

*Join us for the
2014 Yemojá Festival
in
Salvador da Bahia.*

*Then take a well-deserved
break in
the amazing Iguassu Falls and
Fabulous Rio de Janeiro,
Brazil*

- ❖ January 31, departure US for Brazil
- ❖ February 1- 4, Salvador, Bahia
- ❖ February 5- 6, Iguassu Falls
- ❖ February 6 -10, Rio De Janeiro
- ❖ February 10, return to the US

THE PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- Round trip Air travel from the USA to Brazil
- Inter Brazil flights from Salvador to Iguassu and Iguassu to Rio
- Airport transfers on air-conditioned buses
- Hotels, based on double occupancy
- Some meals
- Selected tours

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TENTATIVE ITINERARY

DEPARTURE: JANUARY 31, 2012

MIAMI-SALVADOR DA BAHIA (OVERNIGHT FLIGHT)

- Departure: US/SSA

DAY 01-FEBRUARY 01, 2014

SALVADOR DA BAHIA

- Transfer airport/hotel. Upon arrival pick-up and transfer to the hotel.
- Welcome dinner at local restaurant and Folk Show at Miguel Santana Theatre

Day at leisure

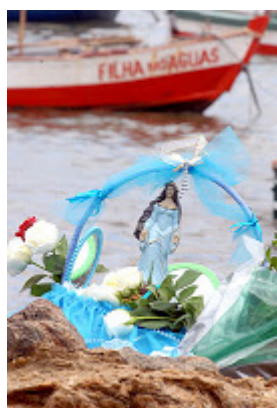
Bahia by night (Show & dinner)

Enjoy regional Bahia food at a typical restaurant followed by a colourful dance and music show presenting Bahia's rich afro-brazilian culture.

DAY 02 – FEBRUARY 02, 2014

SALVADOR DA BAHIA

- AM Yemojá Festival procession with a stop for lunch at local *churrascaria* (steak house)
- PM private boat for Yemojá party



One of the largest public manifestations of the Candomblé, “Yemojá Festival,” concentrates a mix of devotees who pay their tributes by offering flowers and gifts to Yemojá, the “queen of the sea.” The gifts are kept in big baskets which are taken to the open sea, by the fishermen of the community, and followed by hundreds of boats.

Gifts for Yemojá often include images of the goddess, flowers and objects of female vanity (perfume, jewelry, combs, lipsticks, mirrors).

After the procession, stop at local Churrascaria for having lunch (drinks not included).

The party continues on the sea. **Aboard** our guide will entertain the group with fascinating stories ... in a **private boat** tour (lasting 1.5 hours). Once the baskets are full- usually at about 4 p.m.- the offerings are transferred over to many boats that are then floated out to sea. Take the bus and return to the hotel.

Optional : Afterwards, people fill the streets for another all-night celebration of life. The festival of Yemojá becomes a massive street party which carries on into the night (Arrangements for this is on an individual basis and not included in the package).

DAY 03 – FEBRUARY 03, 2014

SALVADOR DA BAHIA

- Day at leisure – tours optional at individual expense

Recommended:

- Colonial City Tour – must walk so bring comfortable shoes
- Visit to Candomblé Orisha Stores (Botanica-like)
- Visit to the Feira de Sao Joaquim
- Visit to the Mercado Modelo

DAY 04 – FEBRUARY 04, 2014

SALVADOR DA BAHIA – IGUASSU FALLS

- Transfer hotel Salvador to the airport
- Flight SSA/IGU
- Transfer from IGU-airport to hotel. Arrival at Iguazu airport. Meet & greet by local guide and direct transfer to the hotel.
- Afternoon at leisure
- **Dinner and show at Rafain barbecue house** including round-trip transfer in exclusive air conditioned vehicle and bilingual guide assistance
- Leaving from your hotel in the evening for dinner and typical folk show (Three Frontier Show including Samba, Tango and Paraguayan Music). Drinks are not included.



DAY 05 – FEBRUARY 05, 2014

IGUASSU FALLS

- Tour to Brazilian Falls

Half day tour to Brazilian Falls

Go through the road that leads to the falls, crossing the National Park as far as the Brazilian Falls. Walk along the paths following cascades and then walk along the catwalk that leads very close to the bottom of the Devil's Throat. One can be impressed by the first panoramic views of the falls on the Argentine side, like the Two Sisters, Bozzeti, superior circuit and San Martin Island, where the movie "The Mission" was filmed. The promenade shows a complete and panoramic view of the falls.

DAY 06 – FEBRUARY 06, 2014

DEPART FOR RIO

- Transfer from hotel to the airport
- Flight IGU/RIO
- Transfer from the airport to hotel
- **Dinner at Churrascaria Palace, followed by Samba Show at Rio's famous Plataforma**

The tour starts with an "All You Can Eat" steak house dinner consisting of an incredible variety of cuts of meats served "Rodizio" style accompanied by lots of salads and Brazilian side dishes. Following dinner, drive to Plataforma, one Rio's best show houses. Here you will be treated to

famous mulatta samba dancers, Brazilian Carnival Costumes which have won prizes and the typical Brazilian percussion instruments of the Samba School.

DAY 07 – FEBRUARY 07, 2014

RIO DE JANEIRO

- **Full day tour to visit to the Corcovado & Sugar Loaf (no lunch)**

This is an excellent option to see the best of Rio. In one day you will visit Sugar Loaf and Corcovado. In the morning, you will do a Panoramic tour of downtown Rio passing by the Sambodromo and a stopping at the Metropolitan Cathedral, which was built in a pyramidal form, with an internal diameter of 96 meters and a height of 80 meters.

Familiarize yourself with traditional Cinelândia Square with its historical buildings, the Municipal Theater, the National Library and the National Museum of Fine Arts. Through the Aterro do Flamengo, you will be taken to the neighborhood of Urca where one of the largest symbols of the city is located: **Sugar Loaf Mountain**. You'll travel all the way to the top by cable car. The first car takes you to Urca Hill, a vantage point 215 meters high from which you can witness the beautiful views of Guanabara Bay and its islands, the Rio-Niterói Bridge and Corcovado Mountain. Next, board a second cable car to the top, where you can enjoy one of the most spectacular views on the planet. You will have the most splendid views of Copacabana beach, the Santa Cruz fortress and several beaches of the Niterói region.



Continue our tour through Lagoa Rodrigo de Freitas (except on Sundays) on your way to reach the Cosme Velho Train cog station at the bottom of Corcovado Mountain to take the ride up to the top, through the dense Tijuca rain forest to the 38m tall (125ft) **Christ Redeemer Statue**. The guide will allow 40 and 60 minutes to see the wonderful sights of Rio. From the top, enjoy the spectacular views of the city and the surrounding countryside.



DAY 08 – FEBRUARY 08, 2014

RIO DE JANEIRO

Day at leisure – Trip to Madureira Market with 50 or more Orisha stores where you can buy gifts for your orishas.

- **Evening: rehearsals at Samba School!**

For a close encounter with samba, attending a rehearsal party at a samba school is the best thing to do. All schools

hold rehearsals at their facilities. You can join in the party with the very best of samba dancers and drummers that are sure to keep your feet stomping all night. Mangueira, Portela, Unidos da Tijuca and Salgueiro among others are some of the best schools to experience the powerful rhythms of the Carnival samba. These rehearsals are one big party where professional dancers, celebrities, Cariocas and tourists all come together to dance, sing and share their love of the Samba.



DAY 9 - FEBRUARY 09, 2014

RIO DE JANEIRO

- Day at leisure — Tours optional, at individual expense

Recommended — H. Stern Jewel Factory Tour.

The following **optional** tours can be booked at our local SAT office:

Tour to Petropolis

Going on a scenic drive up Serra dos Orgaos Range across the Atlantic Forest's lush vegetation through mountains and valleys as far as 850m high Petropolis. Visit of the Summer Palace and the Cathedral, and touring along that charming city's highlights, such as the Crystal Palace, Santos Dumont's House, old mansions and charming squares. (tour can also be booked including lunch)

Full day tour Tropical islands cruise with lunch

The tour leads southbound along the Green Coast until the quaint fishing village of Itacuruca. Here you board a fully equipped two-master schooner for a leisurely cruise on the placid green waters of Sepetiba Bay, studded with tropical islands. Stop at one of the islands for a refreshing dip and then proceed to an Island for a lavish tropical-style buffet-lunch with free time for swimming and relaxing on the beaches. Beverages are not included.

A cruise party along the Harbor of Rio Guanabara Bay on a privately chartered schooner with a DJ playing until the boat returns to Marina da Gloria. Drinks and snacks served aboard.

We value the main tourist and historical spots on the maritime route, which are certainly considered postcards of this wonderful city. The tour is very beautiful because it presents the city from another angle: from the sea to land. Tropical fruits / drinks/ snacks and japanese buffed will be served aboard.

DAY 10 - FEBRUARY 10, 2014
DEPART FOR MIAMI, FL

- Day at leisure –Take advantage and do some last-minute shopping or just relax on the beach at Copacabana, as you utter the words that so many have told this tropical paradise in the past: “I shall return”
- Transfer hotel/airport
- Flight GIG/US

