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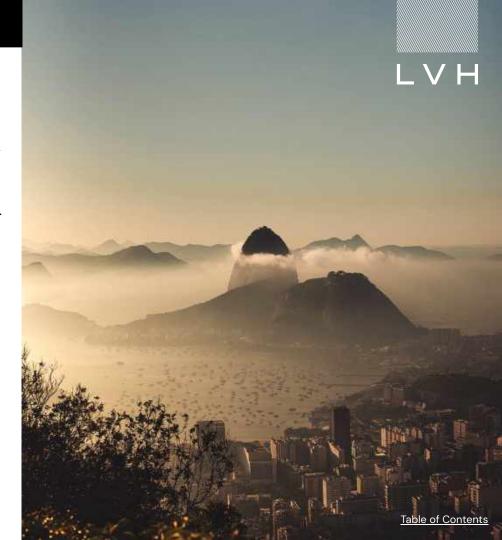
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### **ABOUT**

A city that needs no introduction, Rio de Janeiro immediately evokes images of golden beaches, lush tropical mountainscapes, and wild nightlife. The extraordinary energy of Rio is second to none, offering a breadth of luxury experiences as colorful and diverse as its residents. A kaleidoscope of cultures and influences has made this city the universal symbol of unfettered hedonism. Its eternal title as the Marvelous City is no overstatement between its larger-than-life panoramic vistas, glamorous beaches, and spellbinding natural reaches. Seductive, chaotic, and extraordinary, the streets of this megalopolis offer every shade of exhilaration.

Nestled on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean, *the* Marvelous City boasts unabashed gratitude toward life, nature, and being in the present. For the locals, i.e., Cariocas, the beach is the center of happenings. On any given day, the sand is teeming with Brazilians hiding under umbrellas, juggling soccer balls, playing beach volley, and rollerblading along the endless and winding shoreline. With roughly 470 square miles of dramatic topography, it is home to the world's largest urban forest. And the landscape does not discriminate. With many culturally uplifting and invigorating experiences – drinking caipirinha; tasting feijoada, tapioca, or acai bowls; to the infectious beats of Samba and the chic detachment of Bossanova – the carioca way of life needs to be experienced to be believed.

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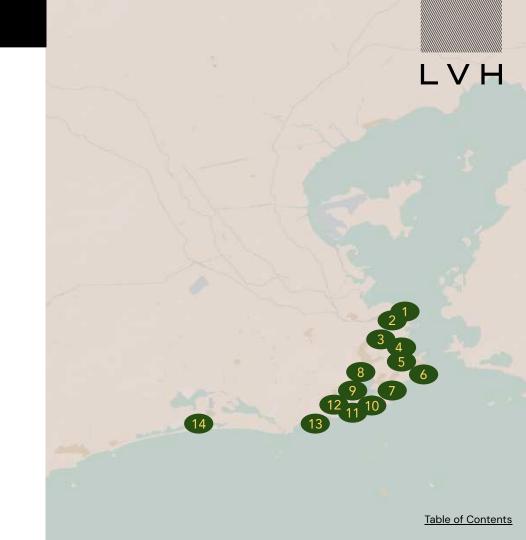






Cariocas refer to Rio neighborhoods as "bairros." These communities make up zones or "zonas" and Rio is categorized into four such zones – north, south, east and west zones.

- 1. Centro
- 2. Lapa
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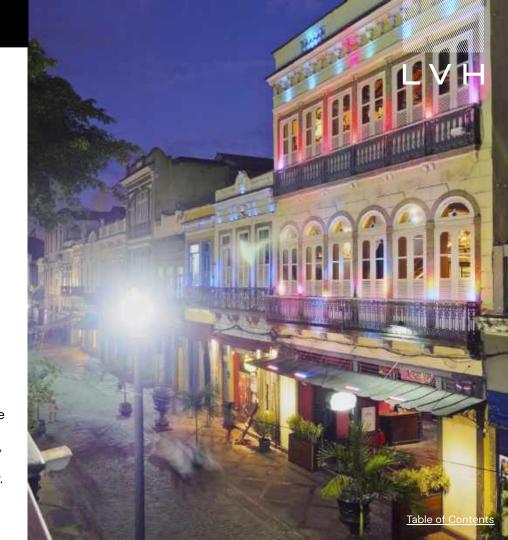


Rio's downtown may lack the allure of the beaches, but there's plenty here to merit a visit. The city's oldest streets can be found here, along with the best museums and galleries located in Centro. The most notable of these – Centro Cultural Banco do Brasil (CCBB) – hosts big-name visiting exhibitions as well as regular free cinema screenings for children, while the grand, golden-domed Teatro Municipal showcases ballet and opera. Some of the city's oldest buildings are found here, too like elegant neo-classical churches and handsome colonial homes among the office tower blocks dominating the skyline.



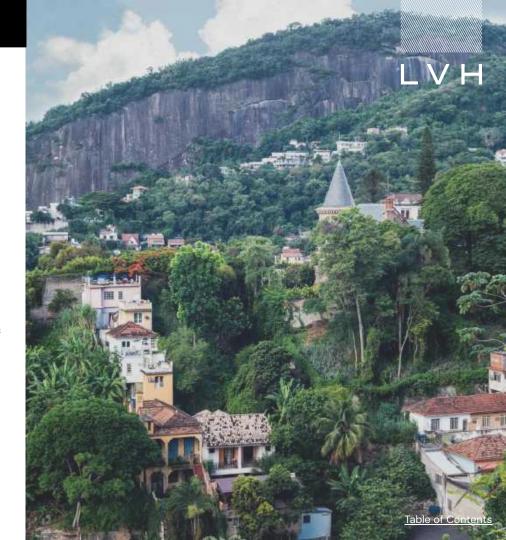
#### **LAPA**

Less than a decade ago, downtown Lapa was virtually a no-go area for tourists, with its crumbling historic buildings home to less than wholesome nightspots. Today, the area has been given a new lease on life, and Lapa is the liveliest nightlife location in the city. Lapa lies at the heart of the historic center, and buildings here are some of the oldest. Rua da Lavradio is a street flanked by tall, handsome colonial buildings, most of which now function as antique stores or bar restaurants. Nightlife in Lapa is also a trend – colorful, varied and as vibrant as ever. Nearby, the Arcos da Lapa (Lapa Arches) are an eye-catching former aqueduct and an iconic image of bohemian Rio.



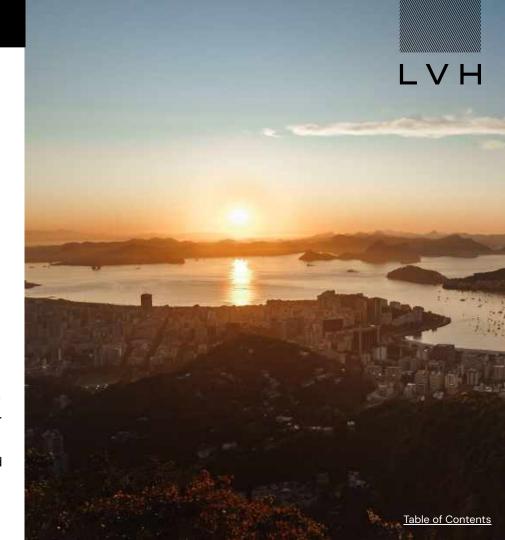
#### **SANTA TERESA**

There's more to Rio de Janeiro than beaches, and this leafy neighborhood that clings to the jungle-clad hillside above the city is well worth sacrificing the sun lounger for. Known as the artistic heart of Rio, Santa Teresa's cobbled streets are lined with rambling mansions once home to the city's wealthy elite and today function as artists' studios, restaurants, and guest houses. Santa Teresa's breezy hilltop location made it the destination of choice for wealthy settlers, and the neighborhood's cobbled streets are lined with some of the finest examples of colonial architecture anywhere in the city. Just strolling around the neighborhood is a pleasure in itself, and the views offered from many guesthouses and restaurants are nothing short of spectacular. Be sure to pay a visit to Parque das Ruinas, a small park housing a ruined mansion home with terrific 360-degree views from the top floor.



#### **FLAMENGO**

Flamengo is found between Botafogo and Centro . The name has two origins, according to legends. One story claims the name was given because of the large population of pink birds during colonial times, while another common theory points to the time when Flemish prisoners of war were brought here during the 1700s. Flamengo is famous for its taverns, museums, and its special Flamengo park, designed and built by Lota de Macedo Soares in 1965. Its gardens were conceptualized and manicured to perfection by the famous Burle Marx. The park's official title is "Parque Brigadeiro Eduardo Gomes," but everybody knows it as the Aterro do Flamengo or simply "Aterro." It is the largest park in the city, covering 1.2 million square meters reclaimed from Guanabara Bay. The neighborhood also houses The Carmen Miranda Museum, Modern Art Museum, and the Monument to the World War II Dead Soldiers.



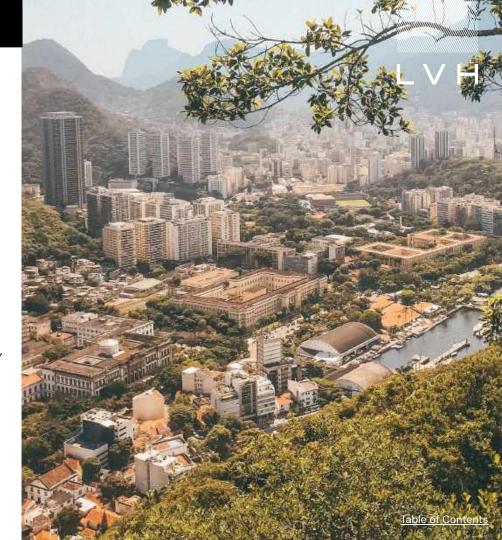
#### **BOTAFOGO**

Botafogo and Flamengo are sandwiched between the centro and south zone. It is an upper-middle-class area, home to lively nightlife and some fabulous restaurants, and it is within easy reach of famous beaches. Despite its countless condominiums and apparent contemporary appearance, Botafogo is rich in culture and history. Since it's surrounded by the mounds of Mundo Novo, Dona Marta, and the hills Morro de São João, climbing to Mirante do Pasmado point offers a panoramic picture of Botafogo. The best time to hike is at the crack of dawn when the first rays of sun sweep over Rio and at sundown when buildings light up.



#### **URCA**

Urca is a gentile neighborhood at the foot of the Sugar Loaf Mountains. This mountains are one of Rio's most prominent tourist destinations found in the charming city of Urca. The Sugar Loaf Mountains give tourists an amazing view of other attractions, such as the Niteroi Bridge, Flamengo Park, and the Bay of Botafogo. Despite its big-name attraction, Urca remains pleasingly free of high-rise hotels and home to handsome historical buildings. Cable cars make the dizzying ascent from the base in Urca itself, stopping first at the smaller Morro da Urca before climbing to Sugar Loaf's peak. At the same time, those with substantial stamina can take a mountain trail up to the first cable car station. Some of the most celebrated personalities in entertainment history had their roots in Urca. It may as well be called the birthplace of stars.' Roberto Carlos (considered the Elvis Presley of Brazil), and late entertainer Carmen Miranda.



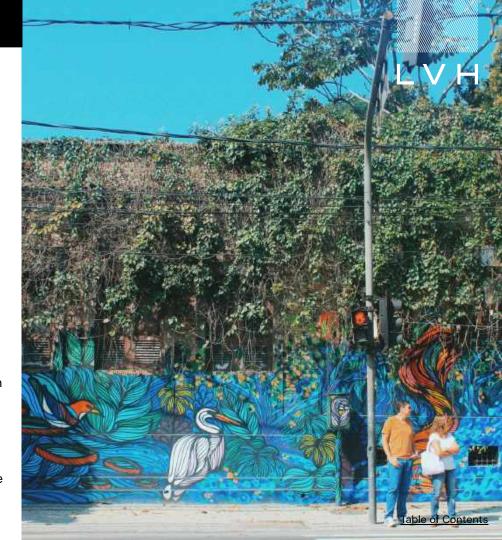
#### **COPACABANA**

Copacabana, along with Ipanema, is perhaps Rio's most popular destination. Although its beach in the south only stretches to four kilometers, the density of people, hotels, kiosks, restaurants, and bars is off the charts. Fort de Copacabana, meanwhile, was a former infantry fortress starting in 1908 but has since been converted as a venue for cultural events. Bairro Peixoto, a smaller enclave, offers an easy escape from the hustle and bustle of Copacabana. It's a small neighborhood with neo-colonial buildings no more than four stories high. Tall trees dot the streets, providing a much-needed canopy. Fisherman's Corner gives a glimpse of the old way of living in Copacabana when fishing was the main livelihood. Historic hotel, The Copacabana Palace, is one of the oldest and most famous.



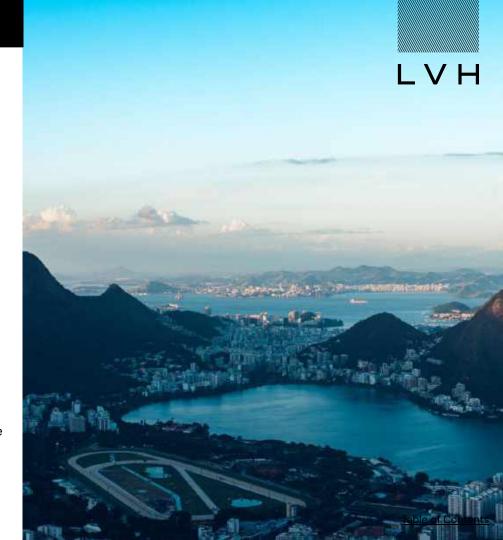
### JARDIM BOTÂNICO

Leafy, tranquil, sedate ... these are not words commonly associated with Rio, but all apply to the scenic upper-class residential neighborhood of Jardim Botanico. Most famous for the verdant Botanical Gardens, after which the bairro is named, Jardim Botanico is also home to many excellent restaurants. The renowned Botanical Gardens offer the opportunity for visitors to take things down a pace and spend a few hours strolling under the shade of towering imperial palms, admiring the fascinating flora and fauna. Keep an eye out for monkeys, parrots, toucans and brightly colored butterflies.



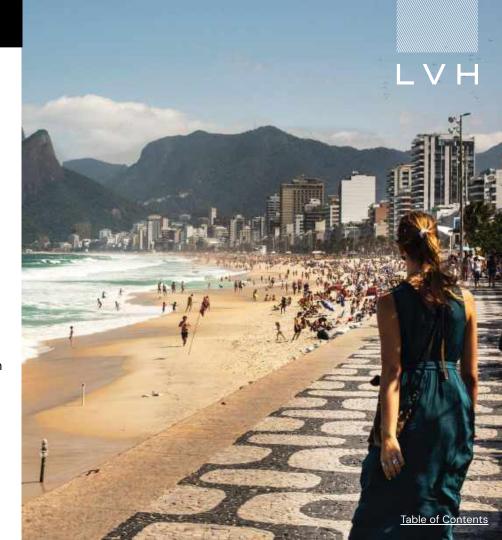


Lagoa is an affluent residential neighborhood around the Rodrigo de Freitas lagoon. It borders the neighborhoods of Ipanema, Leblon, Copacabana, Gávea, and Jardim Botânico. It is the third most expensive neighborhood to live in South America. It is also one of the few places in Rio without a favela (slum neighbourhood). This stunning lagoon is encircled by a 4.6-mile path, popular with cyclists and runners. Nearby there are hiking trails where you can get a far-reaching view over the lagoon.



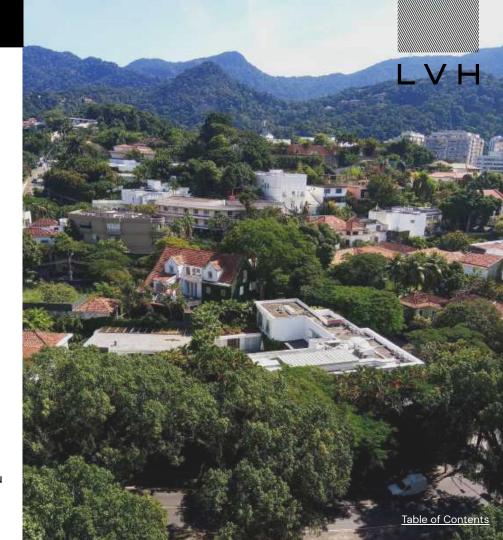
#### **IPANEMA**

The 1960s classic bossa nova tune *Girl from Ipanema*, contributed greatly to the current name recall of this neighborhood. Streets here are very organized and classified by a grid system, so it's not easy to get lost. The first thing that comes to mind with Ipanema is the beach, but there are art houses, a university, cafés, and retail shops here as well. Formal dining venues are well–established. A walking distance from the beach is the "Galeria de Arte Ipanema," mostly displaying works of modern artists. Bolte de Arte is also here as well as The Amsterdam Sauer Museum, named after Frenchman Roger Sauer, a famous jeweler and gem expert who chose to spend most of his life in Rio. You can see his rare collections on exhibit – like Brazilian opal and topaz stones endemic to Brazil. The trendiest boutiques and clothing stores are said to have branches in Ipanema. Most of them are concentrated on Visconde de Piraja. So, the Ipanema neighborhood is one of the trendiest and most luxurious in which to spend your vacation time.



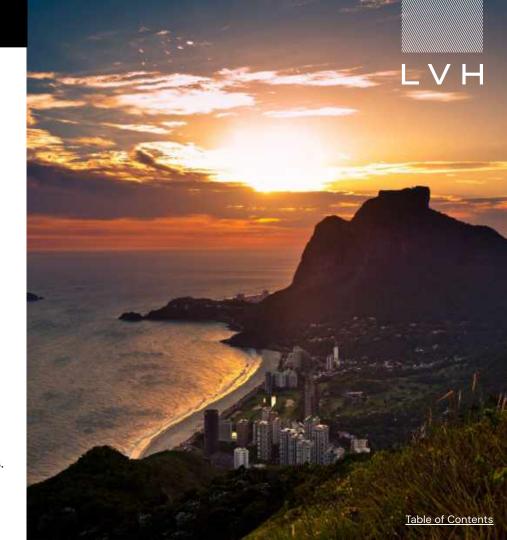


Leblon is bordered by its more famous neighbor, Ipanema. But in terms of what it can offer, the neighborhood should not be underestimated. It is considered, in fact, the wealthiest district. Separated from Ipanema by a narrow canal, its beaches are similar to Ipanema's, only more exclusive. Clean, white sand and beautiful people clad in branded swimsuits and beachwear make walking around the coastline an uplifting experience. During the evening, swathed by the nightlights, you can watch performers of the famous "Capoeira," Brazil's contribution to martial arts.



#### **SAO CONRADO**

For upscale living, Sao Conrado – apart from Leblon and Tijuca – is another good place to visit. The whole neighborhood is filled with classy restaurants; chic,;modern buildings, and nightlife that reminds you of the parties during Carnival week. This cosmopolitan neighborhood is home to the mayor and other prominent personalities. As for some other social aspects, the neighborhood – namely the San Conrado beach – is the top spot for extreme sports like hang gliding and paragliding.



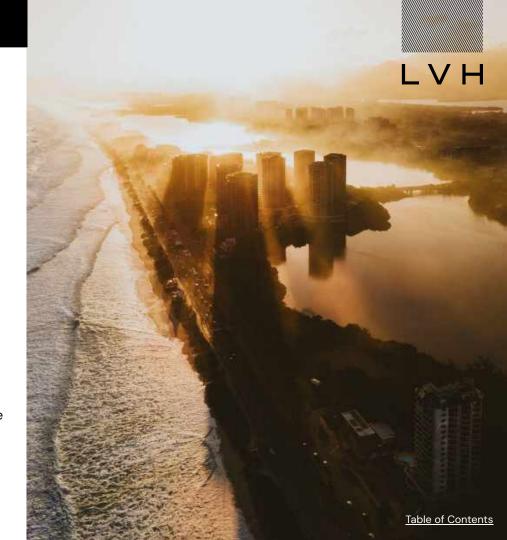
#### **GAVEA**

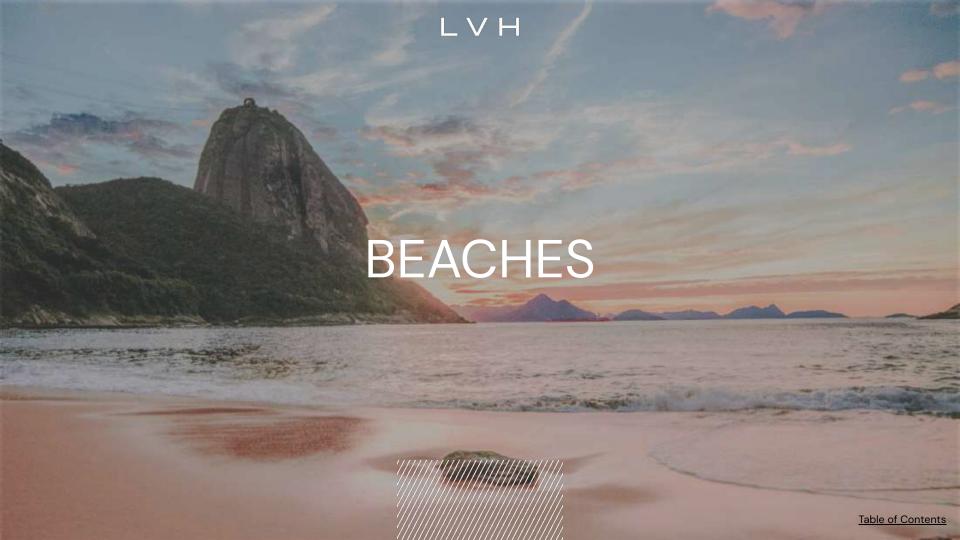
Gavea is an upscale neighborhood set in the southern district. Here you can find residences of celebrities, musicians, sports superstars, and other famous personalities. In essence, this is Rio's version of Beverly Hills. Despite being an affluent neighborhood, it's a favorite destination of locals and tourists as it is the home to its many cultural attractions. For sports fans, this is the headquarters of Flamengo, Rio's soccer team. You can find historical landmarks like the Museu Historico da Cidade, and the Instituto Moreira Salles, with its veritable feast of 80,000 photographs narrating Rio's history. A welcome oasis in the middle of posh mansions and ancient buildings is Parque da Cidade. And lastly, Hipodromo da Gavea. Races are held on Mondays and Fridays, so mark your calendar and choose your winning mare!



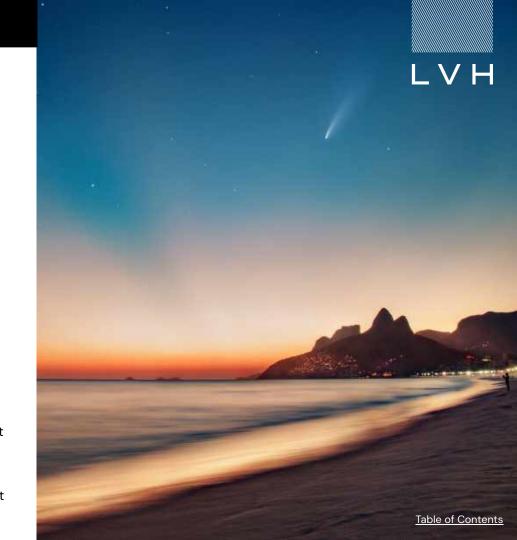
#### **BARRA DA TIJUCA**

To the southwest, you can find the youngest neighborhood, the Barra da Tijuca. Although it's quite a ride away from downtown, beaches here are truly world-class and not as packed as the ones in Ipanema or Copacabana. The neighborhood hosts the biggest convention center and the largest shopping mall in Latin America. There are no supermarkets here, just hypermarkets. The beach coastline also stretches 18 kilometers across. The rich and famous typically own beach houses and condominiums here.





Rio de Janeiro is a captivating place filled with the most vibrant coast and some of the most mesmerizing beaches in Brazil. Beaches are famous the world over, with Ipanema and Copacabana capturing the world's attention like no other stretches of sand. There are more secluded and slightly lesser-known coastlines, like Prainha beach, but equally as stunning.

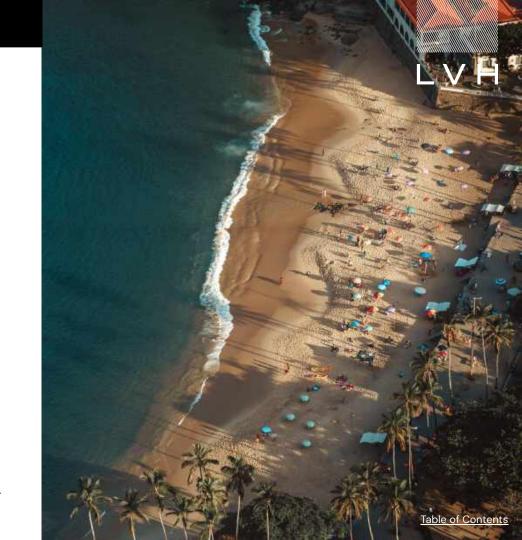


- 1. Red Beach
- 2. Leme Beach
- 3. Copacabana Beach
- 4. Arpoador Beach
- 5. Ipanema Beach
- 6. Leblon Beach
- 7. Pepino/São Conrado Beach
- 8. Joatinga Beach
- 9. Barra da Tijuca Beach
- 10. Secret Beach
- 11. Abrico Beach
- 12. Grumari Beach
- 13. Prainha Beach



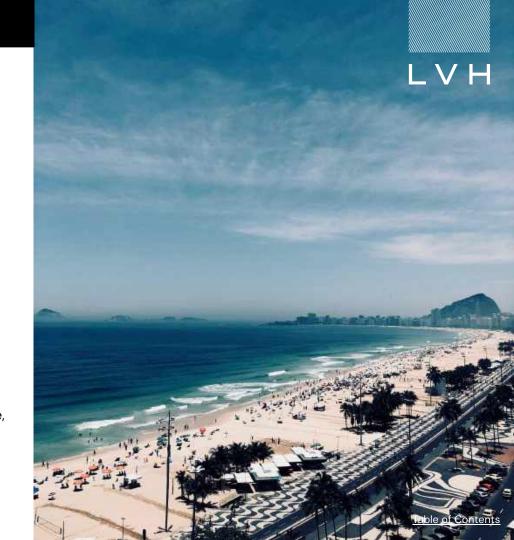


Praia Vermelha (Red Beach) lies on the foothills of Pao de Acucar (Sugarloaf Mountain). Praia Vermelha not only has one of the best landscapes in Rio, but is also incredibly welcoming. It is a small and quiet beach named because of its reddish sand and rocks. It is not usually crowded and has fewer vendors than Copacabana and other popular beaches.



#### **LEME BEACH**

Peaceful Leme is known for Pedra do Leme, a forested rocky outcropping crowned by the colonial Duque de Caxias fort. From here, a path winds down to Leme – a beautiful city beach next to Copacabana. Often the border between these beaches goes unnoticed. This stretch is more popular among locals, especially families with small children, surfers, and fishermen. Leme is relatively quiet and calm, but the panorama from the beach is breathtaking, especially when reflected in the ocean at sunset.



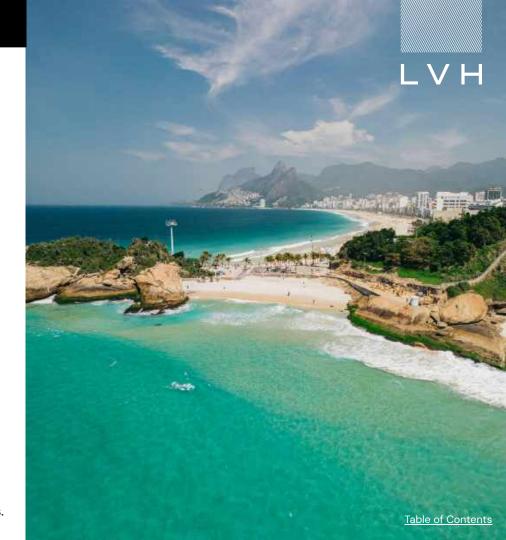


Dubbed the "Princesinha do Mar" or Princess of the Sea originally for its splendor and purity, this beach today is brimming with swimmers throughout the year. Tourists love its white sand that contrasts beautifully with the blue ocean. The beach is also home to nationwide and global sporting events like beach soccer or beach volleyball. Stroll along the promenade designed by landscape artist Roberto Burle Marx.



#### **ARPOADOR BEACH**

Between the Copacabana Fort and Ipanema beach, Arpoador is one of the most famous spots on the city's waterfront. It is one of the favorite beaches for residents and tourists for its beauty and for surfing, in all seasons. The name comes from being a former whale stop near the coast. Do not forget Remember to visit the Arpoador stones, the most beautiful place to enjoy the sea and the sunset! At Arpoador Rock (Portuguese: Pedra do Arpoador), most locals and tourists come to watch the sunset and marvel at how it paints the beach in orange hues.



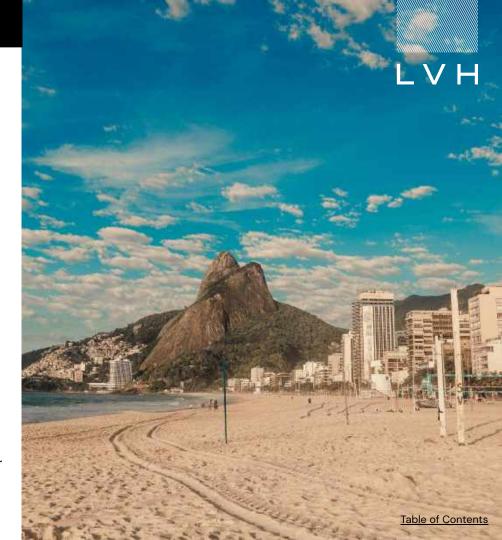
#### **IPANEMA BEACH**

In the south, Ipanema, is a two-kilometer-long white sand beach that is, after Copacabana, by far the most popular urban beach. Ipanema has beautiful water for swimming and is less overcrowded than Copacabana. It is dazzling and considered the more chic of the two neighboring strands. The towering twin peaks of the Dois Irmaos (two brothers) mountains spectacularly frame the beach scene. With fewer high-rise hotels than Copacabana, Ipanema is the ideal place to while away the hours and a perfect spot to sunbathe, take a stroll, or just soak up the beach-life vibes.



#### **LEBLON BEACH**

Right at the heart of Rio's south region, Leblon Beach neighbors Ipanema on the opposite end of Arpoador Rock. Leblon is known in for being the celebrities' favorite beach, so you might see famous Brazilians hanging around here. Leblon is less crowded than its neighbor Ipanema, making it a lovely beach to spend a day getting a tan and getting some refreshing Brazilian drinks in one of the bars on the promenade.



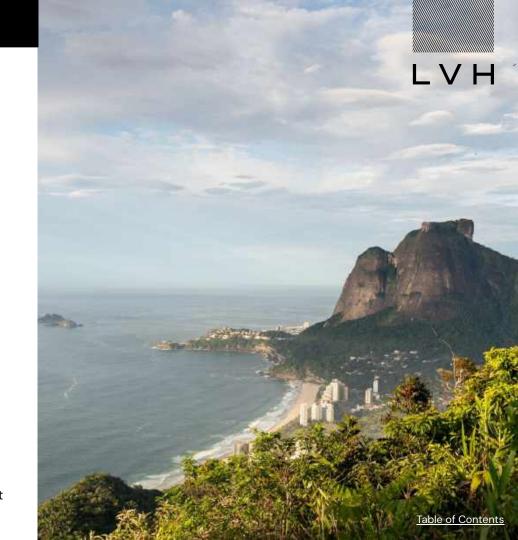


Once you've captured the vibes of Copacabana and Ipanema, you might want to escape the crowds to more secluded coasts. Joatinga can be a perfect go-to, to an extent upscale resort area with a collection of luxurious villas and resorts dotting the surrounding rugged cliffs. You can access the 330-yard long coastal stretch of Joatinga beach only during low tide. A paddle out from the beach across azure waters treats you to some great swells for surfing and bodyboarding.



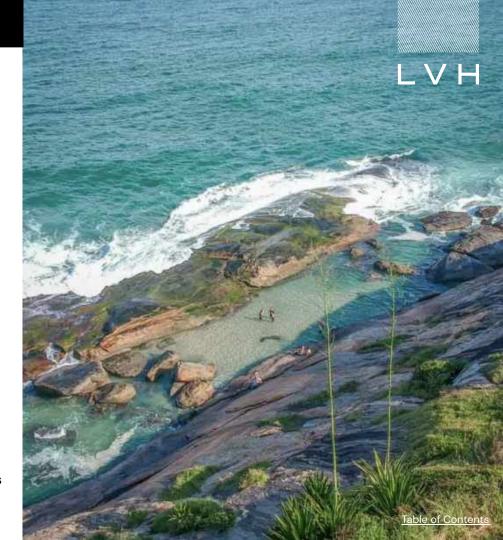
## SÃO CONRADO/PEPINO BEACH

Right at the foot of Pedra da Gávea, São Conrado is a beautiful and offbeat beach in the Rio part of Sao Conrado, one of the most lavish neighborhoods in Rio. Although São Conrado is a lovely beach to sunbathe on, it is mostly known among locals for adventure seekers that land in hang glides. Sao Conrado beach, also known as Pepino beach isn't exactly for swimming but instead is quite popular among experienced surfers due to giant sew swells making it one of the best surf spots in Brazil.



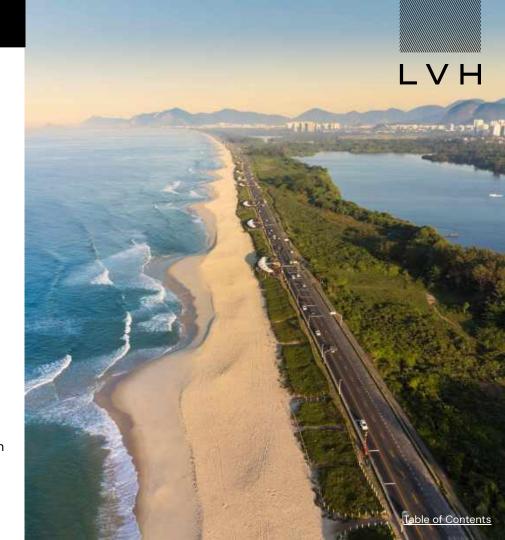


Secret Beach only exists when the tide is low. Set between Prainha and Macumba, this beach is actually a natural swimming pool where visitors can enjoy a calm sea. You can access this spot through a short hike over the rocks.



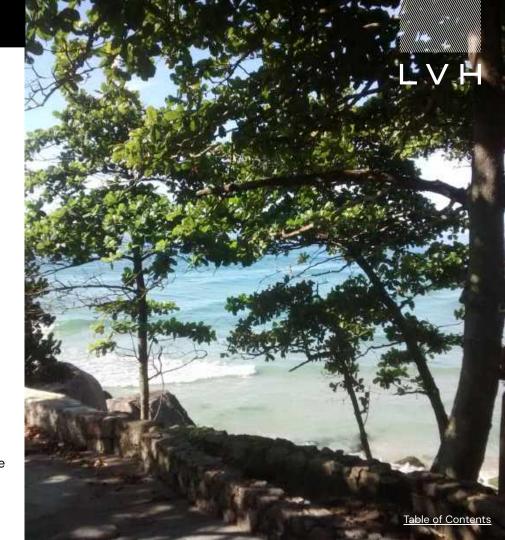
### **BARRA DA TIJUCA BEACH**

Ipanema and Copacabana may be Rio's most famous beaches, but the longest stretch of sand is actually the less famous Praia da Barra da Tijuca, in an affluent suburb about a 30 to 40-minute car ride from the central part of the city. This pristine curve of white sand stretches for some 15 kilometers and is blissfully quiet during the work week. Even on sun-soaked weekends, there's plenty of room for tanning and socializing. The beach is frequented largely by young and lovely residents of this exclusive neighborhood, with surfing and watersports being popular pursuits.



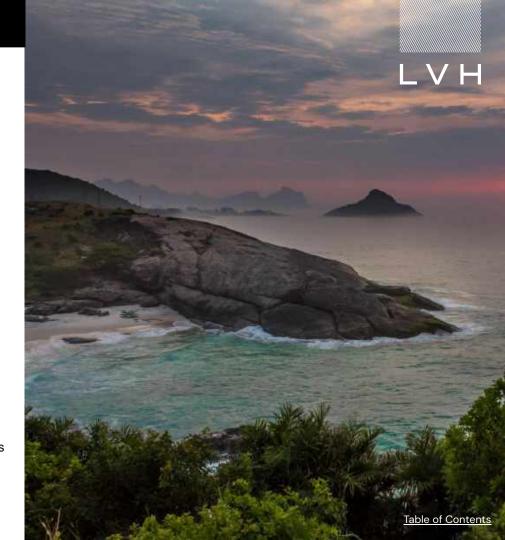
### **ABRICO BEACH (PRAIA DE ABRICÓ)**

Protected by thick vegetation and large rocks, it's not difficult to see why Praia de Abricó has become Rio de Janeiro's only nudist beach. The beach was officially declared one in the 1990s, and since then, the number of nudist beachgoers has been increasing. It is regulated by the ANABRICO (The Naturist Association of Abricó), which placed a list of rules of conduct at the beach entrance; they also keep watch of the beach to ensure the privacy of nudists and to maintain peace.



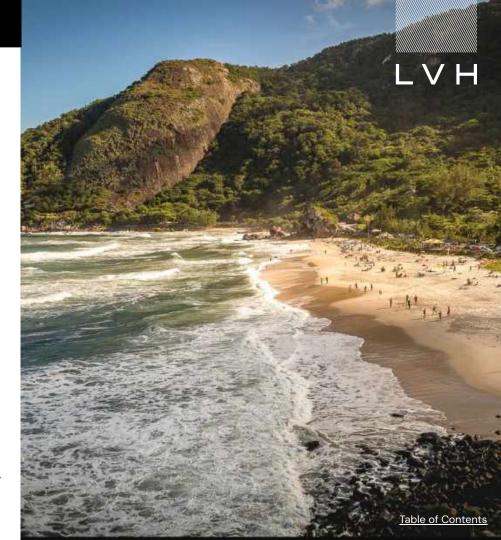


About 30 kilometers west of Rio, Grumari is a wonderfully unspoiled beach surrounded by dense jungle and accessible only by car or by taking a very long, hike. The beach is sedate and tranquil and the number of vehicles allowed access to the beach is limited on weekends and holidays. Grumari beach is environmentally protected area and an ideal spot for nature–loving sunseekers. Unspoiled and isolated, Grumari is popular with surfers and sunbathers keen to escape the crowds.





Nestled between two hills covered in Atlantic forest and bathed by undulating waves, Prainha beach is a short sand stretch without much infrastructure. This southern place is considered a natural sanctuary for its blue sea and lush green surroundings and is a pleasant escape from the city.





With an incredible coastline, Rio offers some of the best beaches and beach clubs catering to different styles and moods. From trendy and new to relaxed and casual. From the sunny shores of Ipanema to the famous nightlife at Copacabana, you'll find that Rio is brimming with trendy hotspots along the beach where you can enjoy a sunset over the ocean or simply sip a craft cocktail with your toes in the sand.



- 1. Guarderya Beach Club
- Classico Beach Club
- 3. Quiosque Atlantico4. Yndu Beach Lounge





Guarderya Beach Club is a unique place surrounded by luscious greenery and the beautiful coast of Guanabara Bay with an access to a small private beach. The result of hard work and dedication, the space is the right choice to experience unforgettable moments. On Sundays, the beach club elevates the mood of its guests thanks to hosting regular live music events ranging from rock n' roll, mpb, and pop rock with DJ interim sets.





Yndú Beach Lounge almost feels more like a bohemian cabana than a beach bar, and fits perfectly with the overall atmosphere of Rio. Laidback, relaxed, and casual are vibes you can expect here. During the day, the venue hosts a yoga class and DJs come to spin tunes on the weekend, serving rounds of Carioca's favorite caipirinhas, so things do get a little heated once the sun goes down.



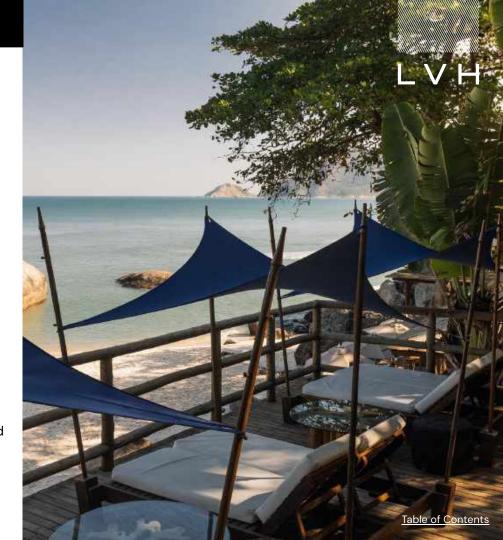
#### **QUIOSQUE ATLANTICO**

Rio's best beach bar is tucked away on a quiet stretch of sand down from where the kite surfers hang out on Barra Beach. Hundreds of wooden kiosks line the city's famous shoreline and while good for a fresh coconut or ice-cold beer, they aren't inspiring lunch venues. However that is not the case with Tato Giovannoni's, Argentina's master mixologist's, foodie beach bar. With its bright-red façade and simple wooden tables set in the sand, it still channels an unpretentious sea-shack vibe while serving truly fabulous food: creamy shrimp bolinhos and grilled cheese smartened up with criollo salsa. Giovannoni mixes superb açaí-spiced Bloody Marys and rosemary-and-grapefruit G&Ts using his own artisanal gin.



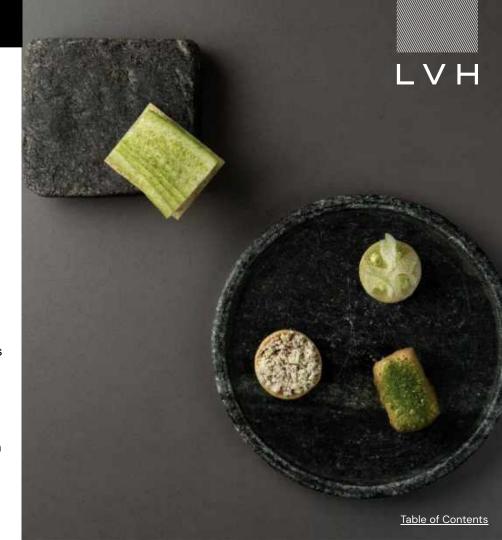
#### **CLASSICO BEACH CLUB**

Born on the beach and boardwalk of Barra da Tijuca, the Classic Beach Club was created as the meeting point for extreme sports lovers, friends and families, in a reserved atmosphere, with excellent music and cuisine. This beach bar is known far and wide and springs in several upscale and naturally mesmerizing location around the city, from the hilly Urca, to sandy spots of Largo, Ipanema, Grumari and Barra de Tijuca. The Classico Beach Bar stands out for its sophistication without exaggeration and quality with simplicity.





Fine dining establishments in Rio take in culinary influences from across the globe, mixing international roots with a uniquely Brazilian flavor. There's sophisticated sushi to be found at the elegant Sushi Leblon, while the two restaurants at Copacabana Palace hotel deliver a dining experience that is every bit as refined as one might expect. Less extravagant but still equally delightful is Aprazivel, nestled in the hilly Santa Teresa, where sophisticated French–Brazilian dishes are served in a gorgeous tropical garden, complete with straw–roofed gazebos, twinkling fairy lights and stunning views over downtown and across Guanabara Bay. Following is the list of unmissable upscale dining options in Rio.



- 1. Térèze | Modern
- 2. Aprazível | Brazilian
- 3. Kitchen Asian Food | Asian Fusion
- 4. Corrientes 348 | Argentinian Steakhouse
- 5. Julieta | French
- 6. Lasai \* Michelin | Brazilian
- 7. Oteque \*\* Micheline | Modern Cuisine
- 8. La Villa | French
- 9. Mr Lam | Chinese
- IO. Mee \* Michelin | Pan-asian Fusion
- 11. Cipriani \* Michelin | Italian
- 12. Emile | International
- 13. Oro \*\* Micheline | Creative
- 14. Sushi Leblon | Japanese
- 15. Le Blond | French & Brazilian
- 16. L'etoile | French
- 17. Shiso | Japanese



#### TÉRÈZE | MODERN

Falling in love with Térèze is almost unquestionable, in part because of its beautiful views, bright picture windows, and the original tropical chic design created by the use of different demolition materials. This is to say nothing of its cuisine, which is both convincing and well-structured. The chef at the helm of the kitchen is Pedro Franco, who focuses on fresh, organic cooking with a strong contemporary twist. Meticulous presentations and some truly surprising flavors add to its appeal.



#### **APRAZÍVEL | BRAZILIAN**

Climb up an alley to the very top of Santa Teresa and you'll stumble across this family-run restaurant surrounded by a lush tropical garden. Solid timber tables are set at various levels, and all boast views of the neighborhood itself and across to the city. The shady garden, with its soothing birdsong, provides a relaxing setting in which to sip one of the special cachaças and choose from a menu offering a whole host of delicious dishes. As described, "Aprazível makes harmony for every type of soul, delights in any type of meal, allows you to breathe a time of calm that no longer exists and, together with it, evoke nostalgic adjectives without pity: bucolic, airy, rococo, delectable and, 'comme il faut" pleasant."



#### KITCHEN ASIAN FOOD | ASIAN FUSION

This restaurant features a menu led by Chefs Pierre Landry and Nao Hara in a sophisticated atmosphere. It's the fusion of Chinese, Thai, Malay and Indian ingredients and the meeting of two traditional cuisines: the French and its techniques, brought by Pierre Landry; and the Japanese, with refinement of raw materials from the sushi bar run by Nao Hara. These are the gastronomic differentials of the newest restaurant in Marina da Glória, Kitchen Asian Food. The Kitchen has a sophisticated and modern environment – a project by Architect Ivan Rezende. The restaurant offers a 300-square-meter veranda with a view, literally, of a postcard.



#### **CORRIENTES 348 | ARGENTINIAN STEAKHOUSE**

It was at number 348 of the bustling Rua Comendador Miguel Calfat, in the São Paulo neighborhood of Vila Olímpia, that the first Corrientes 348 restaurant appeared, hence the name. Its menu contains classic recipes with a contemporary touch, prepared with the best raw materials and a selection of prime meats, from the most prestigious regions and producers, resulting in cuts in the Buenos Aires style – tall, tender and juicy. At Corrientes, you'll find an excellent wine list, made up of reds and whites. This is an unforgettable gastronomic experience enjoyed in a pleasant environment.



#### **JULIETA | FRENCH**

Here is a contemporary French restaurant with a strong Brazilian accent, inside the Casa de Arte e Cultura Julieta de Serpa: a palazzo with a neo-classical façade and Louis XVI interiors. Silk curtains, paintings by famous artists, and live piano music on weekends make this space one of the most sophisticated in the city. Here, concerts and exhibits are regularly held to show the finer things in life. Dazzling features of bygone days are juxtaposed with contemporary dishes. The chefs develop menus arousing a feeling of well-being and pleasure. Try the doce de leite petit gâteau with pear ice cream.



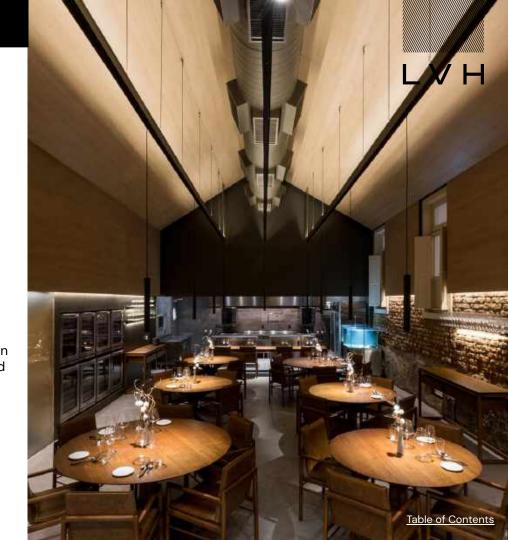
#### LASAI \* MICHELIN | BRAZILIAN

Lasai, a cosmopolitan restaurant owned by Chef Rafa Costa e Silva and his wife, Malena Cardiel, is unprecedented, vibrant, light, mature, and sensual. Using modern techniques and Brazilian ingredients grown in his own gardens and that of small farmers in Rio de Janeiro, Rafa creates dishes emphasizing vegetables without excluding the use of the freshest products from the sea and the best meats. Located in a historic building, this unique restaurant reflects the cutting-edge aspect of Brazilian cuisine. The name "Lasai" translates to "tranquil" in Basque, and is a nod to the years this chef worked with Andoni Luis Aduriz at Mugaritz in Spain.



#### **OTEQUE \*\* MICHELINE | MODERN CUISINE**

Oteque is the "carioca" project from Chef Alberto Landgraf, focusing on high-quality ingredients with an elegant yet casual service. Alberto and his team take inspiration from nature's purity, aiming to express joy, beauty, and comfort in their dishes. Surprises here begin at the entrance since nothing gives the impression that hidden behind its discreet front door is this temple of gastronomy. The attractive dining room boasts high ceilings and an informal atmosphere with a modern-industrial feel. Landgraf's delicate dishes showcase a skillful fusion of ingredients and flavors. If you're looking for high-quality and fresh ingredients to balance your meals, there is no better place to go other than Michelin-starred Otequ!



#### LA VILLA | FRENCH

This French brasserie occupies a unique old building with lots of history. In the 1980s, when it was owned by Nelsinho Rodrigues, son of the famous playwright Nelson Rodrigues, it was a renowned meeting point for intellectuals. La Villa offers concise à la carte, two fixed-price menus and what it refers to as "Os domingos franco-brasileiros" on Sundays. Make sure you try the fantastic bouillabaisse: a delicious fish stew from the south of France and one of the restaurant's signatures.



#### MR LAM | CHINESE

Excellent Chinese cuisine with a hint of cutting-edge mastery is on offer in this sumptuous modern mansion overlooking the Rodrigo de Freitas lagoon. The menu here was put together by a chef famous for culinary creations in restaurants in both New York and London. For Brazil, Mr. Lam has revived traditional recipes, including Peking duck and chicken satay, as well as created new and unusual dishes such as Uhn Ehggi (a passion fruit and coconut dessert in the shape of a fried egg). This is an experience full of surprises!



#### **MEE \* MICHELIN | PAN-ASIAN FUSION**

If you're looking for a unique Asian-inspired experience, make sure you book a table at Mee, where you can enjoy pan-Asian fusion cuisine featuring the flavors of Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Korea, Japan, and elsewhere. Here you'll find a sushi bar plus interesting menus, including one dedicated to the esteemed Michelin guide! Particularly striking are the Te portraits by Belgian artist Christian Develter, inspired by tattooed faces of women from the Chin tribe in Myanmar.





Inside the "Copa," the city's, and perhaps Brazil's, most legendary hotel, you'll find Cipriani. Under the baton of Chef Nello Cassese, discover Italian-international cuisine showcasing contemporary techniques and presentation using authentic Italian products in combination with locally sourced ingredients. The splendid dining room overlooks the hotel's famous pool, but if you're looking for a unique experience, we recommend booking the chef's table seating six guests in the kitchen itself.



#### **EMILE | INTERNATIONAL**

Boasting a separate entrance to the Hotel Emiliano, this restaurant's standout features are its lobby and a lush vertical garden in a patio-style area crowned by a retractable roof. The creative Chef Camilo Vanazzi uses French techniques with a bolder personality. His recipes have striking colors, a combination of textures, and incredible presentation – creating a mixture full of bossa, showcasing elevated attention to detail. Emile's menu values fresh, local ingredients carefully prepared by the talented team.



#### **ORO \*\*MICHELINE | CREATIVE**

This restaurant opened its doors in 2010 and has become a reference for innovation and revolution in the Brazilian food scene. In its eight years, the restaurant has received Best Restaurant awards from several important publications. In 2015 Oro received one Michelin Star. The restaurant has most recently won three different categories at the Veja Rio Comer & Beber 2016 Awards: *Chef of The Year, Best Contemporary Restaurant, and Best Sommelier*. Artfully decorated dishes and an innovative experience await you at Oro, presided over by famed Brazilian Chef Felipe Bronze.



#### **SUSHI LEBLON | JAPANESE**

The first Japanese restaurant in the south zone, Sushi Leblon opened its doors in September 1986. It is known for a mixture of tradition and innovation in its cuisine, cool atmosphere and has been awarded several times for being the best in town. A highlight of Rio's gastronomic scene, Sushi Leblon welcomes customers from all over the world, winning everyone over for its quality service, menu and décor. This highly popular sushi bar is the ideal place for tasting the magnificent white fish ussuzukuri (ultra-fine slices of sand perch, marinated in sake and lemon and scented with truffle oil) or delicious tuna with a sesame crust and citrus sauce.



#### LE BLOND | FRENCH & BRAZILIAN

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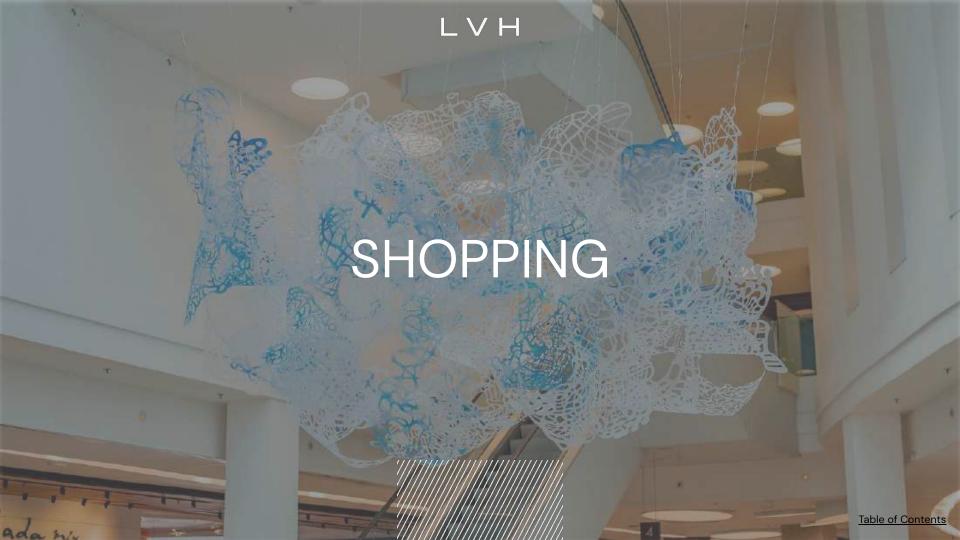
Here you will find a sophisticated, romantic and very special restaurant that combines high-level cuisine with a stunning view of Rio from its 26th floor setting. A la carte dining, influenced by French cuisine, is complemented by two set menus: one known as L'Etoile, and the other a more elaborate tasting-style menu offering the option of combining different dishes.



#### SHISO | JAPANESE

Shiso Restaurant provides a pleasant journey through oriental culture. Perfect for enjoying an intimate dinner with more striking flavors, in a sophisticated environment, with special drinks made from Japanese beverages. Named after an edible leaf, this restaurant is a good option if you're looking for Japanese cuisine with a modern twist and a focus on top locally sourced ingredients. The interesting space was designed by Arthur Casas, one of Brazil's most intriguing and creative contemporary architects. Traditional sushi and sashimi are accompanied by a selection of grilled dishes, forming an integral part of the menu.





Whether you're crazy for haute couture or a fan of farmers' and arts and crafts markets, Rio offers some truly unique shopping experiences. The city is bursting with cool concept stores, small designer boutiques, eco-friendly artisans, and centuries-old establishments. You can find everything here, if you know where to look. Our recommendations for retail therapy cover it all, from where to get fine foods, Brazilian haute couture, carioca bikini and beauty products.



- 1. Rio Antigo Fair
- 2. Monica Pondé Jewelry
- 3. Shopping Leblon
- 4. Q Chocolate
- 5. Lenny Niemeyer
- 6. ViX
- 7. H. Stern
- 8. Casa Ipanema
- 9. Salinas
- 10. Osklen
- 11. Galeria River



#### **RIO ANTIGO FAIR**

The fair unfolds on Rua do Lavradio in Lapa with an extraordinary diversity of antique, vintage, and handmade goods. The event is a much-beloved pastime and attracts swarms of Cariocas as well as curious tourists, with some 20,000 people attending the fair on an average day. The century-old street, with aging, historic houses, bars, antique shops, and venues, offers a relaxed program for those who want to get immersed in the city's history in an entertaining way. The event is an ode to shopping with hundreds of stalls selling handicrafts – from furniture to vintage clothes, accessories, ornaments, decorative objects, and antique pieces. It is intended as a way to foster the economic landscape of the region and revitalize the environment of this historic center. The lively atmosphere of Rio translates well here. Part of the fair program includes live music, with traces of samba and chorinho filling the air wherever you go.



#### **MONICA PONDÉ JEWELRY**

With 10 years of experience in the jewelry market, Monica Pondé shows interest in experimenting during each step of the manufacturing process of its products. Created in Rio, the brand has simplicity as its main characteristic, and its pieces follow a casual style, gaining identity as they are used. Three stores aim to emulate the studio's atmosphere where jewels are created and produced. When you come and visit the store, you can relax with a cup of coffee at the Monica Pondé ETC café. Worn wood and old tools give this shop the feeling of an unfinished atelier. It's as if customers are on a treasure hunt, opening drawer after drawer filled with necklaces and rings. Wearable pieces are made from silver and organic materials like bone, wood, and leather, giving them a unique Brazilian feel.



#### **SHOPPING LEBLON**

Everything was made to create a pleasant and inspiring experience that consecrated Leblon shopping mall as one of the most sophisticated destinations for shopping and recreation in the city. The gourmet space – eclectic and delightful – there's a privileged view of Corcovado and Christ the Redeemer. For those who are looking for recreation and culture, the mall offers a multiplex with impeccable programming, a theater with 926 places – the biggest in the south – and the best library in the city – Travessa Library. The mall also includes a recreation area for kids and kid events designed exclusively for the Shopping Leblon by renowned artists.



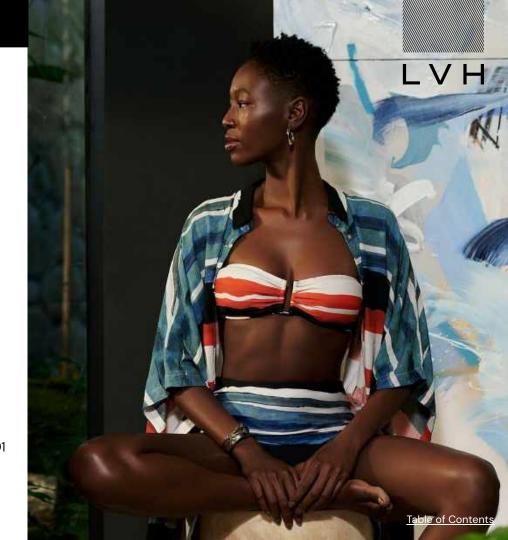
#### **CHOCOLATE Q**

Another upscale brand on the renowned Rua Garcia 'Dávila street in Ipanema, Chocolate Q redefines chocolate with its organic range that uses pure, natural ingredients from the Amazon. The taste is smooth and rich, and on top of that, 100% natural! Shapes of chocolates are inspired by the works of Brazil's most famous architect, Oscar Niemeyer. They make a great gift to take home or simply as a treat for yourself.



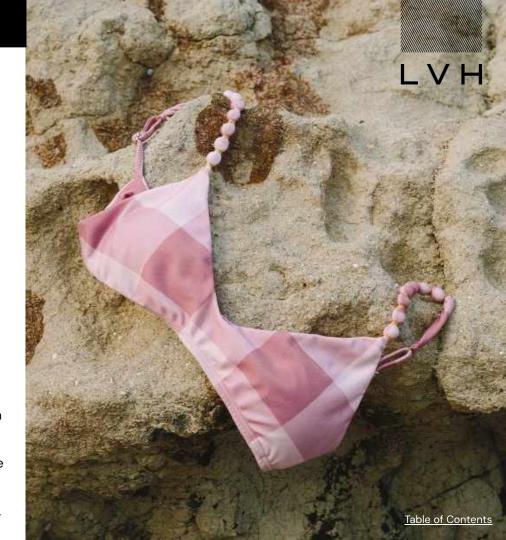


Lenny Niemeyer began her career as a fashion designer by designing bikinis for brands like Fiorucci, Bee, Richards and Andrea Saletto. In 1991 she decided to start her own brand and opened her first store in Ipanema. The carioca way of life can be perceived on the pieces created by the stylist, who also sells, purses and shoes to be worn on the beach.



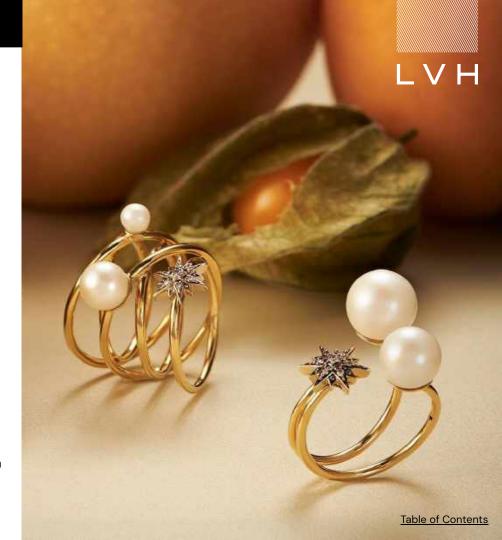


ViX by Paula Hermanny is a resort wear brand designed for the modern woman who needs comfortable, charming and practical clothes without giving up elegance. Their swimwear collection comprises unique molds with details in gold-plated iron, leather, rope, metals, jade stone, resin, and spandex with a touch of satin – trademarks of ViX. Their most popular piece is the ripple bikini which has made the brand the object of desire of the girls from Leblon and international stars too.



#### H. STERN

Known worldwide for the design of its jewels and by the pioneer initiatives that are part of its history, H. Stern can be found in the main capital cities in the world, like New York, Paris, London, Moscow, São Paulo, Rio, Frankfurt, Seoul, and Shangai. The brand was founded in Rio in 1945 by Hans Stern (1922–2007). Jewels are designed and created in goldsmith shops in Rio and Sao Paulo and made by some 300 artisans, most of whom learned the trade in the H. Stern atelier itself, where the art has been developed through decades.



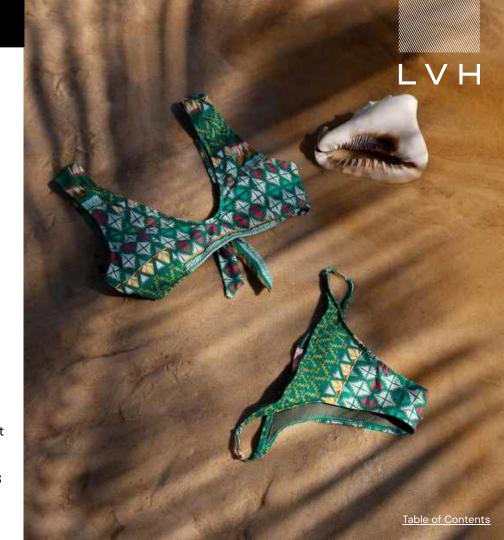
#### **CASA IPANEMA**

Fifteen years ago, Ipanema sandals and flip flops started looking for their place under the sun. The brand's trajectory is characterized by a questioning spirit typical of those who do not settle and believe that old concepts must be reinvented; of those who are passionate about new things and long to make things different. The Casa Ipanema, besides being the brand's concept store, also hosts exhibitions, new releases made in partnership with other brands, concerts, and other events aiming to promote the integration between people and to spread the carioca energy.





A national icon in the field of beach fashion since 1982, Salinas has embodied the casual and colorful way of the coolest ladies. Throughout the years, under the rule of the creative director and founder of the brand Jacqueline De Biase, the brand has not only conquered the whole country, but the world too. The brand's first store opened in 1988 in Ipanema, and it has not stopped growing since. Today, there are 42 stores in Rio, São Paulo, and main Brazilian cities.



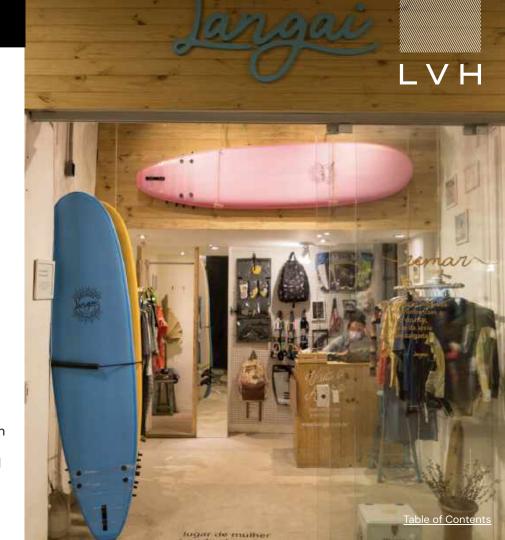


Created by the multifunctional Oskar Metsavaht, the Osklen brand develops clothes and accessories that can easily be part of a carioca's daily life. With a variety of product lines for every taste, Osklen invests in beach fashion, but luxury and casual items are also available. A special line for those who love and practice surfing is available on the branch in Galeria River, in Arpoador, called Osklen Surfing, dedicated exclusively to surf wear. Osklen Praia is the ideal shopping place for those who love the beach or for tourists who wish to take back home a little bit of Rio.





Galeria River's story began with the advent of surfing activities in Rio. It can be found in the Arpoador neighborhood, where surfing originated in Brazil as a sport and as a way of life that dominates the carioca daily routine. Throughout the years, the gallery has gained stores specialized in the sport and also in other activities, like skating, trekking, and fighting. There are more than 20 stores in the galleries, each with its different characteristics.





Rio was for centuries the most important city in the country, its special location and the importance of its port for trade with Europe made it the first capital of the Brazilian colony and then the capital of the Kingdom of Portugal. Later, having achieved independence, Rio established itself as the capital of the Empire of Brazil and finally, of the republic until 1960. This pre-eminence resulted, among others, in a wealth of cultural and historic heritage displayed in museums enriching and honoring the city. Take some time for a little indoor culture with these following must-visits.



- 1. The Museum Of Life
- 2. Museo De Amana | Museum Of Tomorrow
- 3. Rio Museum Of Art
- 4. The National Museum Of Fine Arts In Rio
- 5. The Modern Art Museum MAM
- 6. Carmen Miranda Museum
- 7. Museu De Arte Contemporanea Niteroi



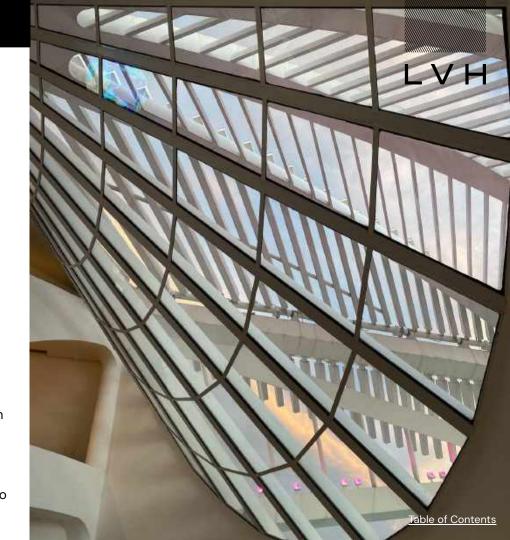
#### THE MUSEUM OF LIFE

One of the goals of the Casa de Oswaldo Cruz is to spark children's, young people's, and adults' interests in topics and activities in health, science, and technology. With the world's foremost collection on the history of Brazilian health, the Museum of Life helps the institute achieve this objective. Games, publications, and permanent, temporary, and traveling exhibits form the center of the Museum of Life's activities. The museum also stages plays, posts information on websites and blogs, and offers guided visits to areas of the Fiocruz campus in Manguinhos.



#### MUSEO DE AMANA | MUSEUM OF TOMORROW

The Museum of Tomorrow has one of the most striking exteriors that you'll find across Rio. Designed by 'starchitect' Santiago Calatravauilt and built in 2016, this museum caters to architecture lovers and those interested in the future of science. This science museum offers a fresh new take on how the next 50 years could look depending on the choices society makes in the present. Inside there are seven main exhibitions you can explore – two of which are interactive. On the outside grounds, you will find gardens, cycling paths, and a reflection pool. The museum is right on the coast on top of the pier connected to Maua Square.



#### **RIO MUSEUM OF ART**

Initially opened in 2013, the Rio Museum of Art (MAR) is a museum where culture, history, art, society, and variances come together to exhibit the Brazilian world progression through the arts and examples of continued efforts for a promising future for Brazilians. In the Praça Mauá, the museum advocates art and culture in the society and houses private collections of modern art and other contemporary works, national and international. MAR comprises two buildings with heterogeneous and interconnected profiles: the Palacete Dom João VI, and the neighboring building, in a modernist style. The former palace houses the museum's exhibition rooms. The adjacent building is the space for the Escola do Olhar – an extraordinary institution that aims to connect art and education and encourage a deeper level of reflection, thought, creativity, and imagination in young minds.





The Museu Nacional de Belas Artes, as it's locally known, is a collection of more than 70,000 pieces of fine art ranging from paintings, sculptures, drawings, documents, books, and more detailing Brazilian culture throughout time. The building itself is a beautiful work of art, exemplifying colonial architecture by Spanish Architect Adolfo Morales de Los Rios. Some of the museum's prominent and precious art relics belonged to King John VI, who brought them to Brazil and left part of the Royal Portuguese Collection in Rio.



#### THE MODERN ART MUSEUM - MAM

Inaugurated in 1948, the Modern Art Museum (MAM) is considered one of Rio's most important educational and cultural institutions. The building represents an architectural mark of Architect Affonso Eduardo Reidy, following Roberto Burle Marx's project. Artistic genius is evident inside and outside. You will admire the architecture that marries art and nature and the stunning gardens designed in a beautiful pattern, visible and enchanting from the inside of the museum. At one point, the museum housed an impressive number of art pieces, but after a devastating fire, only about 11,000 pieces were salvaged.



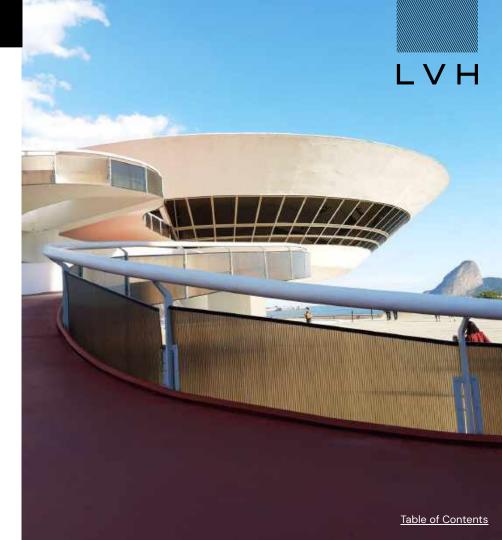
#### **CARMEN MIRANDA MUSEUM**

Installed in Flamengo Park, the circular building was designed by Architect Affonso Eduardo Reidy, and later adapted by Architect Ulisses Burlamaqui. It was built in honor of famous actress and singer Carmen Miranda, who managed to break into Hollywood in the 1940s and 1950s. The shrine has 3,000 items owned or worn by the actress. Roughly 460 items are garments and accessories. You'll see some of the five-foot-tall platform shoes Miranda (known as the Pequena Notável, or the "Notable Little One") wore throughout her career. There are also glam dresses, some of her signature turbans, and plenty of balangandãs – the dangling charms part of Miranda's baiana style.



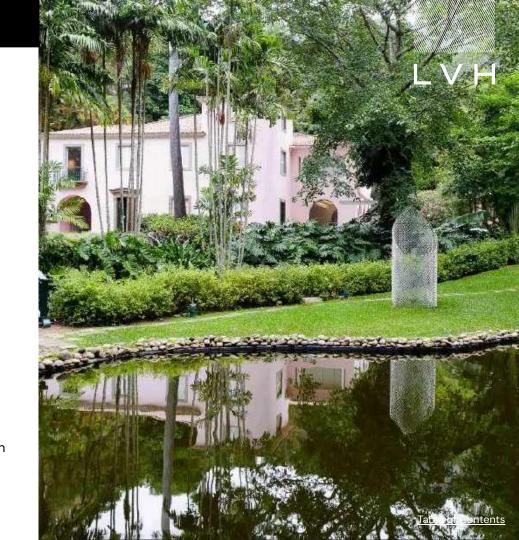
#### MUSEU DE ARTE CONTEMPORANEA NITEROI

The MAC is part of the Caminho Niemeyer (Niemeyer Path), an architectonic complex designed by Niemeyer in Niterói, and the only city, behind Brasília, that holds the largest number of the artist's work. The Contemporary Art Museum (MAC), first opened on September 2, 1996, is the current symbol of the city of Niterói. The futuristic shape became a reference in modern architecture all over the world. The reflecting pool surrounding the building contributes to the fluidity of its lines, and the big concrete ramp, paved in red, leads you to the upper floors of the museum, from where you can have a panoramic view of Guanabara Bay, Rio and Niterói. The MAC houses the João Sattamini Collection – one of the most important contemporary art collections in the country, with more than 1,300 pieces.





Rio is one of Brazil's true cultural hotspots. Home to a broad selection of incredible art galleries – from underground exhibition spaces to architectural wonders complete with imcaluate gardens mastery of landscape artists. Lovers of contemporary art in all of its forms will never want to leave this bustling metropolis.



- 1. Eduardo Kobra's Ethnicities Mural
- 2. The Galerio Porto Maravilha
- 3. CCBB Cultural Center
- 4. Teatro Municipal
- 5. Street Art
- 6. Instituto Casa Roberto Marinho
- 7. Artur Fidalgo Gallery
- 8. Galeria de Arte Ipanema
- 9. Instituto Moreira Salles
- 10. Sítio Roberto Burle Marx
- 1. Cidade das Artes



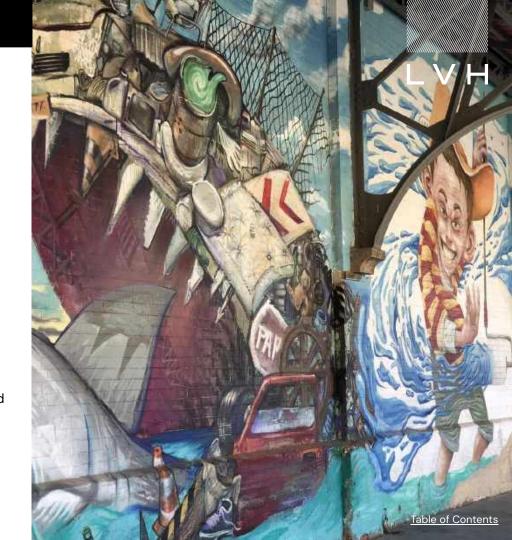
#### **EDUARDO KOBRA'S ETHNICITIES MURAL**

The Port Zone is an outside art gallery that also features the panel "Etnias" (ethnicities), painted by the graffiti artist Eduardo Kobra to bring more color to the Olympic. The largest street art mural in the world, spans 32,300 square feet! Kobra worked on it for 12 hours a day for two months so he could complete it just before the 2016 Olympic Games. During an interview he said he made more than 10 experimental drawings before he was happy with his overall vision, and a further month preparing the wall before he could paint it. At the time of completion it was officially the world's largest graffiti mural, standing 190 meters long and 15.5 meters high, over an area measuring almost 3,000 square meters. However, in 2017 Kobra broke his own record when he painted a street mural that was 5,700 square meters in Sao Paulo. Nevertheless, *Ethnicities* is still perhaps Kobra's most famous work to date, and is one of the city's star attractions.



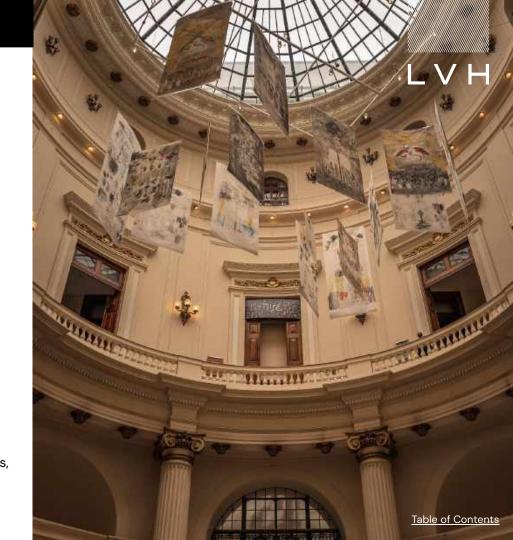
# THE GALERIO PORTO MARAVILHA (WONDER PORT GALERIO)

With a combined area of two square kilometers, the warehouses 7 and 8, and the walls that connect them, have been painted by 20 artists. KajaMan, Gil Faria, RafaMon, Marcelo Ment and Acme are some of the names. The pathway ends with the work of Sini and Cety, in a piece in honor of the 10 athletes that were part of the first Refugee Olympic Team in the history of the Olympic Games. On Muhammad Ali Square, you will find a swing shaped like a whale made of steel plates created by artist and sculptor, Acme.



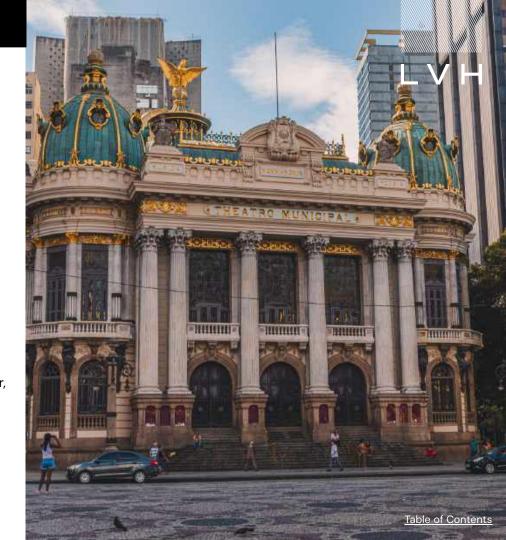
#### **CCBB CULTURAL CENTER**

The CCBB Cultural Center is in the heart of the historic district and features art galleries, cinemas, theaters, and exhibition rooms. This beautiful Neoclassical period building was constructed in 1906 and designed by Francisco Joaquim Bethencourt da Silva (1831–1912), the founder of the Propagadora Society of Fine Arts and the Arts and Crafts Lyceum, has been beautifully restored. In previous years, the museum has held exhibitions of Brazilian rock music through the times, optical illusion art pieces, live music, and more. The Bank of Brazil manages a network of cultural centers around Rio, hence the name Cultural Center of the Bank of Brazil.



#### **TEATRO MUNICIPAL**

An incredible piece of architecture and culture is the Municipal Theater, which has hosted many talented Brazilian and international artists. It is as beautiful outside as it is inside. The theater dates back to 1909 and is often visited simply to take in the incredibly ornate architecture – grand staircase, mosaic flooring, ceramic ceilings, and a grand chandelier inside the theater – a few of the highlights of the theater's interiors. Catch a performance – opera, ballet, or symphonic orchestra – inside this spectacular theater, said to be one of the most beautiful buildings in the country!





Rio has one of the most vibrant street art scenes in the world. This type of art was officially legalized in 2009. Since then, many murals and individual pieces have popped up all across the city. The best area to find street art is by far in Lapa. If you wander around the viaduct and the Selarón Steps, you will see incredibly colorful murals decorating old buildings. Many murals are very detailed and complex.



#### INSTITUTO CASA ROBERTO MARINO

Born in Rio, businessman, journalist, owner of Organizações Globo and art collector, Roberto Marinho (1904–2003), lived for six decades in the Cosme Velho neighborhood in a house that, since 2018, has been open to the public. Construction of the Cosme Velho house began in 1939 by Engineer César Melo Cunha, an assistant to the renowned Architect Joseph Gire, also responsible for the Copacabana Palace and Palácio Laranjeiras projects. The neocolonial–style architecture was inspired by the Solar de Megaípe, a 17th century building in Pernambuco. The house has a beautiful garden designed by Burle Marx through which the historic Carioca River flows. As an avid art collector Marino amassed an imposing and rich art collection. Part of its collection include paintings by Tarsila do Amaral, Lasar Segall, Fernand Léger, Di Cavalcanti, Ismael Nery and Portinari. With about 1,400 pieces on display, the institute carries out educational activities and short–term exhibitions, with a café, a cinema room and a library specializing in art.



#### **ARTUR FIDALGO GALERIA**

Having opened its doors to the art aficionaods of Rio back in 1987, this gallery is one of the most established smaller exhibition spaces within the city. Showcasing works by both emerging and internationally acclaimed artists, the Artur Fidalgo Gallery believes in displaying diversity and innovation in each of its exhibitions. Ernesto Neto, Gabriela Machado, Derlon, Malu Saddi and Victor Arruda are just some of the incredible artists whose creations you can admired at the Artur Fidalgo. This intimate art gallery offers a solitary appreciation of fine art pieces in the constantly busy city.



#### **GALERIA DE ARTE IPANEMA**

Since its inception 55 years ago, the Galeria de Arte Ipanema has become known as one of the most important art institutions in the country. This is the where the history of modern and contemporary Brazilian art unfolded. The Ipanema Art Gallery has been sealing its own identity in the context of the history of Brazilian art, occupying a space of fundamental relevance for the artistic emergence in Brazil. Over the decades, the gallery has exhibited a considerable amount of incredible artworks including pieces by internationally recognized artists like Cicero Dias, Volpi, Frederico Seve, Lygia Clark, Ivan Serpa, Tomie Ohtake and Pancetti. It is true to say that no cultural tour is complete without a visit to the exceptional Galeria de Arte Ipanema – among the first in the country to embrace the modernist movement.



#### **INSTITUTO MOREIRA SALLES**

Making up part of Rio's cultural scene is the Instituto Moreira Salles. Visual arts, photography, and film come together and intertwine at this cultural venue inviting visitors to enjoy an afternoon on its modern grounds. Opening back in 1992, the Instituto Moreira Salles has had the same goal – to encourage the creation of art through different mediums – literature, photography, music, and plastic arts. Divided into six different sections, immerse yourself in modern art through other mediums while walking through the mid-twentieth century house that sprawls over 3,000 square feet.



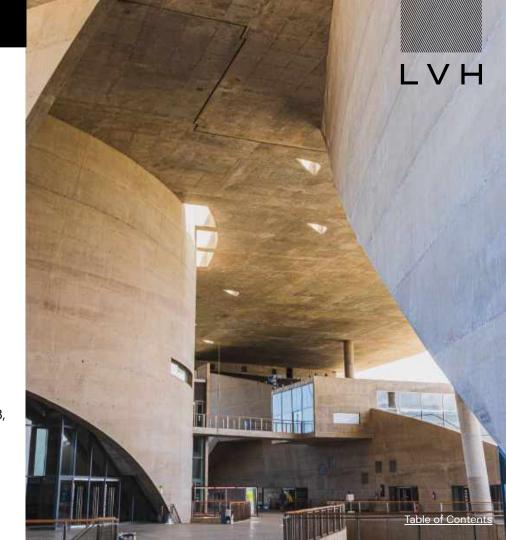
#### **SÍTIO ROBERTO BURLE MARX**

Situated in the western region, the property embodies a successful project developed over more than 40 years by landscape architect and artist Roberto Burle Marx (1909–1994), a "landscape laboratory" to create "living works of art" using native plants and drawing on Modernist ideas. The property encompasses extensive landscapes, gardens, buildings, and collections featuring fundamental characteristics that came to define Marx's landscape gardens and influenced the development of modern gardens internationally. The site is characterized by curved forms, exuberant mass planting, architectural plant arrangements, dramatic color contrasts, the use of tropical plants, and the incorporation of traditional folk culture elements.





The Cidade das Artes is a cultural complex set in the heart of Barra da Tijuca in the southwest zone, originally planned to open in 2004, with the name of City of Music. The formal inauguration was in January 2013, with the musical *Rock in Rio*. It houses one of the most important and complete spaces for cultural representations. Here, music, theater, dance, visual arts, and other artistic manifestations from Brazil and around the world are welcomed with excellence. This artistic venue of multiple functionality, with relevant social and educational significance was designed by the French Architect Christian Portzamparc.





From the hedonistic revelry of Carnival to the city's massive New Year's celebrations, Rio loves nothing better than to let loose! The city's famous party spirit is everywhere and nightclubs are both abundant and lively. From downtown Lapa, out to the sprawling modern neighborhood of Barra, from Samba and Bossa Nova to Hip Hop, Jazz, and Electro take your pick for painting this 'multicolored' town red! Most of Rio's plush bars and clubs are concentrated in the well-heeled neighborhoods of Ipanema, Leblon, and Barra da Tijuca. Some of Rio's most luxurious bars can be found within the city's five-star hotels and mostly on the hotel rooftops. If you want to dance, Rio's upscale bars and nightclubs won't disappoint!



- 1. Deck Bar H Niterói
- 2. Bar dos Descasados
- 3. Mama Shelter Rio de Janeiro
- 4. Selina Lapa Rio Rooftop
- 5. Xian Lounge
- 6. Sky Leme
- 7. Isabel Lounge
- 8. Pérgula
- 9. Deck Bar at Pestana Rio
- 10. Londra at Fasano
- 11. Skylab
- 12. Espaço 7zero6
- 13. Academia da Cachaça
- 14. Vitrinni Lounge Beer





This rooftop is not located in Rio city, but in Niterói across Guanabara Bay, connected with the Rio-Niterói Bridge. Equipped with both a stylish bar and lounge area, as well as a fantastic rooftop infinity pool, the H Niteroi rooftop terrace is an exclusive oasis for guests staying at the hotel during the day, but at night it is open to all. Enjoy amazing views over the ocean, as well as a menu filled with light dishes and excellent drinks, served in a sophisticated rooftop lounge atmosphere.





Overlooking Santa Teresa, the Bar dos Descasados welcomes all who toast life! The place inspires romance with its incredible sunset views from its panoramic balcony. Indirect lighting, fine decoration, refinement, and variety of the place's beverages menu offer an award-winning drink list referencing the neighborhood and honoring several artists who have stayed at the hotel.



#### MAMA SHELTER RIO DE JANEIRO I BAR

Led by the neighborhood's lush vegetation and earthy colors, Mama's architect Jalil Amor has created an airy, lively bar that encourages lingering. Kick back with a caipirinha, try a non-alcoholic cocktail or sample some fine wines. You can expect Mama's signature homemade burgers, cocktails, and music sessions but also table football, ping-pong, brunch, and events. Mama's restaurants are all about relaxed gatherings, lively get-togethers, and informal celebrations.





Found in an old and charming building, the Selina Lapa Rio offers a rooftop experience quite different from many of the others. In the city center, views are not over the ocean and beaches but instead over the buildings in the trendy Lapa area. Open to all, the rooftop comes with a relaxing and vibrant atmosphere, where intimate shows, live DJs, and other events are all part of the weekly schedule. Enjoy a straightforward but tasty menu items, serving classic cocktails, craft beers, and a selection of bar-style food.



#### **XIAN LOUNGE**

Swanky is the best way to describe Xian. Rio's most exclusive Asian restaurant is known for its refined atmosphere, unforgettable dishes, and sweeping views over Guanabara Bay. While inside seating offers sea and city views, depending on which way you look, the bar and terrace deliver another level of rooftop bar experience with its comfortable, modern design and endless views of the vast Atlantic. An extensive wine and sake list are buoyed by a wide selection of beers and expertly mixed cocktails. While you don't have to eat to book a table here (especially if you're coming during the day for a quick tipple), giving the menu a look-over is heavily recommended – the sushi is among the best in the world outside of Japan!



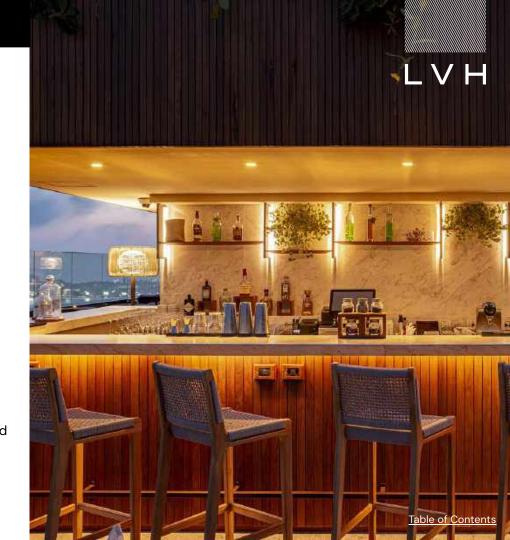
### **SKY LEME | ROOFTOP BAR**

Perched on top of Novotel Rio de Janeiro Leme, Sky Leme is a coastal-chic, natural and elegant rooftop. Part lounge and part fantastic rooftop pool, the terrace comes surrounded by panoramic views over Leme, Copacabana Beaches, and the ocean. With the motto, "The Sky Is The Limit," Sky Leme aims to provide an elevated experience out of the ordinary – from relaxing hours by the pool to beautiful sunsets and crafted signature cocktails, as well as nightly vibes and weekend DJs.



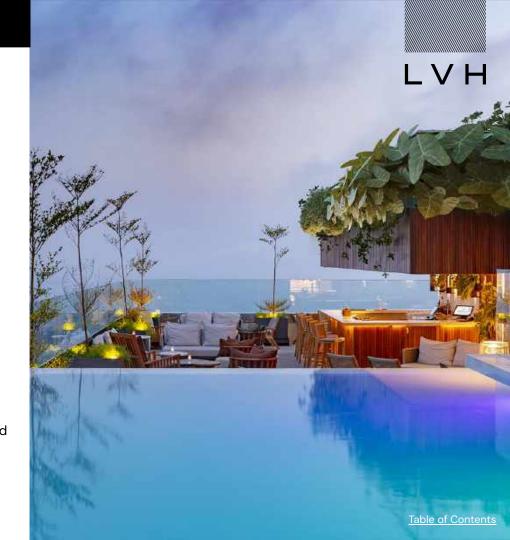
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Found on top of the Hilton Copacabana, 39 floors above Avenida Atlântica, the Isabel Lounge and rooftop terrace offers breathtaking views with the Sugarloaf Mountain, Christ the Redeemer and Copacabana beach all included in the vistas. Decorated with a boho-chic inspiration, the rooftop bar offers a menu filled with authentic and delicious cocktails and tasty Brazilian flavors – all served in a sophisticated yet cosmopolitan and bohemian atmosphere. By night, the rooftop bar offers a drink menu created by Alex Mesquita, with authentic and delicious cocktails prepared with Brazilian herbs and seeds, as well as a food menu by Chef Pablo Ferreyra, also including tasty Brazilian flavors and many dishes perfect for sharing.



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For the ultimate indulgent experience, head to the Pérgula – the elegant poolside restaurant at the enduringly elegant Copacabana Palace Hotel. Less formal than the hotel's fine-dining Italian restaurant, Cipriani, at Pérgula, you can dine in your (suitably stylish) swimwear and sarong. Watch beautiful people splash around in the pool as you sip champagne cocktails and dine on seafood and light pasta dishes, or head here for the famous breakfasts and brunches, including salmon and caviar washed down with a spot of bubbly.





Perched on the rooftop of the affluent Pestana Hotel, Deck Bar is an open-air bar that boasts one of the best views in Rio. Its high vantage point provides sweeping views over Leme and Copacabana that stretch across the endless ocean. On the weekends, live DJs play various sets including dance and electronic music, and the bar keeps the party going with potent cocktails and delicious snacks.



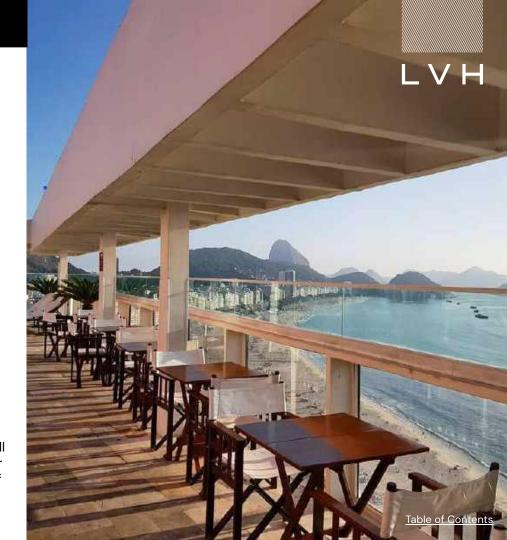


Rogério Fasano brings the Paulista bar to the carioca seashore. On the ground floor of Hotel Fasano., the rock and roll atmosphere with the feel of a pub is a tribute to London. The bar is a carioca version of the Baretto de São Paulo. Large flags hang above brick walls. Open from Mondays to Saturdays, the bar brings back the classics of rock and also hosts live gigs and renowned DJs.



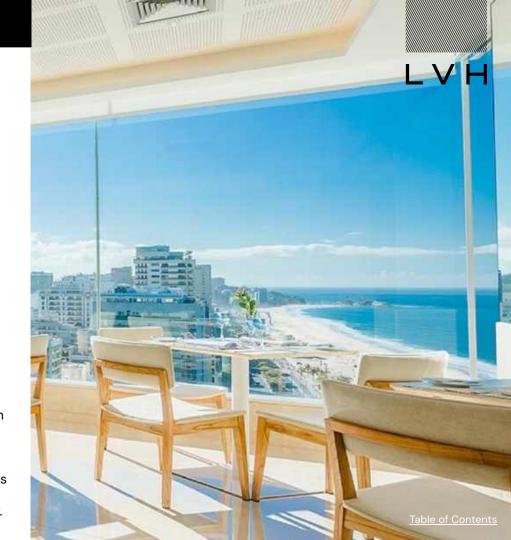


On top of the Rio Othon Palace, you'll find both a superb rooftop pool with a magical view and sunset, along with a restaurant and rooftop bar. While the rooftop pool is for hotel guests only, SkyLab is open to all and offers (mainly) seating inside and some tables out on the open-air terrace. At the edge of Copacabana, the bar offers á la carte service of cutting-edge French flavors and Brazilian favorites and an extensive drink menu with both classic cocktails and a very impressive wine list.





Perched on top of the Praia Ipanema Hotel, Espaço 7zero6 is a modern and trendy Rio rooftop bar, lounge, and restaurant. Chic, modern, and idyllic, there's a reason this hotel bar is frequented by the most fashionable crowds, and it isn't just the outstanding small plates, heated infinity pool, and range of drinks on offer. The rooftop bar mixes a bright and stylish indoor setting with glass panel walls and a lovely open-air terrace, providing an amazing 360-degree view over the city.



### ACADEMIA DE CACHACA | CAIPIRINHA BAR

Academia de Cachaca is an institution in Rio for drink and gastronomy. The menu is typically Brazilian, feijoada is served daily and is considered one of the best in Rio. The trademark of the venue is the Academia's caipirinha, made with Galician lemon, honey and Seleta cachaça, and Brasil ao Cubo, with cubes of lime, lemon, jabuticaba, passion fruit and Cristalina cachaça. The Barra da Tijuca branch of the famous Academia da Cachaça houses is set in the museum called Canto de Jeribita, with a collection of more than 2,000 cachaças produced in Brazil since 1870.



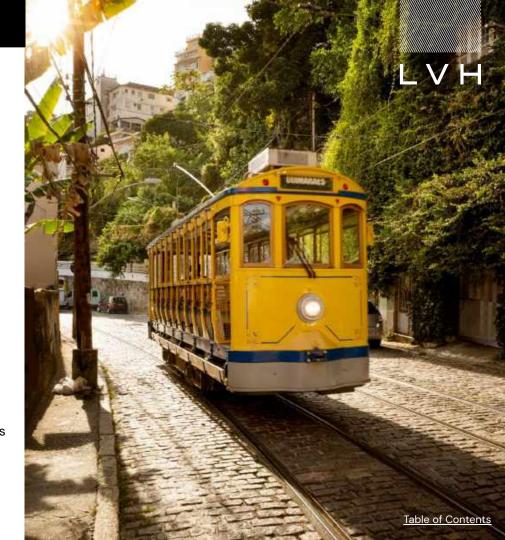
#### **VITRINNI LOUNGE BEER | NIGHTCLUB**

Vitrinni Lounge Beer is the epitome of Rio's nightlife. Fueled by owner Gabriel Maciel's desire to bring an unparalleled clubbing experience to another level, Vitrinni Lounge Beer opened in 2015. Located in Jardim Oceânico, west of Rio, the area is known for its affluent residents, lively nightlife, and beautiful beaches. Swiveling lights reflect off sparkling chandeliers for an upscale vibe. This buzzing nightclub is among Rio de Janeiro's best spots for Latin music while featuring electronic mash-ups and hip-hop tunes. If you're into *sertanejo*, Brazilian funk, and samba, Vitrinni Lounge Beer is where you can dance the night away.





Rio de Janeiro is one of the most vibrant cities on earth and unlike any other, with an urban rain forest, abundant wildlife and some fantastic beaches. There really is no place quite like it! The Brazilian city attracts millions of people every year, providing memorable cultural experiences and many sights to behold. This sprawling metropolis offers more than you can absorb in one visit, but that doesn't mean you should not try! On the contrary, get immersed and embrace Carioca way of life, if just briefly. What follows are some of the most remarkable and uniquely Carioca's landmarks gracing Rio.

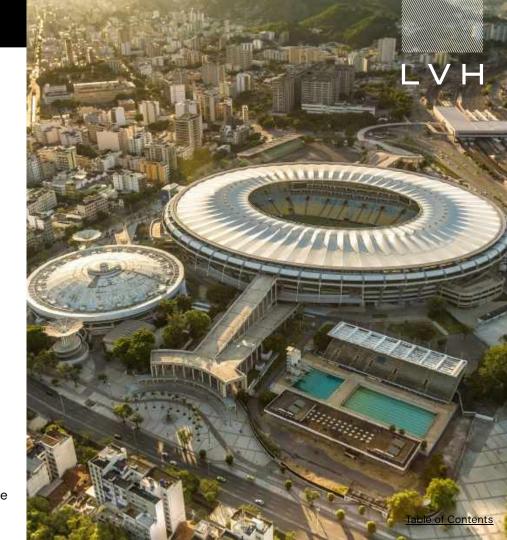


- 1. Maracana Stadium
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- 6. Tram At Santa Teresa
- 7. Catedral Metropolitana De São Sebastião
- 8. The Carioca Aqueduct
- 9. Escadaria Selaron
- 10. Marina Da Gloria
- 11. Apothecary's Square Largo Do Boticario
- 12. The Statue Of Christ The Redeemer
- 13. The Copacabana Palace Hotel



### **MARACANA STADIUM**

Imbued with the aura of Brazil's most holy patronage sites, Rio's Maracana is the nation's premier soccer temple. Arguably the most legendary venue in the history of sport, this monumental 78,000-capacity stadium has witnessed some of the country's most defining national mythologies and moments. An irreplaceable piece element in the tapestry of Brazilian culture, the Maracana's reverberations are international, having hosted multiple World Cups, the Pan American Games, the Olympics, the Paralympics, and more.





The spellbinding Candelaria church, poised in the heart of Rio, is one of the nation's most revered treasures. An imposing 17th century Baroque facade continues to dazzle to this day, with wondrous interiors on par with the Vatican's most divine masterworks. Unravel the fascinating imperial history behind the city's first church, originally erected by Antonio de Palmas and his wife in 1610, in gratitude for having survived a shipwreck en route to the New World.



#### PRACA XV AND THE IMPERIAL PALACE

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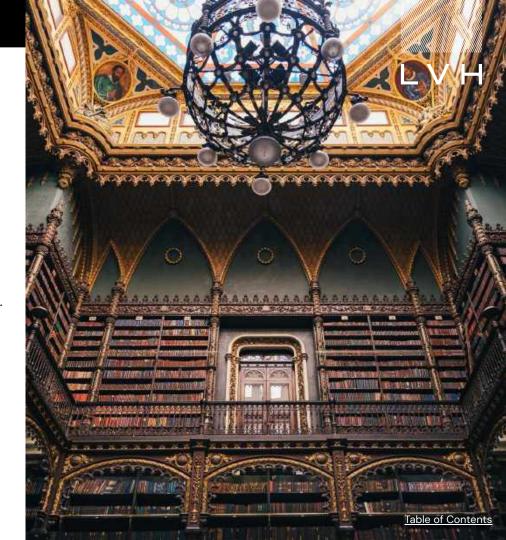
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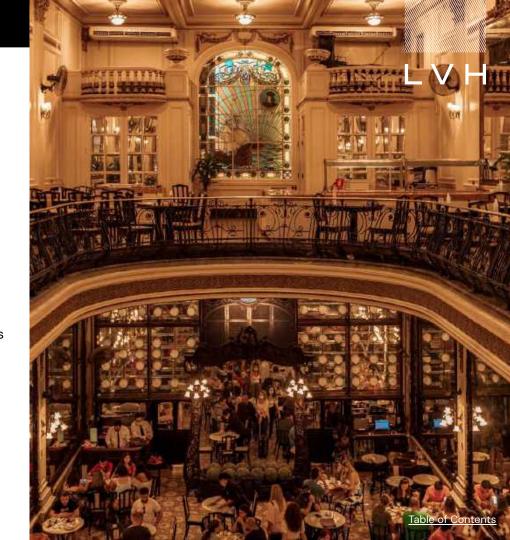
#### **ROYAL PORTUGUESE READING ROOM**

The National Library, considered by UNESCO one of the world's most important national libraries, is also the most extensive in Latin America. The original core of the influential collection, calculated today in about 10 million items. An ornately decorated library housing centuries—old text from Portugal, The Royal Portuguese Reading Room is an astounding, culturally rich, and historically impressive site to visit. Established in 1837 by Portuguese immigrants living in Brazil, they started a collection of Portuguese books to share Portuguese culture, work, and literature. Named the 4th most beautiful library in the world in 2014 by *Time Magazine*, The Royal Portuguese Reading Room welcomes more than 50,000 visitors per year and is currently still receiving shipments of about 6,000 books each year from Portugal. See for yourself the incredible "cathedral" of books, with shelves holding a host of Portuguese literature, as well as art and other cultural pieces collected throughout the years.



#### **CONFEITARIA COLOMBO**

Confeitaria Colombo is a coffee house in downtown and is one of the main landmarks of the city. Founded in 1894 by Portuguese immigrants Joaquim Borges de Meireles and Manuel José Lebrão, its design was inspired by the European cafes, and representative of Rio's belle époque. Between 1912 and 1918, the interior halls were renovated with art nouveau flair – large crystal mirrors brought from Antwerp, framed by rosewood trim friezes. The interior wooden furniture was carved at the same time by the artisan Antonio Borsoi. Years after its opening, Colombo became a meeting point for Brazilian writers, artists, and intellectuals of the time, like Chiquinha Gonzaga, Olavo Bilac, Emílio de Meneses, Rui Barbosa, Villa–Lobos, Lima Barreto, José do Patrocínio, among others, being called "a branch of the Brazilian Academy of Letters."



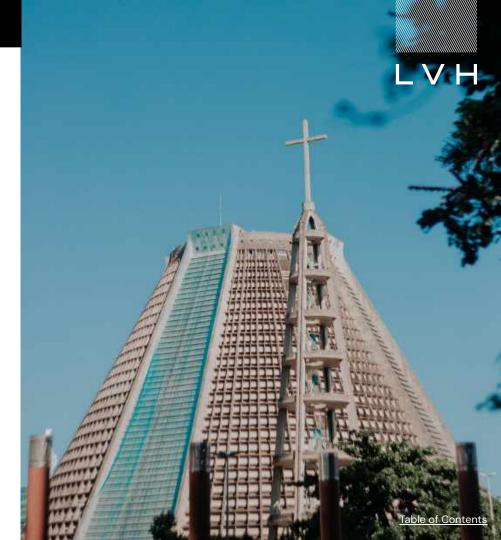


The beloved Santa Teresa tram is one of the most enduring symbols of this quaint bohemian quarter. Its iconic yellow trolley cars offer the ultimate cross-section through the city, with a trajectory navigating up from the downtown core up Santa Teresa Hill. Remaining unchanged for upwards of a century, this is the quintessential method of getting around that will immerse you in the day-to-day rhythms of Rio living.



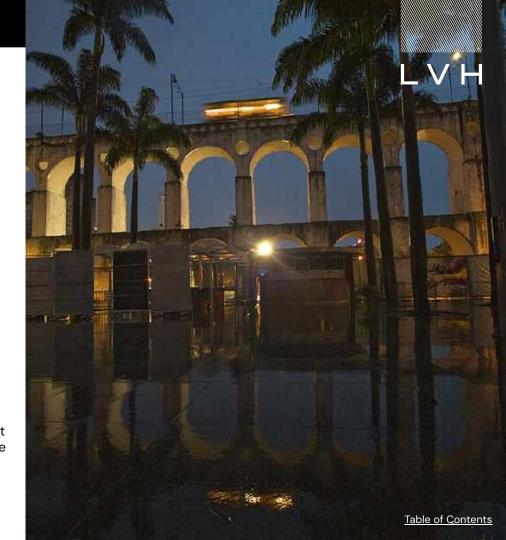
### CATEDRAL METROPOLITANA DE SÃO SEBASTIÃO

The Metropolitan Cathedral of San Sebastian is one of the world's most extraordinary houses of worship. A striking conical architecture feels exceptionally grandiose yet austere, taking inspiration from the ancient Mayan pyramid tradition. A bold nod to the new world, the Metropolitan Cathedral is a modernist masterwork soaring 246 feet with a staggering 5,000-seat capacity. The cathedral is poised in the city's heart, proudly soaring as one of the nation's proudest examples of the nation's daring and progressive architectural heritage.



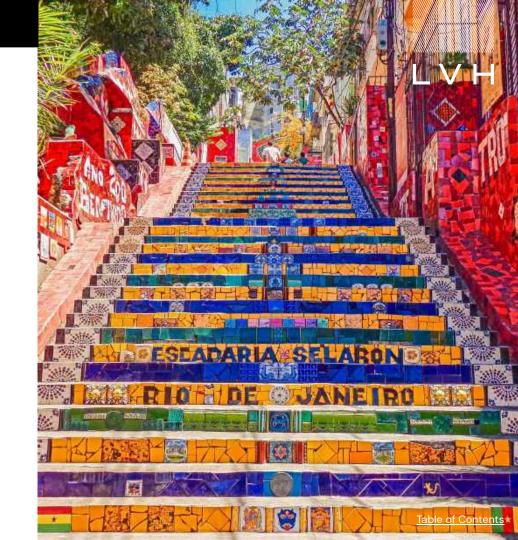
### THE CARIOCA AQUEDUCT

A potent remnant of a fascinating history, the disused Carioca Aqueduct dating from the mid-18th century stands to this day. The aqueduct has been repurposed since the late 19th century as a viaduct from the Santa Teresa tramway offering a picturesque ride between the downtown core and this hilly bohemian quarter. Found at the gateway of the vibrant Lapa neighborhood, this commanding structure is an icon of the quarter and the most beloved meeting point for a rambunctious night out.



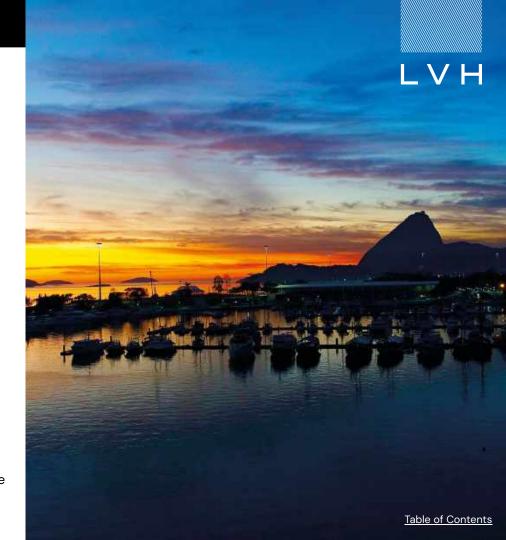
#### **ESCADARIA SELARON**

The Selaron Stairs are one of the most beloved sites of the eclectic and bohemian Santa Teresa neighborhood. This stunning community art piece comprises more than 2,000 brightly-colored ceramic tiles, convening more than 400 feet of stairs or 215 individual steps. Chilean painter Jorge Selaron devoted 20 years of his life to hand-painting each tile converting this pivotal staircase into a living mosaic. An enchanting feature cutting to the heart of the city's history and immutably creative residents, this charming pitstop offers plenty of photo opportunities.





Marina da Glória brings together several qualities in a single location. With a privileged location, it offers its users comfort, tranquility and the convenience of being close to the city center and next to Santos Dumont Airport.



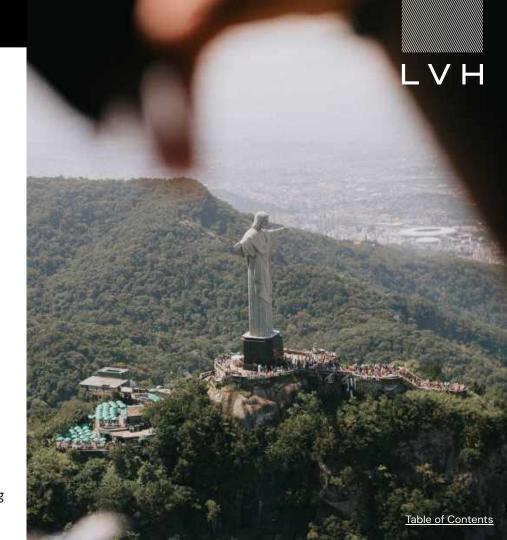
#### APOTHECARY'S SQUARE LARGO DO BOTICARIO

Set in the quiet yet pleasant neighborhood of Cosme Velho, Largo do Boticário is a unique square of broken, abandoned houses that somehow still feel bright due to dilapidated exterior. Overgrown by plants and uninhabited, it all adds a certain unique charm to the area, which draws people all year. Dating back to the 1830s, the Apothecary's Square, as it's known in English, was owned by Joaquim Luís da Silva Souto, known to be a famous apothecary with a royal family for clients. After different owners possessed this idyllic square, hosting fancy parties and being the home of the elite at a point – it slowly started to become abandoned for unknown reasons. Today, people visit its overgrown aesthetic and the art gallery situated close by.





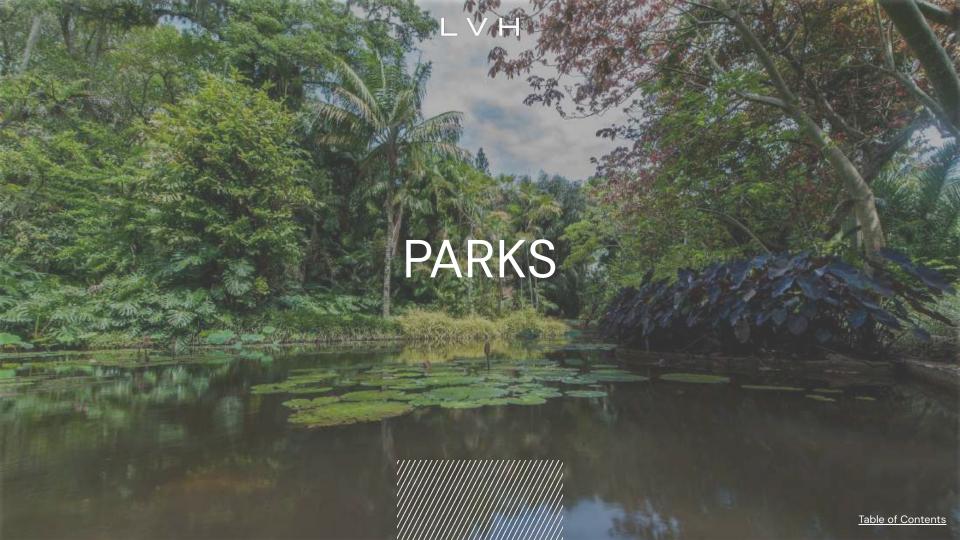
The undisputed icon of Rio, the Christ the Redeemer statue atop Corcovado Mountain is the crowning achievement of this spectacular global city. A feat of engineering, this monument soars at a whopping 2,330-foot elevation, with vertiginous urban, mountain, and bay vistas abounding before its outstretched arms and penetrating gaze. Elected one of the Seven Wonders of the World, this impressive 1931 structure continues to dazzle a near century later as the city's most breathtaking landmark.



#### THE COPACABANA PALACE HOTEL

Belmond Copacabana Palace, better known as simply Copacabana Palace, faces Copacabana beach. Designed by French architect Joseph Gire, in a style following the line and model of the great beach hotels of the 19th and early 20th centuries, it opened on August 13, 1923. Belmond Copacabana Palace continues to be one of the most important hotel complexes in the city and is known throughout Brazil for the international celebrities who stay here. Famous guests have includes Walt Disney, Marlene Dietrich, Brigitte Bardot, Paul McCartney, Janis Joplin, Madonna, Mick Jagger, Princess Diana, Carla Bruni, Halle Barry, Justin Bieber, Miley Cyrus and others. In addition, the hotel is also known for hosting some of the most popular social events in the country.





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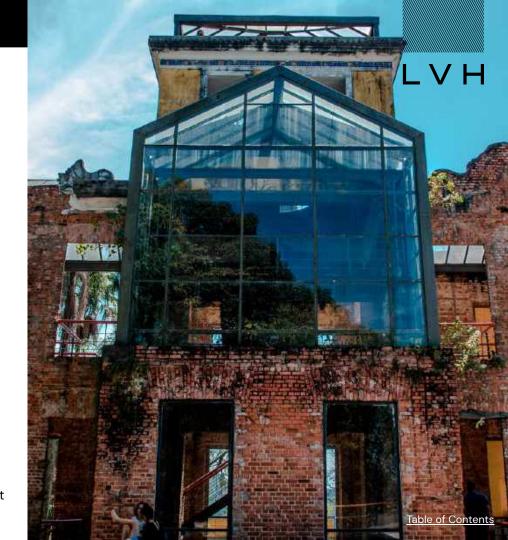


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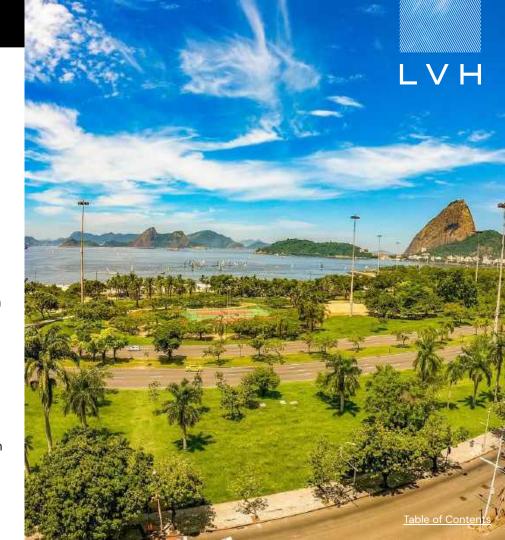
### **PARQUE DAS RUINAS**

As one of Rio's most enchanting green spaces, Parque das Ruinas delivers spellbinding vistas incorporating glittering skyscrapers along the shimmering waters of Guanabara Bay. The verdure of Santa Teresa hill is matched with a robust seasonal itinerary offering activities for adults and kids alike. Look forward to acrobatic performers, live music, outdoor expositions, and much more. This green oasis is the ultimate pitstop for a day of sightseeing, home to historical manors and Villas at the forefront of carioca cultural heritage.



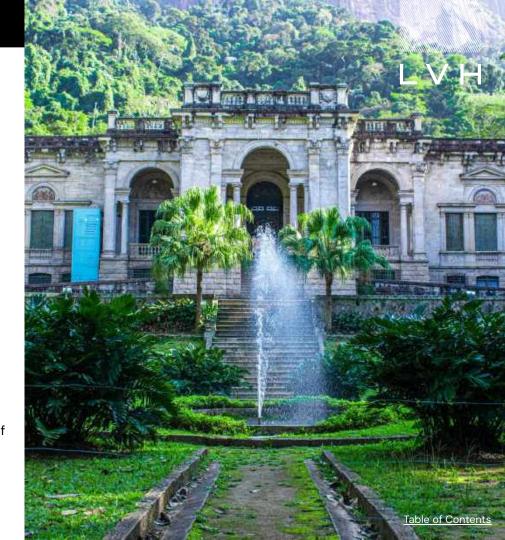
#### EDUARDO GOMES PARK / FLAMENGO PARK

Also known as Flamengo Reclaim Park or "Aterro," this impressive green space is the largest urban park in the world, covering about 1.2 million square meters long the beautiful Guanabara Bay. Flamengo Park is one of the world's most extraordinary public spaces, lauded as the apex of civic architecture. Flamengo's gardens and lawns embrace some of Rio's most iconic cultural institutions, from the Museum of Modern Art he Museum of Modern Art, the National Museum dedicated to the Brazilian soldiers fallen in WWI, and the Carmen Miranda Museum – dedicated to the world-famous Brazilian singer from the 40s and 50s who has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and was immortalized in Warner Bros.' Looney Tunes cartoon alongside Bugs Bunny. Stroll or bike down an iconic boardwalk caressed by a balmy sea breeze invigorated by the aroma of more than 300 native and exotic species of trees.



### **PARQUE LAGE**

At the foot of Corcovado Hill, on Jardim Botânico street, Parque Lage delights with 52 hectares of pure greenery, with constantly vibrant and impressive cultural and art programs. It is one of the city's most architecturally renowned sites. The palace/mansion inside the park houses the Institute of Fine Arts, located at the Rio de Janeiro School of Visual Arts. Mario Vodrel designed the estate that once was the residence of industrialist Enrique Lage, who purchased the land in the 1920s. The entire property is now a public park and was listed by the National Historical and Artistic Heritage Institute (IPHAN) as the historical and cultural heritage of Rio de Janeiro.



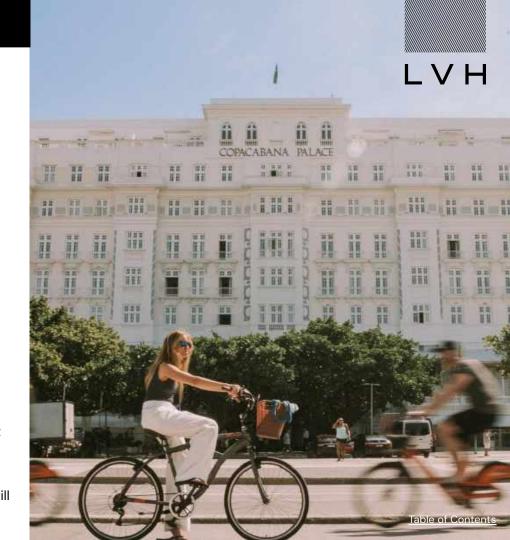
#### **RIO BOTANICAL GARDEN**

Rio's exceptionally lush and endlessly scenic botanical gardens are famed worldwide, with the revered UNESCO distinction of a biosphere reserve. With a dizzying 6,500 species on display, no one trip to the Botanical gardens is exactly alike. Immerse yourself in a self-contained world of tropical, native, and exotic flora plucked from each corner of the world. Enter accompanied by dramatic rows of giant royal palms famously grown from a single mother plant. A one-of-a-kind sensory experience awaits between the Amazon, sensory, Japanese, and desert gardens. Round off a delightful day trip with a visit to the iconic La Bicyclette cafe, lauded for outstanding French desserts and pastries.



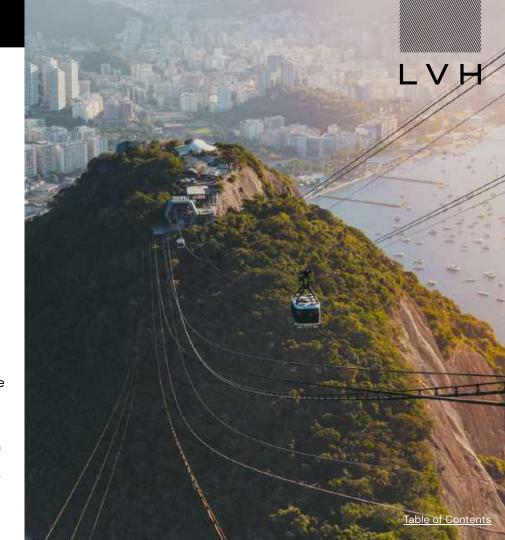


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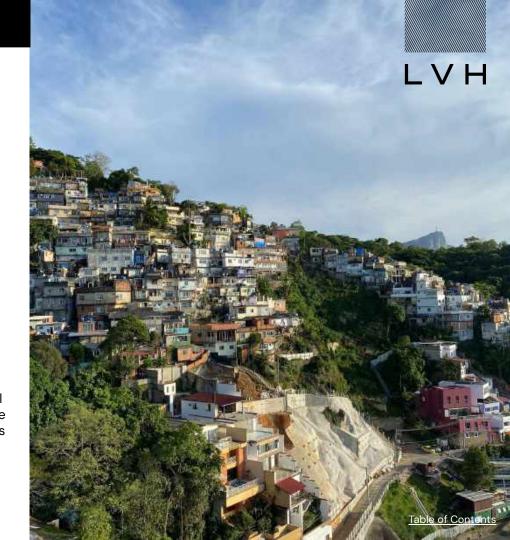
#### **SUGARLOAF CABLE CAR RIDE**

One of the world's most iconic natural wonders, the romantic silhouette of Sugar Loaf mountain is inseparable from Rio's identity. A soaring 1,300-foot height reveals extraordinary panoramas incorporating stunning cityscape vistas, Copacabana's edge, and the entrance of Guanabara Bay. Take the historic cable car from Praia Vermelha to Urca Hill for an unmissable day trip that rewards in spades. If you visit in summer, the peak of Urca Hill is crowned with an amphitheater offering an incomparable venue for shows and nocturnal celebrations before a truly wondrous backdrop.



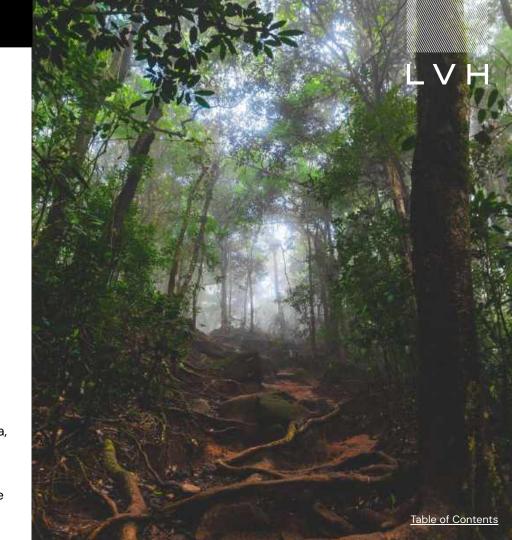
#### **TOUR OF FAVELA ROCINHA**

This unique activity invites guests to shed preconceived notions and discover the complexities, hardships, and beauty of life in Latin America's largest favela. Guided tours immerse you in a unique parallel world of spontaneity, resourcefulness, humility, and grace. Discover the indomitable soul of Brazil's working classes, traversing gorgeous murals and authentic neighborhoods speaking to the endurance and resourcefulness of the human spirit in the face of political turmoil and economic hardship. A lesser–known side to Rio that delivers a comprehensive picture of this fascinating city, a tour of Rocinha delivers an exceptionally educational and rewarding experience.





In the heart of Rio de Janeiro, the Tijuca rainforest is the largest urban rainforest in the world. An impressive 12 square miles of rainforest is famously dense with vegetation packing an exceptional variety of flora, fauna, and endangered species. It is hard to conceive of such natural splendor and biodiversity so close to a bustling megalopolis, yet Rio never ceases to surprise. Navigate past ethereal waterfalls and fantastic trees in a sublime garden of Eden, so near yet so far from the busy pace of Rio.



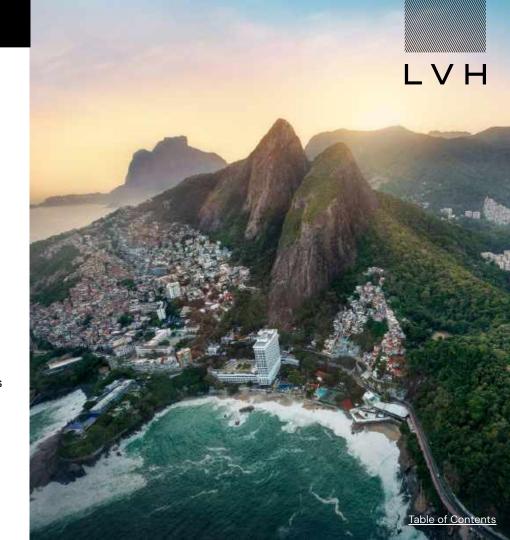
#### **UNIQUE SAMBAR EXPERIENCE**

Rio is the world capital of Samba. For a glimpse into the rich history of this magnificent city, get immersed in the culture, breathtaking scenes, music, and color and savor Brazilian-style happiness! During the unique sambar experience you will visit the most important places of Samba dance, from the Sambodromo – a special samba stadium, to Samba city with samba schools and their preparation for the Carnaval. Try some of Carnival costumes, drink caipirinha, and attend a rehearsal at the most famous and known samba schools.



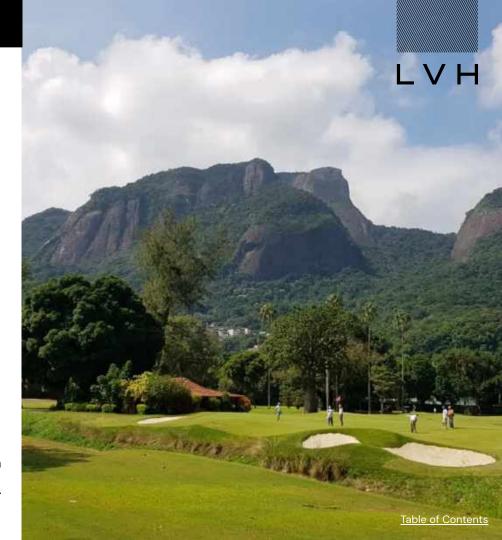
#### **MORRO DOIS IRMÃOS HIKE**

Rio offers no shortage of stunning vantage points for soaking in the city's unmatched natural positioning. The Two Brothers Peak, known as Morro Dois Irmãos, is undoubtedly one of Rio's most iconic viewpoints affording unmatched vistas over the famed sands of Leblon and Ipanema. A leisurely trail measuring less than a mile delivers postcard panoramas that must be experienced to be believed. The path begins in Vidigal and soars up more than 1,000 feet in elevation, leaving no corner of the south unseen. A casual escapade that pays huge dividends, your Morro Dois Irmaos hike promises a cherished sunset memory you won't be forgetting anytime soon.



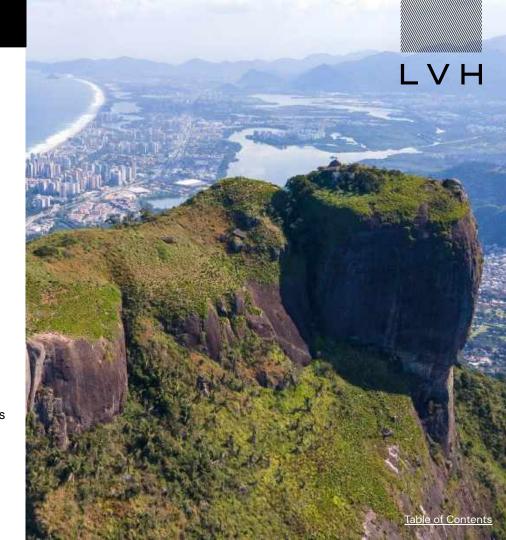


Rio de Janeiro is home to three of the best golf courses in Brazil, and while those numbers may be low compared to other countries, the sport has been growing in popularity. If you are a golf enthusiast, one of the best golf courses to check out is Itanhangá Golf Club. Selected by a former Brazilian president as his favorite golf course in the country, Itanhangá Golf Course has two courses, one with 18 holes and the other with 72, and has incredible views of the Pedra de Gavéa.



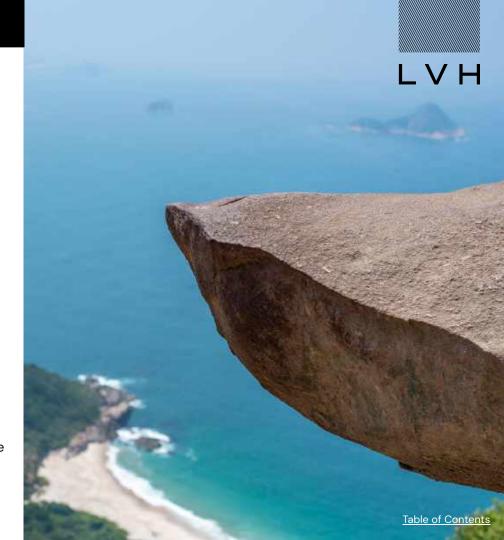


Hiking options are close to endless in Rio, and one to add to your itinerary is the incredible Pedra da Gavea hike. Considered the world's largest monolithic mountain, Pedra da Gavea reaches a staggering 2,762 feet above sea level. This short 3.1-mile out-and-back route takes three hours to complete and is considered a challenging hike well-known for its epic views over the city, and then the challenge becomes all worth it. Reaching the peak of the hike, you'll discover a cave called *Garganta do Ceu* that opens into a gaping view of Guanabara Bay, the sea, and all of Rio. You can hike the trail on your own. However, going on an organized tour is recommended.



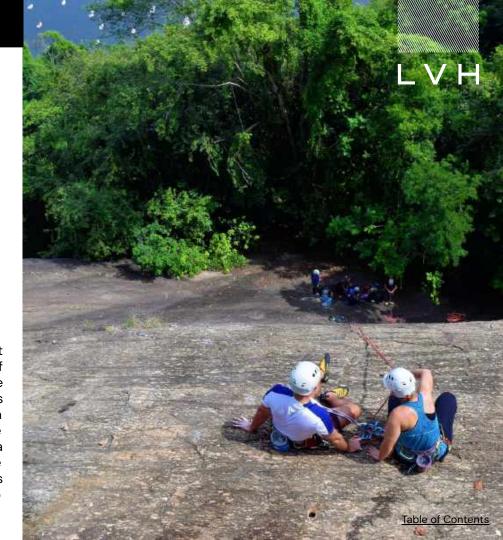


Hike Pedra do Telégrafo is one of the most well-known hikes in Brazil. This 2.2 miles out-and-back trail in Guaratiba, on the west side of Rio, is considered a moderately challenging route. It takes an average of one hour and 37 minutes to complete. This very popular hiking trail is open year-round and beautiful to visit anytime. The rock itself, Pedra do Telégrafo, is made famous thanks to hikers taking pictures that create an optical illusion of hanging over the abyss!



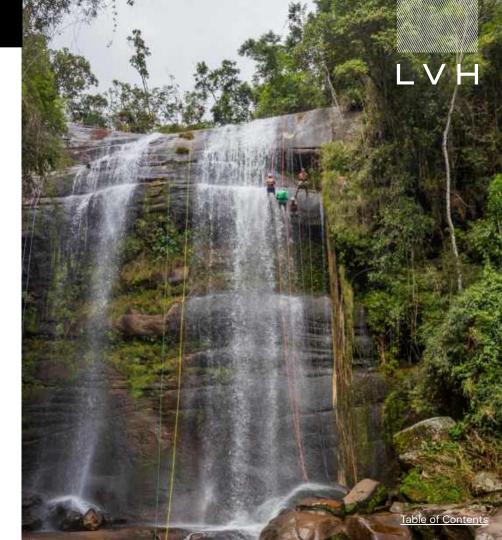
#### **ABSEILING**

Abseiling or rappelling, how it's also called, is the controlled descent down a rock face using a rope. Climbers use this technique when a cliff or slope is too steep or dangerous to descend without protection. Rope access technicians also use this as a method to access difficult areas from above. Controlled descent is an enthralling way to interact with the landscape. And the great thing about abseiling, is that it's quite easy to learn. After a few minutes, you'll be slipping down the rope like a master. There is not better destination to experience abseiling than the craggy landscape of Rio with abundance of steep rocks and boulders to conquer, from Urca Hill, Tijuca Forest to Gavea, Pontal and Praia do Secreto Rock.



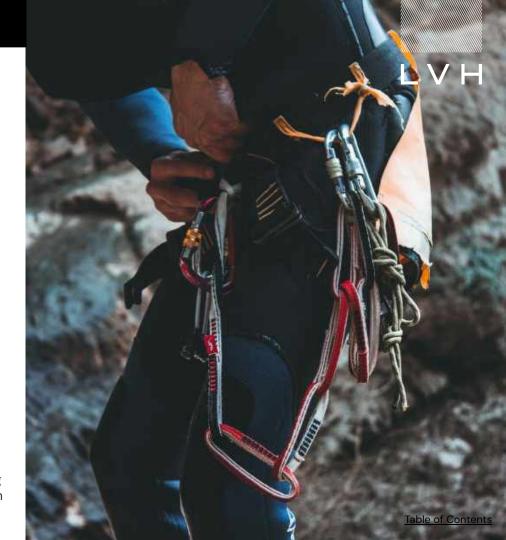
#### WATERFALL RAPPELLING (MENDANHA OR HORTO)

You can take rappelling up a notch in the tropical forests brimming with waterfalls. Abseiling down a waterfall takes the experience over the breaking points of a typical vacationer's tours, resulting in a adrenaline rush like you have never experienced before. Getting a charge out of the perspective on a dazzling waterfall is astounding! Mendanha Park and Tijuca Forest have waterfalls with crystalline natural waters and gorgeous tropical environments that bakon those with good fitness levels to try this amazing sport.





Rio is considered to be among the most attractive places in the world for rock climbing. The city offers a wide array of different rock climbing routes including Urca, Tijuca Forest and the Serra dos Orgãos Mountain range an hour away from Rio.





Going on vacation is fantastic, but chances are you don't want to stay in the same place for your entire trip. The best remedy for that is to take a day trip. You can find some amazing places not far from where you've put down vacation roots, but that would really merit a visit. You can rent a luxury car and hit the road or have us arrange a private tour for you. Day trips can provide seeing more sights and experiencing more adventures!



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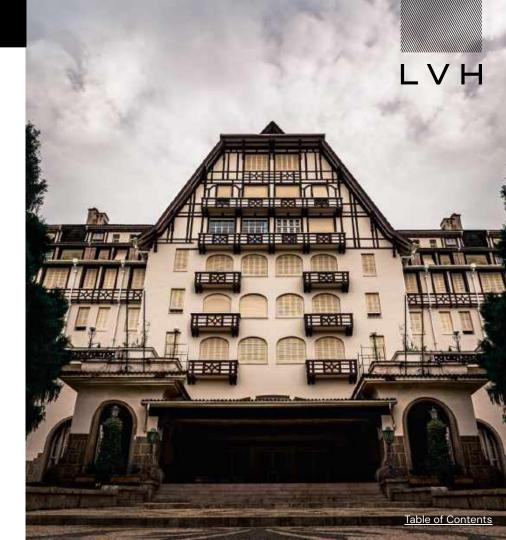


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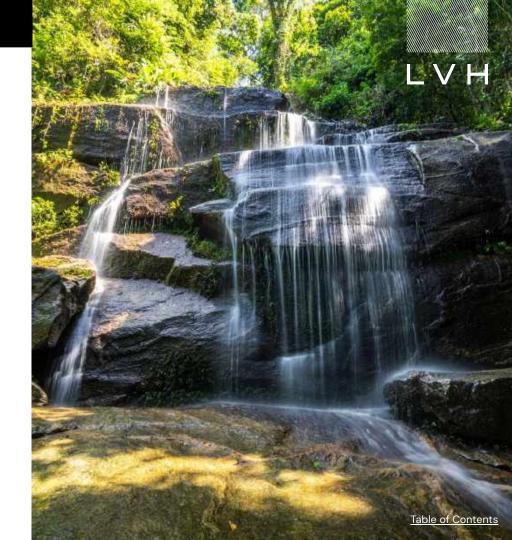
#### TROPICAL RAINFORESTS

Rio presents a singular fusion of chaotic urban bustle interspersed with exceptionally serene and vast green spaces. Tijuca National Park claims an astounding natural ecosystem with exotic inhabitants from iguanas, ocelots, sloths, agoutis, and howler monkeys. A robust network of 200 walking routes ensures traversing murmuring creeks and trickling falls interspersed with the sweet song of rare birds. Choose between afternoon jaunts, all-day hikes or exhilarating Jeep tours, Rio offers the ultimate playground for embracing the verdant glory of its green spaces. From the heights of Sugar Loaf Mountain or Corcovado, the luxury adventurer invariably interacts with enchanting tropical rainforests.



#### **HORTO WATERFALL**

Horto Waterfall is one of the many natural wonders found within the magical Tijuca urban rainforest. Hidden away in the midst of dense woodlands are these ethereal oases delineating a divine venue for a moment of calm serenaded by the soothing trickle of the waters. A half-hour hike navigates to this gorgeous nook offering the ultimate reprieve from the mid-day heat. Whether you're seeking an intimate moment with the elements or seeking some afternoon refreshment in the cool waters, Horto Waterfall is one of Rio's best-kept secrets.





Seventy-one percent of the earth is water, yet most of this magical world remains a mystery. Embark on a journey traversing the planet's most exquisite waters from the crystalline aqua hues of the Caribbean to the deep indigo blues of the North Atlantic. There are such meditative and tranquil effects of being next to a body of water. Whether you're on a path of rejuvenation or looking for adrenaline-pumping recreation, the sea's infinite expanse is a frontier well-worth the plunge!



#### **SURFING**

Surf holidays here are a fantastic experience for surfers of all abilities. Rio has no restrictions when it comes to surfing skills as there are many surf schools to help beginners get into the sport, while experts will be able to get challenged by some heavy beach breaks surrounding the city. There is a variety of waves within the city area ranging from waist high mellow peelers to triple overhead thick barrels that should only be tackled by the most experienced surfers. Surfing in Brazil is huge and they have produced some of the best surfers in the world like world champions Adrian de Souza, Gabriel Medina and aerial specialist Filipe Toledo, and with the quality of waves it's no wonder why! Here are the the beaches with the best surf breaks:

- Forte De Copacabana
- Ipanema
- Joatinga
- Tropical/Posto 1
- Macumbo Curvo



#### **BOAT RIDE TO ARRAIAL DO CABO**

Arraial do Cabo is an outstanding coastal pitstop in the peripheries of Rio. Its remarkable natural bounties have earned it the title of the Brazilian Caribbean between its white powder coastlines, tropical coastal mountains, and otherworldly turquoise waters. An idyllic nautical escapade awaits with stunning panoramic views the entire length of the trip traversing past Praia do Forno, Praia do Farol, Praia de Atalaia, and Gruta Azul. A leisurely four-hour charter is ideal for those seeking to hit the open seas, indulge in fine cuisine, or set sail for a divine stretch of secluded shores for refreshments.



#### **SCUBA DIVING IN ARRAIAL DO CABO**

The ethereal crystalline waters of Arraial do Cabo more than justify the near 100-mile trek from Rio. Ranking among the continent's best diving spots, this sleepy coastal town is home to a dazzling marine ecosystem. Whether you're a certified diver or a first-timer, a robust itinerary of scuba tours will have you getting up close and personal with technicolor schools of fish, dolphins, sea turtles, and much more.





Snowboarders or surfers will find no trouble embracing wakeboarding across Rio's glamorous beaches. This choose-your-own-adventure activity is great for those seeking a casual ride or those fitting in mid-air tricks. Plunge into the elements with the full-throttle gush of invigorating saline air, refreshing ocean spray, and the pleasantly balmy sun upon you. Tag along the back of a motorboat for high-speed adventure before the iconic peaks and cityscape.



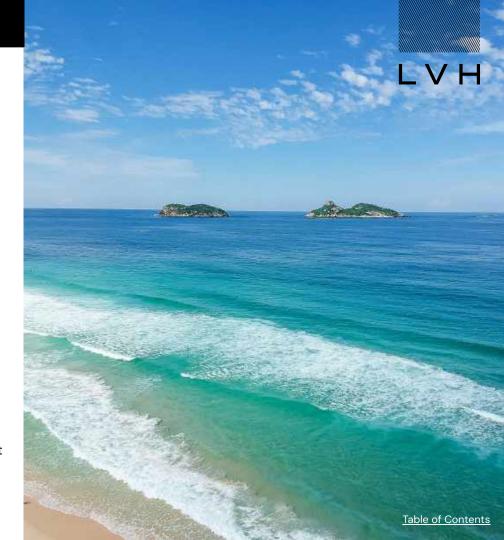


White-knuckle excitement awaits, with Rio poised in the peripheries of world-class river rafting. A mere 70 miles from the city center lie plentiful courses with thrilling rapids and descents cutting through prime Atlantic rainforest. Between high-octane trips or more sedate river paths, a devoted team of guides navigates guests through every gradient of choppy water. Equal parts enjoyable, exhilarating, and rewarding, river rafting is a fantastic option for those seeking adventure and recreation.



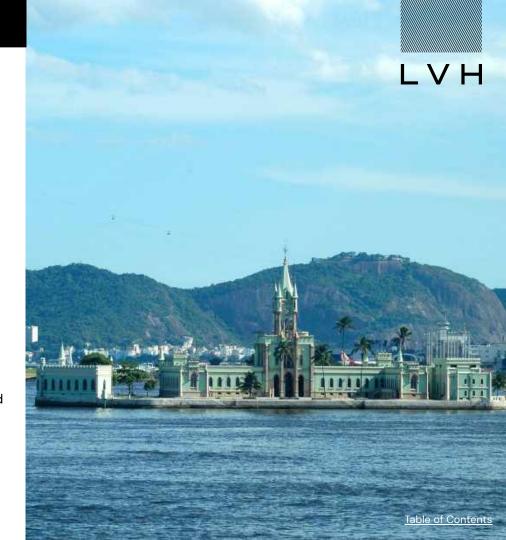


Indulge in the sensation of boundless freedom skimming across stunning turquoise waters via jet-ski off the shores of the revered Jardim Oceanico. Hit the open seas and discover the majesty of the dramatic Tijuca Islands by jet ski. These rugged rock formations are just over two miles from the marina, offering unbridled adventure with diving, climbing, and photo opportunities abounding. This unique destination offers a fantastic day trip for those seeking novelty and excitement.



#### **FISCAL PALACE BY BOAT**

Perched on the elusive Ilhas das Cobras is one of Rio's most overlooked landmarks. The unique 14th century Fiscal Palace guards this commercial harbor that conceals a unique local history. The striking mint-colored facade garnished with Disney-like spires, famously hosted the last ball of the Empire prior to the coup d'etat that would spark the First Republic in 1889. Delve into the history of imperial Brazil a 20-minute boat ride away, with the Island Naval Museum awaiting more inquisitive guests.



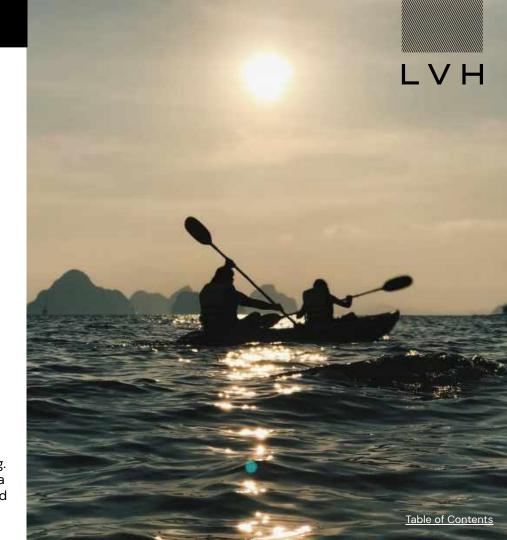


Whatever the sport, flying is always a challenge, now imagine floating on water jets while moving with the help of a jet ski!? This is, without a doubt, an adrenaline infused sport! You get to fly like a superhero, keeping your balance and dive like a dolphin. The flyboard was invented in 2011 by French jet ski pilot Franky Zapata. The design allows the device to get out of the water, perform tricks or stay stable in the air.





Rio offers a plethora of magnificent bays and beaches for sea kayaking. Depart from Urca beach where the kayaking tour takes you to Forte da Laje Island located in the entrance of Guanabara Bay between Rio and Niterói. The distance of the kayaking tour is three miles.





**PADDLEBOARD** 

Some of Rio's stand-up paddleboard tours start at Praia Vermelha (Red Beach). The main destination is Pedra do Anel (Ring's Stone) located between Urca neighborhood and hillside of Leme, near the entrance to Guanabara Bay. Paddling distance totals about 1.5 miles round trip, with panoramic views of Sugarloaf Mountain, Christ the Redeemer, Floresta da Tijuca, and Niterói.





Up, up and away is often the best way of seeing the beauty of a vacation destination. Whether you're in a helicopter, private plane, paragliding, parachuting or in a hot air balloon, getting a bird's eye view will take your perceptions of an area to new heights! So don't stay grounded, take flight for a thrilling adventure!





For the more daring luxury adventurer, tandem paragliding may be the ultimate conduit to conquer the vertical frontier. Experience unbridled freedom and sail the airwaves under the careful watch of an experienced and devoted team of professionals. Whether you're an experienced thrillseeker or novice, Rio's wondrous land and cityscapes offer a spellbinding backdrop to your airborne adventure that leaves participants speechless.



#### **TANDEM HANG GLIDING**

Considered one of the most popular tourist attractions in Rio, hang gliding is ideal for those looking to live an unforgettable experience. Flights depart from the Pedra Bonita hang gliding ramp, pass alongside Pedra da Gávea and end at São Conrado beach. Weather permitting – rising wind – it is possible to fly for up to 30 minutes, over the Tijuca National Park and soak up an incomparable panoramic view.



# FLIGHT OVER CORCOVADO AND CHRIST THE REDEEMER

Between soaring mist-covered peaks, boundless shimmering bays, and a sea of glittering skyscrapers, Rio is undoubtedly among the planet's most photogenic cities. A helicopter ride over the city offers a spectacular experience allowing guests to truly appreciate Rio's sprawling size and natural wonders. Interact with the jutting dimensions of Corcovado, eye-height with the penetrating gaze of the awe-inspiring Christ the Redeemer statue.



#### SKY DIVE IN BARRA DE TIJUCA

The skydiving experience is the most exciting way to admire Rio's and Barra da Tijuca's magnificent views. Parachute jumps occur in the west zone in Barra da Tijuca. Taking off from Jacarepagua Airport, you'll have the chance to jump off the plane, fly over 12,000 feet, and live a breathtaking experience with the stunning area view while your adrenaline is rising. You need no previous experience since the dive will be accompanied by a professional skydiver. Apart from the tandem jump, there's also the opportunity of a course for those who want not only to jump but also learn how to do it by themselves.







Rio de Janeiro is a city well known for its parties, festivals, and other events attracting large numbers of tourists each year. Almost every month in the Marvelous City, there are events for all to enjoy.



Rio is one of the best and most popular places in the world to celebrate New Year's Eve. Millions of people flock to the Marvelous City to reminisce about the year that has been and to celebrate the incoming new year. It is one of the world's most famous celebrations. Witness the spectacular fireworks and welcome the New Year with a glass of champagne. Most people traditionally dress in white, and wear new clothes, symbolizing peace and light. Another tradition is to jump over seven waves (pular sete ondas) for good luck in the coming year.



#### **RIO DE JANEIRO CARNIVAL**

Rio's world-famous Carnival easily lives up to its status as "The Greatest Show on Earth" with five nights of non-stop balls and celebrations. There are about two million revelers on the streets for rambunctious dance performances, parades, and masquerades, immersing guests in kaleidoscopic hedonism and exhilaration. Release your inhibitions and get swept up by infectious Samba beats and impromptu street parties for a truly magical time. Carnival places on display the delectable Afro-European influences that make Brazil so unique. The astounding choreographies and spellbinding floats at the Sambodromo will take your breath away for an experience unlike any other.



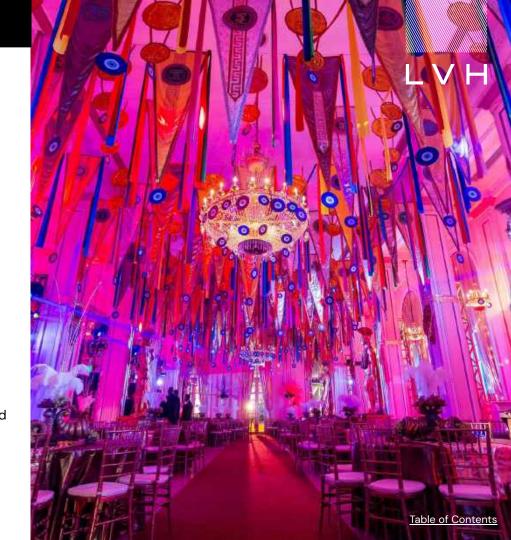


Recognized as one of the significant art events in Latin America, Art Rio brings together leading galleries in the country. Between 50,000 visitors and 50 participating exhibitions, Art Rio is a lightning rod for art buyers the world over, treated with a dazzling roster of works from established masters and up-and-coming talent. Each September, guests flock to Guanabara's shores for a robust series of talks and workshops led by acclaimed curators, artists, collectors, and critics.



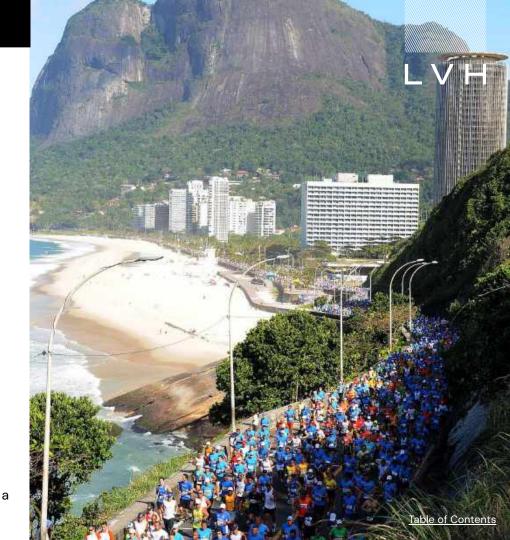
#### **MAGIC BALL**

One of the highlights of the Rio Carnival is the Magic Ball at the Copacabana Palace. This eagerly anticipated event is the grandest and most luxurious occasion of the Carnival. The glamor quotient of the evening is at an all time high with a host of local and international celebrities in attendance. Mingle with Brazil's creme de la creme and bask in the delight of spending the night with wild abandon! There's a strict dress code – black tie or evening dress. You can come in costume but it should be extraordinary!



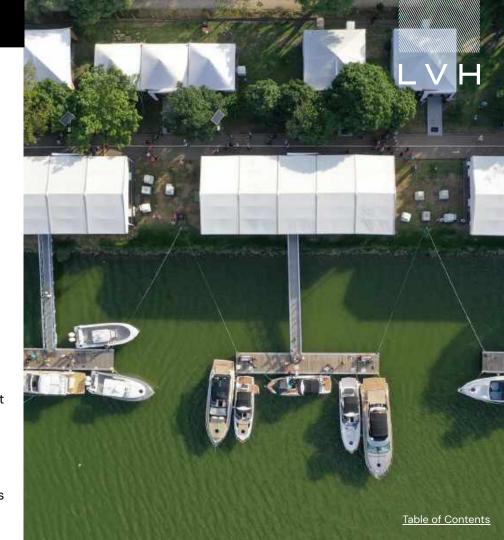
#### **RIO DE JANEIRO MARATHON**

Rio de Janeiro Marathon (Maratona do Rio) is an annual running event from Recreio dos Bandeirantes to Flamengo. With the Serra do Mar Mountains rising inland from the fabulous shoreline, this scenery with ocean and mountains makes the course one of the more picturesque marathons in the world. If marathon length is too much of a challenge there is a half-marathon starting at Pepe beach in Barra da Tijuca and a six-kilometer family run, taking place entirely in Flamengo.



#### THE RIO BOAT SHOW

For nine days, the Rio Boat Show, overlooking Guanabara Bay at the foot of the Sugarloaf Mountain and under the gaze of Christ the Redeemer, brings together the biggest and best exhibitors, trends, and boat launches, jets, inflatables, engines, and equipment, in addition to a complete range of products related to the nautical universe. Test drives, a nautical parade, gastronomic village, kids' space, nautical shopping, and water experiences are among the attractions making this boat show the largest outdoor nautical event in Latin America.





Rock in Rio is the most popular and biggest music event in Brazil. It takes place once every two years, with the next event planned for 2023. The event brings big names to Brazil – from the Red Hot Chili Peppers to Coldplay to Nile Rodgers – but gives also space to Brazilian musicians, local talent and dance and electronic DJs.





Time spent with family is never time lost. No matter the destination, LVH secures a full itinerary of children's activities designed to spark budding imaginations. Share in the robust excitement of a trip full of possibilities with the ones closest to you. Since LVH understands that time is the ultimate luxury. Please leave it to us to tailor an unforgettable vacation experience for all guests, including the smallest ones!

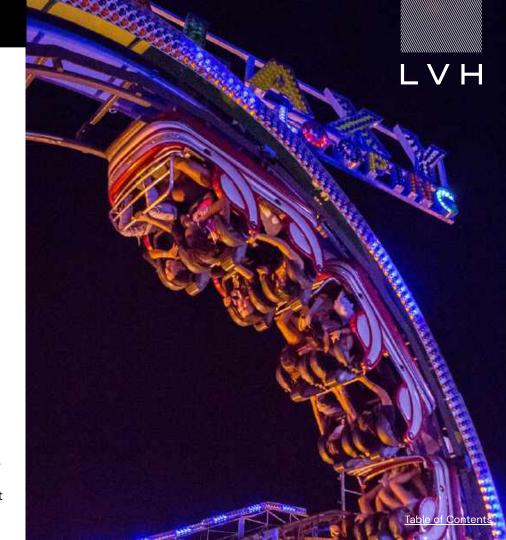


- Play City
   Aquario Aquarium
   Zoological Garden Of Rio De Janeiro
   Planetarium





Whether you're traveling with family or with friends, and you're looking for something a bit different from the beach – a visit to Play City is the perfect idea to consider. This amusement park has a huge shopping center just 30 minutes away from downtown Rio, offering thrills perfect for children and adults.



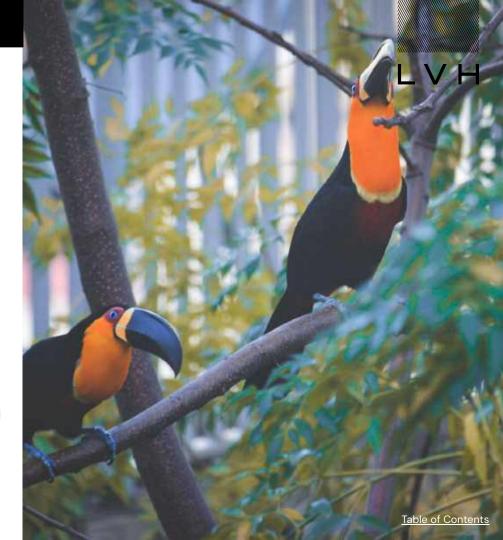


Welcome to South America's largest aquarium belonging to the aptly named Porto Maravilha or Wonder Port. This wondrous complex spans five gargantuan floors and 28 unique marine ecosystems, leaving plenty to discover and marvel at. Dive headfirst into a magical subterranean world totaling more than 350 native and exotic species and more than 100,000 gallons of saltwater. Offering the ultimate fuel for a child's budding imagination, the Marine Aquarium is complete with an enchanting undersea tunnel, touch tanks, and an exciting swim with the fishes itinerary.



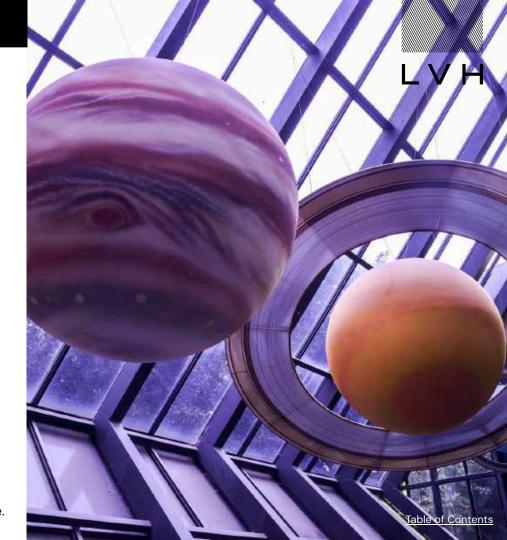


This outstanding open-air conservation center is among the world's finest zoo facilities. Thirty acres of grounds traversing an astonishing breadth of native and exotic reptiles, mammals, and birds have inspired wonder among all age groups. An idyllic family activity, these zoological gardens offer no shortage of interactive features and exciting up-close encounters sure to spark a child's imagination. The famed monkey house is an immediate hit, while the walk-through aviary and night house tantalize with fascinating songs and calls from some of the planet's rarest species.





No visitor returns from a trip to the Planetarium unchanged, and Rio's world-class facilities are no exception. An idyllic activity for curious children or those with a penchant for hands-on activities, the Rio Planetarium is lauded for a great child-friendly itinerary. Interactive experiments, rotating themed exhibits, telescope viewings, and more are sure to kindle a spark of wonder and awe at the mysteries of space.





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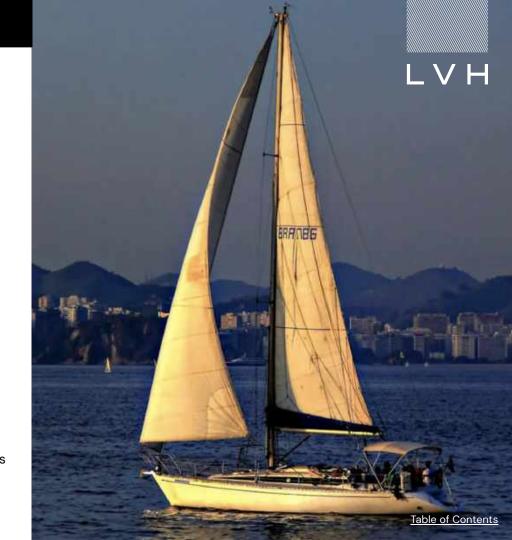


This 2016 Gerstner Skyride – Bom Amigo is suitable for 10 people. It is docked in Marina da Glória. Boat equipment features an outside shower. Cruising with this motorboat is truly enjoyable as it is equipped with outside audio system.



#### FRERS 39.5' | KAMEHAMEHA

2-cabin sailing yacht German Frers 39.5' – Kamehameha was built in 1990, (renovated in 2010,) and it is docked in Marina da Glória. The vessel is suitable for up to 11 people for a daily charter. Sailing yacht Kamehameha offers two heads with showers. Boat equipment features classical mainsail, solar panels and bimini. It also boasts an an audio system, outside speakers and inside speakers. The fully-equipped galley includes a sink and kitchen utensils.



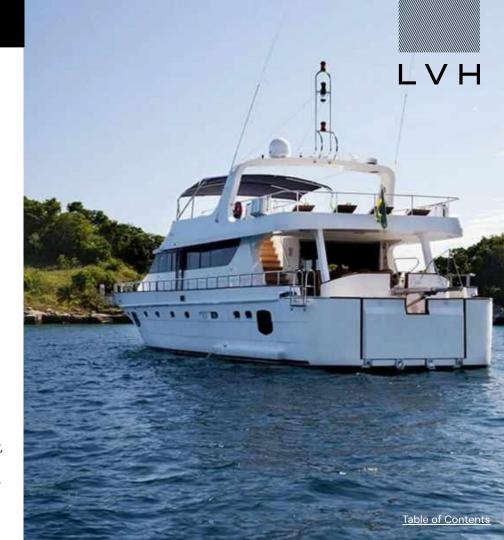
#### **AEROMAR INDIANA 41 | NOVVUEU2**

3-cabin catamaran Aeromar Indiana 41 – Novvueu2 was built in 1999 and can accommodate up to six people in three double cabins. The vessel offers two heads with showers. Boat equipment features classical mainsail, electric winches, solar panels, radar, bbq and bimini. It also boasts a flat screen tv, air conditioning, an audio system and inside speakers. The fully-equipped galley includes a microwave, cooker, sink and kitchen utensils.



#### TRAWLER DM 86' | PRINCE D'AZUR

5-cabin motor yacht Trawler DM 86 - Prince d'Azur was built in 1985, (renovated in 2008,) and it is docked in Marina da Glória. Prince d'Azur is suitable for up to 40 people for a daily charter. Motor yacht Prince d'Azur offers three heads with a shower. Boat equipment features radar, generator, bbq, bimini and outside gps plotter. It also boasts a flat screen tv, heating, air conditioning, washing machine and audio system. The fully-equipped galley includes a microwave, ice maker, freezer, coffee machine and oven.





# **GETTING THERE**

When comfort is a primary consideration when traveling, no small detail should be left to chance. Our agents are committed to ensuring the most lavish transportation arrangements for you. Jumpstart your getaway and let take-off be the beginning of your dream vacation. Indulge in abundant onboard amenities, and arrive in style. At LVH, we believe it's about the journey and the destination.



# **GETTING THERE**



The most popular aircraft types available in Rio include the Citation Mustang and Phenom 100 very light jets, the Citation CJ3 and Citation Encore light jets, the Falcon 100 and Phenom 300 super light jets, the Learjet 60 midsize jet, the Citation Sovereign super midsize and the Challenger 604 large jet.



# **GETTING THERE**



#### **BY PRIVATE JET**

Galeão International Airport is one of the most important airports of Rio de Janeiro, and today, thanks to several expansions and modernizations, it is an efficient and modern facility.



# **CHAUFFEUR**

From the moment you land to the moment you reach your destination, nothing is left to chance. Let our chauffeurs assist you in your journey, providing discretion, professionalism, and comfort. A luxury fleet of vehicles will be at your disposal at any time during your vacation, ensuring punctuality and safety. Rio is a city synonymous with glamor, from the beaches to the bossa nova lounges, from the Sambódromo to the soccer mecca of the Maracana. Glamorous surroundings require a glamorous mode of transportation. A Rio chauffeur service is an ideal way to get around. While you stop to shop or sightseeing, have a professionally licensed chauffeur on standby to whisk you between Copacabana to Ipanema and beyond.



# **CHAUFFEUR**



Successive generations of S-Class Saloon have raised the bar for automotive design and engineering. Combining class-leading levels of luxury and safety with exceptional performance, it is a car created entirely without compromise. This unwavering commitment to excellence is reflected in the sumptuous, beautifully appointed interior using only the finest materials. The exterior styling is elegant and refined.



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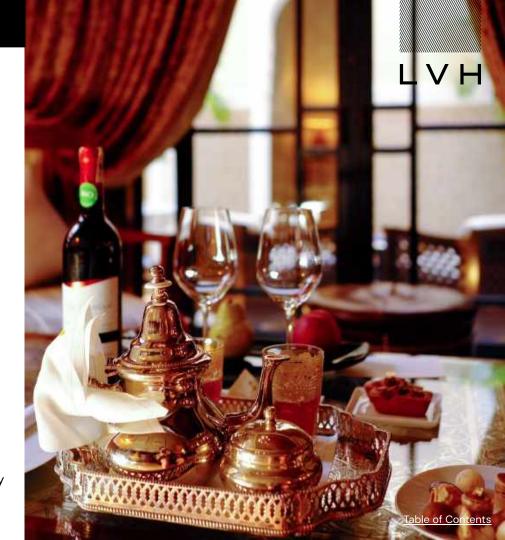
Capable by nature, Defender can handle extreme terrains and confidently takes you from the urban jungle, to shifting sands and icy environments. It is the ideal vehicle for the adventurer. Defender's exterior is without match. Its distinctive silhouette instantly demonstrates the vehicle's character.





# **IN-HOME SERVICES**

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# **IN-HOME SERVICES**

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- Private Dining
- Prepped Meal Delivery
- Events



# **IN-HOME SERVICES**

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- Molecular Mixology
- Artisanal Cocktails
- Prohibition-era Cocktails
- Healthy inspired Cocktails



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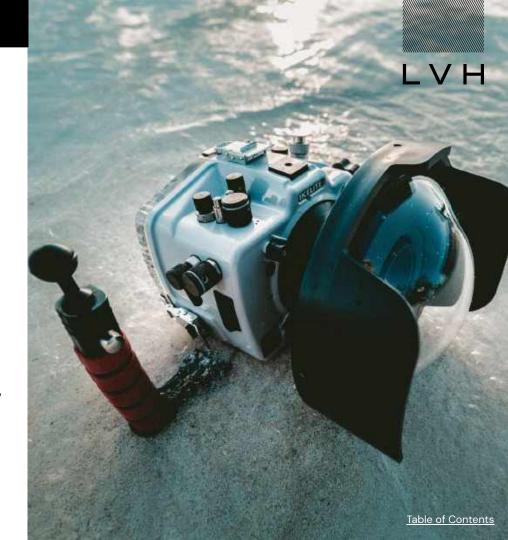
- Dinner Event
- Birthday Celebrations
- Anniversaries
- Showers
- Family Gatherings



## **PHOTOGRAPHER**

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## **DRONE PHOTOGRAPHER**

Capture moments from a higher perspective. Professional Drone Aerial Photographers shoot photos and videos from all sorts of angles. Highly recommended for any water sport moment.

- Special Events
- Gatherings



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- Creating a safe and stimulating environment for the children
- Changing diapers, potty-training (age-appropriate)
- Planning meals, preparing food, and/or feeding the children
- Indoor and outdoor play
- Educational activities and crafts
- Reading to the children





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## **MASSAGE**

A certified massage therapist brings wellness into the privacy of your home. Sessions start with a conversation. By understanding the guests needs and "aches," the therapist can then apply a massage practice from his/her arsenal that best heals the target area.

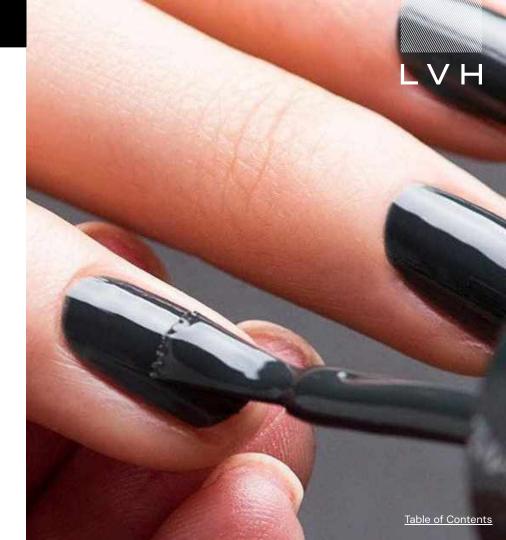
- Therapeutic Massage
- Stone Massage
- Tension Relief Massage
- Holistic Massage
- Sports Massage
- Prenatal Massage
- 4 Hands Massage



## **NAIL SERVICE**

Certified nail technicians provide spa services in the comfort of your home. All technicians use safe, clean, sanitized and quality products. There is a possibility for customized services, such as: scrubs, masks, deep exfoliation.

- Spa Manicure
- Spa Pedicure
- Gel Polish Manicure
- Gel Polish Pedicure
- Nail Art



## HAIR CARE

Great hair, no care, enjoy personal hair styling and makeup services at home. Rio's swanky dining and cocktail scene awaits your grand entrance. Book your picture perfect appointment, and dully indulge in the full pampering service you've always dreamed of, saving you time while looking your absolute best!

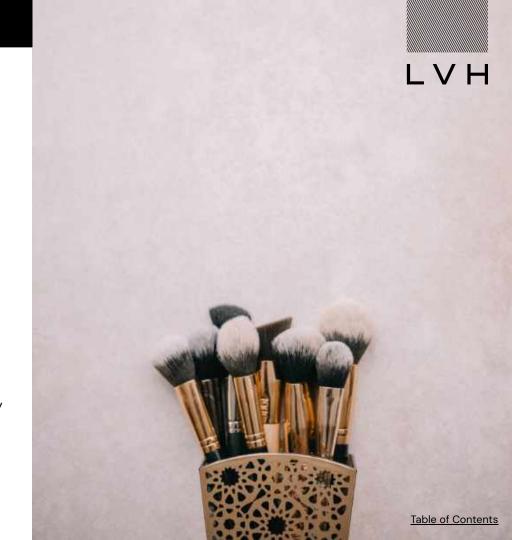
- Haircut
- Braids
- Blowouts
- Dry styling
- Extensions



**BEAUTY SERVICE** 

Your vacation is all about "me time" and taking the time out of your regular hectic day-to-day schedule to get pampered to the nth degree. Consider yourself a pristine canvas and LVH's in-home beauty services personnel are the artists who will bring you to life with their expertise. The end result? A true masterpiece!

- Makeup Application
- Eyebrow Shaping
- Eyelash Extensions
- Spray Tan



### **BARBER**

A man who has sat in a professional barber's chair knows the fabulous feeling of leaving a truer version of himself. Let one of LVH's expert barbers tend to your every need in the privacy of your villa. Nothing beats a skillful, close hot shave with a straight razor in the hands of an experienced tonsorial artist. If you're sporting a beard, a barber can get it silky, soft and trim it just the right length for the fun in the sun!

- Haircut
- Trimming
- Fades
- Braids
- Dry Styling
- Close Shave
- Nose and Ear Trim





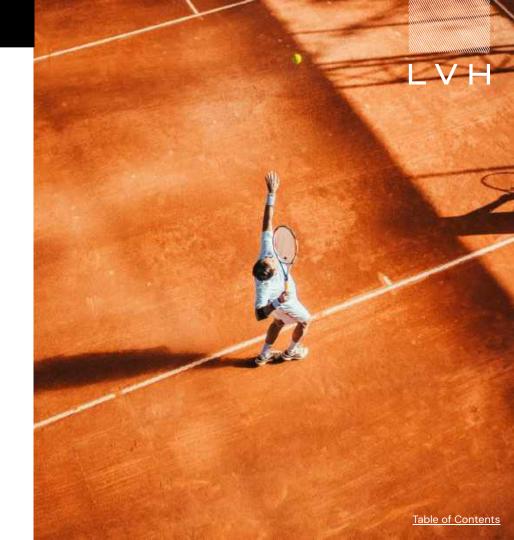
Part of every unforgettable experience is physical wellness and mental well-being. Our selection of world-class trainers and athletes will impart their invaluable know-how in keeping your mind and body in an optimal state. Jumpstart your vacation with a personalized training regimen that will have you astounded at your capabilities. Bring the priceless feeling of accomplishment with you each day as you relish a vacation experience of a lifetime.



## **PRIVATE TENNIS LESSONS**

Private tennis lessons include tailored classes with top-rated and qualified professionals for all levels.

- Improve power
- Footwork
- Depth
- Spins
- Direction



## **PILATES INSTRUCTOR**

Certified pilates teachers design curated classes for individual or group sessions.

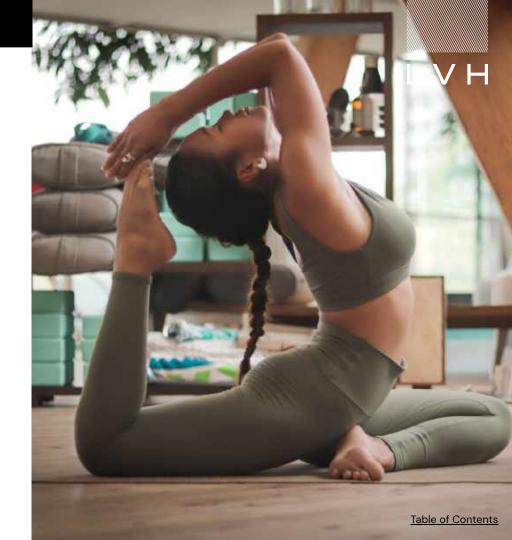
- Classical Pilates
- Mat Pilates
- Contemporary Pilates
- Clinical Pilates



## **YOGA INSTRUCTOR**

Move the body, calm the mind, connect the heart, raise vibes and awaken power with the Rio's leading private yoga instructors.

- Vinyasa Yoga
- Hatha Yoga
- Power Yoga
- Restorative Yoga
- Prenatal Yoga



# LVH

## **WHO WE ARE**

LVH holds the highest standard of excellence in vacation home experience with thousands of ultra-luxury homes in the world's most exclusive global destinations offered with full staff services and personalized to guests' desires.







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