

BRAZIL Tour 2010

August 11 - 23

SALVADOR DA BAHIA ◦ RIO DE JANEIRO
IGUAÇU FALLS ◦ MANAUS ◦ AMAZON RAIN FOREST

São Paulo - Arrival /Departure Location for the International and Domestic Flights

Experience the People, Culture, Landmarks,
Music, Dances and Beaches!

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\$3,975.00 USD

\$4,250.00 USD after 01/01/10

**Round Trip International
& Domestic Air Fares**

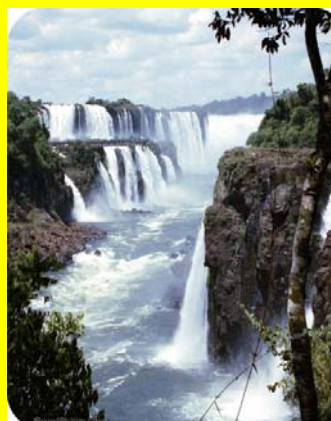
Luxury Ground Transportation

4 Star Hotels Double Occupancy

Daily Meals ◻ Bilingual Tour Guides

Sponsor

MECPS Parent Teachers Association



Registration ◻ Due \$975.00 USD ◻ November 30, 2009

Fee & Form ◻ Due \$1250.00 USD ◻ after January 01, 2010

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BRAZIL 2010 - August 11 - 23 - Destination Guide

International Flight Schedule | Round-trip NYC/São Paulo
TAM Airlines – Premiere Brazil Airlines

Itinerary: Tour Visits

- São Paulo - Only for Arrivals/Departures/International and Domestic Flights
- Salvador da Bahia
- Rio de Janeiro
- Iguazu Falls - located on Brazil/Argentina border
one of the seven natural wonders of the world
- Manaus and the Amazon Rain Forest



B R A Z I L Tour 2010

Sponsor: Medgar Evers College Preparatory School
Parent-Teachers Association

Members of the Tour Company

Medgar Evers College Preparatory School is one of the premiere college preparatory schools in New York City. In July 2009 MECPS was recognized by President Barack Obama as an exemplary public school dedicated to educational excellence and college success for its students. Members of the BRAZIL 2010 tour company are Medgar Evers College Preparatory School administrators, teachers, parents, college collaborators and supporters of “excellence in education” from around the NYC metropolitan area and the country. Children are allowed to be a member of the tour company only if they are at least ten (10) years old and they are accompanied by an adult/parent supervisor throughout the tour.

August Tours

The purpose of the MECPS August Tours is to provide school faculty and staff members and parents with travel options that are both fun and educational. The goal is to develop an international understanding and appreciation of the diverse lifestyles and cultures of people around the world. The development of an international global perspective enhances our ability to raise and teach children so that they in turn will be prepared in the future to be successful and responsible world citizens.

The first MECPS August Tour was the CHINA TOUR 2008. The August trip included visits to five China cities: Shanghai, Suzhou, Hangzhou, Xian and Beijing. The itinerary included a day at the 2008 Summer Olympic Games.

August Tour 2010: Why Brazil?

Brazil covers over half of the continent of South America. It is the fifth largest country in the World. Brazil has the continent’s highest gross national product index and is listed among the top 10 largest world economies. Along side of the nation’s growing global significance co-exists deep economic disparities across regional and racial divides.

Brazil is home to over half of the population of South America. The vast majority of the population lives along the extensive costal areas and in the major cities. The people of modern Brazil are part of a large mosaic of varied ethnic backgrounds. They are renowned for their spirit and vibrancy. Brazilians trace their origins to Portugal and many other countries in Europe, Asia, and various parts of Africa; especially Angola and Nigeria.

Brazil has the largest African-heritage population of any country in the World outside of Nigeria. Bahia served as the largest and most active port-of-call during the trans-Atlantic slave trade period. At present Bahia is the state with the largest number of African-Brazilian residents. Bahia’s music, capoeira fight-dance forms, and the spiritualist Yoruba-Condoblé religion all have their roots in Africa.

<u>2009 Africa Population Profile</u>	<u>Population</u>	
1. Nigeria	131,530,229	Brazil - Black/Brown Population 85,783, 143 Total Population 190,000,000
2. The Republic of Congo	59,319,660	
3. South Africa	47,432,000	

Join Us

Some of the distinctive aspects and images of Brazil and its people that will be enjoyed during the Brazil 2010 Tour include festival celebrations, popular music and dancing, beautiful beaches and beach-culture people, incomparable landscapes, unique flora and fauna that exist only in the Amazon rainforest, striking architecture, prolific and creative artisans and writers and delicious specialized and international cuisine.

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Salvador da Bahia ○ Rio de Janeiro
Iguaçu Falls ○ Manaus ○ Amazon Rain Forest

São Paulo - Arrival /Departure Location for the International and Domestic Flights

DAY	Transportation	ITINERARY DETAILS
08/11/2010 Wednesday NYC to Salvador	TAM Airlines	AM Depart JFK Flight to Salvador da Bahia with full amenities and meals.
D1 B,L 08/12/2010 Thursday São Paulo to Salvador da Bahia	TAM Airlines Motor Coach	○Arrive Salvador da Bahia 12:55 am. ○Clear customs, retrieve luggage. ○Meet tour guide, transfer to hotel. Check-in Four-star deluxe, ocean view Vila Gale Hotel. Orientation. ○Breakfast ○City tour: Pelourinho, UNESCO World Heritage Site. Last slave market in Brazil, first African church in the western hemisphere, art galleries, crafts, souvenirs. ○Evening Free for Personal Options
D2 B,L,D 08/13/2010 Friday Salvador da Bahia	Motor Coach	○Music history and samba lessons with director of ILE Aiye (Afro- Brazilian band) widely acclaimed for participation in Carnival spectaculars and the preservation of indigenous cultural arts. ○Shopping! Visit famous Gem Galleries for Bahian fine jewelry and precious stones. ○Spectacular, “Bahia by Night,” a cultural performance featuring indigenous songs and folk dances and concludes with a brilliant Capoeira Performance.
D3 B,L B,L,D 08/14/2010 Saturday Salvador da Bahia	Motor Coach	○One of the highlights of the Tour 2010 ○Town of Cachoeira: The world-renowned Festival of the Good Death (Boa Morte), celebrated each year from August 13-15, one of the most important events of Candomblé, a blend of African spirituality and Catholicism. Led by women who are direct descendants of African slaves. Festival honors the female spirit and the Assumption of the Virgin Mary.
D4 B,L 08/15/2010 Sunday Salvador da Bahia	Motor Coach	○“A day-at-the-beach.” To City Harbor and travel by schooner to Priest Island for an island tour. Itaparica, the second island visit during the day. Visit the original “Fountain of Youth,” relax and enjoy the beach.
D5 B,L 08/16/2010 Monday Salvador da Bahia to Rio de Janeiro	Coach to Airport TAM Airlines	○Breakfast at Hotel in Salvador ○Depart for Rio. Arrive at 2:30 pm. Meet tour guide. ○Arrive Miramar Hotel steps from Copacabana Beach, near shopping, restaurants, and local attractions. Check in. Orientation. ○Evening Free for Personal Options.

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D6 B,L 08/17/2010 Tuesday Rio de Janeiro	Motor Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Breakfast at Hotel. ○Tour of City, Corcovado, the enormous soapstone statue of Christ and Sugarloaf Mountain. ○Evening Free for Personal Options.
D7 B,L 08/18/2010 Wednesday Rio/Iguaçu Falls	Motor Coach TAM Airines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Breakfast at Hotel. ○Afternoon flight to Iguaçu Falls. ○Meet tour guide. Check-in Hotel Continental. Orientation. ○Evening Free for Personal Options.
D8 B,L 08/19/2010 Thursday Iguaçu Falls	Motor Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Breakfast at Hotel. ○Full Day of Tours. Iguaçu Falls, one of the seven natural wonders of the world. Second tour, visit one of the largest hydro-electric plants in the world. ○Evening Free for Personal Options
D9 B,L 08/20/2010 Friday Iguacu Falls to Manaus	TAM Airlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Breakfast at Hotel. ○Morning flight to São Paulo for connection to Manaus and Amazon Rain Forest. ○Meet tour guide. Travel Hotel Da Vinci. Check-in. Orientation ○Evening Free for Personal Options
D10 B,L 08/21/2010 Saturday Amazon Rain Forest	Motor Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Breakfast at Hotel ○Full day tour of Rain Forest. Observe amazing variety of flora and fauna. See the unique meeting of the waters of the Black and Solimões Rivers. ○Lunch on a Floating Restaurant. ○Evening Free for Personal Options
D11 B,L 08/22/2010 Sunday Manaus	Motor Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Breakfast at Hotel ○City tour: Teatro Amazonas, Mercado Municipal and Shopping. ○ End of Tour Dinner
Day 12 08/23/2010 Monday Manaus to São Paulo to NYC	TAM Airlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○12:55 am Flight from Manaus to Sao Paulo for connection to JFK. ○Arrive JFK 4:45 pm

Variations may occur in tour itinerary as a result of changes in admission requirements for events and/or venues or weather conditions.

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BRAZIL TOUR 2010
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Registration Form and Fee Payment Schedule

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Registration Form

All information provided will be secured and maintained in strict confidence.

*Name: _____
As it appears on your passport

*Passport: _____
Issued from which country?

*Date of Birth _____

*Passport number: _____

*Passport Expiration
Date: _____

Address: _____

Town/City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone _____

Mobile/Cell Phone: _____ email _____

Occupation: _____

Roommate Preference: I have roommate _____ (name) _____

Choose roommate _____

I/We would like _____ two single beds
_____ one large bed

Your Gender: _____ Male _____ Female

Non-smoker: _____ Smoker _____

Do You Speak
Other languages? _____
Which Language(s)

How did you hear about tour? _____

*Hotels require this information.

Diet:

_____ Specific restrictions/or requests

_____ No restrictions.

_____ I do not eat red meat.

_____ I do not eat eggs.

_____ I do not eat dairy products.

_____ I do not eat chicken or turkey.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND SIGN BELOW

I hereby certify that:

1. I have read, understand and will abide by the tour participant stipulations and the payment and refund policy as indicated in the Tour Joint Venture Agreement for the B R A Z I L Tour 2010 August 11-23.
2. I am in general good physical health. I am aware that there will be some walking, hiking over uneven ground, and climbing and other such activities.
3. Health restrictions _____.
4. I understand that the tour guides are not certified as medical personnel.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON • August 11 - 23, 2010

Name: _____

Address: _____

Relationship: _____

Email _____

Daytime phone: _____ evening phone _____

Registration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$975.00 USD	November 30, 2009
Deposit Fee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1250.00 USD	after January 01, 2010

Money Order/ Checks
Made Out To:

Three Rivers Tours

Mail/Forward
Payment
Registration Form

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They will be with us
for the entire tour.

Cashier's Checks, Postal Money Orders and credit cards (via pay pal) are acceptable payment forms.
The tour fee balance of \$3,000.00 is due as follows:

2nd installment \$1,500.00 - February 28, 2010
Final installment \$1,500.00 - May 30, 2010

*PLEASE MAKE A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION FORMS FOR YOUR RECORDS.
RECEIPTS FOR ALL PAYMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED.*

Payment Information - Please check one option:

Cashier's Check US Postal Money Order Credit Card (paypal)

All Checks or Money Orders should be made out to: Three Rivers Tours

Payment can be made on-line through Pay Pal via: paypal.com.

o Follow the prompt, "Send Money On-line." "Organization: Three Rivers Tours"
e-mail - Threerivertours@yahoo.com

The pay pal payment option provides confidential payments without added processing costs.

Credit Card Number _____ CVVCode: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Credit Card Type _____

Name on Credit Card _____

Return completed registration form and payment information to

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