

ITINERARY

IGUAZU FALLS & RIO DE JANEIRO POST-TOUR EXTENSION

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

BELEM / SAO PAULO / IGUAZU FALLS, ARGENTINA / IGUAZU FALLS, BRAZIL

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This morning transfer to the airport for your flight ending in Iguazu Falls, Argentina.

Upon arrival you are met by your local Abercrombie & Kent guide and begin exploring the Argentine side of the falls. Bordering Brazil and Argentina, the falls are located in the lush Iguazu National Park, a vast forest made up of tropical wood species such as Brazilian walnut, cedar and peroba. The area is home to a wide array of rare birds such as the macaw, toucan, parrot, as well as monkeys, crocodiles, armadillos and jaguars. The falls are one of the most impressive sights in the world, with a breathtaking 275 cascades spread across a gulf of nearly two miles.

Board a train shuttle to the Cataratas Station where you'll disembark to explore and walk through paths that lead along and above the spectacular falls. The highlight of the trip is a visit to the suspended platform that extends 1,300 yards over the lush tropical basin at the very brink of the "Garganta do Diabolo" (Devil's Throat).

After lunch you are transferred across the Argentine border to your hotel located on the Brazilian side of the falls. Only minutes away from the falls, the Belmond Hotel das Cataratas is the only hotel located within the Brazilian National Park. The hotel features two restaurants, a bar, health club and spa, outdoor pool and tennis courts.

Have dinner at your hotel this evening with some time at leisure to relax.

Accommodation: Belmond Hotel Cataratas

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

IGUAZU FALLS

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After breakfast, visit the Brazilian side of the falls, which offers spectacular panoramic views. Your guide takes you on a walking tour through the National Park of Iguazu to a catwalk where you experience the incredible power of millions of barrels of falling water as you are guided to within arm's length of the rumbling cataracts. Have lunch and return to the hotel where the remainder of the day is at leisure.

Accommodation: Belmond Hotel Cataratas

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

IGUAZU FALLS / RIO DE JANEIRO

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You are transferred to the Iguazu Falls airport on the Brazilian side to fly to vibrant and sunny Rio de Janeiro. You are met on arrival and transferred to your hotel, the luxurious Belmond Copacabana Palace. Situated on famous Copacabana Beach the hotel has been welcoming guests since 1923. The hotel embodies Rio at its most elegant and features three restaurants, a piano bar, fitness center, swimming pool and tennis court.

Rio de Janeiro is known as *cidade maravilhosa* (the marvelous city) and is full of contrasts — contrasts of color, lifestyles and dazzling scenery. A city of sea and mountains, samba and Carnival, the people of Rio enjoy a truly relaxed and unique way of life.

Rio's horizontal dimensions, hills and beautiful bay provide a scenic landscape that is reflected by the sun on the ocean side and bounded by lush green forest on the other.

Settle into your hotel where you have the remainder of the afternoon at leisure.

Enjoy dinner at the hotel this evening.

Accommodation: Belmond Copacabana Palace

MONDAY, JANUARY 14
RIO DE JANEIRO

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Meet your guide at 8:00 a.m. today (exact meeting time will be confirmed on arrival) and travel to the heights of Corcovado (Hunchback) Mountain for a spectacular glimpse of Rio. Crowning Corcovado at 2,400 feet above sea level is the majestic statue of Christ the Redeemer. Standing 120 feet high, the statue's outstretched arms welcome you to a breathtaking view, unmatched for its spellbinding magic!

Attend a percussion workshop followed by an afternoon at leisure.

This evening enjoy a barbecue dinner at a rodizio-style restaurant where servers walk through the restaurant offering various grilled hot meats on skewers to diners at the table.

Accommodation: Belmond Copacabana Palace

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15
RIO DE JANEIRO / DEPART

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This morning, enjoy a visit to the top of Sugar Loaf Mountain for a panoramic view of Guanabara Bay, Rio's sandy beaches and the city itself.

Explore the city's cultural heritage with lunch at a traditional restaurant. Walk through the old town, returning to the hotel by 4:00 p.m.

Relax with special late access to your room before transferring to the airport for your flight home.

Of Special Note:

- **Baggage restrictions:** Each traveller is limited to one checked maximum weight 33 lbs. in Economy class. In addition you may have one personal item (such as a purse or laptop) and one carry-on weighing up to 17 lbs. Any additional or overweight pieces will be charged on check-in and excess baggage fees are the traveller's responsibility.