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RIO DE JANEIRO
INFORMATION PACKET

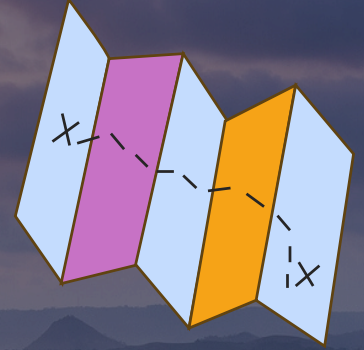
The background image shows a panoramic view of Rio de Janeiro, featuring the Christ the Redeemer statue atop Corcovado Mountain, the Brazilian flag waving in the foreground, and a dense urban area with colorful buildings. The sky is filled with white and grey clouds. The text is overlaid on a dark blue semi-transparent shape in the lower half of the image.



RIO CARNIVAL - GROUP TRIP INCLUSIONS

Date: February 12-17, 2026

Where: Rio De Janeiro, Brazil



Included

- ☐ Payment Plans
- ☐ Itinerary
- ☐ Groupchat
- ☐ Trip Merch
- ☐ Group Mixer
- ☐ Blocos (Carnival Street Parties)
- ☐ Visa Form Assistance
- ☐ Carnival Ticket, Shirt, & Roundtrip Transportation: Grandstand or Camarotes

Optional

- ☐ Airbnb
- ☐ Aiport Transfer
- ☐ Travel Insurance
- ☐ Yacht Party
- ☐ Private Excursions
- ☐ Samba Dance Class
- ☐ Jeep Tour to Tijuca rainforest



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ABOUT US

Intentional Travels TA, a Black and queer-owned Travel Agency dedicated to providing personalized, safe, and affordable travel experiences for Gen Z, LGBTQ+, and Black travelers. We offer three core services: **Education, Booking, & Emergency Travel Assistance.**



I am Justyce Burney, and I **prioritize empowerment, safety, cultural appreciation, and unforgettable moments.** This trip I'm creating a safe space to **discover the world** with other intentional travelers! I travel with a **pre-planned itinerary** through research, while creating **flexibility** to enjoy the moment in **fun and relaxation!** I'm your type A friend that's always prepared & easy-going.




TRIP OFFERINGS & PRICE

We're Here & Queer-ish- \$500 per person

- Welcome Group Mixer & Group-branded merch
- Visa assistance
- Group itinerary access
- Grandstand Carnival Tickets w/ Roundtrip subway passes & Official Carnival t-shirt

Camarote Baddie- \$1,000 per person

-  "We're Here & Queer" inclusions
- Camarote Carnival Tickets- VIP suites: open bar, food, private bathrooms, live DJs, & premium views.
- Roundtrip shuttle transportation to/from the Sambadrome

Get Somebody Else To Do It- \$1,150 per person

- "We're Here & Queer" inclusions
- Group Airbnb in Copacabana: 7 rooms: 3 Double Bed Rooms (2 people) & 4 Double Bed + Twin Bed Room (3 people)

Optional upgrades:

- Yacht Party, Private Excursions, Airport Transfers, Samba Dance Class, Solo Travel Room Pairing and more!

HOTEL & AREA

AIRBNB COPACABANA

Indulge in comfort away from home in a premier 18 person airbnb perfectly situated on the world-famous Copacabana Beach.

- 3 DOUBLE BED ROOMS (2 PEOPLE)
- 4 DOUBLE BED & A TWIN BED ROOMS (3 PEOPLE)



THE HILTON COPACABANA OFFERS:

- Direct beach access, allowing you to enjoy the golden sands of Copacabana Beach at your leisure.
- Generous living space
- Fully equipped kitchen
- 4 well-equipped bathrooms

Why choose the AirBnB over other accomodations in Copacabana?

Unlike expensive hotels with impersonal service and hidden fees, this apartment delivers excellent value, more room to unwind, and the freedom to live at your own pace. Say goodbye to noisy shared dorms, unpredictable hostel conditions, and restrictive hotel schedules—here, you're in control of your space, budget, and comfort while staying in one of Rio's most vibrant neighborhoods.



MIXER, MERCH & ITINERARY

HERE TO ENHANCE YOUR TRIP WITH EXCLUSIVE GROUP EXPERIENCES AND ACTIVITIES:

- **Welcome Mixer:** Connect with fellow travelers during an engaging & fun cocktail hour. We will dance, play games, distribute our group merch, & take pictures.
- **Group Merchandise:** Take home branded group items as stylish & functional souvenirs of your journey.

CURATED ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS:

1. **Christ the Redeemer:** Marvel at the iconic statue, a global symbol of peace located atop Mount Corcovado, by taking an official private van directly to the statue for unparalleled views of the city and its natural surroundings.
2. **Sugarloaf Mountain:** Ascend this renowned peak via a scenic cable car ride. From the summit, enjoy views of Rio's coastline, the Guanabara Bay, and more.
3. **Blocos (Carnival Street Parties):** We will customize our costumes/outfit for these informal Carnival gatherings where locals and visitors dance & sing. Each bloco offers a unique theme, style, and music.
4. **Rio Carnaval February 15, 2026:** The moment we are all waiting for! We'll take the subway together and spend midnight and early morning in the Sambadrome for the first night of the Samba competition!
5. **Add-Ons:** Yacht Party, Jeep Tour to Tijuca rainforest, Samba Dance Class, Little Africa Tour, Seleron Steps, Ilha Grande & More!



PAYMENT & POLICY INFO

Deposit: A \$150 deposit per person is required to confirm your reservation, non-refundable; \$400 for "Get Somebody Else to Do It"

Final Payment Due: January 31, 2026

Flexible Payment Plan: Secure your booking with monthly payments or pay as you wish.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations made after October 1, 2025, will incur a 25% charge, After November 30, 2025 a 50% charge of the total package cost, & After December 31, 2025 are subject to 100% of the total package cost.

Credit Transfer: You may be able to transfer your funds to another trip booking.

Liability Disclaimer: The organizers are not liable for any personal injury, loss, or damage to property during the trip. Travelers are advised to purchase travel insurance to cover unforeseen circumstances.

RIO HISTORY



History of Rio de Janeiro

Rio de Janeiro, fondly known as **Cidade Maravilhosa (The Marvelous City)**, boasts a rich history shaped by Indigenous, African, and European influences. Rio was home to the **Tupi people**, one of Brazil's largest Indigenous groups cultivating the land, communities, & fished along the coast, inspiring the naming of sites like **Tijuca National Park**, and the **Corcovado Mountain**.

African Contributions

With the arrival of enslaved Africans during the 16th century, The vibrant rhythms of **samba and capoeira**, a martial art disguised as dance, emerged from this cultural exchange. African religious practices, particularly **Candomblé**, blended with Catholicism to form unique rituals and festivals. Today, Rio's **Little Africa (Pequena África)** in the Saúde district stand as a testament to the enduring legacy of African communities.

LGBT+ Community

Brazil has a rich and complex LGBTQ+ history, they legalized same-sex marriage in 2013 & have a vibrant Pride celebration, particularly in São Paulo.

Community and Cultural Fusion

From the colonial-era buildings of downtown Rio to the Afro-Brazilian dishes like **feijoada and acarajé**, every corner of the city tells a story of **resilience and cultural pride**. The spirit of community is especially evident during **Carnival and local blocos**, where people come together to celebrate, **making Rio a truly remarkable destination**.



The Evolution of Carnival

It originates from Portuguese colonists- **Entrudo**, a chaotic, playful celebration involving water fights and feasts before **Lent**. 19th century, **street parades with music and costumes** became a hallmark of the festivities. African religions and celebrations: **Candomblé and maracatu**, inspired the colorful and symbolic elements seen in the parades.



The Samba & Afro-Brazil

The **samba**, the heartbeat of Carnival, originated from **African musical styles**, blending them with European instruments and melodies. The introduction of samba music in the 1920s transformed with samba schools organizing elaborate parades and **competitions in the Sambadrome**.

CARNIVAL WORLD REKNOWN



Samba School Competitions

The Sambadrome is where samba schools compete. These schools represent **local communities**, and each parade tells a story through its **theme, music, and choreography**. The samba schools that perform in the **Champions' Parade** are the **top-rated performers** from the previous year's Carnival.

Your exclusive package includes:

- **Official Carnival Tickets:** Access the lively samba parades at the **Sambadrome**, where Rio's **top samba schools** compete in breathtaking displays.
- **Carnival T-shirt:** A special **keepsake** to commemorate your experience.
- **Subway Tickets:** Effortlessly travel between events and **enjoy the city like a local**.



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