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 Start Location

 Plane

 Cruise

 Over night

 Visited Location

 End Location

 Train

 Ferry

Day 1 | Arrive Rio de Janeiro



Launch your leisurely exploration of South America to the sultry beats of the Bossa Nova and Samba. A local host will take you to your hotel where you'll enjoy superb ocean views of Copacabana beach and its beautiful people, just minutes from downtown Rio. This evening, we enjoy a festive dinner with our Travel Director and fellow travellers.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Windsor Excelsior Copacabana

Day 2 | Rio de Janeiro Sightseeing and At Leisure



Join your Travel Director and ride the historic cable car to Sugarloaf Mountain, pausing at Urca Hill before reaching the summit for sweeping views over Guanabara Bay and Copacabana. Hear how this iconic peak got its name during Brazil's sugar trade era. After a drive past Ipanema and the Copacabana beaches, your afternoon is at leisure. Perhaps choose an Optional Experience to the Selarón Steps, a colourful mosaic staircase and local landmark. This evening, you could choose an Optional Experience if you wish: enjoy Brazilian flavours and a performance at the city's famous Roxy Dinner Show.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Windsor Excelsior Copacabana

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Santa Teresa including Selarón Steps - Walk through the hilltop neighbourhood of Santa Teresa, past colourful buildings, street art and local studios. Pass Largo das Neves and the church of Nossa Senhora das Neves before heading to Parque das Ruínas, with views over Rio. Finish at the famous Selarón Steps, 215 brightly tiled stairs created by artist Jorge Selarón.

Adult: 45.00 USD

Roxy Dinner Show - Dine at Aquele Abraço, where Chef Danilo Parah serves bold Brazilian flavours in a restored historic cinema. Throughout the evening, enjoy a live show by Rio 2016's Abel Gomes, featuring music, dance and traditions from across Brazil. Popular with both locals and visitors, this experience blends food and performance in one of Rio's most atmospheric cultural venues.

Adult: 180.00 USD

Day 3 | Rio de Janeiro Sightseeing and At Leisure



Hands outstretched, the iconic Christ the Redeemer welcomes you to the hunched outcrop of Corcovado, sharing his impressive panoramic view of a city that loves to celebrate. This afternoon, soak in the shores of Copacabana and Ipanema. Kick back and watch tanned sun-worshippers playing volleyball and sip a caipirinha or two, which you'll learn to mix this evening, followed by a sizzling barbecue at a local churrascaria Regional Dinner. Bom proveito!

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Windsor Excelsior Copacabana

Day 4 | Rio de Janeiro – Iguazú Falls



Journey into some of South America's most beautiful natural landscapes on a flight from Rio to Iguazú Falls, the UNESCO-listed magnificent falls that straddle the borders of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay. Explore the Brazilian side of Iguassu Falls, 'Big Waters', in Iguaçu National Park with a Local Specialist. Hike to the cascading falls through giant clouds and sprays of water feeling refreshed in the humidity. You'll learn that while hot and humid, this lush micro-climate supports diverse fauna in its subtropical rainforest of over 2,000 species of vascular plants. Conclude your day crossing the border to Argentina to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mercure

Day 5 | Iguazú National Park Argentinean Side with Local Specialist



Get a different perspective of grandeur on the Argentinian side of the falls at the Devil's Throat. Your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience finds you paying a visit to the Guaraní community of Fortín M'bororé who open their doors to reveal the secrets of the jungle, their natural medicine, culture, songs, dances, crafts, philosophy and beliefs. Discover with the Guaraní the "Spirit of the Trees", a walk where you learn to walk through the interior of the Jungle guided by aboriginal experts. This afternoon, join an optional experience on Gran Aventura boat tour or an Argentinean experience learning about Argentine culture, tasting local dishes in a five-course dinner, sampling four Argentinian wines and mingling with travellers from around the world.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mercure

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Gran Aventura - Departing from the Operative Center or from the Visitors' Center, we shall enter the jungle by the Yacaratiá trail in trucks specially designed for this environment. Bilingual guides (Spanish and English) will introduce the place's natural and cultural resources. This 5 kms long stretch ends at Puerto Macuco. At its dock, visitors shall board on the boats that shall be sailing in the Lower Iguazu River for as long as 6 kms, heading towards the waterfalls area, enjoying plentiful rapids. Upon reaching the Tres Mosqueteros Fall, visitors shall be able to see the falls of both the Argentine and Brazilian sides crowned by the view of the Garganta del Diablo (Devil's Throat). Afterwards, the most exciting point comes when facing the incomparable San Martín waterfall, the second in dimension and the hugest any boat may face. After that we'll navigate 6km down river until Puerto Macuco from where, after walking up hill 150 mts we'll ride the trucks 6Km back to our Operative Center.
Adult: 111.00 USD

The Argentine Experience - Learn about Argentine culture, taste fantastic local dishes, drink exceptional wine, and mingle with fellow travelers from around the world, in a fun setting. Get a taste of the best local cuisine. Savour a 5-course dinner, paired with four exceptional wines from all the regions from Argentina.
Adult: 65.00 USD

Day 6 | Iguazú Falls – Buenos Aires



Take a flight from Iguazú Falls to Buenos Aires, the capital of Argentina. Check into your hotel located in the heart of the cultural center at the historic Plaza San Martin and, with the rest of the day free, perhaps take a stroll around this upscale part of the city. Or venture on a wine tasting trip to “El Querandi,” a big house located in the historical district and considered a living testimony of the city originally founded as a bar in 1920.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Intercontinental

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Wine Tasting - Leave your hotel and drive to “El Querandi”, a big house located in the historical district and considered a living testimony of the city. It was originally founded as a bar in 1920 and it was restored in 1992. “La Cave”, experience a wine tasting with local wines and their exquisite flavours.

Adult: 51.00 USD

Day 7 | Buenos Aires Sightseeing



Take in the sights of Buenos Aires on a City Tour to the pink palace, cathedral and La Boca neighborhood. The rest of the afternoon is free for you to relax and explore this exciting city on your own. This evening enjoy the passionate and precise steps of some of Buenos Aires most talented tango dancers.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Intercontinental

Day 8 | Explore San Antonio de Areco



Leave Buenos Aires to San Antonio de Areco, the heart of the gaucho traditions in the pampas region, for a tour along its quaint streets lined with silversmiths. Take part in a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience visiting a local project of the Local Association for disabled people who are keeping up the tradition of making the alpargatas shoes. Appreciate more artisans paying a visit to a local artist's studio observing how masterpieces are created. Cap off your day with a Be My Guest Experience, complete with sizzling asado steak, at a family-owned gaucho ranch where your watch cowboys show off the horsemanship accompanied by music and dance.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Intercontinental

Day 9 | Depart Buenos Aires



Our South America adventure comes to an end this morning. Say a fond hasta luego to Buenos Aires and newfound friends, transferring to the airport on your included transfer for your flight home or choose to extend your stay.

Meals: Breakfast

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