

## RIO DE JANEIRO

Rio's architecture embraces churches and buildings dating from the 16th to the 19th centuries, blending with the world-renowned designs of the 20th. In the South Zone, along the sea front, the city preserves the memory of names such as Tom Jobim and João Gilberto, who wrote the first chords of the Bossa Nova.



### DAY 1 – July 13th, Sunday – IN / RIO DE JANEIRO

Upon arrival in Rio de Janeiro Airport, meet your guide and be transferred to your hotel in a private vehicle.

\*Please consult the hotel check-in time.

- Transfers will be done on an individual basis (up to 2 people) each.

### DAY 2 – July 14th, Monday – RIO DE JANEIRO - FD Corcovado & Santa Teresa & Sugar Loaf

At the appropriate time, meet your guide at your hotel and depart on a private and flexible\* full day city tour (7h-8h). Start the day visiting the Christ the Redeemer on top of Corcovado Mountain. Stop for lunch nearby (not included) and stroll around Santa Teresa neighborhood or another place of interest\*. Continue to visit Sugar Loaf Mountain. Return to your hotel.

\*The tour is flexible based on the tour duration, the traveler's interests, and the guide's suggestions based on best logistic and weather conditions.

**Christ the Redeemer:** The Christ the Redeemer is considered one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, is located at the Corcovado Mountain (710 meters) with a height of 38m. Board on a centenarian eco-friendly electric train, which does not pollute and cuts through the well-preserved Atlantic Forest - part of Tijuca's National Park. The ride takes about 20min (one way), while the speed uphill is 15 km/h and downhill are 12km/h. The train has a capacity of 345 passengers/hour. Upon reaching the top and at the foot of Cristo Redentor, you can enjoy a panoramic view of the city.





**Sugar Loaf:** Trademark of Rio de Janeiro, the Sugar Loaf Mountain (396m/1299ft) has a privileged location in the city. In the first part of the cable-car ride you can see the entire Guanabara Bay, Corcovado and Rio-Niterói Bridge. In the second part of the cable-car ride you can see, from a unique perspective, the beach of Copacabana, Santa Cruz Fortress and some beaches of Niterói.

**\*Optional Sugar Loaf (no extra cost):** Hiking towards Urca Hill (220m/721ft). We walk by Cláudio Coutinho path and take the trail to reach the Urca Hill. It can be decided locally and will reduce the time up there but will avoid queuing for the first cable car. Features: MODERATE level. Short but steep rising going up the hill on rough terrain. It takes about 40 minutes (one way).

**Santa Teresa:** Located in an old neighborhood in Rio de Janeiro, Santa Teresa seems to have stopped in time. Known to have historical buildings from 1750 and for the French architecture inspired by that time, it was where the old carioca aristocracy lived. It is indeed a very charming place where lots of local artists live and exhibit their art. (Not recommended on Mondays as most local art galleries and cultural spaces remain closed).



## DAY 3 – July 15th, Tuesday – RIO DE JANEIRO – FD Tijuca Express Hike + Carnival Experience & Percussion Workshop (B)

In the morning, meet your guide at your hotel and depart on a private half day hiking tour at Tijuca forest (as mentioned below). Return to your hotel. After lunch (not included), meet your guide at the hotel and depart for a private Carnival Experience & Percussion Workshop (2h). Overnight in Rio de Janeiro.



**Tijuca Express Hike:** A hiking trail takes the group to the top of Pedra Bonita (696m/2283ft), one of the most stunning summits of Rio de Janeiro with great views of the city, the coastline and the rainforest around. In a 50 minute hike going uphill you will reach the top and see from a unique angle Pedra da Gávea, the famous majestic flat rock and the biggest monolith close to the ocean in the world (842m/2762ft high), the 'table mountain' of Rio. From this summit, we see the West coast of Rio, the Barra area with its lagoons and mangrove, also Ipanema and Leblon beaches and Dois Irmãos Peaks Hill. The trail goes through Tijuca Rainforest (National Park), one of the largest urban forests in the world with more than 40 km<sup>2</sup> and located in the heart of Rio. On the way up, it may be possible to see some wildlife like toucans, coatis and monkeys. During the tour, discover the history of Rio and Tijuca Forest and all about the coffee farms that used to exist there, the reforestation held in the XIX century and a lot about the flora and the tropical rainforest ecosystem. The tour also includes a visit to another sector of the Tijuca Park, stopping by the Chinese View summit, one of the most famous belvederes in Rio with views to the Southern side and one of the very few spots in the city where you can get Christ Redeemer, Sugar Loaf, the beach and the lagoon in the same frame. The tour is private.

\*In case of bad weather, the hike/trail may be adapted for safety reasons \*\*One lunchbox per person will be delivered in the beginning of the tour.

**Features:** EASY level. Requires reasonable fitness. Approximately 2h roundtrip and 3,5km. Short but steep trail up and downhill on rough terrain (tropical forest) with height exposure and cliffs at the summit. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes (no sandals!), and bring water, insect repellent, sunscreen, and a hat in a small backpack (keep your hands free!).

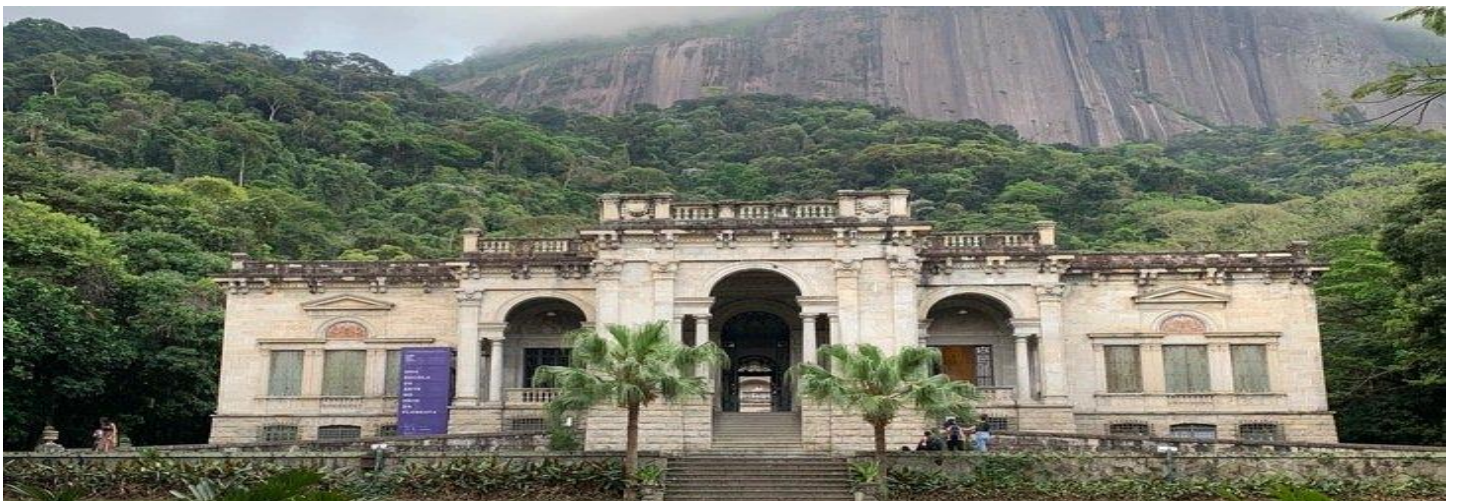
**Carnival Experience & Percussion Workshop:** Rio de Janeiro's Carnival is the biggest and the most famous event in Brazil. There are over 90 samba schools and thousands of professionals involved, such as musicians, choreographers, dancers, craftsmen, Samba Masters and producers. In this tour is possible to experience the backstage at one of the twelve samba schools on the "premier league".

During the visit you can also learn a little about samba history, taste a caipirinha, and wear a traditional costume.

In addition, guests are invited for a quick workshop to interact and learn more about the percussion instruments and learn some samba steps (afro and samba no pé) (40min).

## **DAY 4 – July 16th, Wednesday – RIO DE JANEIRO – Free Day (B)**

Enjoy a free day exploring Rio at your own leisure or consult us for optional tours (not included). Overnight in Rio de Janeiro.



**RIO DE JANEIRO – OPTIONAL TOURS (NOT included)**

**FD Botanical Garden & Lage Park + Babilonia Community Tour**

**Botanical Garden & Lage Park:** One of the greatest tropical botanical gardens in the world, houses some of the rarest species of plants from the flora of Brazil and other countries, and many species of tropical birds, fish and mammals. The garden is located at the foot of Corcovado Mountain and occupies about 142 hectares.

**Note:** In the Botanical Garden visit we include a private guided tour in an electric cart that last approximately 1 hour (up to 7 people per cart).

**Lage Park:** At the foot of the Corcovado Mountain, Parque Lage delights with 52 hectares of pure green, cultural and art programs. Originating from an old sugar mill, the park makes part of the historic memory of the city. In 1957, it tumbled by the IPHAN as historical and cultural heritage of the city of Rio. On the main mansion courtyard by the pool, the Bistro offers a delicious breakfast, lunch and dinners with organic products which can be savored with the art and music events that happen on the place every year.

**Babilonia Community Tour | 3-4 hours**

Arrival at Babilonia Hill and meet the local guide from the community. Stroll through the alleys and stairs of the Babilonia and Chapéu Mangueira communities while your local guide introduces you to the favela from his/her perspective. During the walk listen about the place, and history and understand the real way of life in favela and you are encouraged to interact as much as possible. Learn about CoopBabilonia, a project formed and managed by the residents that aims to reforest Babilonia Hill. Donation to the project is included in the tour (BRL 30).

For those keen to do more walking, continue to the beginning of the trail which will lead to several lookouts with amazing views of Rio's landscapes. The first lookout gives a glance at Leme and Copacabana beaches. A bit further, it's possible to see Vermelha Beach and the Sugarloaf from the second lookout.

Finally, reach the final lookout with sights of the Sugarloaf, Guanabara Bay, and Christ the Redeemer. Return to the community at the end of the trail.

**Optional:** Stop by at David's Bar for lunch where a Morrinho Project mockup is exhibited. There is an additional donation for the maintenance of the mockup of BRL 20. Note: David's Bar is closed on Mondays and can be replaced with another facility.







**DAY 5 – July 17th, Thursday – RIO DE JANEIRO / OUT (B)** At the appropriate time, check-out and meet your guide at your hotel to be transferred in a private vehicle to the airport.

Fly to your next destination. End of services.

\*Hotel check-out ends at 12:00 PM (noon)

**Transfers out will be done on an individual basis (up to 2 people) each.**

**THE ITINERARY MAY CHANGE ACCORDING TO THE CLIMATE CONDITIONS**

## PRICE PER PERSON IN US DOLLAR IN DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

PACKAGE	Price for 2 People per pax	Price for 4 people per pax	Price for 6 people per pax	Price for 8 people per pax	AD SGL
RIO-4N - Option 1 - Hotel Arena Ipanema	2,322	1,644	1,400	1,312	638
RIO-4N - Option 2 - Hotel Arpoador	3,062	2,392	2,151	2,064	2,064

*\*Quoted with sedan + driver/guide for 2 pax*

*\*\*Van/Minivan + guide from +3 pax*

**ALL PRICES VALID FROM JULY 13 TO 17, 2025**

### ACCOMMODATION (subject to availability)

#### Option 1

Rio de Janeiro – Arena Ipanema – Luxury Apartment (park view) (Check-in at 2pm / Check-out at 12pm)

#### Option 2

Rio de Janeiro - Hotel Arpoador – Large Room (ocean view) (Check-in at 3pm / Check-out at 12pm)

### INCLUDED in the package:

4 night's accommodation with breakfast (B) according to the options; Private transfer Airport / Rio de Janeiro Hotel / Airport (roundtrip); Private FD city tour (8h-9h) Corcovado & Santa Teresa & Sugarloaf with entrance fees; Private HD (4h-5h) Tijuca Express Hike with Snack box (Sb); Private Carnival Experience with Percussion Workshop; English Speaking Guide.

### **NOT INCLUDED**

Optional tours;



Flights;  
 Meals and beverages not specified;  
 Travel insurance;  
 Phone calls and personal expenses;  
 Any other services stated as optional or not explicitly stated as included.

**NET PRICE PER PERSON IN US DOLLARS**

OPTIONAL TOURS - PRICE PER PERSON	BASE 2 per pax	BASE 4 per pax	BASE 6 per pax	BASE 8 per pax
<b>RIO</b> - Babilonia Community Tour + Botanical Garden (pvt cart 1h) & Lage Park	546	328	253	226