



Experience Tropical Magnitude with ESA Brazil

Why Rio?



- Latin America's most famous city, on everyone's bucket list
- Christ Redeemer Statue, one of the Seven Wonders of the World
- One of a kind tropical beaches
- 365 day of moderate to warm weather
- Fascinating historical city center
- Largest urban rainforest in the world
- Heart of the world famous Brazilian carnival
- Landscape full of mountains, lakes and the vast Atlantic ocean
- World class hotels, venues, and restaurants
- Calm bay for a city-view cruise
- Maracana stadium, home of the 2016 Olympic ceremonies and 2 FIFA World Cup Finals (1950 & 2014)
- Amazing group activities



Rio de Janeiro at a Glance

- **Population:** 10 million
 - **Official language:** Portuguese
 - **Weather:** 18 to 40 Degrees Celsius (65 to 100 Fahrenheit)
 - **Time Difference:** 1 to 3 hours ahead of New York, 2 to 4 hours behind London, depending on the time of year.
 - **Currency:** Brazilian Reals (BRL or R\$)
 - **Economic Regime:** free-market economy
 - **Main Industries:** Tourism
 - **Most popular sport:** Soccer
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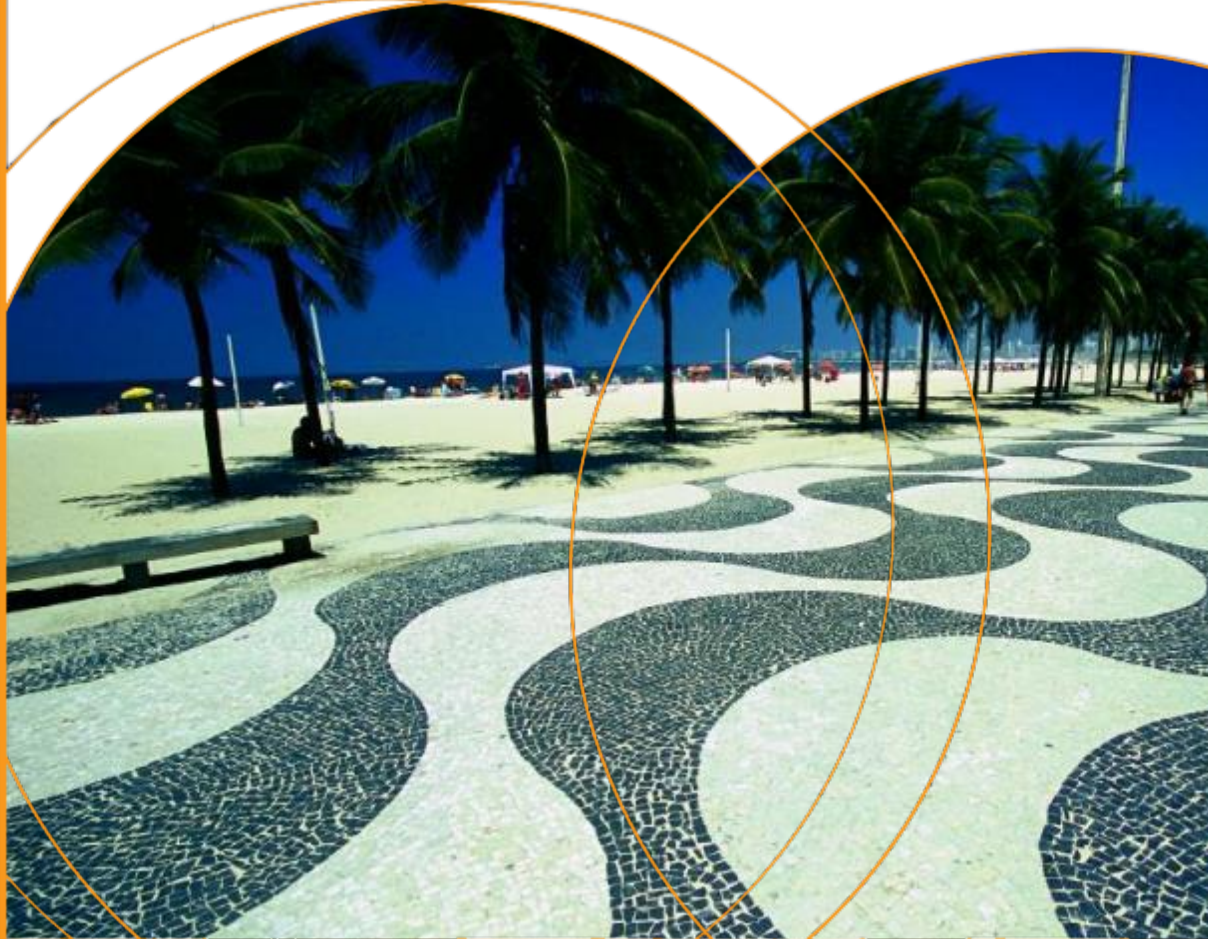
Rio's Location in South America



Daily Direct Flights to Rio de Janeiro from Select Cities

Departure	Arrival Time	Airline	Departure	Arrival Time	Airline
Amsterdam	18:40	KLM	Madrid	18:30	Iberia
Atlanta	09:32	Delta	Mexico	13:50	Aero Mexico
Buenos Aires	09:40, 14:25 & 19:40	Aerolinas Argentinas	Miami	07:30	TAM
Dubai	14:30	Emirates	New York	08:09 & 09:40	TAM & American Airlines
Frankfurt	06:00	Lufthansa	Panama	00:43/ 06:22 & 21:29	Copa Airlines
Houston	10:05	United Airways	Paris	06:50 & 18:25	Air France
Lima	04:40	Taca	Rome	05:45	Air Italia
Lisbon	14:40 & 23:25	TAP	Santiago	13:15/17:40 & 22:59	Lan & TAM
London	21:05	British Airways	Toronto	12:25	Air Canada

Activities & Excursions



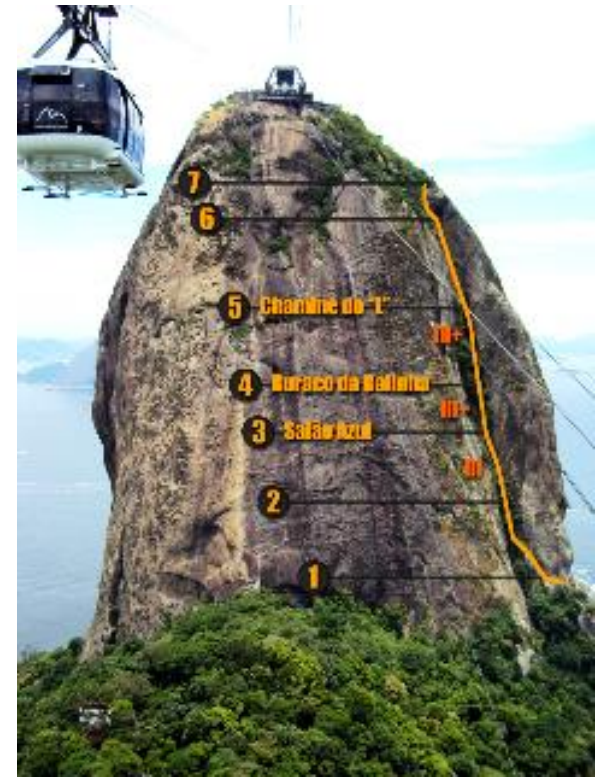
Reach New Heights at Mount Sugar Loaf

An iconic symbol of the city, mount Sugar Loaf rises up from a peninsula on the Guanabara Bay. Sugar Loaf also hosts private events for groups at the Abençoado Bar. From there you will enjoy the fantastic views of the Sugar Loaf from Mount Urca, the city of Rio, and Guanabara Bay, making for an incredible group experience.



For the More Adventurous, Climb to the Top

Our experienced mountain guides provide full security and equipment, including ropes and helmets. The whole activity takes around 4 hours.



Visit the Iconic Christ Redeemer Statue

Visit the Christ Statue, one of the new seven wonders of the world that sits 700 meters above sea level on Corcovado Hill. Following a scenic drive, arrive at the foot of the hill to take the tram or vans to the summit and enjoy breathtaking panoramic view of the city.



Take a Helicopter Tour from Sugar Loaf to Christ

Rio de Janeiro is the perfect place for sightseeing by helicopter. Fly over the Christ Statue, Copacabana beach and other amazing sites of the Marvelous City.



Explore the Tijuca Forest by 4x4 Jeep

Tijuca Forest is the largest urban reserve in the world, covering an area of 3.200 hectares and shelters a great variety of birds, butterflies and monkeys.



Cruise or Schooner Around Guanabara Bay

The Guanabara Bay is stunningly beautiful, and this tour allows you to sail through it seeing Rio from the sea.



Capirinha Workshop

Learn from a professional how to make Brazil's favorite drink! This activity may also be done without the alcohol as a smoothie or tropical juice mixing workshop.



Maracana Stadium Visit

From the goals that moved the planet in the seven games that it hosted in the World Cup 2014, including the grand final, the Maracana has always been a temple of emotions and many joys.

It has hosted the largest audience in the history of soccer (Brazil - Paraguay, 1969, about 200 thousand people), the thousandth goal by Pelé (1969), the 1950 World Cup, the 2014 World Cup, and In 2016 Maracana will host the opening and closing of the Olympic Games.



Play Beach Volleyball & Football like the Locals

Hold a beach volleyball or football tournament, play a friendly match, or organize for professional players to give a demonstration while sipping drinks and enjoying a wonderful time in one of Rio's sandy beaches.



Take a Tour of the Favelas

This tour will introduce you to a Rio within Rio. Home to 20% of the population, it's developing commerce and friendly people remain a mystery for most people. This tour shines new light into the inner works of the Brazilian society.



Learn to Dance the Samba

We'll hit the dance studio to take a lesson from English-speaking samba instructors! They will show you all the main steps of this dance, which you will later have the opportunity to practice in during your trip to Brazil.



Rio Carnival Themed Dinner

This activity is highly engaging and it's impossible for the participants not to leave their seats and join the show!



Bike Around the Ipanema Lagoon

Hop on a bike at your hotel's doorstep and ride to Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon, just a few blocks from Ipanema and Leblon beaches. Get some exercise and fresh air while you watch the Cariocas as they stroll around Rio's most famous Lagoon.

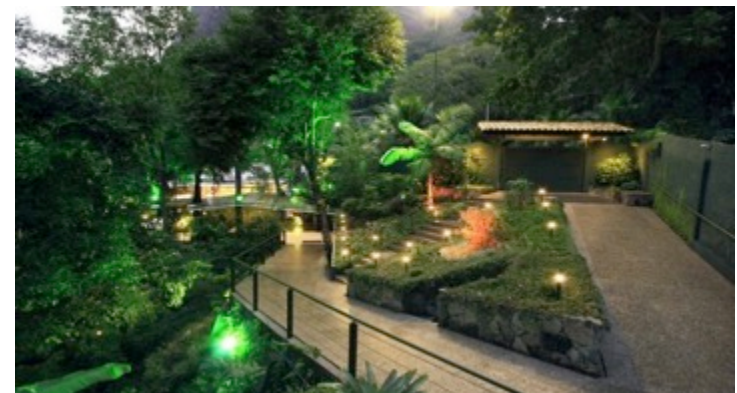


Venues for Special Events



Casa das Canoas

Situated at the very heart of the Tijuca National Park, this is one of the most dazzling places in Rio, with its unlimited green area and refined colonial architecture. The property once belonged to Commander Conrad J. Niemeyer, an important coffee farmer.



Solar Real

The Real Solar is an architectural masterpiece of the eighteenth century, in the historic neighborhood of Santa Teresa.



Fiscal Island

Inaugurated in 1889 by Brazil's last emperor, the palace became famous because it held the *Emperor's Last Dance*, just a few days before the Brazilian Republic was proclaimed.



Costa Brava

The Costa Brava Club was built by the Menescal brothers to simulate a big ship at sea. It is known as one of the best places for events in Rio de Janeiro with a wonderful view from the sea to the city, giving a great different perspective.



Rio Scenarium

Rio Scenarium is one of the main live music venues in Lapa, downtown Rio. It is distributed along 3 floors all decorated with antiques. The first floor is where the stage and dance floors are located. The second and third floor are for dinners and events.



Rio Hotels



Belmond Copacabana Palace



Fasano Rio



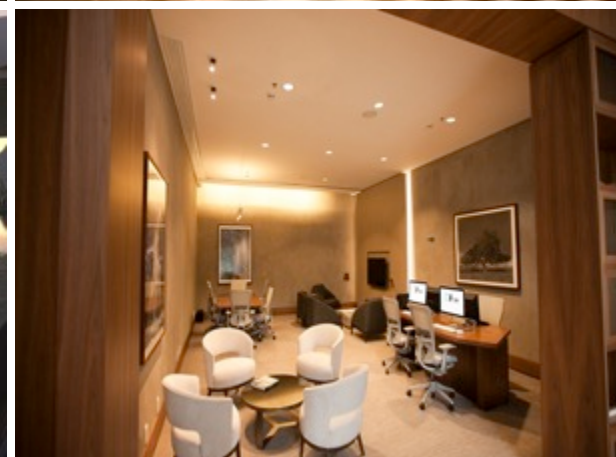
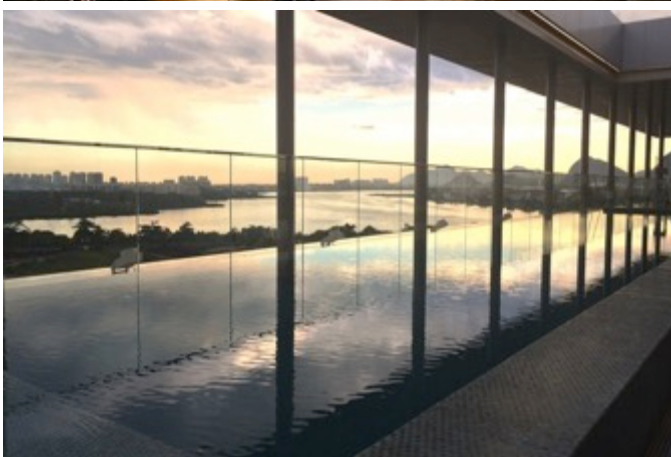
Grand Hyatt Rio



Caesar Park Ipanema



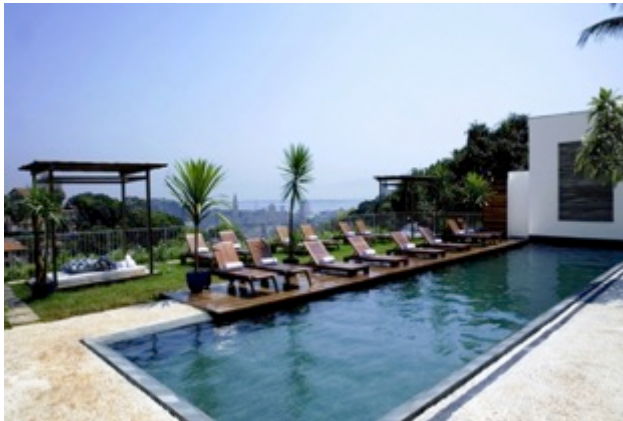
Hilton Barra



Sheraton Rio



Santa Teresa Hotel



Iguazu Falls



Brazilian Side of the Falls

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Macuco Safari

An incredible boat trip that will lead you on an exciting adventure at Iguazu Falls, where you will enjoy all its splendor. The tour starts with environmentally friendly vehicles taking you through the exuberant forest at Iguazu National Park. Below you will be really close to nature along a trail to discover the waterfall called "Salto do Macuco". At the port of shipment everybody will wear a life jacket and climb on the boats. Come and discover the incredible feeling of being part of this fascinating paradise.



Argentine Side of the Falls

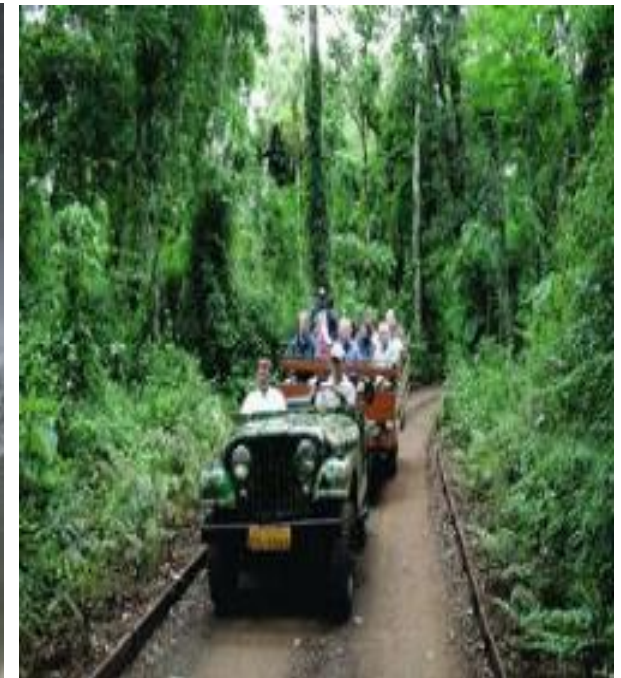
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The Great Adventure

The Great Adventure is a fantastic excursion that combines Falls approach of the waterfalls entering the Canyon of Devil's Throat, the heart of Iguazu Falls.

Go sailing the rapids on inflatable boats (6km boat trip on Iguazu River with 2km of rapids). And finally jump into the jungle for an 8km ride boarding an all-terrain vehicle through the path Yacaratiá to Puerto Macuco.



Helicopter Experience over the falls

You can take a helicopter ride over the falls. The Brazilian side of the falls offers the best panoramic views. At this tour you will see the amazing force of nature at its best!



La Aripuca

Located 15 minutes away from the Iguazu Falls, this venue is ideal for exclusive group dinners and evening receptions. Its magical proposal is based on the gigantic "Aripuca" (which means bird trap, in the aboriginal language) itself, a wooden structure built with naturally fallen logs. Apart from the exclusive dinner in its magnificent restaurant, you will also be in contact with nature and get to know about the Guarani's aborigine culture.



Paraná Cruise – Encounter 3 borders: Argentina, Brazil & Paraguay!

The adventure begins with the Paraná, where tourists board the Explorer yacht. The yacht has a capacity for 40 passengers and includes American bar, covered deck, solarium, air-conditioned VIP room.



Porto Canoas Restaurant

Located close to "Garganta do Diabo" offering a great view, this restaurant will please everyone. Offering a delicious buffet with 17 different salads, 10 Brazilian specialties, meats and desserts. Have lunch in an unique place inside the National Park, with a beautiful deck facing Iguazu river, where you can takes amazing pictures or enjoy your dessert.



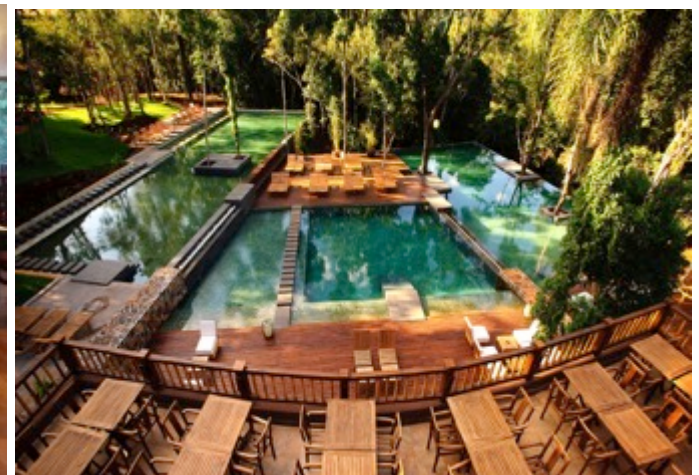
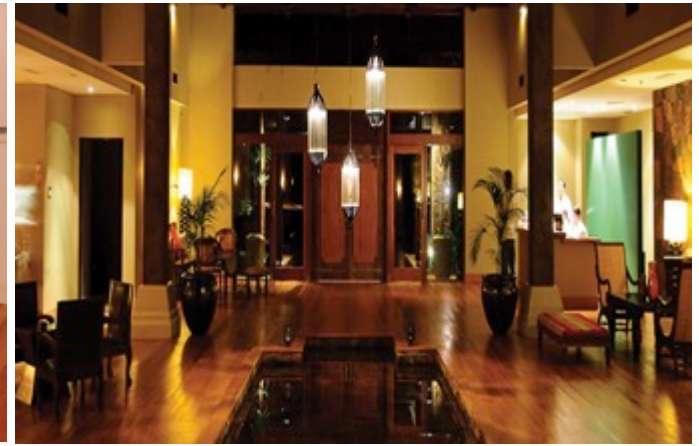
Iguazu Hotels



Belmond Cataratas Hotel



Loi Suites Iguazu



Please contact our office with any additional questions.

A huge thank you for the amazing effort you all made to ensure that the Openwork Convention was such an amazing success. As I'm sure you gauged from the reaction of the delegates, they were all delighted with the event and will certainly remember Rio fondly!

After all the months of hard work and planning, I can honestly say that working with you all was a huge pleasure, and I congratulate your entire team for really making the event so special for all concerned.

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