

7-12 Day Adventures in Brazil - A Kaleidoscope Adventure



CUSTOM ITINERARY – YOUR FLEXIBLE INCLUSIONS DATES — 7-12 Day ITINERARY

OVERVIEW: What better way to travel than with family. Celebration Escapes & LTD invites you to experience first-hand Brazil's hidden treasures. From the fun and sun of Rio de Janeiro, to the amazing Iguassu Falls, to mystical Salvador (Bahia) considered the spiritual and cultural center of Brazil offering exquisite beaches, fiery cuisine, colonial churches and exotic mystical Afro-Brazilian rituals. Next we sail aboard Desafio providing unmatched comfort while in the wilds of the Amazon Jungle

7-12 Day Itinerary: Rio – Iguassu – Salvador - Manaus – Amazon Cruise

US Citizens require Brazilian Visa. Other citizens, please inquire.

Blessed with a wonderful natural setting, wedged among towering hills and the sea, watched from above by Christ the Redeemer atop Corcovado Mountain, and surrounded by tropical forests and lagoons, Rio de Janeiro (pop. 8 million) has transformed into one of the world's most beautiful cities.

Known to Brazilians as the "Cidade Maravilhosa" (Marvelous City), Rio offers world-class hotels, restaurants, shopping, and varied active sports. Beaches are an integral part of the Rio's envied lifestyle, highlighted by two of the world's most famous -- Copacabana and Ipanema. The marvelous city's pulsating nightlife ranks among the best in the world.



Day 1 Arrival Brazil: Rio de Janeiro

Upon arrival in Rio, (the pulsating sun and fun capital of South America), you will meet your private English-speaking VIP Travel Specialist at customs who will escort you through immigration and customs and on to baggage claim where you will be met by your private English-speaking driver. He will assist you with your luggage and transfer you to your hotel.

Upon arrival at the hotel, you will meet the Concierge who will assist you with a private VIP welcome and check-in experience. Your luggage will be handled and delivered to your accommodation.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax in the hotel, enjoy a rejuvenation in the spa, or explore a little on your own.

Lunch is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Rio de Janeiro.

Tonight enjoy dinner at a traditional Churrasquería (barbecue) restaurant, followed by a spectacular Brazilian samba show. (D)



Day 2 Brazil: Rio de Janeiro

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking driver & professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for a morning tour.

Our morning tour begins at Copacabana and Ipanema two of the world's most famous beaches. Then, a cable car takes to the top of Sugar Loaf Mountain for a panoramic view of the beaches and Guanabara Bay.

After the tour, you will be returned to your hotel.

Lunch is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Rio de Janeiro.

Afternoon at leisure for shopping or just relaxing at the beach. (B) If you choose a shopping tour, you will be escorted by a private professional personal shopper who will have pre-arranged an afternoon in particular shops and boutiques, for you to visit (based around your interests and passions which we will have determined in the Celebration Escapes' Creative Planning Session.

You will begin the tour with a glass of champagne with one of Rio's fashion designers who will give you a tour of the studio and the current collection.

Afterwards, you will continue on with your guide for VIP appointments in other shops where you will be able to shop easily and smoothly since the staff in each boutique, shop and store, will be waiting on you with a VIP Welcome.

After the tour you will be returned to your hotel.

Dinner is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Rio de Janeiro.



Day 3 Brazil: [Rio de Janeiro](#)

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking driver & professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for a morning tour.

Today our city tour continues with a day of sightseeing, which includes a drive through the fashionable Barra District.

We depart towards the base of Corcovado Mountain. A short train ride to the summit. Here, at 2,400 feet above the city stands one of South America's most famous landmarks, the 125-foot statue of "Christ the Redeemer". The panorama of the city below is testament to why most visitors consider Rio to be one of the most spectacular and beautiful cities in the world.

Lunch is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Rio de Janeiro.

The tour continues with drive throughs and stops in several of the Rio districts to touch the varied life in this vibrant city. Full details of the tour will be given at time of booking (based on your personal interests and style, as developed in the Celebration Escapes' Creative Planning Session.

After the tour you will be returned to the hotel where you are at le leisure for the remainder of the day.

Dinner is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Rio de Janeiro.

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Day 4 Brazil: Rio de Janeiro – Iguassu Falls

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your private English-speaking driver in the lobby of your transfer to the airport to meet your flight to Iguassu Falls.

Upon arrival in Iguassu Falls, you will meet your private English-speaking driver in the baggage claim area. He will assist you with your luggage and transfer you to your hotel.

Upon arrival at the hotel, you will meet the Concierge who will assist you with a private VIP welcome and check-in experience. Your luggage will be handled and delivered to your accommodation.

You will then transfer to the falls for a walking tour of one of the world's greatest natural wonders. Iguassu Falls consists of over 275 separate cataracts across a span of two and one-half miles, wider than Victoria, higher than Niagara and more beautiful than both.

Lunch is on your own toady.

After lunch, you will meet your private English-speaking Driver & Professional Local Guide in the lobby of your hotel for an afternoon tour of Itaipu Dam.

After the tour, the remainder of the day is at leisure to relax in the hotel or to explore a little on your own.

Dinner is on your own toady. (B)



Day 5 Brazil: Iguassu Falls - Salvador

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking driver & your professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for a private tour of the Argentine side of the falls.

Iguassu Falls

Considered by many one of the world's top ten wonders, Iguassu Falls is formed by over 275 separate waterfalls cascading from the top of a horseshoe-shaped canyon in an overwhelming spectacle of sound and color.

The falls stretch along the border of Argentina and Brazil, serving as a natural divide between the two countries. Even though 70% of the falls are located on the Argentinean side, most of them face the Brazilian side, which is a main reason why they should be visited from both.

Major's single attraction is the "Devil's Throat" (Argentinean side), where the largest volume of water falls with a strong, thunderous roar that can be heard miles away.

Surrounding Iguassu National Park, originally established to protect the falls, covers 450,000 acres of subtropical forest and harbors a large range of fauna and flora.

Adventurous spirits can enjoy different activities in the park including hiking, mountain biking, rappelling, canopy tours, rock climbing and rafting.

Lunch is on your own toady.

After lunch, you will meet your private English-speaking Driver in the lobby of your hotel for an afternoon transfer to the airport for your flight to Salvador (Bahia).

Upon arrival in Salvador, you will meet your private English-speaking driver in the baggage claim area. He will assist you with your luggage and transfer you to your hotel.

Upon arrival at the hotel, you will meet the Concierge who will assist you with a private VIP welcome and check-in experience. Your luggage will be handled and delivered to your accommodation.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax in the hotel or to explore a little on your own.

Tonight, we enjoy dinner and a typical folkloric show performing Afro-Brazilian rituals like Candomble, Maculele and Samba de Roda along with an unforgettable presentation of Capoeira, the martial art fight and acrobatic folk dance. (B,D)



Day 6 Brazil: Salvador

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, meet your private English-speaking driver & your professional local guide in the lobby of your hotel for a private tour of Salvador.

Home to the largest, best-preserved colonial quarter in the Americas, Salvador (pop. 2.5 million) was founded in 1536 and soon became Brazil's most important port and first capital. For over two centuries, Salvador thrived on the flourishing commerce of sugar cane, gold and diamonds, which resulted in the building of several Baroque churches, ornate mansions, and plazas.

During this time, prompted by the increasing labor demand, African slaves were brought in to work the plantations. They brought with them their rich culture and traditions that still survive throughout Brazil, but mainly in Bahia, where the influence permeates all aspects of life - from exotic cuisine to spectacular Capoeira ritualistic dances, to rich musical heritage, to the spiritual Candomble religion.

Today Salvador offers a spicy mixture of modernity and tradition, an idyllic place to relax on its inviting beaches as well as a cultural enclave embodying the very spirit of Brazil.



This morning we tour the old quarter of Salvador, Brazil's first capital city founded by the Portuguese. This city's unique African character is a holdover from years of slave trading.

Lunch is on your own toady. Your guide will recommend dining options in the area.

After lunch, we will view historical relics, religious art and the Pelourinho District, considered an important complex of colonial baroque architecture.

Balance of day at leisure to feast your senses with the sights, sounds and unique cuisine of this mystical city.

Dinner is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Salvador. (B)



Day 7 Brazil: Salvador - Manaus

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your private English-speaking driver in the lobby of your hotel for your private transfer to the airport to meet your flight to Manaus.

Upon arrival in Manaus, you will meet your private English-speaking driver in the baggage claim area. He will assist you with your luggage and transfer you to your hotel.

Upon arrival at the hotel, you will meet the Concierge who will assist you with a private VIP welcome and check-in experience. Your luggage will be handled and delivered to your accommodation.

Lunch is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Manaus.

The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax in the hotel or to explore a little on your own.

Manaus (pop. 1.2 million), capital of Brazil's massive Amazonas state, was founded in 1669. During the past century's rubber boom Manaus became one of the world's most prosperous cities, and the opulence of those days may still be appreciated viewing the city's magnificent Teatro Amazonas Opera House.

After competition slowed the rubber industry, the city fell into decline. Today, however, Manaus is thriving once again as the Upper Amazon's transportation hub and distribution center.

For visitors daily river cruises and boat transfers depart to jungle lodges situated one to five hours from the city. Once in the jungle, activities include jungle hikes, night outings, piranha fishing, camping, boat tours, and wildlife viewing.

Dinner is on your own toady. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Manaus.



Day 8 Brazil: Manaus – Amazon River Cruise

Breakfast in your hotel.

After breakfast, check out of your hotel and meet your private English-speaking driver in the lobby of your hotel for your private transfer to the pier to meet your yacht for your Amazon Cruise.

Board the luxury yacht M/V Desafio. Your yacht is over 108 feet long, fully air-conditioned with a sundeck, covered deck, bar, restaurant and salon.

Each cabin has a private bathroom, and sound system. We begin the cruise with a view of the city from the Amazon River and the famous Meeting of the Waters, where the Negro and the Solimoes Rivers join together to form the immense Amazon River.

The Amazon River is one of Brazil's greatest symbols and one of earth's most treasured natural resource. Adorned by the surrounding magical rain forests, the river has a cast of over 1,500 tributaries, and is responsible for one-fifth of the world's fresh water and one-third of its oxygen.

Manaus is the gateway for the amazing river cruise adventure aboard the M/V Desafio. A renovated cruise yacht, Desafio is over 108 feet long, fully air-conditioned with a sundeck, covered deck and bar, restaurant and salon. Each cabin has private bath, and sound system.

Accompanied by an excellent nature guide you will be mesmerized by the mysteries and excitement of the jungle environs as you sail aboard Desafio, including jungle walks and intimate visits aboard canoe for a closer look at life along the Amazon. All meals and jungle activities are included during this extraordinary Amazon adventure

Lunch & Dinner are served on board today. (B,L,D)



Day 9 Brazil: Amazon River Cruise

Breakfast on board the yacht.



After an early breakfast, we are off for an intimate encounter with the jungle as we walk through the rain forest to explore the lush flora and fauna of the Amazon.

Return to the boat for lunch and a refreshing swim.

Then we set sail for Samauma Island in the Anavilhanas Archipelago.

This evening you will board motor boats for an exciting search for alligators by flashlight. (B,L,D)



Day 10 Brazil: Amazon River Cruise

Breakfast on board the yacht.

After an early breakfast, we awake to the concert of birds as we navigate to Santa Maria, a typical Caboclo Indian village, to observe their daily lifestyle.

Return to the boat for lunch while sailing.

Afternoon excursion to fish the aggressive piranha.

Evening lake excursion by canoe. (B,L,D)

Day 11 Brazil: Amazon River Cruise

Breakfast on board the yacht.

After an early breakfast, you will enjoy an early morning bird watching excursion.

Return to the boat and start navigating toward Manaus.

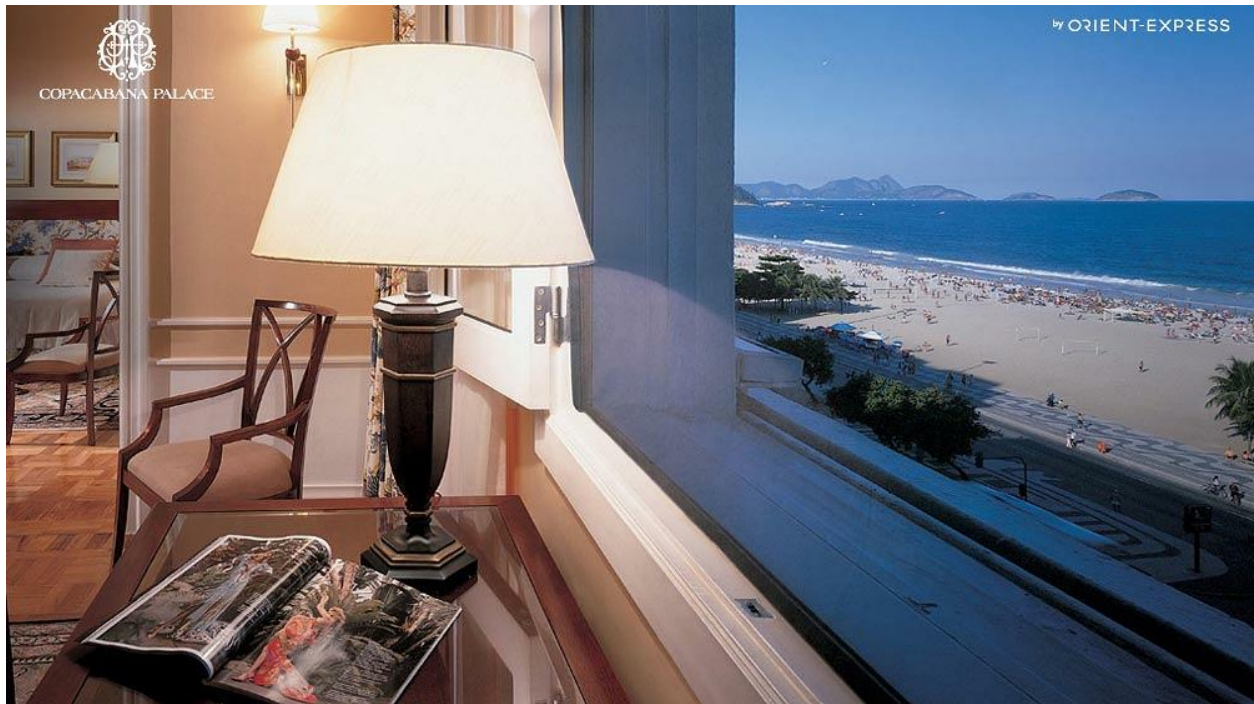
Upon arrival in Manaus, you will meet your private English-speaking driver for your transfer back to the airport to meet your connecting flights back to Miami & Home.

End of Services.

Recommended Hotel Information:

Copacabana Palace





Rooms at Copacabana Palace



Copacabana Palace offers two different categories of rooms. Choose between the charming Superior City View or magnificent Deluxe Beach View.

Suites at Copacabana Palace

Copacabana Palace offers two luxurious categories of suites, each with its own unique character.



Pool Ocean View Suites

Delight in the sights of Rio from your own private balcony overlooking the pool and Copacabana Beach beyond.

These spacious suites, located in the hotel's Tower Wing, are ideal for longer stays. Some have a small kitchen area suitable for preparing simple meals, making it the perfect choice for families.

Each includes a comfortable sitting room and bathroom with separate shower and bath.

Avenue City View Suites

These spacious and elegant suites provide the perfect base in which to unwind after a day spent exploring Rio.

Located in the hotel's Tower Wing, each of these suites features spectacular views of Rio from its own private balcony.

Avenue City View Suites have separate living rooms, a bedroom and a bathroom with separate shower.

Restaurants & Bars

Offering the perfect blend of elegant surroundings, exemplary service and gourmet cuisine, the Copacabana Palace guarantees a memorable dining experience.

Featuring two of Rio's top restaurants –Hotel Cipriani Restaurant and Pégula Restaurant –the Copa is Rio's top destination for gastronomy and style.

Join us for a zingy caipirinha at the legendary Piano Bar or slip on your dancing shoes for a night at the lively Bar do Copa.

During the day, enjoy drinks and snacks while you sunbathe at the Pool Terrace. And for guests who seek a little more privacy, 24-hour room service is also available.



Hotel Cipriani Restaurant: Sophisticated elegance and North Italian cuisine combine in one of Rio's top restaurants.



Pérgula Resturant: Situated by the pool, Pérgula Restaurant offers breakfast, lunch and al fresco dining in relaxed surroundings

Tropical das Cataratas, Iguassu



Rooms & Suites

Hotel das Cataratas has 193 rooms including 15 suites. The main building houses 52 bedrooms including 10 suites. The Garden Wing houses 64 bedrooms including 1 Junior Suite and the Forest Wing houses 77 rooms including 3 Junior Suites.



Superior Room

Decorated in a Portuguese style, Superior Rooms are located throughout the property and are approximately 24 square metres in size.



Deluxe Room

These spacious rooms are approximately 30 square metres in size and feature Portuguese style decor with paintings by Ludmilla de Montes, the Brazilian artist.



Junior Suite

With a king size bed and a small living room with a writing desk, Junior Suites feature fantastic views of the lush tropical gardens and the forest.



Cataratas Suite

Our Cataratas Suites are located in the main building and are approximately 94 square metres in size. The suites boast four balconies offering superb views of the spectacular surroundings.



Hotel das Cataratas has two restaurants, the Ipê Grill alongside the pool and the Restaurante Itaipu which boasts an outside veranda.

International cuisine and local dishes are served in both restaurants.

Local dishes and specialities are extensive and have been shaped by the eclectic population of the Iguassu region and its variety of culinary influences. Such as the Feijoada, typical Brazilian dish made with black beans and different types of pork meat, served with a varieties of salads, garnish and a selection of Brazilian desserts.

If you would prefer to relax in the comfort of your room there is also a choice of food and beverages available from room service.

Convento do Carmo, Salvador





Tropical Manaus



Enjoy modern and comfortable accommodations and your Amazon vacation in Brazil surrounded by breathtaking scenery at the Tropical Manaus. Our accommodations rate first class for resorts in Brazil.

Tropical Manaus guests may choose from 556 large accommodations, including four types of suites. Guest accommodation selections include:



- Noble Suite
- Duplex Suite
- Presidential Suite
- Standard Room
- Superior Room
- Deluxe Room
- Junior Suite

Each Tropical Manaus guest room offers a peaceful modern Brazil vacation retreat from a busy day. At the best of hotels in Brazil, each room features the following amenities:



Discover fine international dining and delicious Brazil food and entertainment at Tropical Manaus. Enjoy luxury dining and entertainment against the backdrop and magnificence of the rainforest.

The " Cantos e Encantos da Amazônia " is a popular dinner entertainment show presented each Thursday at the Tropical Manaus. " Cantos e Encantos da Amazônia" with live music and dancers shows the legends and indian rituals . It´s the perfect Brazilian show for your Amazon vacation.



You will find a wide selection of Brazil food featured at the two restaurants featured at the Tropical Manaus.

The 'Tucano' Coffee shop offers Brazil food specialties as well as international cuisine. The 'Karu Grill Restaurant', open only for dinner, features exotic and regional dishes and the Café Brasil for quick lunches.

Choose from three different bars at the Tropical Manaus, offering occasional live music **live music**, drink options, and light meals.
