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# Rio Carnival

FEB 09 TO FEB 18 2024

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## Rio Carnival like never before!

Immerse yourselves in the cultural extravagance of the Rio Carnival, from the intricacies of bloco costumes and the gigantic floats to the samba streets and scrumptious feijoadas. The fifth largest country in the world comes together for a festival that doesn't differentiate who or where you are from. Indulge in the flavours of Brazil that make the world go awestruck, and revel in a journey towards ecstasy.

# Your journey in brief

**Friday · February 09<sup>th</sup>**

- Arrive at Rio de Janeiro
- Tapas Evening at the famed Marinho Atlântica Bar
- Fairmont Copacabana or similar (4 nights)

**Saturday · February 10<sup>th</sup>**

- Visit Christ The Redeemer with Red tram ticket
- Exclusive access to the Carnival Ball + dinner at the Copacabana Palace Hotel

**Sunday · February 11<sup>th</sup>**

- Carnival Experience Behind the Scenes: Backstage visit + Dance & Percussion Workshop + Props customization
- Lunch at Assador Rios
- Entry to the Frisa Front Box at Sambadrome to watch the spectacular Carnival Parade

**Monday · February 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Visit Sugar Loaf Mountain
- Snacks and drinks at Sugar Loaf
- Dinner and Night out at Rio Scenarium

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**Tuesday · February 13<sup>st</sup>**

- Travel from Rio de Janeiro to Iguassu Falls
- Sanma Resort, Iguassu or similar (2 Nights)
- Macuco Safari Zodiac Boat tour
- Dinner at Sanma Resort

**Wednesday · February 14<sup>nd</sup>**

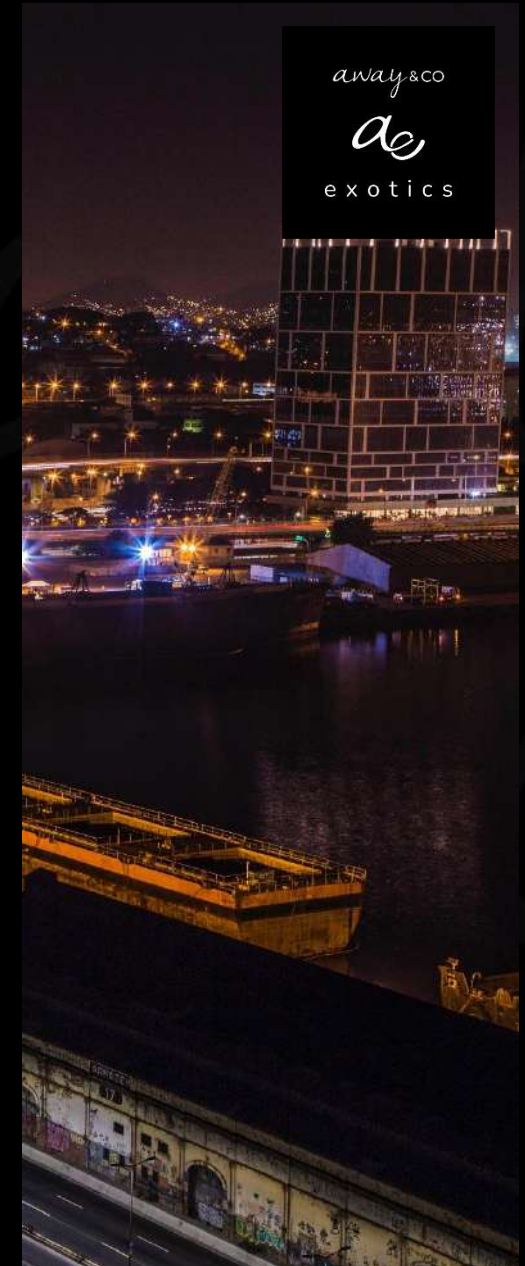
- Walking Tour by the Brazilian side of the falls
- Dinner at Casa do Chef

**Thursday · February 15<sup>rd</sup>**

- Travel from Iguassu Falls to The Amazon
- Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge or similar (3 Nights)
- Dinner at the Lodge

**Friday · February 16<sup>th</sup>**

- Canoe through the Igapós and Igarapés
- Amazon Forest trail with local guide
- Lunch at the Lodge
- Piranha Fishing in wooden canoes
- Dinner at the lodge



**Saturday · February 17<sup>th</sup>**

- Bird watching at sunrise
- Lunch at the Lodge
- Night tour of the forest
- Dinner at the lodge

**Sunday · February 18<sup>th</sup>**

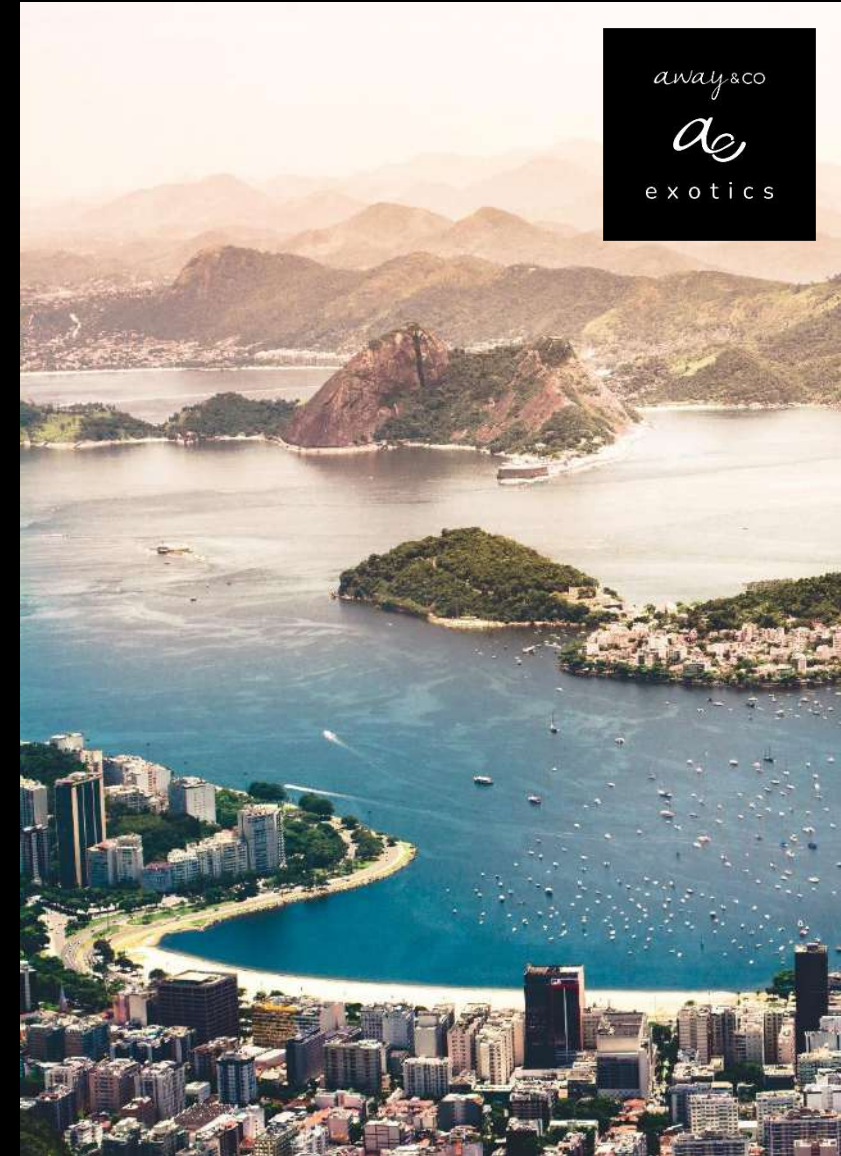
- Depart Manaus for your flight home



Day 1 to Day 4

# RIO DE JANEIRO

(09<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Feb)



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# DAY 01

## Arrive at Rio

Arrive at the urban metropolis of Rio situated between the mountains and the sea. Where you will get a private transfer to Fairmont Copacabana Hotel. Our uniformed bilingual guide will take you to the hotel and on the way be briefed about the city and respective hotel. Spend the rest of the day in leisure.

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## DAY 02

### Explore Cidade Maravilhosa

Start the morning in leisure followed by lunch. Visit Christ the Redeemer Statue after lunch and witness Rio in all its glory from the top. End the day with a Carnival Ball at the Copacabana Palace Hotel with a live band and a sophisticated buffet dinner.

#### **Visit to the Statue of Christ, the Redeemer**

Following a scenic drive along the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon, you will arrive at the foot of the hill, to embark on a small train that climbs the beautiful mountainside. Stand next to the Christ Statue on the top where you will experience a panoramic view of Rio de Janeiro and discover why it is known as the “Marvelous City”!



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## Carnival Ball at the Copacabana Palace, a Belmond Hotel

Walk among the masqueraded global rich and famous, The Magic Ball at the Belmond Hotel is one of the most extravagant events of Carnival season. You might find yourselves among high-profile guests at this high-fashion ball with a live band, buffet dinner and a full open bar. This is a formal black-tie event.



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## DAY 03

### Life well lived with a parade at Rio Carnival

Enjoy the morning at leisure to recover from the carnival ball's late hours. Drop in at the relaxed Assaodor Rio's for lunch, after which you will be taken to visit the Cidade do Samba to learn some samba and make your carnival costumes. Later in the evening take the trip to witness the Carnival, its special groups and samba moves from luxury boxes while the highlight of the day being you taking part in the parade!



## Rio Carnival: Behind the Scene

Get behind the scenes of the greatest show on earth and witness how the magic is really created. Exclusive access to backstage where the paradors transform into larger than life icons is yours. Sway to the true beats of Samba, Carimbo, Capoeira, Forro, Coco, Cacuria, Jongo and more with this immersive dance and percussion workshop. Customize the props that add colour and flair to the Carnival.



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## Lunch at Assaodor Rio's

Visit the top barbecue restaurant of Brazil. Indulge in the finest cuts that gaucho chefs have to offer, roasted on the spit over a charcoal grill. A gourmet salad bar and award-winning wine list complete this culinary experience.

## Witness the Carnival parade special group

Watch the spectacular Samba Parade, which is the main attraction of Carnival. Fourteen Samba schools march in the parade on Carnival, which starts at 7 p.m. and goes on until dawn of the following day. Witness the fierce competition of this samba marathon of the special groups of Samba schools.



## **Frisa Front Box Carnival Parade tickets**

Open air Front Boxes (Frisas) are easily the best seats in the house. You are located on the same level as the parade runway and are so close, you can feel the energy exuding from the marchers. These seats are ideal for parties who want privacy and purchase the entire box, but they are also a wonderful option for parties smaller groups.

## **Carnival like a Native - Be part of the Parade!**

Indulge in this one of a kind experience which will let one live all the emotion and excitement of this special celebration. You will be the honoured guest of one of Rio's fabled 'Samba Schools', wearing the very own costume of the school. Participate in the unforgettable parade with fellow school members during parade night and enjoy the exciting Carnival.



# DAY 04

## A Day of Sweet Memories

After the busy carnival night, start the day in leisure. We then take a ride in the cable car to the top of Sugar Loaf Mountain and watch the sunset on its peak, along with cocktails and finger foods.

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## A visit to Sugar Loaf with snacks and drinks

Experience the Sugar Loaf Mountain, an iconic symbol of Rio. Its resemblance to the shape of a sugar loaf brings the small peninsula its name. Take a ride in the cable car to the top of Urca Hill and Sugar Loaf at 215 metres and 395 metres above sea level respectively, to immerse in the 360—degree view of the entire city. With the fast pass you will have priority boarding to the cable car at all stations.

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## Watch the sunset at Sugar Loaf's peak

Admire the sunset on top of Sugar Loaf, while you enjoy a welcome cocktail with different choices of finger food and an open bar with a choice of caipirinhas, sparkling wine, soft drinks, mineral water and local beer.

## Dinner and Dancing after party at Rio Scenarium

This 19th century mansion, a museum with a priceless collection of antiques is a bar where Rio goes to celebrate. Counted amongst the World's Best Bars, Rio Scenarium is the venue for your lively night out with drinks, dancing and more.





**STAY**

**At  
Fairmont  
Copacabana,  
Rio de Janeiro**

Day 5 & Day 6

# Foz do Iguaçu

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## DAY 05

### Arrive at Foz do Iguazu

Transfer to the airport to catch your flight to Iguassu. Embark on your departure transfer to Foz do Iguazu airport, where you will be welcomed by your bilingual local guide for a private transfer to Sanma Resort. Followed by a non-motorized boat safari that lets you explore the Iguassu river responsibly.

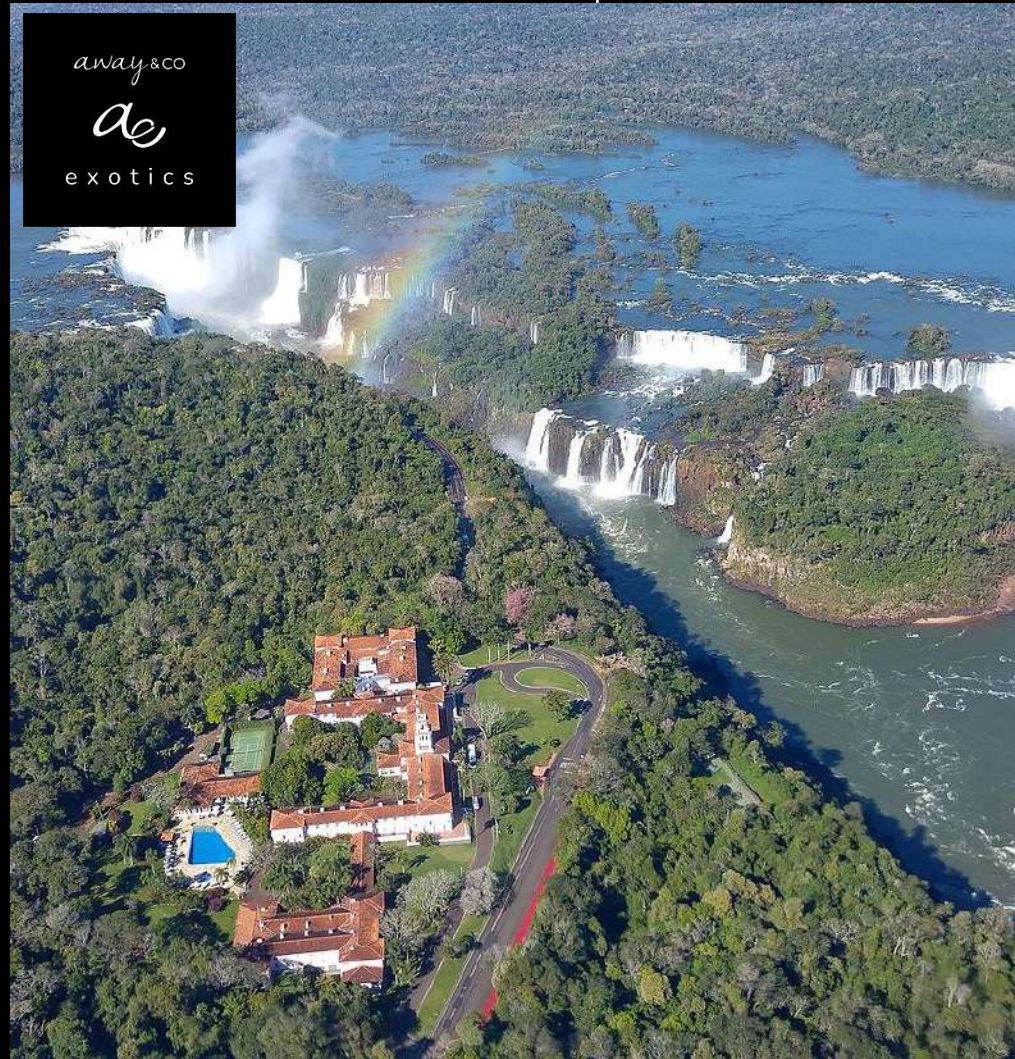
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## Macuco Safari boat tour

Enter the jungle through the rainforests of Brazil with a three kilometre ride into the jungle followed by a walk of 600 metres through the rainforest. Followed by a boat ride where you get completely wet and renewed after the invigorating ride over the white waters of Iguassu River.

## Dinner at Sanma Resort



## DAY 06

### Walk & Fly over Water

Wake up and don your walking shoes as we take a walking tour to the Brazilian side of the falls before opening hours..

An exhilarating optional helicopter tour of the Iguazu falls follows to offer you glorious sights of this wonder of the world.

Take a step back and enjoy the remainder of the day in leisure at the hotel relishing its facilities and also the National Park on your own.

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## Walking tour to Brazilian side of the falls

Get walking along the pathways of the Brazilian national park to admire the falls before the opening hours.

## An optional experience of Helicopter Ride overlooking the Iguazu falls

Embark upon an exciting and at the same time informative tour, which gives you the opportunity to see a totally different view of these magnificent waterfalls of Iguazu River. Witness this natural landmark in a much faster and unique way, flying up above allowing you to experience the most stunning views.

## Dinner with drinks at Casa Do Chef

Casa do Chef, literally House of the Chef is the gastronomy space to be in Foz do Iguazu. An acclaimed Chef with a penchant for management too, Fabio Del Antonio serves you a delicious tasting menu, finished and plated in a Show Kitchen, where he will explain how some “pieces de resistance” of Brazilian Cuisine are prepared, the most typical ingredients, and how they have adapted to the modern palate.

# STAY

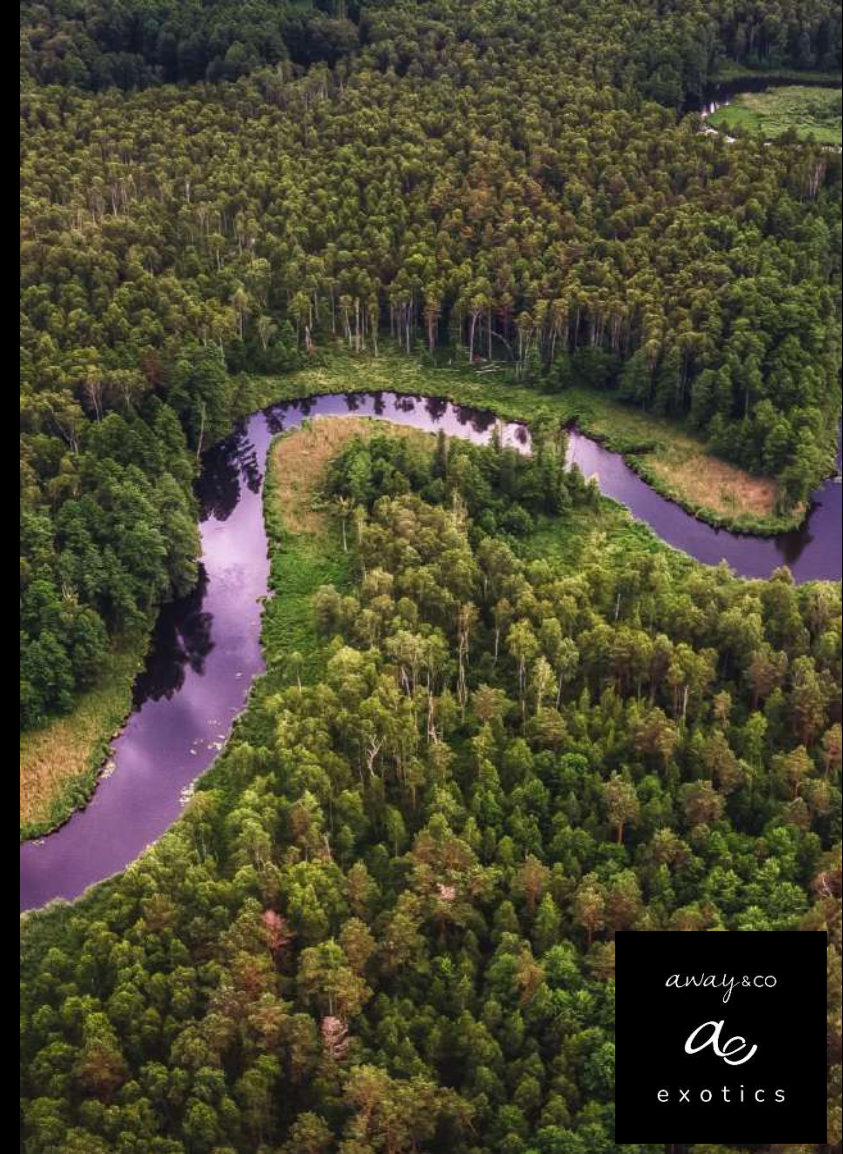
At  
Sanma Resort,  
Iguassu Falls



Day 7 to Day 9

# The Amazon

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## DAY 07

### Arrive at Manaus

Catch your domestic flight to Manaus. Upon arrival, get privately transferred to Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge and get ready for the adventure filled days ahead.

Note: The days 7, 8 and 9 are also dedicated to activities mentioned below. The order of the tours is defined by the Hotel, which will supply the schedule of the activities upon guest arrival. And you will depart to the airport after the scheduled tour ends.



# DAY 08

## Visit the pink dolphins and craft centres in Novo Airão

See the pink dolphins come up close in search of fish and then visit two craft centres where craftsmen offer products made with natural materials such as straw and wood chips.

## Explore the Forest Trail of the Amazon

Reveal the mysteries of the Amazon and gain knowledge of wild trees, fruits and berries. Also learn guidelines for survival and medicinal herbs from experienced local guides.

## Anavilhanas Tour

Witness the numerous channels, lakes, islands and holes of the largest river archipelago in the world on regional vessels.

## A exhilarating Piranha Fishing trip

Enjoy a fun fishing trip in wooden canoes along the creeks of the region, where you have an opportunity to snag some piranhas and other fish while enjoying the scenery around.



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# DAY 09

## **Nocturnal Sights and Sounds of Nature**

Live through the uniquely sensational forest at night in motorised canoes searching for sloths, birds, snakes, and alligators while immersing in the sounds of the night.

## **Sunrise Contemplation**

Leave at dawn to observe the birds and contemplate the beauty of the colours and shades of the Amazon skies on a lake in the Anavilhanas.

## **Canoeing along the flooded forests and streams**

Row through the trees and rivers in wooden canoes while enjoying the sounds and scenery of every twist and turn of the woods.

## **Visit to a local community**

Experience first-hand the lives of an isolated community in Rio Negro to learn a little about their lifestyle, their social organization and culture.

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Jungle Lodge,  
Amazon



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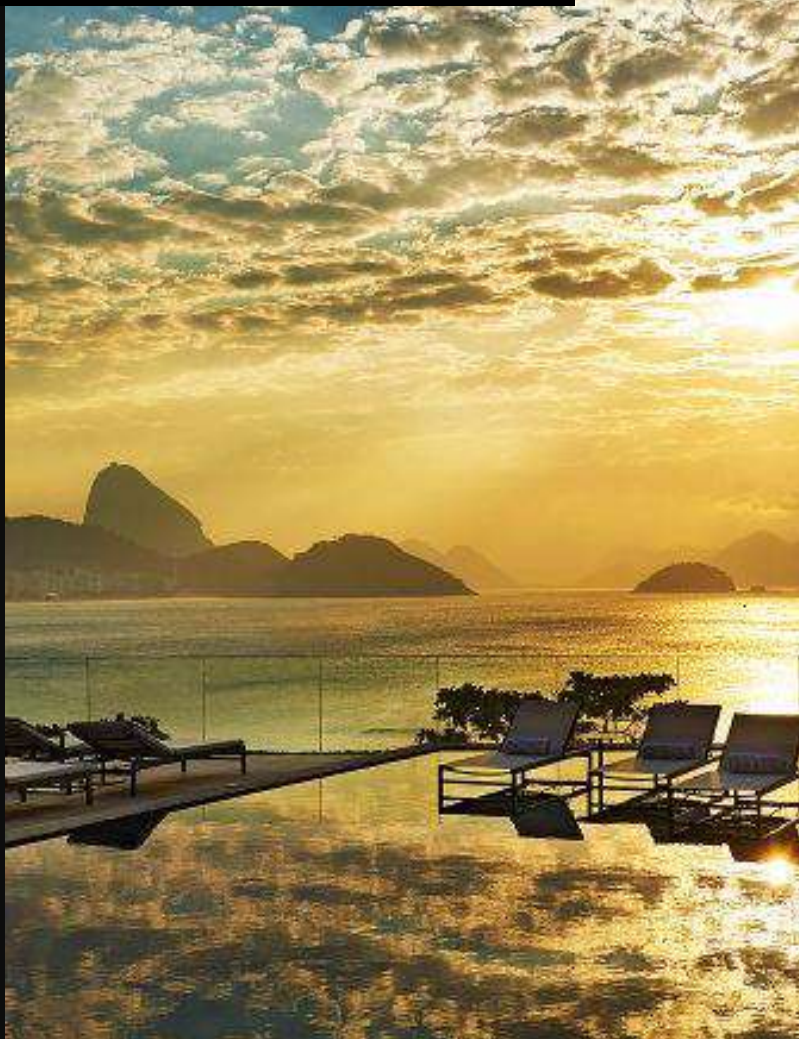
## **COST**

**INR 8.75 Lacs**  
per person on twin sharing

## **INCLUSIONS**

- Handpicked Authentic Accommodations
- Private Ground Transportation
- Local Dining
- Exclusive Experiences & more
- All admissions with an expert English-speaking guide
- Value Added Tax and all service charges
- Assistance from our in-country office

HAND PICKED STAYS



FEBRUARY 09- 13  
Fairmont Copacabana,  
Rio de Janeiro



FEBRUARY 13 - 15  
Sanma Resort, Iguassu  
Falls



FEBRUARY 15 - 18  
Anavilhanas Jungle Lodge.  
Amazon

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## LOCAL DINING

- Welcome drinks on the day of arrival
- 9 breakfasts, daily.
- A Tapas Evening with drinks on day of arrival in Rio
- Lunch with drinks in Rio
- 4 dinners with drinks in Rio and Iguassu
- 3 lunches with drinks at the Amazon Lodge
- 4 dinners with drinks at the Amazon Lodge

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# EXCLUSIVE EXPERIENCES

## Rio de Janeiro

- Guided visit to the landmark of Brazil, Sugar Loaf
- Exclusive Carnival Ball Tickets to the Black tie ball at the Copacabana Palace
- Private Behind the Scenes Carnival School Experience
- Backstage visit + Dance & Percussion workshop + Props customization
- Entry into the Frisa Front Box to watch the Special group Carnival Parade
- Christ the Redeemer including Red tram ticket
- Rio Scenarium





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## Iguassu Falls

- Macuco safari zodiac boat tour
- Walking Tour by the Brazilian side of the falls

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## The Amazon

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- Piranha Fishing in wooden canoes
- Night tour of the forest
- Bird watching at the sunrise
- Canoeing in the flooded Amazon waters
- Visit the local community in Rio Negro

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## what's not included?

- GST - 5% (or as applicable) payable to Govt. of India
- TCS as applicable at the time of booking
- International and domestic airfare
- Overseas travel insurance
- Brazilian visa fees and charges
- Any expenses of personal nature such as drinks, laundry, telephone calls, soft drinks, gratuities, shopping, etc. unless otherwise specified
- Anything not mentioned in the included section

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