



Brazil

Brazil stretches far out into the Atlantic Ocean towards West Africa and Portugal where it finds its transplanted cultural roots, it reaches equally deep into the South American continent towards the Andes where it harbours its home-grown roots. It contrasts some of the greatest uninhabited expanses of the rainforest in the world with the cosmopolitan cities of Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.

Rio exceeds all expectations. Picture yourself on sweeping strands of golden beaches, the magnificent surf pounding the shore, drinking from a sliced open coconut and enjoying entertainment provided by teams of Cariocas playing beach volleyball. Rio's sheer exuberance is intoxicating throughout the year. You will enjoy views of Sugarloaf Mountain at the north end of the beach, the Arpoador Peninsula with the looming peaks of Os Dois Irmaos on the southern end and the bottle green Atlantic Ocean and the twinkling light of Niteroi on the far side of Guanabara Bay. Even higher, ascend through the favelas to Parque Nacional da Tijuca and the magnificent Christ the Redeemer Statue overlooking the entire city.

Heading north along the coast, the colourful colonial architecture and lively cultural heritage of Salvador beckons. Anyone visiting Salvador will immediately discover why the state is called the 'land of happiness'. Fringed by beaches, vast coconut plantations and majestic mountain ranges, Salvador's local exuberance is expressed in an unbelievably rich folklore. It is also the land of the endless carnival. The people of Bahia, a fusion of Africans, Native Americans and Europeans, are always looking for a reason to party and enjoy life. Salvador da Bahia is divided into two parts; the 'Lower City' is at sea level and contains the old port and the commercial areas where visitors will find a complete and varied assortment of Brazilian arts and crafts at the colourful Modelo Market. It is also the best place to witness a demonstration of 'capoeira', a martial art developed by African slaves in Brazil, originally as a form of combat and later as a type of dance and folklore tradition. Stone steps, alleyways or the famous Lacerda



When to go

The climate varies from hot and dry in the arid interior to the humid tropical rainforests of the Amazon jungle. Coastal Brazil tends to be hot and sticky for most of the year but it can get cold in the south during the winter months. Rainy seasons November to March in the Rio/São Paulo area.

Flying time

From London to São Paulo and to Rio de Janeiro is approximately 11 hours. Direct flights are operated by British Airways

Time difference

Brazil spans several time zones:

Eastern Standard Time: GMT -3 (GMT -2 from third Sunday in October to third Saturday in March).

Western Standard Time: GMT -4 (GMT -3 from third Sunday in October to third Saturday in March).

Passport & Visa

Visa Required?

British USA Other EU Some

Passports must be valid for a minimum of 6 months.

Health requirements

Diphtheria Hepatitis A Malaria Sometimes
 Tetanus Typhoid Yellow Fever Sometimes

Recommendations do change from time to time and it is important to discuss your personal requirements with your doctor.

Elevator can reach the Upper City and this part of the city contains the old government buildings, the residential districts, museums, churches and much of the newer architecture.

The famed Brazilian Amazon blankets the interior of the country and covers half of the country's land mass. Manaus, the chief port and hub of the entire Amazon region, is the capital of the state of Amazonas and one of the most isolated cosmopolitan cities of the world. This is the starting point for your two night Amazon experience, a chance enjoy close contact with nature. Highlights include swimming with Pink Dolphins, visiting Indian tribes, alligator spotting, piranha fishing and seeing the meeting of waters, where the black waters of the Negro River meet the lighter waters of the Solimões River and flow side by side without mixing for several miles. This legendary Amazon is one of the planet's enigmas. The world's largest river basin at 2.5 million square miles, the Amazon is the planet's greatest rain forest. It is a vast open-air greenhouse of global evolution and unsolved mysteries whose true potential remain largely unknown and untapped.

Finally, the Majestic Iguazu Falls border with Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay and is one of the world's great natural phenomena and one of the 'don't miss' sites of South America. The surrounding Atlantic Forest is what makes Iguazu so special. This subtropical nature reserve is enjoyed by jeep, walking and boat tours on the Brazil and on the Argentina side. The Iguazu Falls are undoubtedly one of the greatest natural wonders of the world and were declared a world heritage site by UNESCO in 1999. Brazil certainly delivers all the scenic and cultural variety one would expect from the largest country in South America.



Brazil Odyssey 12 Days / 11 Nights

Rio de Janeiro/Manus (Amazon)/Salvador/Iguassu Falls

Tour Itinerary

- Day 01: Fly to Rio de Janeiro
- Day 02: Full day Corcovado and Sugar Loaf tour
- Day 03: A day at leisure. Barbecue dinner and Samba show
- Day 04: Flight to Manaus
- Day 05: Boat transfer to the Amazon Lodge
- Day 06: Amazon Lodge programme
- Day 07: Boat transfer to Manaus. Flight to Salvador
- Day 08: Morning Salvador tour
- Day 09: Fly to Iguazu Falls. Visit to the Brazilian side of the falls
- Day 10: Visit to the Argentine side of the falls
- Day 11: Transfer and flight to London

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Brazil with Argentina Extension

Buenos Aires ranks with Rio as one of the most cosmopolitan cities in Latin America. There is plenty to see and do, so why not combine at least 2 nights in this glamorous Argentine capital with a trip to Brazil. Often referred to as the 'Paris of the South', Buenos Aires is a city of long tree lined avenues, multiple museums and impressive architecture. At once tumbled down and ultra chic, Buenos Aires is characterised by its exciting amalgamation of the old and the new, of nostalgic tradition and 21st century progress. The city is also the birthplace of Tango and this sorrowful and romantic dance is integral to the character of the city. Explore the city's neighbourhoods, sample its vibrant cultural life and visit one of two of its famous steak-houses.

Tour Itinerary

- Day 01-10: Brazil Odyssey tour
- Day 11: Fly from Iguazu to Buenos Aires
- Day 12: Buenos Aires tour. Dinner with Tango show
- Day 13: Transfer and flight to London
- Day 14: Arrive in London