

From the “cidade maravilhosa” (marvellous city) of Rio, with one of the most spectacular settings for a city on earth, we ride out joining the emerald coast, one of the world’s most beautiful coastal rides. Following the coastline we will visit wonderful colonial towns, enjoy chilled coconuts on the beach and dine in seafood restaurants. Turning inland we visit the Germanic village of Blumenau and ride the amazing Serra Do Rio Do Rastro before continuing west to the world’s greatest waterfalls at Foz Do Iguacu. Wonderful tropical beaches, mountains, jungles, waterfalls and some spectacular riding awaits us on this experience rich taste of Brazil.

## The ride

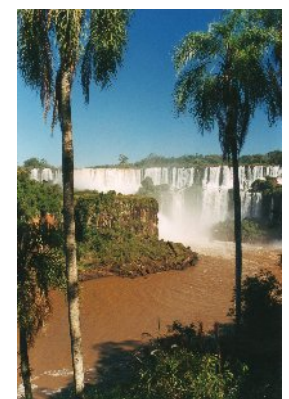
### Week One

We can’t think of a better way to start our tour than sunset drinks from the lofty heights of Pao de Azucar with the vibrant Rio far below. A full day is spent in Rio with a trip up to Cristo redentor, the famous statue of Christ, and some time to explore the famous beaches of Ipenema and Copacabana. We then ride south along the magnificent emerald coast to the wonderful village of Paraty where we can spend the day sailing amongst the tropical islands on a twin mastered yacht or explore the area on the bikes, the choice is yours. We follow the coast road toward Bertoiga where we can enjoy an ice cold beer or a refrigerated coconut or simply idle away the time walking along the long sandy beaches. Next port of call, literally, is the wonderful port town of Antonina we can explore the colonial centre and scenic beach of Baia de Paranagua.



### Week Two

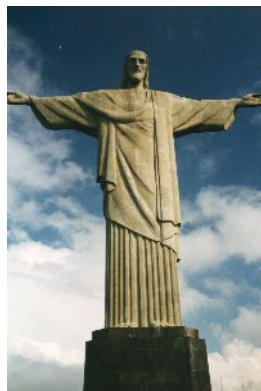
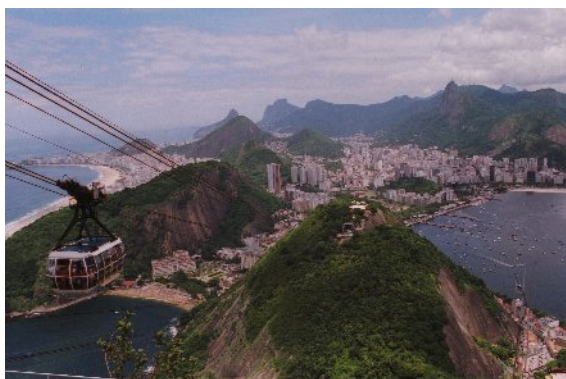
We ride into the Vale do Itajai and stop at the Germanic city of Blumenau. A unique Brazilian city, Blumenau was settled by German settlers in the mid 18<sup>th</sup> century and has retained a strong German identity; it is an amazing place where you will think that we have stepped back into the black forest region of Germany, we spend two nights here. From Blumenau we ascend into the Serra do Rio do Rastro toward Brazil’s highest city of Sao Joaquim sitting 1355m/4445ft but not before riding the amazing mountain road that stretches from Bom Jardim to Sao Joaquim through Araucaria forests. Continuing east we ride across Brazil before arriving at one of the world’s greatest sights, Foz do Iguacu. With over 275 waterfalls plummeting over 80m/262ft you will hear the roar long before you see the mighty Iguacu falls. This is one of the world’s great sights one that will leave you awestruck. We spend three nights visiting the falls from both the Argentinean and Brazilian sides. Included in the tour price are a host of things to do, such as a jet boat ride up to the falls, a helicopter ride over the falls and a canoe trip through the backwaters of the Rio Iguacu. We celebrate this amazing ride with a cabaret show and all you can eat Churrascaria, the quintessential Brazilian experience. Our last day is spent with a included flight back to Rio.



## Tour Highlights

- Rio do Janeiro
- Riding the Costa Verde
- Colonial town of Paraty
- Sailing amongst the tropical islands
- Riding the Serra do Rio do Rastro
- Foz do Iguazu

## The route



## What's Included

- Airport transfers
- Flight from Foz do Iguazu to Rio do Janeiro
- Motorcycle rental **BMW F 650 GS**
- GPS, with waypoints pre programmed in for entire expedition
- Fuel
- Tolls
- Border paperwork
- Support vehicle with passenger carrying ability
- Non alcoholic drinks on support vehicle
- Breakfasts everyday, lunches and dinners on all riding days
- Accommodation in excellent small hotels
- **Bonus night** accommodation
- Services of ride leader and support vehicle driver
- Pre departure material and route maps
- Access to satellite phones, pay per minute
- Compass Expeditions dress shirt and baseball cap
- Entrances to Corcovado, Sugar Loaf Mountain
- Schooner sailing around the islands off Paraty
- Helicopter flight/ boat trip/ train trip and entrances into Foz do Iguazu

## What's not included

- International Flights
- Visas (if required)
- Personal spending money
- Lunches and dinners on non riding days
- Personal health insurance
- Tips and gratuities

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# General Tour information

The following information is relevant to this tour, please read carefully and if you have more questions please email us on [info@compassexpeditions.com](mailto:info@compassexpeditions.com)

## Ride profile

### Grade One



Please refer to FAQ page on our website for full details on our grading system

**Total distance:** 2340ks/1460miles  
**Days on bike:** 8

100% of this ride is on pavement, however some sections of pavement can be potholed. Brazilian drivers can adopt a cavalier approach to road rules, riders need to be aware.

The ride follows the coast on sometimes winding twisting roads. We ride an amazing series of twisties in the Serro do Rastro.

Suitable for and two up riding.

## Accommodation

- 13 nights hotels & 1 bonus night.
- Accommodation generally in 3 to 4 star hotels, for a list of our accommodation styles please refer to our FAQ page on our website.
- A flexible attitude is needed as standards are not always what we are accustomed to.

**Single supplement :** US\$ 700

## Included meals

**Breakfasts:** 12  
**Lunches:** 8  
**Dinners:** 8

On everyday of the tour we provide breakfast, on all ride days we provide a picnic lunch that we prepare ourselves from our mobile kitchen, on all ride days we provide dinner in a reliable restaurant that we have used many times before.

## General info

- Please note that you will need to be in **Rio do Janeiro** one day prior to start of expedition
- Please note your international flight will need to be booked for the day after tour end.
- All prices are based on rental of **BMW F 650 GS** for 1150 GS add US\$ 720
- For bookings of 60 days or less that have an **“included flight”** a surcharge of **US\$ 200** is added
- It is a requirement that all clients have appropriate insurance for this type of expedition.



## Small groups



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