Vamos para (Let's Go To) Rio de Janeiro!



Lake Arbor Travel Invites You To RIO DE JANIERO, BRAZIL

April 3-8, 2025, 6 Days, 5 Nights \$2,049.00 Per Person, Double Occupancy, <u>LAND ONLY</u>





WONDERS OF RIO ITINERARY, APRIL 2025

Thursday, April 3: Arrive in Rio de Janeiro

Welcome to the one of the most exciting places on earth! Upon arrival you will be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. Located in one of the trendiest areas in Rio, **The Hotel Porto Bay Rio de**Janeiro is directly across the street from the famous **Copacabana Beach**. Remainder of the day at leisure. Tonight, experience one of the most renowned steakhouses in Rio. Enjoy all-you-can-eat, high-quality cuts of meat cooked over an open flame and extensive salad bar.

Meal: Dinner

Friday, April 4: Tour of Rio Including Samba City; Little Africa

Your first visit will be to the **Sambodrome:** the arena where the famous **Carnival Parade** takes place. You will learn about the parade and understand the importance of this popular celebration in the lives of the cariocas (those who are born in Rio). The tour continues with a visit to a samba school headquarters inside the **Samba City**. You will go behind the scenes of Rio's Carnival and realize all it takes to produce this incredible show. You will learn the history of the samba and the Carnival, and be able to try on the beautiful costumes you usually see on TV. Enjoy a traditional lunch. Following, explore an area known as **Little Africa** and the Salt Stone: the oldest continuously inhabited Black neighborhood in Rio. From the arrival of the first captured Africans, this small region near the port provided a geological protection that one can still see today. At day's end, we head back to the hotel, enjoy your evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Saturday, April 5: Corcovado Tour, Santa Teresa Neighborhood; Rio by Night

Get ready for a morning of adventures and discoveries in Rio de Janeiro with our incredible Jeep tour to the most famous landmark of Rio: the **Corcovado Mountain.** You'll be cruising in a higher altitude, providing an awesome perspective of the city below. We will start at the historic bohemian neighborhood of **Santa Teresa** with its mansions, museums and culture providing a lovely change of pace from the busy beaches. From there, we will head to the **Tijuca Rainforest** – the largest urban forest on earth. Our tour ends on the Christ Statue with views that never cease to amaze. Back to the hotel, our afternoon will be at leisure. Tonight, an unforgettable show that takes a rhythmic tour through the many different Brazilian rhythms, dances and colors: Lambada, Forró, Frevo, Maculelê, Capoeira, Maculele and Samba are just a few of them. Before the show, savor a typical Brazilian dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Sunday, April 6: Sugar Loaf Mountain; Botanical Gardens; Hippie Market

Your first stop at today's tour will be at the famous Sugar Loaf Mountain. This landmark, at the mouth of Guanabara Bay on a peninsula that juts out into the Atlantic Ocean, allows for astonishing views of the city underneath your feet. Our next stop will be at the Botanical Gardens. Created in 1808 by Don. João VI, King of Portugal, the Rio de Janeiro Botanical Garden is famous for the exuberance and the scientific importance of its plant collection, as well as for the beauty of its landscapes. Its bicentennial history is expressed in its monuments, buildings and artworks. No Sunday in Rio de Janeiro is complete without a visit to the hippie market, one of the best places to shop in Rio. Here you find everything from silver jewelry to leather goods, and everything in between.

Meal: Breakfast

Monday, April 7: Day at Leisure

Enjoy a full day at the beach, shopping or just relaxing at the hotel's pool.

Meal: Breakfast

Tuesday, April 8: Bye – Bye Rio

At agreed upon time, transfer to the airport for flight home.

Includes:

6 nights at The Hotel Porto Bay in Superior Top Floor Rooms with Balcony (Most flights from the U.S. arrive early morning, your room has been reserved and is available upon arrival.) portobay.com Group Airport/Hotel Transfers
All Tours and Meals Listed in Itinerary

Not Included:

Roundtrip Air Travel Insurance, www.allianztravelinsurance.com Beverage with Meals Gratuities Porterage at Airport and Hotel

YOUR PASSPORT MUST BE VALID THROUGH OCTOBER 2025

A deposit of \$400.00 is required by August 1, 2024 to secure your space. Payments of \$275.00 are due on the 10th of September, October, November, December, January, and final payment in February 2025.

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My deposit of \$ is enclose	ed (\$400.00 per person is re	quired to secure reservation)
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Name (As it appears on Passport):		Date of Birth:
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