

SUGGESTED PROGRAM

PLEASE NOTE: Actual sequence and timing of activities will revolve around your concert and rehearsal schedule. All times are approximate and may vary according to flight schedules.

ALL MUSIC ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED.

| Day 1 | USA – São Paulo |
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| Evening | Fly to São Paulo, the capital of Brazil, via major international scheduled airline. Dinner and breakfast served aloft. |
| Day 2 | São Paulo |
| Morning | Arrive at São Paulo International Airport. Greeting by your highly-qualified Latin America Concert Tours' Tour Manager. Our Tour are selected for their high-energy and commitment to customer satisfaction. For the next week, your Tour Manager will be coordinating and managing all of your scheduled activities and will be available to you on a 24-hour basis should you need special assistance. Transfer by private air-conditioned motorcoach to São Paulo, one of the world's biggest cities, with 20 million inhabitants, where you will start your Brazilian music adventure. Arrive in São Paulo and check-in to your hotel. São Paulo is Brazil's largest and most important city and a major financial center with the country's most important manufacturing facilities located nearby. With a fast-paced lifestyle, São Paulo is also Brazil's cultural capital. |
| Afternoon | Lunch on own. |

City Sightseeing Tour



Visit many of the city's landmarks, such as the **Paulista Museum**, the neo-gothic **Metropolitan Sé Cathedral**, the **São Paulo Museum of Art (MASP)**, and the **Monumento às Bandeiras** (Monument to the Flag). **Avenida Paulista** is a major São Paulo business and cultural thoroughfare.

Evening <u>Welcome Dinner</u> at a restaurant.

Day 3 São Paulo

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Transfer to visit **<u>Ibirapuera Park</u>** and its museum. The park is equivalent to New York's Central Park, is only fifteen minutes from downtown São Paulo, with the <u>**Museum of**</u> <u>**Modern Art**</u> and Niemeyer's <u>**Bienal Complex**</u> as two of its main attractions.

Afternoon Lunch on own.

<u>Suggestion</u>: Visit the well-known <u>Mercado Municipal de São Paulo</u> (Main Market Square), also known as Mercadão.

Evening <u>CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 1</u>



Day 4 São Paulo – Vinhedo

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Transfer to the lovely town of **Vinhedo**, 90 minutes away from São Paulo, where you will perform the second concert of your tour.

Afternoon Free time for lunch on own and to explore the town.

Suggestion: Visit the main points of interest such as:

Portal dos Imigrantes: Inaugurated in 1982, in honor to Italian immigrants who settled in the town.

Parque Municipal Jayme Ferragut (Municipal Park): This park is where the main festivities of the town are held, including the traditional "Festa da Uva".

Igreja Matriz de Sant Anna (St. Anne Church): Built in the center of the "Rocinha" district, in honor to St. Anne, the patron saint of the city.

Represa João Gasparini: Also known as "Represa II", built in 1979.

Cristo Redentor (Christ the Redeemer): Located on the highest point of the town.

Mosteiro de São Bento (St. Bent Monastery)

Dinner on your own or prearranged.

Evening CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 2



After your concert, transfer back to your hotel in Sao Paulo.

Day 5 São Paulo – Paraty

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out of hotel and transfer to the seaside town of **Paraty**, 4 ¹/₂ hours away from São Paulo, by private motorcoach.



Paraty dates back to 1500 when modern-day Brazil was a Portuguese colony. It is located on the lush **Costa Verde** (Green Coast) that runs south of Rio de Janeiro. Paraty borders the shores of the **Bay of Ilha Grande**, which has many small tropical islands that are ideal for short relaxing visits, picnics, and sunbathing. Tropical forests, mountains, and waterfalls rise up as much as 4,200 feet behind the town.

Paraty is graced with cobblestone streets throughout its Historic Center District. No cars or trucks are allowed in this part of town, only pedestrians and bicycles. Horse-driven carts are a very common sight. The town has maintained many of its historic buildings with many structures unchanged during the last 250 years. With its many attractions, Paraty has become very popular with tourists in recent years.

Afternoon Arrive and Check in at hotel.

Lunch on your own.

Free afternoon to relax on the beach or to visit the historical center.

Evening Dinner on your own.

Day 6 Paraty

| Morning | Breakfast at Hotel. |
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| | Free morning to enjoy the beautiful beaches of Paraty. |
| Afternoon | Lunch on own. |
| | Suggestions : Dive in the waters of Paraty, considered by many the capital of Brazilian diving, or go on a boat tour. |
| Evening | Dinner on your own before your concert. |
| | CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 3 |
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Morning

Corcovado Mountain & Christ Redeemer Statue









Christ the Redeemer

Sugarloaf Mountain

Cable Car

Arrive at the Cosme Velho train station at the base of the <u>Corcovado Mountain</u> where you will board the cog railway train for the ascent to the summit where the impressive 125-foot high <u>Christ the Redeemer</u> statue overlooks the city. Completed in 1931, the art deco statue can be seen from most of Rio de Janeiro. The mountain is located behind most of the city and affords magnificent panoramic views of the <u>Copacabana</u> and <u>Ipanema Beaches</u>, <u>Sugarloaf Mountain</u>, Rio's <u>Historic Center</u> and <u>Guanabara Bay</u>, orienting you to all of the city's major attractions.

Dinner on your own or prearranged.

Evening <u>CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 4</u>



Day 9 Rio de Janeiro

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Open day to pursue whatever activities you desire. Several hours on the beach playing pickup soccer, volleyball, or other sports or simply taking in the sun and surf would be a good idea. Maybe try a different beach, like nearby Ipanema, of the "Girl from Ipanema" fame. Don't forget the sunscreen !



Another suggestion would be shopping for typical Brazilian-made goods, such as leather, at the Rio Sul Shopping Center, not too far from Copacabana.

Afternoon Sugarloaf Mountain excursion

Take the two-stage cable car for the nearly mile-long ascent to the 1,299 foot high summit of the mountain for one of the world's most spectacular views with great vistas of the surrounding bays, beaches, mountains and the city itself. Optional visit to the restaurant and shops at the first cable car stop - the 700-foot high **Morro de Urca**. Don't forget your camera !

Evening Suggestion: Visit the Samba clubs in the bohemian neighborhood of LAPA ! This great outdoor atmosphere is surrounded by the "ruins" of the old Roman-style aqueduct system.



Dinner on your own or prearranged.

Day 10 Rio de Janeiro – Flights

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out from hotel.

Afternoon **Farewell Lunch** at a restaurant. Toast the conclusion of a great trip!

Transfer by your private motorcoach to Rio de Janeiro's Galeão International Airport for your return flight home.

Evening Relax and sleep during your overnight flight. Dinner and breakfast served aloft.

| Day 11 | USA |
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| Morning | Arrive back in the U.S. this morning. |

Your South American Music Adventure comes to a close with great memories to cherish for a lifetime !

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

Inter City Transportation:

- Economy-class Air Transportation USA Brazil round-trip.
- São Paulo / Paraty / Rio de Janeiro transfers by private air-conditioned motorcoach.

<u>São Paulo</u>:

• Three nights at a Three-Star Hotel in São Paulo with daily breakfast.

- City Sightseeing Tour with Bilingual Guide in São Paulo.
- Welcome Dinner at a restaurant serving traditional local dishes.
- Transfer to Ibirapuera Park.
- Airport / Hotel transfer by private air-conditioned motorcoach.

Paraty:

• Two nights at a Three-Star Hotel with daily breakfast.

Rio De Janeiro:

- Three nights at a Three-Star Hotel with daily breakfast.
- Farewell Lunch at a restaurant serving traditional local dishes.
- Hotel / Airport transfer by private air-conditioned motorcoach.
- City Sightseeing Tour with Bilingual Guide.
- Corcovado Mountain & Christ the Redeemer Statue excursion including cog railway and entrance fees.
- Sugarloaf Mountain excursion including cable car fees.

Other:

- 24/7 Latin America Concert Tours' Tour Manager available for the duration of the trip.
- 24/7 Emergency Support from our Latin America Concert Tours Operations Office.

Summary of Included Meals:

- 7 Breakfasts
- 1 Lunch
- 1 Dinner

PERFORMANCE COMPONENT:

- Organization of 4 Concerts.
- Pre-Concert Sound Check and/or Rehearsal.
- Water at concerts.
- Hotel Concert Venue round-trip transfers by private motorcoach.
- Concert Publicity utilizing our "Larger Audiences" Promotion Program.

FREE Ensemble Director Tour Included:

- One **FREE Ensemble Director's** trip is included based on 20 paying travelers (21st is free).
- Tour leader would share twin room with a paying traveler and pay only taxes/fees.

Not Included:

- Drinks at Dinners
- Tips for Tour Manager, Tour Guides, and Bus Drivers
- Passports and visas for non-US passport holders (if necessary).
- Personal expenses, such as phone calls and personal laundry.
- Increases in air taxes / fees / fuel surcharge beyond those stated below.
- Anything not noted in the above list of inclusions

Brazilian Visa:

 Brazil requires that U.S. passport holders acquire a Brazilian visa at a cost of US\$ 160 per person (as of September 2016).