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Chapada Diamantina and Salvador 7 nights

Visiting Chapada Diamantina is to discover in the hinterlands of Bahia a surprising landscape, while hiking, bathing in waterfalls and natural pools and exploring caves.

Chapada Diamantina is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful Brazilian landscapes. Beautiful crystal waterfalls, sliders and natural pools of intense blue, mounts sculpted on rock outlining the horizon, caves with large saloons and galleries, woods and fields full of orchids and several other flowers, and rivers and brooks that wind through valleys among mounts. And, as a memory of the times when the Chapada was the world's largest diamond producer, the villages and cities still keep the charming old architecture.



Walking on the streets of the Historical District of Salvador, we feel like being taken back to the ancient times of Brazilian History. Until 1763, Salvador was the capital of the Portuguese Crown in Americas, besides being the main port of the southern hemisphere until the eighteenth century. With an extensive shoreline and a constant year round temperature (around 25°C / 77°F), Salvador is an invitation to outdoor leisure activities. The city's tropical climate is enhanced by steady gentle breeze blowing in from the Atlantic Ocean and the Todos os Santos' Bay.

Duration time: 8 day(s), 7 night(s)

Departures on: Sundays

Program:

1st day –.../SALVADOR -Reception at the Salvador airport and transfer to chosen Hotel. City tour in the afternoon. Salvador has a strong African influence that can be seen in many of its cultural attractions. The city is broken up into two parts. The lower city, which is at sea level, is the old port where tourists find Brazilian arts and crafts. The upper city is accessed by steps, alleyways, or the famous Lacerda Elevator. During the tour of the Upper City, you get to know the characteristics of the earliest streets and architectural structures of Bahia. This fascinating tour starts at the Farol da Barra (Barra Lighthouse) that today is a Nautical Museum. Further along, going in the direction of the Port of Barra, you see the forts of Santa Maria and the São Diogo. From the Port of Barra, you travel through the traditional neighborhood of Queen Victoria's Corridor (Corredor da Vitória) to Campo Grande (the square where Baian carnivals begin and finish) and arrive at the park and fountain of Piedade. Moving always forward without veering, you arrive at Pelourinho, undoubtedly the best part of the tour since it is considered by UNESCO to be the site of the most significant colonial architecture of the 17th and 18th centuries that still exists in the world today. Seeing the variety of the designs of the richly historic buildings and streets which every corner offers is always a thrill to visitors. From this elevated point of the city, you also have an aesthetic and stunning overview of the harbor. Apart from the infinite beauty of its churches, like the gold-gilded St. Francis church, there also are artistically lit fountains, squares, monuments, museums, and a host of other attractions in Pelourinho. Free afternoon. We suggest a dinner at Yemanjá Restaurant

2nd day – SALVADOR – LENÇÓIS– PAI INÁCIO HILL - Breakfast and departure at 7:30h to Lençóis, in a bus with air conditioning, video, TV, toilet, with our guide, water on board. Arrival expected in Lençóis às 14:00h and lodging at the chosen Hotel. Departure at 16:00h for our first contact with Chapada Diamantina. More precisely, to visit one of its main symbols: Morro do Pai Inácio. Full of legends, this is the picture post card of Chapada Diamantina. It is 1,120m of altitude offering a sensational view of the region. It takes between 20 and 30 minutes to climb with Time to enjoy a beautiful sunset. Back to town, walking tour around the charming city of Lençóis, Historical Patrimony of Humanity. Free Evening.

3rd day – LENÇÓIS - TOUR SERRANO – After breakfast, departure for the first hike, very light, going up the Lençóis River to Salão de Areias, Halley Well, Primavera Waterfall, Belvedere and Cachoeirinha (Small Waterfall). Back to town and not included lunch. At 15:00h departure for another light hike, to the natural slider – Ribeirão do Meio, with a 20-meter fall. Time for bathing. Back to the hotel. Free evening.

4th day – LENÇÓIS – WELLS AND CAVES - After breakfast departure to Poço do Diabo (Devil's Well), formed by the Mucugezinho River and a beautiful waterfall. Quick stop at Poço Do Pato (Duck's Well) and set off to the Gruta Azul (Blue Cave). This is a small cave with as the name suggests exceptional blue waters, where it is not permitted to bathe. Very close is Gruta da Pratinha (Pratinha Cave). The cave has the Lago da Pratinha (Lake Silver) partly within it. It is shallow with crystal blue waters. We will have as optional activities sliding and snorkeling in the cave. After lunch we continue to the Lapa Doce Grotto. Extending for approximately 24km so far mapped, it is replete with stalactites and stalagmites of weird and wonderful formations. A long time ago it was the course of the river Lapa Doce. Back to the hotel. Free evening.



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5th day – LENÇÓIS/ MUCUGÊ– ENCHANTED WELL- Departure from the hotel with all your luggage, for a 150 km trip, over paved road. Arrival to one of the best attraction of the Chapada : Poço Encantado (Enchanted Well). The well is a lake inside a cave where it is possible to see the very depth of it. The water is an amazing blue which becomes even more incredible between April and August, when sunlight enters the cave through an opening. Observation at Poço Encantado and continuation to Mucugê. Arrival and lodging at the inn. Free evening.

6th day – MUCUGÊ– BURAÇÃO WATERFALLS - After breakfast departure to Ibicoara, to visit another highlight of Chapada Diamantina : Cachoeira do Buração (Big Hole Fall). Situated 115km from Mucugê, the waterfall Buração impresses not only with the force of water that falls, but also with the immense and magnificent canyon that is formed around it. Return to Mucugê in the end of the day.

7th day - MUCUGÊ/ SALVADOR – Breakfast and departure to Salvador. Stop by at Feira de Santana and arrival to Salvador expected on the afternoon. Hotel accommodation.

8th day – SALVADOR/... – Breakfast and transfer to the airport.

General Information:

Included:

Transfer Airport /Hotel /Airport

Transportation in luxury buses Salvador/Lençóis/Mucugê/Salvador,

02 nights accommodation in Salvador with breakfast

05 nights accommodation in Chapada Diamantina with breakfast,

05 tours as described in the program,

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City tour in Salvador

bilingual guide,

local guides at the attractions,

Not included:

- Two pairs of comfortable walking shoes, with rubber soles;
- Sunscreen and cap;
- Flashlight and spare batteries;
- Small waterproof daypack;
- Swimming suits;
- Sweatshirt;
- Raincoat;



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- Light clothes for the hiking (the ones who are allergic to insects and/or plants should take long-sleeve t-shirts);
- Diving mask;
- Water bottle;
- Towel;
- Plastic bags for garbage during hiking;
- Regularly taken medicine.

Obs.:

Electrical power in the area is 220V.

There is cellular phone signal.

Even though the region is not a yellow fever focus area, we recommend that all passengers take the vaccination 10 days before the departure. As the vaccination can cause reactions, talk to your doctor before taking it.