



For a successful trip to Brazil it is important to use a specialized travel agency that offers personalized and customized service. Globotur Travel takes care of the organization and details of each trip so that all you have to do it sit back and enjoy the journey.

Here are the essential steps to prepare for a successful trip:

- Research your Destination: Check your local library for the latest travel guides issues, read them, then buy your favorite to take with you. This will allow you to develop a greater understanding for what to expect when you arrive at your destination, and is an excellent resource to have on hand while traveling.
- Have your Travel Agency Book tours and make reservations: Arriving in Brazil completely prepared with an itinerary full of details, mapping out each day's events will make for an exceptional trip. Make sure you have your travel agency book some of the tours you want to go on to ensure you have a saved spot for the days and times you want.
- Learn a few basic words and sentences in Portuguese: It is always a good idea to know a few words in Portuguese. Please, thank you, bathroom, and how much does this cost, are a few words and phrases that are always handy to know. Most hotels and restaurants in the major cities will have staff members who speak some English. However, Portuguese is the official language of Brazil and it will be beneficial for you to purchase a small phrase book if you plan of visiting smaller cities. Brazilians are friendly, patient and will make an effort in understanding and helping you.







Make proper arrangements to obtain a valid passport and a visa: All US travellers going to Brazil need to have a valid passport and a visa issued by the Brazilian Consulate prior to departure. Here is a link with the list of Brazilian Consulates in the USA and the Department of State website for passport forms and information.

http://www.globotur.com/visa.asp http://travel.state.gov/passport

We suggest you make two photocopies of the passport identification page, airline confirmation, driver's license and the credit cards you plan on taking on your trip. Leave a copy of each one with family or friends at home, and pack the other copies separately from the original documents.

Using Credit & Debit Card: Using a credit or debit card can be an ideal way to avoid carrying more cash than you require for just incidental expenses. Most hotels, restaurants and stores in Brazil readily accept Visa and Master Card.

Alert your card issuer of your travel plans and ask for the phone number that you can call collect for assistance while overseas. This will not only ensure that your cards do not get suspended because of suspicious activity, but will also give you a way to contact your issuer free of charge if something comes up. Most issuing banks will charge a foreign transaction fee of 2 to 3 percent and may have additional fees. To save money, check what the foreign transaction fee is on each of your credit and debit cards and choose the one with the lowest fees.

Health and Travel Insurance: Ask your medical insurance company if your policy applies overseas. If it does not, consider purchasing medical travel insurance that will cover health care expenses incurred overseas including emergency services such as medical evacuations.

Travelers going abroad with a preexisting medical problem should carry a letter from the attending physician describing the medical condition and any prescription medications including the generic names of prescribed drugs. If you take prescription medicine, make sure you have enough to last the duration of the trip. Any medications being carried overseas should be left in their original containers and be clearly labeled.





Know what kind weather to expect: Know the season of the places you are visiting. Brazil is a tropical country, however, because of its size, the climate can often vary considerably from north to south even during the same season.

Seasons in Brazil are the reverse of those in United States and Europe:

Spring: 22nd September - 21st December Summer: 22nd December - 21st March

Autumn: 22nd March - 21st June Winter: 22nd June - 21st September

Rio de Janeiro's winter temperatures stay around the 70sº F/20sº C, dipping occasionally below the 60°F/15°C.:

- Staying in Contact while away: If you plan to take your mobile phone, please check with the international division of your carrier and understand the fees, costs, and international voice and data plans they offer and remember to pack the power cord. Many hotels have a business center where you can check your email while away. We also recommend leaving your family with a list of the hotels and contacts of where you will be staying.
- Pack wisely: Don't pack so much that you will end up lugging around heavy suitcases.
 Include a change of clothing in your carry-on luggage. Leave at home anything you would hate to lose such as valuable jewelry and irreplaceable family objects.
- Pack a camera...and smile: Brazil will offer you the most spectacular photography opportunities, so it is crucial to bring a camera with you. Don't forget the battery charger!

Boa Viagem!







About Globotur Travel Service

Globotur Travel Services is a travel agency based in Houston Texas, specializing in customized Brazil travel. When you work with Globotur you can be certain you're in excellent hands.

To have us a create a complete personalized itinerary, contact us today at (800)998-5521 or email us at info@globotur.com

We are looking forward to making your dream trip to **Brazil** come true.

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