

1095 — Establishment of the 2.nd County of Portugal (Condado Portucalense), by Count Henry of Burgundy (Bourgogne, France).

1128 July 24 — **Count Afonso Henriques defeats his mother, Theresa**, in the Battle of São Mamede (near Guimarães) and becomes sole ruler.

1143-----

Treaty of Zamora: Alfonso VII of León and Castille recognizes the **Kingdom of Portugal**.

1147 — Conquest of **Lisbon**.

1498 — Vasco da Gama reaches India.

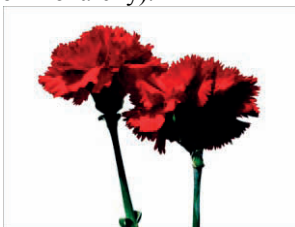
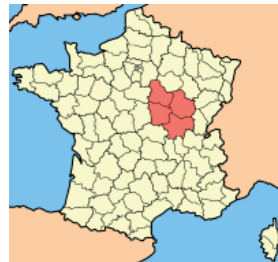
1578 — Defeat in Africa, in the battle of Alcacer-Quibir; king Sebastião disappears. Loss of independence to Spain.

1640 — Restoration of independence.

1755 — **The Great Earthquake of Portugal** is the most shattering natural phenomenon of the Age of Enlightenment. The disaster is described by Voltaire in “Candide”. Rebuilding begins immediately under the vigorous direction of (Marquis of) Pombal.

1910 — Republican Revolution (end of Monarchy).

1974 — April 25, The Carnation Revolution puts an end to the regime of Marcello Caetano.



(Old) Portugal of the “3 F’s” — Fátima (religion), fado (the “national” song), and football.

Land of:

vinho (wine)

azeite (olive oil), from Arabic *az-zeit*

bacalhau (dry cod / morue, cabillaud), from Dutch *kabeljauw*.

