# CARNAVALIN RIO 8 - 17 FEB 2024







## Waarom Brazilië?

Brazilië is een uitgestrekt, levendig en aantrekkelijk land gelegen in het centraal-oostelijke deel van Zuid-Amerika, en omgeven door de Atlantische Oceaan. Deze smeltkroes van culturen, etniciteiten en religies is het resultaat van zijn lappendekenverleden van lokale tradities, koloniale heerschappij en de instroom van immigranten. Het is het grootste land in Zuid-Amerika, met een landoppervlakte vergelijkbaar met die van de Verenigde Staten, en een mozaïek van ecosystemen die de grootste verscheidenheid aan flora en fauna ter wereld ondersteunen. De Braziliaanse bevolking is doorgaans hartelijk en vriendelijk, terwijl de natuurlijke diversiteit van het land zich leent voor talloze reiservaringen, van idyllische kustvakanties en losbandige carnavalsvieringen tot tussenstops in de bruisende steden São Paulo en Rio de Janeiro. Avontuurlijke avonturen wachten op buitenliefhebbers in het betoverende Amazoneoerwoud.



# DAY 1

## **ARRIVAL in RIO DE JANEIRO**

## OVERNIGHT in BOUTIQUE HOTEL

This boutique hotel is located in the heart of Copacabana, blending into the landscape with its terracotta tones and a rooftop overlooking the sea. Consisting of 46 rooms and suites, this cosy and inviting hotel features a bar and pool on the top floor with panoramic views of one of the most beautiful postcard views of Rio de Janeiro and the world. Surrounded by the best restaurants and bars in the area.











# DAY 2

## DISCOVER RIO DE JANEIRO & CARNAVAL PARTY

Visit to the almost 300-metre-high Pão de Açucar (Sugarloaf). Located in Guanabara Bay, Pão do Açucar is called Sugar Loaf because the Portuguese thought this mountain resembled a bag of sugar.

In the afternoon visit the more than 700-metrehigh Corcovado with the 'Cristo Redendor'. The view from here is breathtaking.

The tour continues with a visit to Rio's old town, the cathedral and the famous beaches of Copacabana and Leblon.

Return to the hotel.







# **EXTRA SUGGESTIONS**

Free day in Rio or optional Tours:

- Bicycle tour (2 hours)
- Favela tour (half day)
- Botanical garden + Tijuca forest







## DAY 3

## **DISCOVER RIO DE JANEIRO**

1/2 day private tour with English speaking guide:visit of the colonial, bohemian district of SantaTheresa with its historic buildings and richPortuguese past.

Visit of the district with the "bondinho" the yellow tram that snakes through the streets.

Arcos de Lapa - Selaron stairs - Parque das Ruinas

Return to the hotel.











## CARNAVAL

In the late afternoon transfer to the famous Sambodromo for the Carnival parade.

We stay in the grandstand for "the largest entertainment event in the world".

The most famous and beautiful Carnival

groups with their chariots and dancers

pass in sequence in the Sambódromo

avenue. A spectacular show that lasts until

the morning.

Including open bar - diner and transfers.

Return to the hotel.







# EXTENSION

#### IGUAZU

Private visit of the Brazilian side of the falls with English-speaking guide.

Although only a small part of the falls is on Brazilian territory, it is also well worth visiting this side. This is because the water flows towards Brazil and therefore you have the best views here. From a distance, you can really see how immense the waterfalls are.

In the afternoon visit Argentine side of the falls.

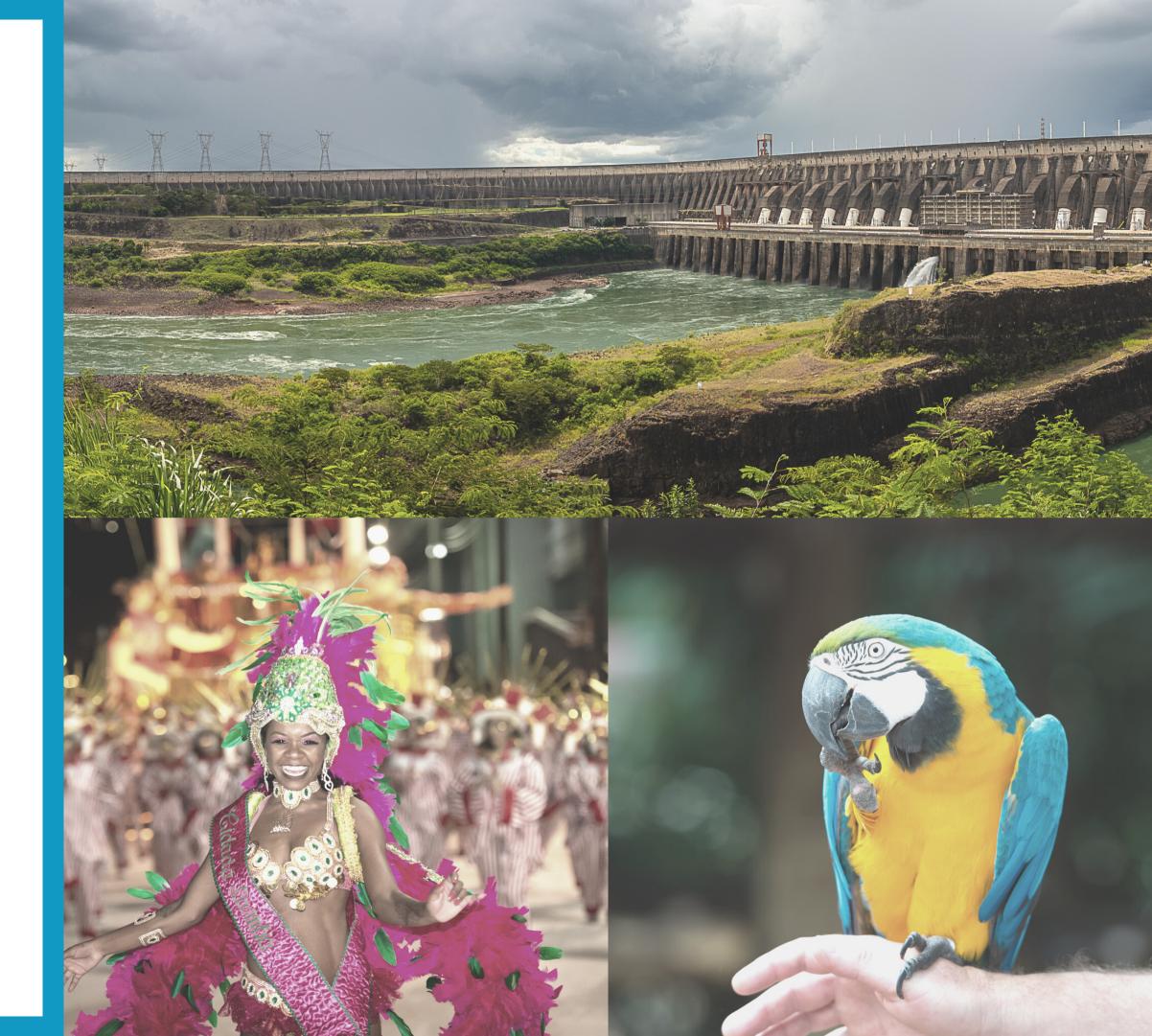
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# **EXTRA SUGGESTIONS**

Optional :

- Macuco safari on the Iguazu River
  (spectacular boat trip on the Iguazu River
  to below the falls )
- visit to "Bird park"
- visit Itaipu dam
- Brazilian dance show + dinner



#### IGUAZU

Visit Argentine side of the falls : private with English-speaking guide.

The Argentine side is undoubtedly the most spectacular with the highlight being "la garganta del Diablo ".

Transport on site by little train.

Free afternoon or optional tours.



# **EXTENSION 2**

#### PANTANAL

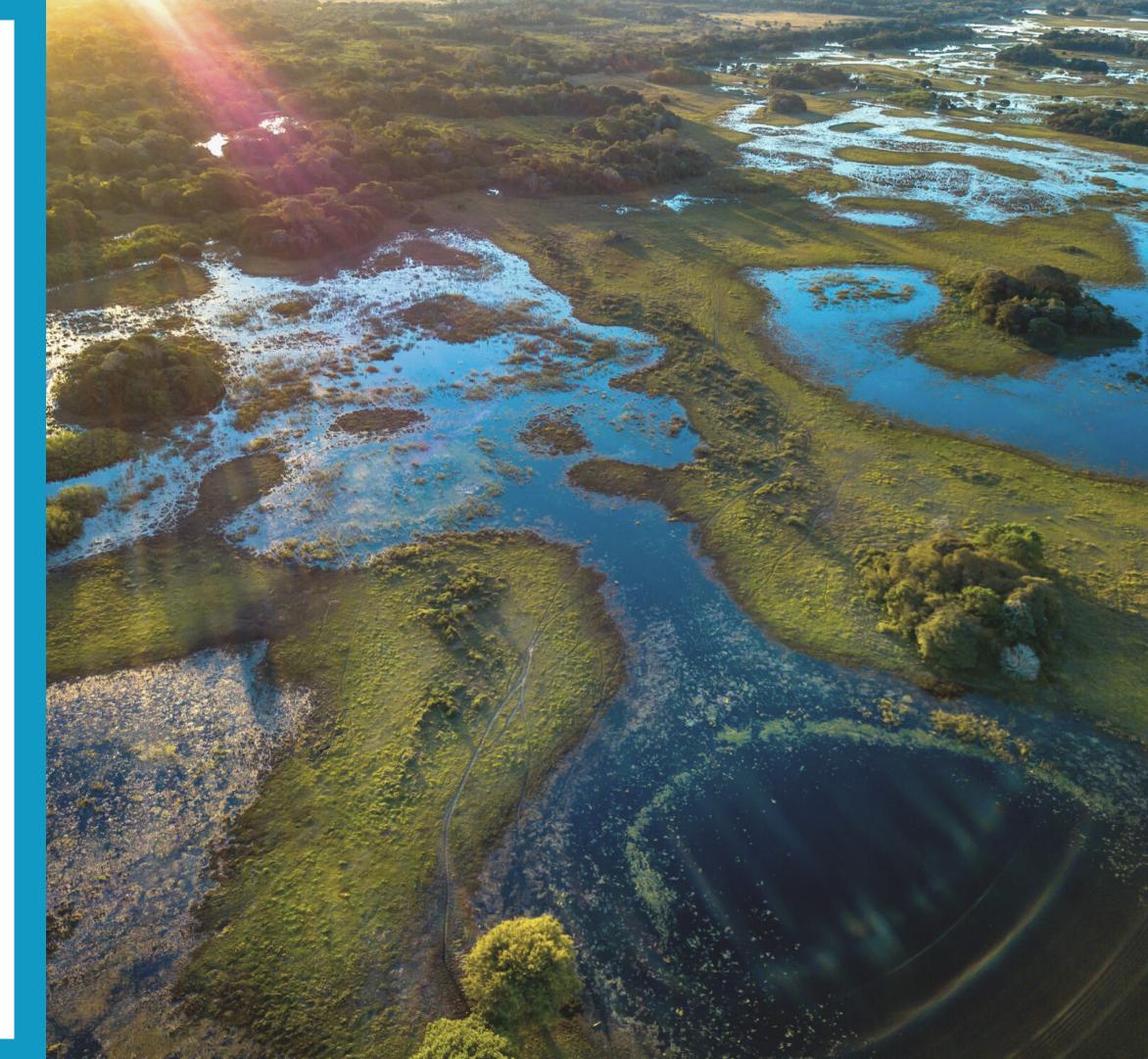
Transfer to airport and flight to Campo Grande.

Arrival at Campo Grande Airport, where you will be received by your driver.

Transfer to Pousada

During your stay, the following tours are planned at the pousada: horse riding, boat trips, canoeing, hiking, piranha fishing, bird watching, photo safari and night caiman viewing.

Overnight stay at Pousada





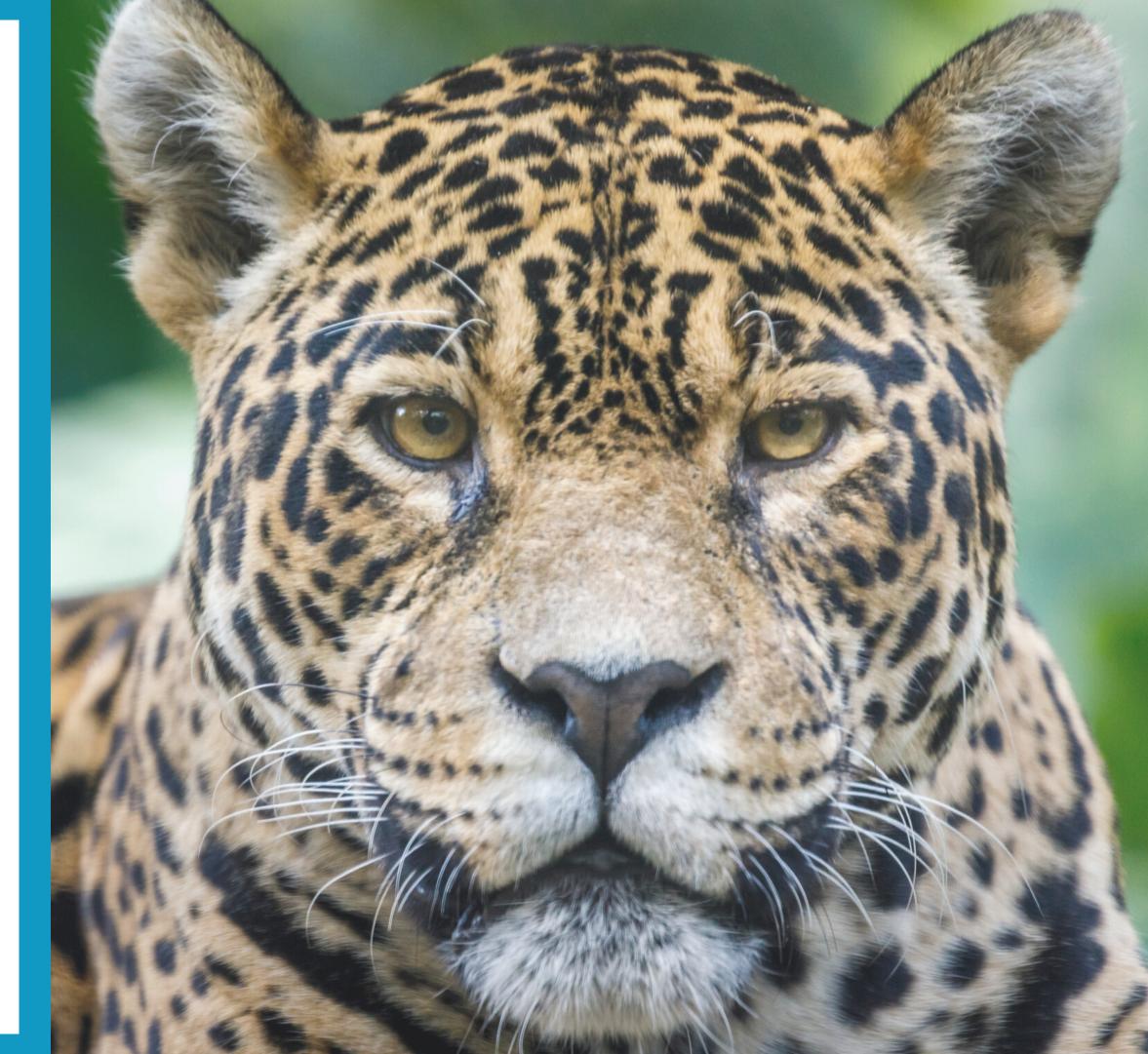
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The mentioned excursions are planned at the pousada.

The trips are carefully selected depending on the climate and time of year and are accompanied by local guides who know all about the flora and fauna that make this place unique.

To avoid the intense heath during the day, the tours take place in the early morning and mid-afternoon, at these times of day the opportunities to see the movement of animals are a lot greater.

During your stay, all excursions and meals are included.









#### BONITO

After breakfast transfer to Pousada.

Check-in and rest of the day at leisure.





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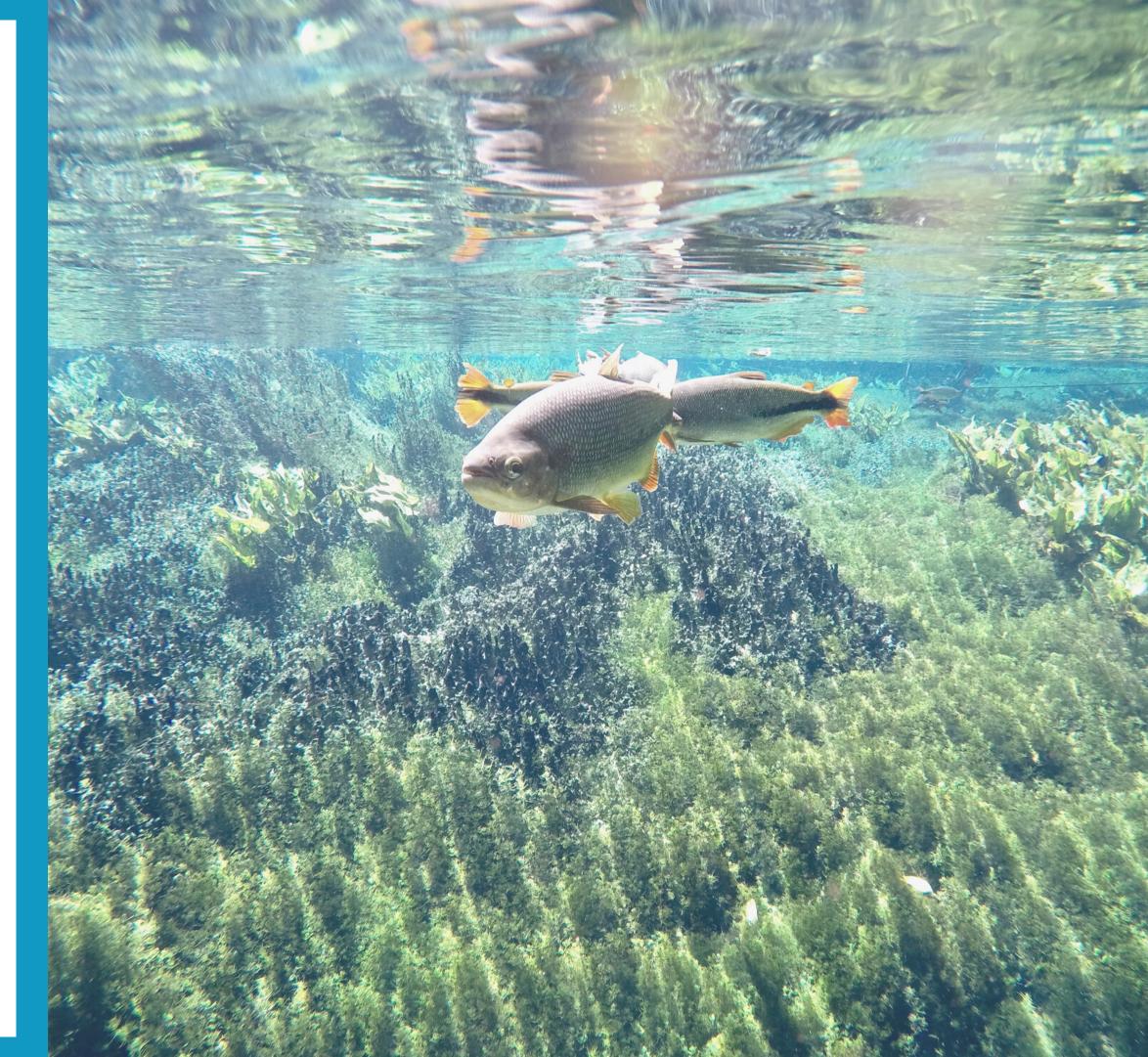
After breakfast, visit the Gruta do Lago Azul.

The trail begins with a 40-minute walk to the cave, and after descending 100 metres, you will see the lake with crystal-clear water. The depth is 72 metres and in the morning when the sun's rays hit the lake, the water will be an intense blue colour.

In the afternoon visit Rio da Prata, lunch will be served here. After lunch, the snorkelling tour starts. Our dive starts in the east of the Olho D água River. Access to there is by a pleasant walk through the interpretive trail in the ciliaire river forest of Da Prata.

On this trail, you will find the rich flora and if you are a bit lucky, you might see other wildlife such as the mutum, the udu, the nailmonkey, the cutia and the queixada. Walk along rustic trails of more than 2.5 miles.

Here you will find the most transparent freshwater rivers in the world, rich in aquatic fauna and flora. Overnight at your hotel.











#### BONITO

After breakfast, we will head to the Bodoquena Mountains, where we will visit the Boca da Onça Ecotour. Here, a four-kilometre hike through the pristine forest along perfectly safe paths will take you to 11 waterfalls, including the 156-metre-high Boca da Onça waterfall - the highest in the state of Mato Grosso do Sul.

Enjoy the translucent natural pools and refresh yourself in the Salobra River, one of the Pantanal's fish tanks. After getting so much of nature, it's time to return to the start of the park, which can be done in two ways: by ascending the fascinating 866-step staircase built along the limestone wall, from where you have unforgettable views of the Salobra River Canyon and through the descent area.

Or by vehicle with a capacity of 12 people, is at your disposal at the starting point in a kiosk.

Upon return to the refuge, a delicious regional lunch will be served. The afternoon can be spent in the natural pools before returning to Bonito.









#### **BACK HOME**

Transfer to the airport and flight to RIO.

End of our services.





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