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Join us on what promises to be a life-changing experience of culture, flavors, passion, fun, and excitement that is Rio de Janeiro, the crown jewel of all things Brazil ... home to Carmen Miranda, Bossa Nova, Carnaval, Pele, and the Girl from Ipanema. Where people find happiness in the simple things in life, regardless of social class. And you'll experience it all, first-hand in the next seven days.



For the past 25 years, your hosts, Jeff (California native) and Simone (Brazlian native), have made countless trips to this exotic city for both business and pleasure, making friends, speaking the language and immersing themselves in its culture far beyond the typical tourist. Rio de Janeiro is hands down their favorite city in the world. That's why they've put together this amazing trip so you can experience Rio like no one else.

WEDNESDAY, March 8 - DEPARTURE

11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:55 p.m.

VIP Group Sprinter pickup at home Arrive at LAX AA Flight to MIA

THURSDAY, March 9 - ARRIVAL



Today is a reality check. You're in Brazil and you need to pinch

yourself and let it sink in. The Sheraton Grand Rio Resort and Hotel is the perfect setting to transition. Enjoy the five-star premises with its pool-side bars and its own beach. Then be ready for our evening reception down the street at Mirante do Leblon where you will sip on Brazil's most famous cocktail ... the Caipirinha, while enjoying live music and a panoramic view of Ipanema Beach at sunset to kick off our amazing week.

9:30 a.m.	Arrival
10:00 a.m.	Van chauffeur to the hotel
11:00 a.m.	Resort check-in
12:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own at the Resort
	Afternoon beach/pool/spa
5:00 p.m.	"Welcome to Rio at Mirante do Leblon Bar, a short bike ride from the hotel,
	appetizers and Brazilian tropical drinks
7:00 p.m.	Bike ride back to the hotel
8:00 p.m.	Dinner at well-known Leblon restaurant*

FRIDAY, March 10





Today you will experience the most breath-taking view of Rio de Janeiro as we visit Christ the Redeemer, then go to Sugar Loaf, where you'll take two cable cars to the top of this giant rock and have the chance to interact with the tiny marmosets.

	Breaktast at your leisure
9:30 a.m.	Meet at the lobby (Chauffeur service)
10:00 a.m.	Christ the Redeemer
1:00 p.m.	Lunch at a local churrascaria
3:00 p.m.	Sugar Loaf (Chauffeur service)
6:00 p.m.	Helicopter ride (approx. \$240 per person)
7:00 p.m.	Uber to Copacabana kiosks for drinks and
	appetizers in front of Copacabana Palace



Today's theme is culture. Most of the day is to relax and enjoy the resort. Take advantage of all the amenities. Then in the evening we go to Rio's most popular neighborhood, LAPA, where we'll be entertained to a variety of Brazilian culture through music and dining at the famous LAPA Scenarium.

	Breakfast at your leisure
	Beach/pool/tennis on the resort
6:30 p.m.	Leave hotel (Chauffeur service)
7:00 p.m.	Dinner + Brazilian carnaval
	+ Bossa-Nova Club -LAPA Scenarium
1:00 a.m.	Return to hotel (Chauffeur service)

SUNDAY, March 12



Today's highlight will feature lunch at Casa de Feijoada where you will experience Brazil's most famous and traditional dish, feijoada. It's very heavy, but incredibly delicious Then we'll head to Ipanema Beach, where the song "The Girl From Ipanema" was inspired.

11:45 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 10:00 p.m.

Leave hotel (Uber) Lunch at Casa de Feijoada Hang out at Ipanema Beach RioSul shopping (Hotel shuttle) Return to hotel (Hotel shuttle)

MONDAY, March 13



Today we gender bond. While the women experience the pleasures of shopping at Leblon's high-fashion mall in this upscale neighborhood, spend money, drink super coffee and talk about chick stuff, the men will play a manly round of golf at the scenic beachside Gavea Golf and Country Club and talk about dude stuff.

9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Breakfast at the Confeiteria Colombo Shopping in Lablon/Golf at the Gavea Club Lunch* Dinner (TBA)*



Today is a bucket-list adventure. We'll take a shuttle to one of Rio's highest points in the Tijuca National Rain Forest, nearly a half mile high, launch off a cliff and hang glide over Tijuca where 20-story buildings look like Legos, then land safely on the beach. It's a white-knuckle experience you'll never forget. Afterwards, we'll spend the day at the famous Barra da Tijuca beach and do happy hour on Rio Street with live music and mingle with the locals.

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast at the hotel
10:00 a.m.	Leave the lobby (Chauffeur service)
11:00 a.m.	Hang gliding (from \$100)*
1 p.m.	Lunch at Praía do Pepe*
6:00 p.m.	Happy hour and dinner at the famous local Barra da Tijuca restaurant with live music*
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This is a free day for you to be on your own. We are in the process of planning a very special sunset event for all of us. More details to come.

THURSDAY. March 16



You've probably heard of Rio de Janeiro's famous favelas (ghettos in English). To have an immersive experience visiting a favela, you need the right connections. Well, Jeff and SImone have made friends with several people who live in Rio's famous Vidigal favela and have fallen in love with these people. Especially their dear friend Paulino and his family, who will be our tour guide.

Vidigal drapes the hillside with incredible views of the ocean. It's like Laguna Beach in Rio, with very steep streets. Paulino will take us to the entrance of Vidigal where we will take motorcycle taxis up the steep and winding street through the favela to the trailhead that leads to the top of Pedra do Dos Irmãos (Rock of the Two Brothers). The 2-mile hike takes us through the jungle to the top of the mountain with a 360-degree view of Rio and the sunset. On our return, we'll dine on a rooftop in the favela, enjoying a typical home-cooked meal made by a local chef with the most insane skyview of the city lights.

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast at the hotel
10:00 a.m.	Farmers Market + Copacabana
2:00 p.m.	Return to the hotel
4:00 p.m.	Hike to dois Irmãos Comunidade (Moto
	taxi, park ticket, and tour guide included)
7:00 p.m.	Eat dinner at the house of one of the
	residents of the community

FRIDAY. March 17 - DEPARTURE

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
	Free day
6:45 p.m.	Meet at the Lobby
7:00 p.m.	Leave for the airport
10:00 p.m.	Departure to LA

SATURDAY. March 18 - ARRIVAL

12:10 p.m. Arrival at LA VIP Group Sprinter pickup at LAX

BOOK NOW: Call or text Simone 949-228-5422





* Not included in price ** Prices are subject to change based

airfares hote resort. oceanfront rooms breakfast, VIP shuttles to and from LAX, chauffeur service in Rio, welcome reception, Sugar Loaf, Christ the Redeemer, dinner show at LAPA, lunch at Casa de Feijoada, lunch and dinner show at LAPA, hike to Pedra de Dois Irmãos, sunset excursion. A 50% non-refundable deposit per person is required. Final payment

There are only 10 spots available for this group. Once they are full, we will open 10 more spots for a second group for March 16-25, 2023.