The country of Brazil is home to colorful folk arts traditions, a thriving modern art scene, and magnificent natural wonders. Join group leader Josh Schrei as we spend two weeks exploring some of the most vibrant destinations that this beautiful nation has to offer — from the quaint colonial towns of Minas Gerais to the thriving arts centers of the northeast coast. Highlights include heritage towns, world renowned arts centers and museums, coastal resorts, and of course many local renowned artisans, including ceramicists, lacemakers, block printers, and more.

**September 4th – 16th, 2020**

$4,800 includes all meals, transportation within Brazil, hotels, tips, entrance fees.

Optional 3-day Iguaçu falls extension available for $2,100

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**full itinerary**

**September 4th**

Arrive in Belo Horizonte, capital of the state of Minas Gerais. Check into Hotel Fasano, 5-star property in the heart of Belo Horizonte. Group dinner. Stay overnight.

**September 5th**

After breakfast, drive 1 hour by private bus to the Inhotim Museum, one of the largest outdoor modern art museums in the world. Lunch at Inhotim. After lunch continue on to Tiradentes, one of the most beautiful colonial towns in Brazil. Overnight at Hotel Villa Alféres in Tiradentes, our home for the next three nights.
**September 6th**
Sightseeing day exploring the colonial towns of Tiradentes and São João Del Rei. Visit San Antonio Church, local artisan Mario Mendonça and his world renowned collection of religious art, and the famed Barroco house. Overnight at Hotel Villa Alferes in Tiradentes.

**September 7th**
Day trip (2 hr drive) to the heritage city of Ouro Preto, a magnificent colonial town in the heart of Minas Gerais. Visit local cheesemakers, explore the church of St. Francis, and stroll through art galleries in the historic center. Return to Hotel Villa Alferes in Tiradentes.

**September 8th**
Travel Day — Fly from Belo Horizonte to Recife on the Northeast coast of Brazil. Drive 45 minutes to the heritage town of Olinda, a colonial town right on the coast famed for its arts scene and abundant galleries. Overnight at Hotel 7 Colinas in Olinda, our home for the next 4 nights.

**September 9th – 12th**
From our homebase in the lovely town of Olinda, we’ll explore the state of Pernambuco's famed arts scene, visiting contemporary art galleries, folkloric arts centers, miniature ceramicists, and heritage arts families such as the Borges family, famed for their block printing.

**September 12th**
Short flight from Recife to Fortaleza, in the state of Ceara. Overnight at the beautiful coastal resort of Dom Pedro Laguna outside of Fortaleza, our home for the next 3 nights.

**September 13th – 14th**
We’ll divide our time between relaxing at the beach or pool and visiting the famed lace artisans of Bahia. Both nights we’ll stay again at Dom Pedro Laguna resort outside of Fortaleza.

**September 15th – 18th**
Participants not joining for the Iguazu extension fly home from Fortaleza the evening of the 15th.

Those joining for Iguazu fly to Iguazu and arrive at the luxury Hotel Belmond Das Cataratas, situated right at the falls. We’ll spend three days exploring the falls by foot, by boat, and by helicopter. Those participating in the extension can book their flight home from Iguazu for the evening of the 18th.

**Cost**
$4,800 includes meals, accommodations, flights within Brazil, ground transport within Brazil, park entry fees.

Single room available for $1,200 additional. Itinerary is subject to change.