



## Trip Details

# Brazil | Rio de Janeiro, Iguazu Falls, Amazon River


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## What's Included

- Meet & greet upon arrival at airport
- Arrival and departure transfers
- 3 nights Rio de Janeiro at Windsor Leme Hotel or similar
- 2 nights Iguazu at Recanto Cataratas Thermas Resort or similar
- 2 nights in Amazonas at Amazon Ecopark Lodge or similar
- Half-day tour of Sugarloaf Mountain
- Half-day tour of Corcovado Mountain and Christ of Redeemer
- Visit the H. Stern Museum
- Half day guided tour of Brazilian side of the Falls
- Half Day guided tour of Argentinean side of the Falls
- Full-day Amazon Riverboat tour including Meeting of Waters & lunch
- Half-day city tour of Manaus
- Ground-transfers throughout the itinerary
- Entrance fees included
- English-Speaking Tour Guides
- Hotel taxes

## Not Included

- Domestic flight: Rio de Janeiro(GIG) – Iguazu Falls (IGU)
- \*Proposed departure from Rio de Janeiro – 11:10 AM

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- Domestic flight: Iguazu Falls (IGU) – Manaus (MAO)
  - \*Proposed departure from Iguazu Falls – 6:15 AM
  - Optional tours



## Day by Day

### Day 1

Arrive in Rio and get settled into your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day to get acquainted with the neighborhood and the beautiful beach of Copacabana.

**Hotels:** Overnight in Rio de Janeiro

**Meals:** NA

### Day 2

Today you will take the cog railway to the peak of Corcovado Mountain, where the statue of Christ the Redeemer (voted one of the Seven Wonders of the World) overlooks the city from a height of 2,300 feet. Enjoy the panoramic view of Rio including its famous beaches and Guanabara Bay. Your descent will bring you through the lush Tijuca Forest, the world's largest urban forest. Your tour guide will leave you at the Museum H. Stern to visit H. Stern Museum where you will admire the fascinating variety of raw gemstones and the creative process of exclusive collections and watch as metals and rough stones are transformed into works of art, luxury, and design.

**Hotels:** Overnight in Rio de Janeiro

**Meals:** Breakfast

### Day 3

Enjoy your morning at leisure. This afternoon, you will be taken to the neighborhood of Urca to the base of Sugar Loaf Mountain. You'll travel to the top in two steps by cable car, and enjoy splendid views of Guanabara Bay and its islands, the Rio-Niterói Bridge, Corcovado Mountain, Copacabana beach, the Santa Cruz fortress, and several beaches of Niterói.


This evening, a uniquely Brazilian experience – dinner at a local Churrascaria (barbecue) restaurant, followed by a passionate samba show at Plataforma 1. (Optional)

**Hotels:** Overnight in Rio de Janeiro

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

### Day 4

Breakfast. Transfer to the airport to take your flight to the amazing, awe-inspiring Iguazu Falls, located at the border of Brazil, Argentina, and Paraguay. The Falls are one of nature's most impressive



achievements—the locals call them “Big Waters,” but you’ll call them simply unforgettable as you explore the Brazilian side of Iguazu. Comprising a spectacular display of 250 giant cascades twice the height of Niagara Falls, Iguacu Falls plunges over hard granite to a gorge 260 feet below. Nature’s incredible power is revealed in the thunderous roar of crashing water, and in the magic of the rainbow-colored mist that rises from the cliffs. This is a chance to see a Wonder of the World first-hand. The meeting, assistance, and transfers to your hotel.

**Hotels:** Overnight in Iguazu Falls

**Meals:** Breakfast

## **Day 5**

Breakfast. Today, your adventure begins with a tour visiting the Argentina side of the Falls. They are located inside Iguazu National Park, one of the first protected natural areas in America, declared Natural Patrimony of Humankind by Unesco. We will walk through the Inferior and Superior paths admiring the breathtaking 275 cascades which spread across a gulf of nearly 2 miles and pour past lush tropical vines as they crash into the waters below, paths which lead along the lush Tropical Basin to the spectacular “Devil’s Throat”.

**Hotels:** Overnight in Iguazu Falls

**Meals:** Breakfast

## **Day 6**

Early this morning you’ll transfer to the airport for your flight to the city of Manaus, capital of the State of Amazonas. Check into the Tropical Hotel Manaus on the Rio Negro just before its confluence with the Amazon. This afternoon on your city tour, visit the rubber–boom era Opera House, Indian Museum, floating docks, and busy local market.

**Hotels:** Overnight in Manaus

**Meals:** Breakfast

## **Day 7**

After breakfast, you’ll be transferred to the international airport for your flight home.

This morning from your hotel’s docks, you’ll board an Amazon riverboat and cruise to the “meeting of the waters,” where the dark waters of the Rio Negro meet the muddy waters of the Rio Solimões, forming the Amazon River. The riverboat will stop and you’ll have a chance to hike through jungle terrain. After a delicious lunch featuring fresh local cuisine, you’ll have a closer look at the Amazon’s fauna and flora, exploring tiny branches of the river, returning to your hotel by late afternoon.



**Hotels:** Overnight in Manaus

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Day 8**

After breakfast, you'll be transferred to the international airport for your flight home.

**Hotels:** NA

**Meals:** Breakfast