre dos Clérigos** (Rua de São Filipe de Nery; €5; ☀9am-7pm).

3 Near the end of Rua das Flores stands Nicolau Nasoni's baroque masterpiece, the **Igreja da Misericórdia**. (www.mmipo.pt; Rua das Flores 5; ☀10am-6.30pm Apr-Sep, to 5.30pm Oct-Mar)



4 Check out the main courtyard of neoclassical **Palácio da Bolsa** (p185) – once Porto's stock exchange.



5 Just next door is the **Igreja de São Francisco**, its severe Gothic facade hiding a jaw-dropping golden interior.

Classic Photo The tiles at São Bento Train Station.



2 French-inspired **São Bento Train Station** boasts astounding **azulejos** (hand-painted tiles) in its main hall.

Take a Break... Just off the route, **Jimão** (www.jimao.pt; Praça da Ribeira 11; ☀noon-10pm Wed-Mon) is a great place for a light lunch or a coffee and dessert stop.

7 Cross over the **Ponte de Dom Luís I** to the **Waterfront Esplanade** and enjoy splendid city views from a cafe.

6 On the waterfront, **Praça da Ribeira** is framed by grand townhouses overlooking the Rio Douro.

