



State: Rio de Janeiro

Weather: Tropical humid - 25°C (77°F) average **Rain Period:** Between December and March

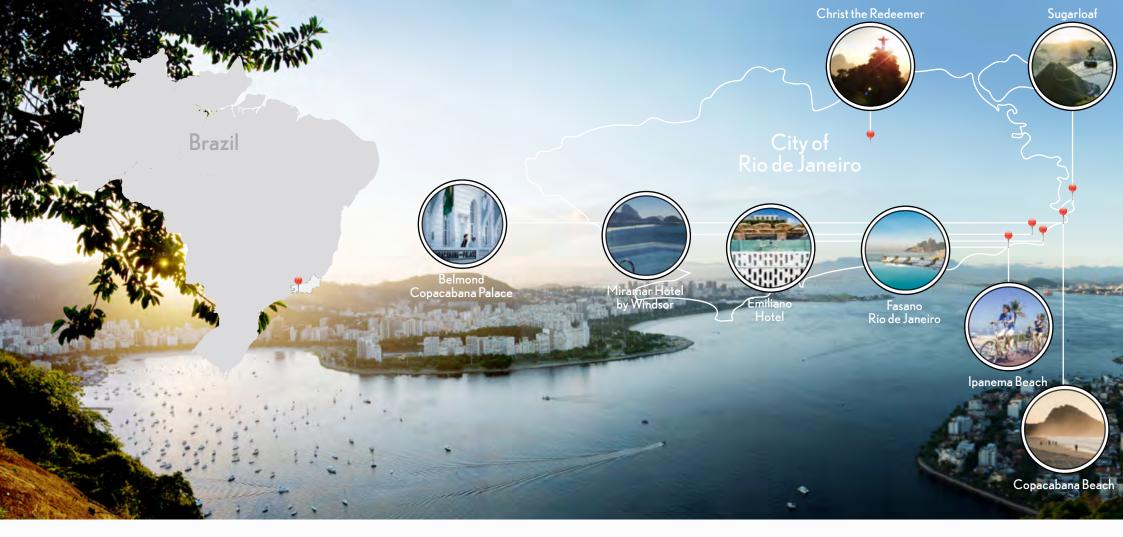
Best Time To Visit: All year round

About Rio de Janeiro

No other destination in Brazil is more legendary than Rio de Janeiro, known for its samba, carnival and dazzling beaches. This colonial city also boasts historic architecture, incredible natural scenery and iconic sights, such as Christ the Redeemer.

Known by the Cariocas as the "Cidade Maravilhosa", its reputation precedes it. Images explode before the stunning mountains, glittering carnival costumes and the endless rhythm of samba. However, behind all the glamour, the "Marvelous City" is also rich in history and culture. There are many fine buildings, historical neighborhoods and museums from its time as Brazil's capital.

Here, the more you explore, the more there is to experience. The Cariocas are very friendly and welcoming people, guaranteeing a memorable experience in Brazil.



Getting there...

Rio de Janeiro airports:

Rio de Janeiro is one of the most important entrance gates to Brazil. For this reason, both the international and the domestic airports welcome flights from all over the world and the country.

For guests interested in...

- UNESCO World Heritage Sites
- Food
- Samba Music
- Hiking
- Adventure
- Brazilian Carnival
- Beach
- Unique cultural and historic activities

Where else can you travel?

- Paraty 4 hours by land.
- Buzios 3 hours by land.
- Angra dos Reis 2.5 hours by land.
- São Paulo 40-minute flight.
- Iguassu 2-hour flight.

Belmond Copacabana Palace

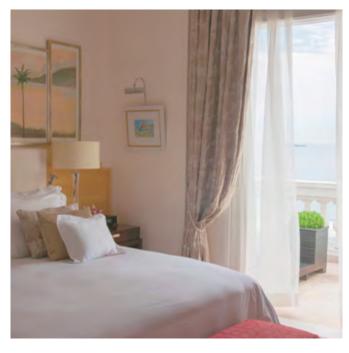
Since its Art Deco doors swung open in 1923, Belmond Copacabana Palace has been welcoming the rich and famous and is considered by many to be the most glamorous hotel in Rio de Janeiro.

This elegant five-star hotel offers lavish rooms complete with marbled bathrooms and panoramic ocean views. Soak up the sun by the magnificent pool or join Brazil's style setters at the Piano Bar. Be sure not to miss the hotel's top restaurants, whether for great local dishes or fine Italian dining at the Hotel Cipriani Restaurant.



Suggested Rooms

Deluxe Beach View - Enjoy a plain view of Copacabana Beach from a charming Juliet balcony which suits perfectly the art décor component of the decoration.



Why do we like it?

- -It faces one of the most famous beaches in the world, Copacabana
- -The classic 1930s style
- -The 3 excellent restaurants
- -A world-famous outdoor pool



Who is it good for?

- -Couples
- -Families
- -Honeymooners
- -Groups
- -Incentives

Fasano Rio de Janeiro

Fasano Rio sits directly on the beach in the heart of Ipanema and is a member of "The Leading Small Hotels of the World." The contemporary design was created by Philippe Starck, while the 1950s and 1960s inspired décor was conceptualized by Sérgio Rodrigues, exuding a sober and elegant ambience. From the rooftop pool witness one of the most beautiful sunsets in the city, whilst perhaps enjoying a cocktail or freshly-squeezed fruit juice.





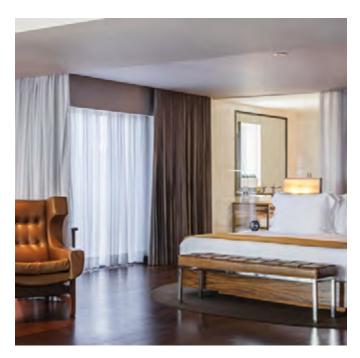
Superior Ocean View - This category features Fasano's hardwood floors. As part of the hotel's style, the bathroom is made in marble, providing a classy stay.

Deluxe Ocean Front - Enjoy the king-size beds, 300-thread-count Egyptian cotton sheets, white goose down pillows and a balcony to enjoy the views.



Why do we like it?

- -Its location on the vibrant Ipanema Beach
- -Its rooftop views of Morro Dois Irmaos
- -The Fasano brand
- -Its Bossa Nova-inspired design



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Miramar Hotel by Windsor

This hotel provides a boutique experience in the heart of Copacabana. The spacious rooms offer both oceanfront, side-beach or internal views with sophisticated décor featuring marble finishing and modern furniture as well as paintings by Brazilian artist Anamélia Moraes and refined linens by Trousseau. The hotel goes above and beyond, providing a welcome cocktail, on-call butler, Nespresso coffee machine and Trousseau amenities. Enjoy the hotel's rooftop views, with a sauna, bar service and a stunning infinity pool. Dine in the hotel's gourmet restaurant, Alloro al Miramar, serving an inventive menu of Italian regional cuisine by Chef Renato lalenti, and featuring a notable wine list with more than 130 labels.



Suggested Rooms

Superior Executive - panoramic view of Copacabana, modern interior design and the pleasant amenities.

Deluxe Oceanfront - With a comfortable king-size bed, jacuzzi and a minibar. This category facing the ocean, guarantees for guests to enjoy an amazing view of the beautiful beach.



Why do we like it?

- -Provides a boutique experience
- -The rooftop infinity edge pool to Copacabana
- -One of few pet friendly hotels in the city
- -Sophisticated and elegant furnishings

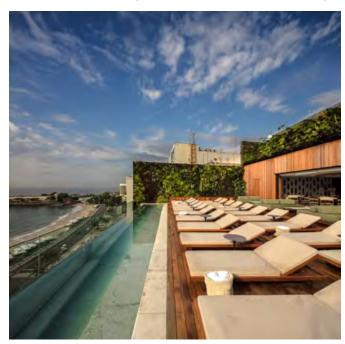


Who is it good for?

- -Couples
- -Families
- -Pets' parents

Emiliano Rio de Janeiro

Placed at the prime location of Copacabana Beach, it offers the city an exclusive hotel with an outstanding level of sophistication, service and style. The architectural concept of Emiliano Rio de Janeiro evokes the Brazilian modernism design and comfort and Rio's lifestyle. A panel by artist Roberto Burle Marx welcomes the guests by the entrance of the lobby, decorated in a way that celebrates the golden age of the bohemian neighborhood of Copacabana, featuring furniture designed by major names of Brazilian design in the 50's. On the terrace, the infinity edge pool and the wet deck provide exclusive leisure options for guests.



Suggested Rooms

Ocean Junior Suite – Just as sophisticated as the other suites, this category has larger spaces, luxurious high ceiling bathrooms of 16 m². Also, with a walk-in closet, both areas are integrated by a glass wall.



Why do we like it?

- -The facade's contemporary and unique design
- -Guest rooms with sophisticated, clean style
- -Hotel's exclusive experiences for the guests



Who is it good for?

- -Couples
- -Families
- -Honeymooners



Corcovado & Sugar Loaf

This tour shows why Rio is considered one of the most naturally beautiful cities in the world. The key natural elements, the Tijuca rainforest, the Guanabara Bay and the beaches of Copacabana and Ipanema, have shaped the development of the city and inspired the Carioca culture. Begin visiting the towering statue of Christ the Redeemer, one of the 'new' Seven Wonders of the World. From the top of Corcovado Mountain, the views are breathtaking. You will understand why the natural landscape of the city is considered a UNECO World Heritage site. In the afternoon, the tour continues to Urca district where you will rise 396 meters (1,300 feet) to the top of Sugar Loaf Mountain by cable car, enjoying awe-inspiring views to the harbor below.



Carnival Experience

The Rio de Janeiro Carnival is one of the biggest events in the city, attracting people from all corners of both Brazil and the world to experience this lively event. Set out on a behind-the-scenes tour backstage exploring the artistry and imagination involved in the creation of Carnival. Witness the construction and production process of the costumes and floats. This experience also includes a visit to a samba school warehouses well as exhibitions about the history of Samba and the Carnival Parade. You even get a chance to dress up in carnival costumes. Optional: Learn the samba moves in a dance class and join a percussion class along with the samba school percussionists.



Rio Sailing Experience

Enjoy the day on board a private sailing boat for the most beautiful views of Rio with Sugar Loaf Mountain towering in the distance. Pass by the bay's islands and forts as you cruise the idyllic waters.

Appreciate Rio from the sea and get a different perspective of the famous City. Don't forget to bring your swimsuit and towel as there will be a stop for swimming



Helicopter Panoramic Tour

Rio is one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Enjoy the unique sightseeing of the city from above on a panoramic helicopter flight. The tour has a duration of 12 to 13 minutes. Start at the beautiful Urca Hill and fly over the redeeming Christ, turn right and overlook Dois Irmãos Hill, the impressive Rocinha, Niemeyer Avenue and Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon. Then return and pass over the beaches of Leblon, Ipanema, Arpoador, Copacabana Fortress, Copacabana beach, Leme Beach and Vermelha Beach overlooking Sugar Loaf. Then the aircraft returns to the starting point at Sugar Loaf.



Bike Tour & Fruit Tasting

Enjoy one of the best ways to get to know this wonderful city, by bike! The Bike Tour was designed to show you the most remarkable spots of Rio's south city coast (Zona Sul): Copacabana, Ipanema (Arpoador rock), Leblon and the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon. Take an easy bike ride to see the beach lifestyle of Rio while capturing some memorable ocean views that can only be seen in Rio. During the tour your guide takes you to one of the many local fruit street market that take place in town. Brazil has a large variety of fruits of diverse shapes, flavors and colors. You are invited to taste a few of them and savor with flavors which you may have never tasted before.



A&K Philanthropy

Take some time for a meaningful tour where you will feel the soul of the city and closely see what life is like for 25% Cariocas. AKP as A&K's philanthropic division supports has arrived in Rio supporting the less favored ones, and will be able to personally experience the job that is done. Here you will hear inspiring life stories and meet people that make a difference for the communities. The AKP project is at Vidigal, a favela in south Rio. The place is marked by a scenario of inequality, making it the reason why it was chosen. AKP supports an incubator for local entrepreneurs, helping the development of projects from the favela. This tour will provide a stimulating afternoon visiting an eco-park, meeting the children and enjoying Carioca traditions.

Recommended Restaurants in Rio de Janeiro

Assador Rio

Assador Rio barbecue restaurant is located in one of the most famous places in town. The "Assador" was the one who prepared the meat, who understood the cuts, knew the materials, the knives, the grates and even the best floor to lay the wooden skewers and start roasting. The restaurant has brought all the barbecue ritual and the ancestral knowledge.

The restaurant has a rustic style, with an elegant ceiling that enhances the natural light and complements the beautiful views of Guanabara Bay, Sugarloaf and the Burle Marx gardens surrounding the dining rooms. Assador goes straight to the point by offering valued meat cuts in its all you can eat "rodizio" service and a reduced but delicious variety of side dishes and a buffet, where you will find a good selection of fresh salads, vegetables, and a table of charcuterie and Brazilian artisanal cheeses. The attention is drawn to the skewers and boards that circulate the dining room, serving classics and noble meat cuts.

-Type of service: Buffet

-Style: Barbecue

-Location: Marina da Gloria

-Average cost: Medium







Confeitaria Colombo

A living portrait of the Belle Époque in Rio, and one of the city's gourmet landmarks, the Confeitaria Colombo still retains much of its Art Nouveau charm dating back to the beginning of the century. Its famous Belgian mirrors in hardwood frames and rosewood showcases, Italian marble benches, ornate light fixtures, glossy floors and period furniture have been preserved just as they were, and have been admired by many famous individuals who helped write the history of Brazil and helped make the Confeitaria Colombo a major downtown attraction. Monday to Saturday.

-Type of service: A la carte

-Style: Brazilian food

-Location: Downtown Rio

-Average cost: Medium

Irajá

A contemporary Brazilian-cuisine restaurant, with strong sustainability practices.

The Irajá Gastro is a gastronomic restaurant with a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, informal service to make you feel at home.

-Type of service: A la carte

-Style: Brazilian food

-Location: Botafogo Neighborhood

-Average cost: High

Recommended Restaurants in Rio de Janeiro

Satyricon

In 1986 it opened in Ipanema. A 5-star restaurant for its food and exuberant presentation, it offers many attractions on their menu and is famous for serving a great variety of fish and other very fresh sea food in addition to pasta, risottos and carpaccios. Satyricon unites tradition and refinement; it is frequented by Rio's high society and famous personalities.

-Type of service: A la carte

-Style: Sea food

-Location: Leblon neighborhood

-Average cost: High

Cipriani

Part of the iconic Copacabana Palace Hotel, Cipriani Restaurant is lauded as one of the most sophisticated restaurants in town.

Open for lunch and dinner, the award-winning Cipriani offers exceptional Northern Italian cuisine. Chef Nicola Finamore has developed a new menu which continues to feature Cipriani's beloved classics and incorporates innovative Italian cuisine.

-Type of service: A la carte

-Style: Italian cuisine

-Location: Copacabana Palace Hotel

-Average cost: High









Térèze

Right in Santa-Teresa Hotel, the tropically designed Térèze offers a sophisticated environment. Under the direction of a reputable chef, the restaurant offers the class of a "cuisine du monde". Quality of service is a guarantee. Visitors will enjoy scents and flavors from Africa, Asia, the Mediterranean and the "New World". The location is decorated with pieces from Rock Lane, using demolition material, comfortable and embracing lighting and an amazing view over the rooftops of Santa Teresa. It also offers a wide selection of wines.

-Type of service: A la carte

-Style: Contemporary cuisine

-Location: Santa Teresa Neighborhood

-Average cost: Medium

Aprazível

A charming old house in a beautiful cobblestone hilly street, the restaurant takes up several rooms and spills over into the garden where a panoramic astonishing view of downtown Rio and the Bay of Guanabara is revealed.

The kitchen serves up a variety of Brazilian cuisine, with an emphasis on tropical flavors.

-Type of service: A la carte

-Style: Brazilian cuisine

-Location: Santa Teresa Neighborhood

-Average cost: Medium



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Local Tips

Recommended Stay in Rio de Janeiro 4 nights

São Bento Monastery

The daily Gregorian chants make a true experience for those listening.

Ipanema Hippie Fair

The Ipanema fair offers a combination of products, crafts and foods. It has existed for decades and is perfect to buy souvenirs.

Urca Neighborhood

Watch the sunset at 'mureta da urca'. It is a wall facing the sea where locals meet for a drink, eat cake and feel the breeze.

Did you know that

*Rio was once the only European capital outside Europe?

*Rio is home to the world's biggest urban forest?



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