

BRAZIL - BEACH HOPPING IN BRAZIL



INTRODUCTION

Brazil is famous for its endless coastline of blissful beaches. This exciting holiday allows to you hop along the northeast coastline, taking in unique and varied tropical beaches. The tour begins in Salvador de Bahia, a vibrant, colourful and culturally rich city on the coast. You will have a few days to soak up the atmosphere before taking a catamaran to the tropical island village Moro de Sao Paulo. An old Portuguese fort surrounds the laid back village, which leads on to four beaches, linked by sandy paths. After a few days in paradise, you will return to Salvador and then hop northwards to your next beach stop, Praia de Pipa, which is possibly the most unspoiled and beautiful beach in Brazil. The perfect semi-circular Golfinho (Dolphin) Bay, fringed with lush forest is home to many dolphins that play in the waves before your eyes. Your next and final stop is the small bohemian beach town of Jericoacoara. With the only access by 4x4 vehicles across sand dunes, it truly is an off-the-beaten track oasis surrounded by beautiful beaches, mangroves and the endless dunes and lagoons of the Lençóis Maranhenses National Park.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrival transfer in Salvador

On arrival, please make your way through to the Arrivals Hall where our representative will be waiting for you to transfer you to your hotel. He/she will be holding a sign with your name on it. Please note this service is with a driver only.



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DAY 1: Salvador

Salvador, in Brazil's north eastern state of Bahia, was once the magnificent capital of Portugal's New World colony. It is known for its vibrant Afro-Brazilian culture, 17th and 18th century Portuguese colonial architecture and tropical coastline. The historic heart of the city is the Pelourinho neighbourhood where cobblestone alleys open onto large squares lined with ornate churches and colourful buildings. Most nights you will hear Olodum drummers pounding out powerful rhythms on the streets. The heritage of the descendants of African slaves is well preserved here, from music and religion to food and dance.



DAY 2: Salvador - Panoramic City Tour

The Lower City Tour offers another perspective of the sprawling city, taking us to the quiet waters of the Itapagipe Peninsula where life moves at a slower pace than the bustling upper city. Fishermen fish from dugout canoes, locals collect shellfish at low tide, schooners lie at anchor, all protected by the famous Bonfim church, one of the most important churches of pilgrimage in Brazil and deeply syncretised with the Candomblé. We continue to the Monserrat district with its panoramic view of the city and on to the Mercado Modelo, a thriving market for local goods and souvenirs. This is also a great place to test your bargaining skills!



DAY 3: Salvador - Free day

Today is a free day for you to explore Salvador de Bahía at your leisure.



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DAY 4: Catamaran Transfer to Morro de Sao Paulo

At the appropriate time, you will be transferred from your hotel to the port where you will board the Catamaran to Morro de Sao Paulo. This journey will take approximately two hours.



DAY 4: Morro de Sao Paulo

Lying 60kms off Salvador, Morro de Sao Paulo (St. Paul's Hill) is one of five villages on the island of Tinharé, perched remotely at the northern tip of the island. It is a tropical paradise with calm waters and sandy lanes. The pace here is relaxed - no cars are allowed on the island, the only transport is by tractor!



DAY 5: Free Day in Morro de Sao Paulo

Free day to enjoy Morro de Sao Paulo at leisure.



DAY 6: Morro de Sao Paulo Transfer to Salvador

At the appropriate time, you will be transferred from your hotel to the port where you will board the Catamaran to Salvador. Upon arrival, you will be greeted and transferred to the airport.



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DAY 6: Arrival Transfer in Praia de Pipa

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DAY 6: Praia da Pipa

Lying south of Natal in the northeast of Brazil, Praia de Pipa (Pipa Beach) is one of the most beautiful coastal destinations of Brazil. The fine, white sand beach is backed by vertical cliffs and the crystal clear waters are home to dolphins and turtles.



DAY 7: Full Day Tour of Bahia Formosa

At the end of the Southern Coast and the city limits of Paraíba, lies Formosa Bay - an enchanting locale where manatees come to give birth and raise their young in the Guaju River. In Formosa Bay visitors can also enjoy Star Forest, an Atlantic Forest reservation which is home to various species of flora and fauna, as well as the Coca-Cola Lagoon, whose name is derived from its cola colored waters. Optional buggy tours of the beaches, lagoons, and ecological trails are available. Duration: approximately 6-7 hours
Lunch is not included.



DAY 8: Free Day in Praia da Pipa

Free day to enjoy Praia de Pipa at leisure.



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DAY 9: Transfer to the airport for onward destination

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DAY 9: Arrival transfer in Jericoacoara

Arrival to Fortaleza. Transfer to hotel in Jericoacoara.



DAY 9: Jericoacoara

Jericoacoara, or Jeri as it is sometimes known, is a small isolated fishing village in north western Brazil, surrounded by National Park. The sandy streets of the village are nestled between the wide beach, grassy hills and the towering and majestic Pôr do Sol (Sunset) sand dune, the perfect vantage point from which to see the "Emerald Sunset", a phenomenon where the top edge of the setting sun momentarily turns emerald green before it dips below the horizon.



DAY 10: Free Day in Jericoacoara

Free day to enjoy Jericoacoara at leisure.



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DAY 11: Free Day in Jericoacoara

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DAY 12: Transfer to the airport for onward destination

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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation

Standard

Inclusions

Guided tours and excursions
Accommodation
Ground transfers
Transport
Internal Flights
Breakfasts
Other meals where specified

Difficulty Rating

1 (easy)

Single Surcharge

Available upon request

Notes

Not Available

Price Dependent upon

Season and availability

SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

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- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu's "Pass it on" programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures' offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure's internal processes are also structured to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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