

BEST OF BRAZIL

NEW!

8 Days/7 Nights FROM \$1,429 GUARANTEED DEPARTURES



Aerial view of Rio de Janeiro

(3) Rio de Janeiro • (2) Iguassu Falls • (2) Salvador



- No. of Overnight Stays

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Live the magic of Rio from its magnificent shoreline and beautiful white sand beaches, to its vast cultural attractions, Carnival folklore and samba sounds, lively nightlife and high-spirited locals
- Take a cogwheel train through Tijuca Forest up Corcovado Mountain
- Marvel at the world-renowned statue of Christ the Redeemer, an icon of Rio 2,330 ft. above sea level
- Venture along the Brazilian side of Iguassu Falls and take in the vistas of San Martín Island and the waterfalls of Bossetti, San Martín, and Three Musketeers
- Explore the 275 falls on the Argentine side of Iguassu Falls National Park to its most impressive point – The Devil's Throat
- Delve into African roots via the cuisine, religion, music and arts of Salvador de Bahia and visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Pelourinho for its well-preserved colonial architecture

DAY 1 | SUN | RIO DE JANEIRO Upon arrival in Rio de Janeiro, transfer from the airport to the hotel. Rio de Janeiro was Brazil's Capital from 1763 to 1960 and is now the Capital of the State of Rio de Janeiro. Ideally located between the mountains and the sea, Rio is one of the most visited cities in the world. It is blessed with a magnificent shoreline, beautiful white sand beaches, vast museums and cultural attractions, a lively nightlife, and a state of mind called CARIOCA with almost 8 million locals who samba their way through life, relaxed and high-spirited!

DAY 2 | MON | RIO DE JANEIRO A full day tour is on today's exhilarating agenda. Head to Cosme Velho Station and board a cog-train for the scenic ride through Tijuca Forest up Corcovado Mountain to view the towering statue of Christ the Redeemer. Descend by train and head past Rio's world-famous beaches, then board a cable car for a two-staged ascent up Sugar Loaf Mountain. Next it's on to Guanabara Bay and Flamengo Park. Visit the downtown area, stop at Confeitaria Colombo restaurant opened in 1894, and then head to Sambadrome the site of Rio's famous Carnival parade. (B)

DAY 3 | TUE | RIO DE JANEIRO Take time to delve into the magic and mystique of this enchanting city at your own pace with a day at leisure or opt to join in one of the many optional tours available. Rio is situated in a 15-mile-strip of land, wedged between mountains and sea. There are some thirty miles separating downtown Flamengo, from far-flung Recreio, bordered on one side by the blue sea and on the other by verdant hills. In between its brimming with a lively lifestyle, history, and culture to keep you enthused and enthralled at every turn. (B)

DAY 4 | WED | RIO DE JANEIRO | IGUASSU FALLS Transfer to the airport for your flight to Iguassu. Check-in to your hotel and get ready for unforgettable moments with an afternoon visit of the Brazilian side of the falls. Head up to the boardwalks located at the edge of the cliffs of the Iguassu River. Enjoy the vista of San Martín Island, Devil's Throat from the observation deck, and the waterfalls of Bossetti, San Martín, and Three Musketeers. Take an elevator to go up to the road and board the coach for your drive back to the hotel. (B)

DAY 5 | THU | IGUASSU FALLS After breakfast, depart for the Argentinean side of the falls. Enjoy crossing the Tancredo Neves Bridge over the Iguassu River, which forms the border between Argentina & Brazil. On the Argentine side, you will take in the views of many of the area's 275 waterfalls that fall from an average altitude of seventy meters. Here you will experience the Inferior Circuit, the down-river falls, the Superior Circuit, and up-river cascades, and then take the Ecological Jungle Train to the most impressive observation point of the falls - The Devil's Throat. (B)

DAY 6 | FRI | IGUASSU FALLS | SALVADOR In the morning leave Iguassu and take a flight to Salvador. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel and check-in. Salvador, Bahia, was the first capital of colonial Brazil from 1549 until 1763 and one of the oldest colonial cities in the New World. It is known as being the most African city in the Americas due to the strong African roots and traditions found in its cuisine, religion, music and arts. If you like history, culture, beach and a laid back environment, Salvador is a perfect place for you to enjoy! (B)

DAY 7 | SAT | SALVADOR Learn about the history and contrasts of Salvador today. Start at the modern neighborhood of Barra and head towards the historic section of Pelourinho, designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its well preserved or restored colonial architecture. Here you will view the buildings that take you back to the beginnings of this vibrant city. Stop at the São Francisco Church, a symbol of baroque style, and finish at the Pelourinho Square, the heart of this neighborhood. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure to explore Salvador like a local. (B,L)

DAY 8 | SUN | SALVADOR TO USA (OR EXTEND YOUR STAY) Share breakfast at your hotel and get ready to take home the CRIOCA state of mind! Transfer to the airport for your return flight. (B)

(B) Breakfast - (L) Lunch



Iguassu Falls



Salvador

INCLUDED FEATURES

- Hotel accommodations for 7 nights
- Daily Buffet breakfast and 1 lunch
- Round trip airport transfers
- All transfers and tours are by motorcoach with English-speaking guides
- Full day tour to Corcovado (Christ the Redeemer) and Sugar Loaf
- Half day tour of the Brazilian side of Iguassu Falls
- Half day tour of the Argentinean side of the Falls including "The Devils Throat"
- Half day city tour of Salvador de Bahia
- Document holder and luggage tags
- Hotel taxes and service charges

HOTEL/STARTING FROM PRICES VALID THRU NOV. 2019

Departure dates: Jan 13; Feb 10; Mar 10 & 31; May 5; Jun 2 & 30; Aug 4; Sep 8 & 22; Oct 6 & 13; Nov 17

Travel in Comfort

Double	Single
\$1,429	\$1,859

City

Rio de Janeiro	Nights 3	Hotels or similar (Type of room) Mirasol Copacabana (Standard)
Iguassu Falls	2	Viale Cataratas (Deluxe)
Salvador	2	Golden Tulip Rio Vermelho (Standard)

Travel in Style

Double	Single
\$1,779	\$2,579

City

Rio de Janeiro	Nights 3	Hotels or similar (Type of room) Hotel Rio Othon (Superior)
Iguassu Falls	2	Bourbon Cataratas (Superior Garden)
Salvador	2	Wish Hotel Bahia (Superior)

Travel in Luxury

Surcharge in Iguassu Falls for 2 nights at the 5-star deluxe Belmond Das Cataratas.

Travel in Comfort Add	Double \$599	Single \$1,199
Travel in Style Add	Double \$450	Single \$999

This program can also be booked on a private basis

Travel in Comfort	Double \$1,839	Single \$2,249
Travel in Style	Double \$2,149	Single \$2,899

All rates are per person, based on double occupancy. Extra nights and triple occupancy available upon request. Rates are not valid during certain holidays and blackout periods. Visa to Brazil is required for US citizens.

Please call for special international airfares and domestic flights in Economy or Business Class.

Local Brazilian Departure taxes, local airport taxes, beverages, personal expenses and other items not mentioned above are not included.