PARATY 3 days / 2 nights

Paraty is a beautiful colonial city considered a World Heritage Site and, along with Ilha Grande, registered as a Mixed Heritage Site (the first in Brazil), recognized for both its cultural and natural aspects. The city preserves, until nowadays, its countless natural and architectural charms. Walking through the Historic Center of Paraty is like entering another era. In the eighteenth century, it was an important port through which drained gold and precious stones of Minas Gerais to be shipped to Portugal. However, the constant pirate's assaults who took refuge in close beaches, changed the gold route leading the city to a great economic isolation. Around the 70's, due to easier access through a new road, Paraty has become a more touristic place due to its history, beautiful nature and landscape.



Day 1 - IN / PARATY

Transfer in from São Paulo or Rio (not included, please refer to the additional cost table). Arrival in Paraty and accommodation. Free evening to discover the city. Overnight.

Day 2 - PARATY (B)

Breakfast for a free day or choose one optional activity listed below. Overnight. It is possible to add extra nights on the stay. To enjoy some good activities, we recommend 3 nights minimum.

DAY 3 - PARATY / NEXT DESTINATION (B)

Breakfast and free morning or choose on optional activity listed below. Then transfer out to São Paulo or Rio (not included).

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

<u>Historical Walking – 1h30 – 2h</u>

With one of our local hosts walk the historic old town of Paraty, a UNESCO nominated World Heritage site. Beautiful colonial architecture, street design ahead of its time, exiled Portuguese royalty and the dark past of the slave trade – these are just some of the ingredients that make Paraty history rich and colourful from the past to the present day.

Private Boat trip – 4h – 5h

On the scheduled time, depart for a Boat Trip at Paraty Bay. Paraty is surrounded by lush rain forest vegetation. The bay is an unforgettable place with its crystalline water, perfect for swimming and snorkeling. Stops on islands or remote beaches will be made along the program.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit under your clothing; bring a towel, sunscreen, hat and bottled water. Mask and snorkel available on the schooner. **Lunch on board can be added to the program.**

<u>Jeep ride – Rain Forest / Cachaça distillery / Gold Trail – 5–6h</u>

On the Scheduled time, take a chance to visit the Atlantic Rain Forest. You'll discover Serra da Bocaina National Park and its diversity of fauna and flora besides its stunning and relaxing waterfalls. The first stop will be at the Gold Trail exhibition, where you can learn about the importance of this trail for Paraty's development. Afterwards, have a hiking until Tobogã Waterfall, famous for the possibility to slip off above the stone. Go to a short walk until Tarzan Waterfall; a nice place to swim. Depart to visit 'Alambique' Engenho D'Ouro, the place where the 'cachaça' (alcoholic Brazilian beverage, made from the sugar cane) is made. Taste different kinds of cachaça. Have lunch at a typical restaurant (not included). Visit Pedra Branca Waterfall and Bromelia Spot, where there are more than 300 species of beautiful plants. Drive back to the Hotel.

Stand Up Paddle - 2h

The protected flat waters of Paraty's bay provide perfect Stand up paddling conditions. After the safety instructions at Jabaquara beach, just outside the old town, we paddle around, visiting a mangrove area, and Itu Beach. Drinking water is included.

Sea Kayaking Bay – 3-4h

If you want to get closer to nature without the noise of a motor boat this is a great option to see wildlife and visit places like the mangroves, islands and beaches nearby. The views of the old town and the coastal mountain range behind Paraty are spectacular. There are various options of routes! No previous experience is required. We give paddling and safety instructions for sea kayaks.

Mamangua Sugar Loaf Peak -7-8h

Private transfer to Paraty Mirim and then a boat to Saco do Mamanguá. Hike up Mamanguá Sugarloaf Peak (500m). On the way back, stop for lunch (not included) in a restaurant in the Bay of Paraty and swim at islands and beaches.

DAILY DEPARTURES – THE ITINERARY MAY CHANGE ACCORDING TO CLIMATE CONDITIONS REQUEST PRICING

Seasons:

Villas de Paraty

Low Season: May, June, August and September

Shoulder Season: March, April, July 1st to 14th (except FLIP– Literature Festival)

High Season: January 24^{th} to February 29^{th} , July 15^{th} to 31^{st} , October, November and December 1^{st} to

15th.

Pousada do Ouro

Low Season: April 1st to June 30th and August 1st to November 30th.

High Season: January 1st to March 31st (except New Year and Carnival) and July (except FLIP—Literature Festival).

Casa Turquesa

Low Season: May, June, September, October and November.

High Season: January (except New Year), February (except Carnival), March, April, July (except FLIP – Literature Festival), August and December (except Christmas).

ACCOMMODATION:

Pousada Villas de Paraty

Pousada Marquesa

Pousada do Ouro

Pousada Literária

Pousada Casa Turquesa

INCLUDED:

2 nights' accommodation in Paraty with breakfast (B)

NOT INCLUDED:

Flights;

Travel insurance;

Phone calls and personal expenses;

Beverages and meals, which are not specified;

All other services stated as optional or not explicitly stated as included.

Transfers in/out from São Paulo or Rio de Janeiro – select according to your airport arrival.