

BRASMEX-Europa GbR

Highlights of Brazil



1st day: Flight to Brazil

We will fly from Munich to Salvador da Bahia with one stop-over.

2nd day: Arrival in Salvador da Bahia

Salvador da Bahia was the first capital of Brazil and became rich due to the sugar cane and the export of sugar mainly to Europe. The history of the city is also linked to the slavery in Brazil. This day's afternoon is free for individual activities.

3rd day: Visit of the town

A sightseeing tour by bus will show us the structure of the city and the highlights outside the center. A walk through the historical center with the innumerable churches will lead us to the main sights of Brazilian early history. The traces of the history of slavery in Brazil start with the Pelourinho, the former slave market. We will finalize the tour with the cathedral and the specialty of Salvador da Bahia, a lift from the upper town down to the harbor.



4th day: Bahía de Todos os Santos

This day is dedicated to recreation on a boat trip in the bay Bahía de Todos os Santos. This first secure harbor of Salvador was discovered on All Saints day, giving the name to the bay. Accompanied by the setting sun we will return to Salvador da Bahia.



5th day: From Salvador to Brasília

Brazil had three capitals during its history: Salvador da Bahia at the beginning, Rio de Janeiro from 1763 to 1960 and Brasília till today. Brasília was placed in the geographical center of Brazil as a cross on the map. The construction of the city looks like an airplane due to the curve of one bar of the cross and founded the tale of the airplane with the governmental buildings located in the cockpit. The main sights of this futuristic city designed by Oscar Niemeyer are the cathedral, the buildings for government and parliament and the monuments showing the ideas of a new Brazil.



6th day: From Brasília to the Mato Grosso

Starting in Brazil we will fly to Campo Grande in order to get to Bonito by bus and the Pantanal in the state of Mato Grosso. Bonito is a picturesque little city mainly known for its beautiful surroundings.



Brazil is known for its wonderful beaches and its kind people but can offer a lot more to the visitors of this marvelous part of the world.

The beaches are only one type of the various landscapes of this enormous country. The spectrum reaches from the hot and humid region of the Amazonas over the dry area of the Sertão to the fertile Pantanal and the highlands of the South. The people are formed by their roots from all parts of the world and the history of the country, bringing them together in Brazil.

You will encounter a part of the different landscapes and a lot about Brazil by visiting the remaining of its history.



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7th day: Bonito

We will visit the Blue Cavern (Grotta Azul) in the morning. A clear sea, glittering deep blue in the faint day light, is expecting us at the lowest point of the cavern. The cavern is only one of the highlights of the southern border of the Pantanal.

Floating in the clear water of a river is our next target that we will reach after a walking tour through the wood with its waterfalls and little lakes. The fishes of the river will cruise with us and we can watch them as they watch us.



8th day: Pantanal

We will continue our exploration of Brazilian landscapes after the breakfast. The Pantanal is encompassing the world's largest tropical wetland area. Roughly 80% of the Pantanal floodplains are submerged during the rainy seasons, nurturing an astonishing biologically diverse collection of aquatic plants and helping to support a dense array of animal species. The name "Pantanal" comes from the Portuguese word pântano, meaning swamp. The Pantanal is honored by the UNESCO as a world heritage since 2000. We will visit the southern part of this gigantic region by bus and by boat.



The next location of our journey will be reached by a bus trip during the night.

9th day: Foz do Iguaçu

A further highlight of our travelling is the system of waterfalls of Foz do Iguaçu. The system consists of 20 bigger, at least 80 m height, and numerous smaller waterfalls on a length of 2.7 kilometers. The falls belong to the Argentinian as well as to the Brazilian National Park of Iguaçu. Both belong to the UNESCO world heritage 1984 (Argentinian since 1984 and Brazilian since 1986).



10th day: Flight to Rio de Janeiro

The flight to Rio de Janeiro, the last station of our journey to the highlights of Brazil, will take place in the afternoon. So we will have time for recreation in the hotel in Foz do Iguaçu.



11th day: Rio de Janeiro

The Vice king of Brazil moved from Salvador to Rio de Janeiro in 1763 due to the higher comfort in the new capital of Brazil. In 1808 the Court of Portugal came to Rio de Janeiro in order to escape Napoleon Bonaparte. The representative buildings of the center and in the park "Quinto da boa vista" are witness of those times. The national park "Tijuca" will give us an idea of the „Mata Atlântica“, a rain forest formerly spread over the majority of the country.

12th day: Beaches and Sugar loaf

A visit of the monument of Christ (Cristo Redentor) on the Corcovado is a must for those who visit Rio de Janeiro for the first time. The overview on the city is spectacular. Taking the funicular to the top of the Sugar Loaf, the landmark of Rio de Janeiro, opens another view of the town and its beaches.

The beaches of Leme, Copacabana, Ipanema and Leblon invite us for recreation after so much information and impressions. Walking along the beaches and swimming in the sea are a good final of our journey.





13th day: Flight to Europe

The last day is reserved for individual shopping and relaxing at the beach. We will drive to the airport in the late afternoon for our flight back to Europe.

14th day: Arrival in Munich

With a stop over we will reach Munich in the afternoon of the 14th day of our journey.



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