



## **Contrasts Of Brazil with Pantanal**

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**Visit:** RIO DE JANEIRO - IGUASSU FALLS - SALVADOR - BELO HORIZONTE - OURO PRETO - CUIABÁ – PANTANAL

### **Detailed Itinerary**

#### Day 01: DAY 1 - RIO DE JANEIRO

Random arrivals at Rio International airport and transfer in to your selected hotel Our bilingual guide will meet all passengers' right after customs clearance. The transfer time will take approximately 45 minutes

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depending on the traffic conditions of this arrival day. En route, our guides will give some basic briefs about the city and their respective hotel. Rest of day at leisure. Enjoy the rest of the day by getting to know the surroundings of your hotel, the local bars and restaurants. Walking at Copacabana Beach boardwalk is also a great way to find one of the many kiosks to have a drink and enjoy the ocean breeze. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 02: DAY 2 - RIO DE JANEIRO

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Four Wonders Jeep Tour The jeep tour to the Christ Statue, Tijuca Rainforest, Sugarloaf Mountain, and the Botanical Gardens is a great option if you have a limited time in Rio and want to see it all! Your local guide will provide a complete & detailed overview of these wonders, creating memories of a lifetime. Cruising top-down to reach all of these places is part of the experience, you'll be immersed in the nature, the coastlines, the hustle of the city, and everything in between; half way through we stop for lunch at a traditional churrascaria\* (Brazilian BBQ), to relax for a bit and refuel for the rest of the adventure. TO BRING: Camera, sunglasses, hat, water, comfortable shoes, layered clothes appropriate for the weather. INCLUDED: Local guide, pick up & drop off at your hotel, full lunch\* (not including drinks or dessert), all ticket & entrance fees. \*Vegetarian options available with advance notice. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 03: DAY 3 - RIO DE JANEIRO

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Day at leisure Our suggestion is to visit downtown – Old Rio on own by taking the subway and going back to the surface at Cinelândia Station. There you can see the Municipal Theatre, the National Library and the National Museum of Fine Arts (check opening times and entrance fees). A must go place for lunch or a quick coffee stop is Confeitaria Colombo, an Art Nouveau gem from 1894. Its architecture, inspired by the European cafes, was representative of Rio de Janeiro's belle époque. Near by, visit São Francisco da Penitência, with its golden interior is an impressive example of Portuguese-Brazilian baroque church. Make your way to the Real Gabinete Português de Literatura, considered one of the most beautiful libraries in the world, and finish at Centro de Referência do Artesanato Brasileiro CRAB, for a look at Brazilian crafts and art. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 04: DAY 4 - RIO DE JANEIRO / IGUASSU FALLS

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Transfer out from Hotel to Airport to catch a short flight to Iguassu Falls Transfer to the airport with only Portuguese speaking driver. Suggested flight (not included): GOL 2074 GIG IGU dep 15:50 / arr 18:05 Transfer in from Brazilian airport to the selected hotel Our bilingual guide will meet all passengers right after the disembarking gate. The transfer time will take approximately 30 minutes depending on the traffic conditions of this arrival day. En route, our guide will give some basic briefs about the city and your respective hotel. Overnight at selected hotel



#### Day 05: DAY 5 - IGUASSU FALLS

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Morning visit to the Argentinean side of the falls We will cross the Tancredo Neves Bridge heading towards the Iguaçu National Park in Argentina. At the entrance, a small train takes visitors on a tour through the park, making 2 stops. Follow the pathways to the top of the waterfalls that provide spectacularly unique views of the 'Cataratas', amidst the abundant nature filled with orchids, colorful birds and other wildlife. The highlight of the tour is a visit to the suspended platform at the very brink of the 'Garganta do Diabo' waterfall (Devil's Throat) – the largest fall in the park. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 06: DAY 6 - IGUASSU FALLS / SALVADOR

Morning visit to the Brazilian side of the falls and transfer to airport The trip begins at the Iguaçu National Park with a drive through the lush subtropical vegetation of the park en route to the falls. Take a stroll on the trail that descends down the canyon, to offer panoramic views of more than 240 falls. Embark on the glass elevator up the cliff face for an exquisite view from the upper deck. The Iguassu National Park along with its "sister" park in Argentina form the most significant remaining rain forest in the southern cone of South America which along with the waterfalls, have been declared a National Heritage Site by UNESCO. Free time for lunch at the park. There are some snack bars and the Porto Canoas restaurant, overlooking the river (meal not included). The tour ends with drop off a the airport for your flight to Salvador. Suggested flight (not included): GOL 1173 IGU GRU dep 18:00 / arr 19:40 - GOL 1698 GRU SSA dep 21:10 / arr 23:30 Arrival in Salvador and Transfer in from airport to selected hotel Arrival, meet and greet by local guide at the Salvador Airport for your transfer to the Hotel. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 07: DAY 7 - SALVADOR

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Morning visit to Lower Salvador The Lower City tour offers another perspective of the sprawling city taking us to the quiet waters of the Itapagipe Peninsula where life moves at a slower pace than the bustling upper city. Fishermen fish from dug out canoes, locals collect shellfish at low tide, schooners lie at anchor, all protected by the famous Bonfim church, one of the most important churches of pilgrimage in Brazil and deeply syncretised with the Candomblé. We continue to the Monserrat district with its panoramic view of the city and on to the Mercado Modelo, a thriving market for local goods and souvenirs. This is also where you can test your bargaining talents! During the tour we will stop at a well-known food stand to taste one of the most famous Bahian street food the Acaraje: deep fried rolls prepared with shrimp, black-eyed peas, red chilli pepper, onion and garlic. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at selected hotel

Day 08: DAY 8 - SALVADOR





Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Day at leisure Our suggestion is to walk on own around Pelourinho, a Unesco Heritage Site and the largest complex of colonial architecture in the South America. Discover the churches, museums, restaurants and cafés of this charming neighborhood right outside your hotel door. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 09: DAY 9 - SALVADOR / BELO HORIZONTE / OURO PRETO

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant. Private transfer to the airport to take the flight to Belo Horizonte. Suggested flight: AZUL 5431 SSA CNF dep 09:40 / arr 11:20. Arrival in Belo Horizonte and shared regular transfer with Portuguese speaking driver to Ouro Preto. Meet and greet by local driver at the airport for your shared transfer to the hotel in Ouro Preto – 2hs drive. Half day tour in Ouro Preto. Ouro Preto was founded in 1711 and soon became the center of the gold diamond and semi-precious stone trading in the colonial-era. The town has managed to preserve across the years its 18th century architecture which offers visitors a first-hand look of its historical heritages. The city is considered today by UNESCO as a Historical and Cultural Patrimony of Mankind. Overnight at selected hotel

#### Day 10: DAY 10 - OURO PRETO

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant Day at leisure Explore Ouro Preto on own. This town is small enough that you can roam the streets at a leisure pace visiting museums, churches, shops, stopping at the view points to admire the vistas. Overnight at selected hotel

### Day 11: DAY 11 - OURO PRETO / CUIABÁ – PANTANAL

Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel's Restaurant. Regular transfer from Ouro Preto to Belo Horizonte airport (CNF) to take the flight to Cuiabá Regular transfer with Portuguese speaking driver back to the Belo Horizonte airport. Suggested flight (not included): LATAM 3558 CNF GRU dep 10:30 / arr 11:45 - LATAM 3265 GRU CGB dep 14:55 / arr 16:15 Arrival in Cuiabá and transfer to lodge in shared basis Transfer provided by the lodge in shared basis. During the next days you will be able to do the activities below. The distribution of the tours will be coordinated by the lodge's operation department and informed upon arrival Buffet Dinner at Rio Mutum restaurant Overnight at Rio Mutum

#### Day 12: DAY 12 - PANTANAL

Buffet Breakfast at Rio Mutum After breakfast, horseback trail riding in the jungle, up to the edge of the Siá Mariana bay. During the whole year, a big variety of birds, animals and reptiles can be observed. Return to the lodge for lunch. In the afternoon, you will have a boat ride for a photographic safari in Mutum River. In its crystal clear water it is possible to see giant otters, stingrays and shoals of small fish. At the Mutum river banks, a large variety of birds can be observed. Return to the lodge for dinner, then nocturnal animal spotting by jeep in the lodge surrounding area. Overnight at Rio Mutum



#### Day 13: DAY 13 - PANTANAL

Buffet Breakfast at Rio Mutum After breakfast, ecological walk through the jungle and open fields to observe animals and birds. Return to the lodge for lunch. In the afternoon, boat trip down the Mutum river banks, Siá Mariana bay and Chacororé bay. Return by boat to the lodge, stopping to see the sunset at the Siá Mariana bay and do piranha fishing. In the evening, cayman feeding with the piranhas fished from Siá Mariana bay and nocturnal animals spotting. Overnight at Rio Mutum

#### Day 14: DAY 14 - PANTANAL

4:30am – Canoeing in the Mutum river to observe the sunrise and the beauty of wildlife at the break of dawn in the Pantanal. Return to the lodge, breakfast and check-out. Transfer to the airport for your connecting flight home. As we say in Brazil "Boa Viagem"!

#### **Inclusion**

\*The transfers on arrival and departure day are included in the round trip rate from 02 persons on; in case 01 pax arrives/departs separately, surcharges for extra transfers will apply. \*Transfers and excursions include local English and/or German speaking guides and are provided together for Standard and Superior class passengers. \* Accommodation as specified either 3 star- Standard Departure /4 star -Superior Departure

#### Exclusion

\* City Room Tax at hotels is NOT included and should be paid directly by guests upon checkout, unless requested upon booking. \* Meals at hotels and during services do not include drinks unless otherwise stated. \*Internal flights are not included at the programs, but we can provide the booking accordingly. \*International airfares \*Optional activities \*Personal expenses or services not specified on the program \*Personal equipment \*Travel insurance \*Gratuities \*Voluntary tips for guides or drivers \*Travel and medical insurance \*Any items not mentioned as inclusions

#### Note

1.Departure is guaranteed with a minimum of 02 participants. The operation of the tour can only be guaranteed by the end of the cancellation deadline, which is 46 days prior to departure. 2. The transfers on arrival and departure day are included in the round trip rate from 02 persons on; in case 01 pax arrives/departs separately, surcharges for extra transfers will apply. 3. Transfers and excursions include local English and/or German speaking guides and are provided together for Standard and Superior class passengers. 4. Internal flights are not included at the programs, but we can provide the booking accordingly. 5. The prices are not valid during Carnival, New Year's, national holidays, or during large conferences and events. Any change in rate for a specific time period will be noted upon booking. 6. Child cost is available on request 7. The majority of hotels have a fixed check-in at 2:00pm and check-out at 12:00 pm, but there are exceptions. If your passenger needs an earlier check-in or later check-out, it is necessary to indicate on the reservation as it involves an additional cost. THE HOTELS | RIO DE JANEIRO RIO OTHON PALACE - 4 STARS B&B HOTELS COPACABANA - 3 STARS THE HOTELS | IGUASSU FALLS VIVAZ CATARATAS - 4 STARS VIALE CATARATAS - 3 STARS THE HOTELS | SALVADOR PESTANA COVENTO DO CARMO - 4 STARS THE HOTELS | OURO PRETO CLÁSSICA POUSADA THE HOTELS | PANTANAL RIO MUTUM



# **Tour Dates & Pricing**

