

RIO DE JANEIRO 3 NTS / 4 DAYS SUGGESTED ITINERARY

DAY 01: RIO DE JANEIRO

Arrival at Rio Airport. Your local guide will take you to your hotel.

Rio de Janeiro, was the capital of the Portuguese empire and of the country up until 1960. Nicknamed A Cidade Maravilhosa – “The Marvelous City” is world renowned for its breathtaking landscapes and location, nestled between steep, green mountains and crystal clear seas. Rio is one of the most important cultural and economical cities in Brazil and features some of country’s most famous attractions such as the Pão de Açúcar, the Corcovado, and Copacabana and Ipanema beach. The city is full of energy and Cariocas, the locals of Rio, are known for their care free spirit and charm. Whether you are looking to experience Carnival, relax in a natural environment, or enjoy all the luxuries of a cosmopolitan city, Rio de Janeiro has it all!

Overnight at Selected Hotel

DAY 02: RIO DE JANEIRO

Today, after breakfast at Hotel, you will head off for a city tour and Sugar Loaf Excursion.

This tour begins with a city panoramic view through downtown Rio, passing by the Maracana Stadium, the Sambodrome, the Metropolitan Cathedral, in pyramid form, with internal diameter of 96 meters and height of 80 meters. Get to know the traditional Cinelandia square with the historical buildings, the Municipal Theater, the National Library and the National Museum of Fine Arts. By taking the Aterro do Flamengo, you will be taken to the neighborhood of Urca where one of the largest symbols of the city is located: the Sugar Loaf.

Over a million tourists a year visit the world famous Pão de Açúcar or Sugar Loaf Mountain in English, which has become an iconic symbol of the city of Rio de Janeiro. Rising up from small peninsula at the entrance of Guanabara Bay, its name is said to refer to its resemblance to the traditional shape of concentrated refined sugar loaf. The tour is done in two steps by glass cable-cars.



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The first cable-car takes passengers to the top of Urca Hill, which rises 215 meters above sea level and offers spectacular views of the entire bay its islands.

From Urca Hill, passengers continue in a second cable car to the top of Sugar Loaf which rises 395 meters above sea level and offers a 360 degree view of the entire city including Botafogo and Copacabana Beaches, the Corcovado and downtown Rio.

In the afternoon, we will visit Corcovado Mountain and the beaches.

Drive to one of the older parts of Rio called Cosme Velho, from where we take the train to the Corcovado Mountain with the gigantic statue of Christ the Redeemer (2.300ft above sea level). A modern swiss-made cogwheel rail climbs the mountain from its base at 15meters almost to the summit at 710 meters. The trip up takes 17 minutes aprox, at a maximum speed of 15km/h. The trip down takes 22min., at a speed of 12km/h.

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DAY 03: RIO DE JANEIRO

Breakfast at Hotel.

OPTIONAL: Half Day Guanabara Bay Excursion.

On 1st January 1502, a Portuguese squad commanded by Gonçalves discovered Guanabara Bay. Being that it was the month of January and that the bay appeared to be a large river mouth, he named it Rio de Janeiro (River of January).

Guanabara Bay is the largest bay in the world based on volume of water, and has several islands such as the Governor's Island, Fundão and Snakes Island.

In the west, you will see Rio de Janeiro, and facing east - the municipal district of

Niteroi. Various sights and landmarks will be seen as we depart from the Marina da Gloria by saveiro (schooner), such as the neighborhoods of Botafogo, Flamengo, Urca, Sugar Loaf, Fort São Joao, Flagstone Island, Santa Cruz Fortress, Rio-Niteroi Bridge and more.

Overnight at Selected Hotel

DAY 04: RIO DE JANEIRO

After breakfast, transfer to International Airport.

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Net Rates per person in USD

3 nts Hotel + Transfer Airport Hotel Airport + Sugar Loaf + Corcovado Excursions.

	2 pax	4 pax	6/8 pax	10 pax	Sgl. Supp.
4* Rio Royal Palace Hotel	422	427	386	355	189
3* Rio Copa Hotel	386	391	349	319	153

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Validity September 30 2009.

Not Valid for Congress Dates, Holidays in Brazil, Groups, Corporate Travelers.

Additional Nights:

4* Royal Rio Palace Hotel USD126 SGL/DBL

3* Rio Copa Hotel USD 102 SGL/DBL

Net cost per room per night includes tax and breakfast.

Our prices include:

- Accommodation at mentioned hotels including breakfast and taxes.
- Private transfers as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Local English speaking guide in all transfers and tours.
- Meals: lunch on day 02 (no beverages).

Our prices DO NOT include:

- Air tickets.
- Any Airport Taxes Domestic
- Personal Expenses or any extra.
- Tips
- Porterage

Prices have been quoted considering current exchange rate USD in each country. Should this exchange rate vary considerably (over 10% increase or decrease), all prices will be adjusted accordingly.

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