

Day 1

Arrival to Rio de Janeiro

Upon arrival to Rio de Janeiro, find your driver at the designated meeting location and settle in for a shared transfer to your hotel. A vibrant city with an incredible beachfront, the rest of your day is at leisure; consider heading out after a quick nap!

Duration 3 Nights

Accommodation

Arena Ipanema Hotel

Day 2

Rio de Janeiro

After an early breakfast, set out for a memorable day exploring some of the top highlights of Rio. This 5-hour tour begins with pick-up in the lobby of your hotel between 7:30am and 8:10am, and then sets out to the city's two most famous landmarks: the Christ the Redeemer Statue and Sugarloaf Mountain. The drive up to the statue, found on top of Corcovado Mountain and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, is short and scenic. Travelling through the Tijuca Forest before opening to incredible views of the city, the entire journey is enjoyable and pays off with spectacular vistas. Afterwards, head to Sugarloaf Mountain where you will travel to the top by way of two cable cars. The first cable car will bring you to Urca Hill, a vantage point 215 meters (706 feet) above the nearby ocean, from which you'll take in beautiful views of Guanabara Bay and its islands, the Rio-Niteroi Bridge and Corcovado Mountain. Then it's on to a second cable car which will take you to the summit. Standing at 395 meters (1,295 feet), breathtaking panoramic views of Copacabana beach, the Santa Cruz fortress and several beaches of Niteroi take center stage. After riding the cable car back down, you will be returned to your hotel where the afternoon is yours to enjoy.

Meal Plan Breakfast

Day 3

Rio de Janeiro

Today is free to relax at your hotel, on Ipanema Beach, or explore the streets of this world famous city on your own. Alternatively, a range of optional group excursions are available at additional cost: 1) Santa Teresa and Lapa Neighbourhoods with Tram Ride and visit to the Selaron Steps (4 hrs), 2) The Museum of Tomorrow, Aquarium Rio & Olympic Boulevard (4 hrs), 3) Rio Nature: The Tijuca Forest and Botanical

Garden (4 hrs). For more information on these optional activities, please speak to your Destination Specialist.

Meal Plan Breakfast

Day 4

Rio de Janeiro to Iguassu Falls

Following breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport alongside fellow travellers. Upon arrival, board a flight with service to Iguassu Falls (flight not included). Once in Iguassu Falls, join your group and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Soon after you will set out on shared tour of the Brazilian side of the falls. The tour begins with a visit to the main Visitor Center of the park, where you can learn about the local ecosystem. From there, hike along the most impressive trail of the park where the you can enjoy incredible views of the waterfalls. After taking in the sights from a nearby belvedere, return to the park's entrance via a short walk and panoramic elevator. The rest of your afternoon and evening is at leisure; however, you may be interested in joining in on a shared tour of the National Bird Park (available at additional cost).

Meal Plan Breakfast

Duration 2 Nights

Accommodation

Hotel Viale Cataratas

Day 5

Iguassu Falls

Settle in for breakfast at your hotel, then travel to the Argentine side of the falls following a brief stop at Customs. You will then cross the Tancredo Neves Bridge over Iguassu River, which separates Argentina and Brazil. Once in Argentina, take a scenic route to the Argentine Iguassu Park and marvel at the breathtaking views of the Argentinean Falls, including the Devil's Throat (the largest of the Argentinean Falls) and the San Martin Falls. On the return journey, you will stop at the "Three Borders" where Brazil, Argentina, and Paraguay meet, and also explore the upper circuit to get an close-up view of the Devil's Throat. Available at additional cost, consider joining "the Big Adventure", a rainforest and waterfall adventure enjoyed by truck and boat.

Meal Plan Breakfast

Day 6

Departure

Following breakfast at your hotel, it is time for a shared transfer to the airport ahead of your onward travels.

Meal Plan Breakfast