



Eltham Choral Society Concert Tour 2018

Lisbon

Newsletter No.5

Travel Confirmation

Following some considerable research and negotiation, we are now able to confirm our travel plans for **ECS Lisbon 2018**. We will be flying with the Portuguese airline **TAP** from London City Airport on **Tuesday, 29 May** and returning to London Heathrow on **Friday, 1 June 2018**. Details are given below.

Tuesday, 29 May

Check in at **London City Airport** at 8.10 am – City Airport is 2 stops (5 mins) on DLR from Woolwich Arsenal station. Other routes can be found using Transport for London (TfL) website.

Flight **TAP349** departs at 10.10am arriving at **Lisbon Airport** at 12.45 pm for transfer to our hotel.

Accommodation will be on a B&B basis at the 3* **Hotel Roma** in Avenida de Roma in Lisbon.

Hotel Roma is a bright, modern hotel with a bar and a choice of restaurants and is in a lively residential and shopping area. It has 24-hour, multilingual reception, a concierge and lift, and rooms are air-conditioned and have cable/satellite TV, hair dryers, etc. The hotel also offers a dry cleaning and laundry service, currency exchange, safe-deposit box and souvenir/gift shop.

Tuesday afternoon/evening free to explore Lisbon at your leisure.

Wednesday and Thursday, 30 – 31 May

We will be performing concerts on both days in Lisbon. We are awaiting confirmation from either the **Sé Cathedral**, the **Basilica dos Martires** or the **Igreja de Sao Roque**, all of which are rated among



Sé Cathedral



Basilica dos Martires

the finest churches in Lisbon. As all the churches are in the heart of the city, we will keep travelling to a minimum and allow the greatest possible time to explore the city's many attractions. Portuguese churches finalise their diaries of events at the beginning of each year, so we will not know exactly which of the churches we will perform in until sometime in early 2018.



Igreja de Sao Roque

Friday, 1 June

We check out of our hotel in the morning and plan to have a meal together in a local restaurant before our transfer back to Lisbon Airport for our return flight

Check in is at 5.05 pm for flight **TAP358** leaving Lisbon at 7.05 pm, arriving at **Heathrow Airport** Terminal 2 at 9.45 pm. Transfer back to Eltham by coach has been arranged.

The Cost

We have 54 people on the tour plus Max and Andrew and we need to remind you that the cost of the trip will be **£640** per person based on the new airfare figures. This is inclusive of transfers to and from Lisbon airport and the transfer back to Eltham, all travel costs to/from performance venues, performance fees for our MD and accompanist, accommodation, basic insurance and a gratuity for our courier. A single room supplement of around £36 per night for the three nights will be applied where applicable. As usual, we hope to be able to include the cost of the group meal to be arranged in a local restaurant to mark the end of the tour.

What next?

The final instalment of £195 pp plus any single room supplements will be required by the end of January next year. We are able to accept instalments at any stage if it is of any help to you.

We would prefer to receive payment by bank transfer if possible to Barclays Bank, sort code 20-98-57, account number 60864064. Please enter 'Tour' and your name as reference and please note that this is a specific tour account and not the account to which you may pay your annual subscriptions. Otherwise we can accept cheques payable to Eltham Choral Society.

Finally

We very much hope that you will enjoy seeing and performing in this wonderful city of Lisbon

Tour Committee

The committee members are:

Rod Tutt
Pam Fanshawe
Sue Mack
Val Seaton, and
Tony Crowe