

GUIDE TO BELÉM

a complete guide
to planning your
trip to COP30

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INTRODUCTION

This guide was created by the initiative **Shapers for Climate**, a collaborative project of the Global Shapers Community in Brazil, linked to the World Economic Forum.

The project aims to strengthen the role of youth in the climate agenda by expanding dialogue, creating learning spaces, and driving local actions connected to global challenges.

With COP30 taking place in the Amazon, **Shapers for Climate** prepared this guide so that everyone visiting Belém can enjoy a more complete experience in the city.

This edition of the Conference of the Parties is historic: for the first time, it is being held in the Amazon, a key region for global discussions on climate, biodiversity, and sustainability.

Belém, as the host city, welcomes you to experience firsthand the cultural, gastronomic, and environmental richness of the Amazon.

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BELÉM'S LOCATION

Belém is the capital of the state of Pará, located in the Northern region, the second-largest state in Brazil by territorial extension.



In addition to its geographic importance, Belém also stands out for its cultural and historical richness.

Known as the “Gateway to the Amazon”, the city blends Indigenous, Portuguese, and African influences.





HOW TO GET THERE

As mentioned, Belém is the gateway to the Amazon and is well connected to Brazil and the world.

Belém's Val-de-Cans/Júlio Cezar Ribeiro International Airport, located 12 km from the city center, receives daily flights from major Brazilian capitals, as well as international routes.

In addition to air travel, it is also possible to reach Belém by river, as the city receives boats connecting various municipalities in the Amazon region.

For those who prefer to travel by land, the capital is connected to other cities via federal highways, such as the BR-316, which links it to the interior of the state and the Northeast region of the country.



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Some useful information about Belém International Airport

Airlines at the Airport

Domestic airlines



International
airlines



Main domestic and international destinations



Brasília (DF), Guarulhos (SP), Campinas (SP), Fortaleza (CE),
Manaus (AM), São Luís (MA) and Recife (PE)



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Lisbon
(Portugal)



AIRFRANCE

Cayenne
(French Guiana)



SURINAM AIRWAYS

Paramaribo
(Suriname)



Miami (USA),
Fort Lauderdale (USA)



Republic Square

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Belém, also known as the “**City of Mango Trees**” because of the large number and beauty of the mango trees that adorn its streets and squares, has a population of almost 1.4 million, according to the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Like all Brazilian municipalities, Belém has a political-administrative structure composed of two branches: the Executive Branch, led by the mayor and exercised by the city hall, and the Legislative Branch, exercised by the Municipal Council, made up of elected councilors.



The mayor of Belém, Igor Normando (on the right),
and the vice mayor, Cássio Andrade (on the left)

In Numbers:

- 35 councilors in the Municipal Council
- 24 departments in the Executive Branch





GASTRONOMY

Belém offers its visitors one of the most authentic and vibrant culinary experiences in Brazil, being recognized as the capital of Amazonian gastronomy.

The city blends traditional flavors with contemporary innovations, using unique ingredients from the Amazon rainforest, such as tucupi, jambu, and açaí. Its cuisine is a celebration of cultural diversity, inherited from Indigenous, African, and Portuguese influences.

Whether in a world-renowned restaurant or at a stall in Ver-o-Peso, every dish tells a piece of the Amazonian story.



Tacacá



Maniçoba



Vatapá



Açaí

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Some typical foods of Belém you can't miss trying



Tacacá

Tacacá is a type of hot broth or soup made with tucupi (a yellow liquid extracted from bitter cassava), tapioca gum, dried shrimp, and jambu, an herb that produces a numbing sensation in the mouth.



Açaí

Açaí is a purple fruit native to the Amazon region, produced by the açaí palm and consumed in various forms, such as pulp, juices, and bowls, often served with flour or other fruits.



Maniçoba

Also known as the “feijoada without beans,” maniçoba has as its main ingredient the cooked bitter cassava leaf, usually served with meats, rice, and flour.



PLACES TO STAY IN BELÉM

Belém has an extensive hotel network, offering options for every type of visitor. From international chains to inns and boutique hotels, the city is well prepared to welcome tourists and event attendees with comfort and quality.

With more than 15,000 available beds, the strategic location of most hotels—close to the historic center, the gastronomic hub at Estação das Docas, and the airport—ensures ease of travel.

Top Places to Stay in Belém According to Booking.com

★★★★★

Grand Mercure Belem do Para

Avenida Nazare, 375, Belém — [Ótima localização](#) — [Exibir no mapa](#)

7,8 Bom · 518 avaliações

★★★

Hotel Grão Para

Avenida Presidente Vargas, 718 - Praça da Republica - Centro, Belém — [Excelente localização](#) — [Exibir no mapa](#)

8,2 Muito bom · 4.351 avaliações

★★★

Hotel Beira Rio

Av. Lauro Müller, Esquina com R. Nilo Maestri, Brusque — [Ótima localização](#) — [Exibir no mapa](#)

7,9 Bom · 666 avaliações

★★★

ibis Styles Belem Nazare

Av. Nazaré, 569, Belém — [Excelente localização](#) — [Exibir no mapa](#)

8,2 Muito bom · 1.599 avaliações

★★★★★

Radisson Hotel Belém

Avenida Bras de Aguiar, 321, Belém — [Excelente localização](#) — [Exibir no mapa](#)

8,3 Muito bom · 615 avaliações



Every second Sunday in October, Belém celebrates the **Círio de Nazaré** procession, a Catholic festival that brings together more than 2 million people on a route of almost 4 km through the streets of the capital of Pará.



SHOPPING & MARKETS

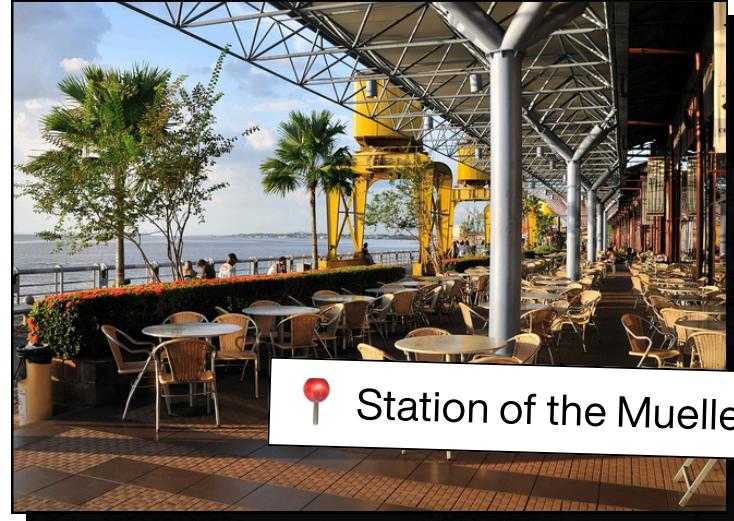
Belém's commerce is an attraction in itself, bringing together traditional markets and modern shopping centers.



Market Ver-o-Peso

The **Ver-o-Peso Market** is the most famous, considered the largest open-air market in Latin America, where visitors can find medicinal herbs, exotic fruits, spices, and traditional handicrafts.

The **Estação das Docas** is another spot that combines shops, gastronomy, and culture along the shores of Guajará Bay, making it an excellent place to enjoy the sunset.



Station of the Muelles

For those seeking convenience, **Boulevard Shopping** and **Pátio Belém** offer a variety of shops and entertainment, while the Sunday fair at Praça da República is a perfect place to find handicrafts and local products.

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Discover Belém through its flavors: restaurant recommendations for Amazonian cuisine

Click on the image for more information



Remanso de Belém

Address: Conj. Célsio Malcher, 64 - Marco,
Belém - PA, 66093-059

Contact: +55 (91) 9 9206-7677

Is delivery available? No

4,5 ★★★★★



Amazônia na Cuia

Address: Rua Domingos Marreiros, 851 -
Umarizal, Belém - PA, 66055-215

Contact: +55 (91) 9 8103-0036

Is delivery available? Yes

4,8 ★★★★★



Point do Açaí D'Amazônia

Address: Blvd. Castilhos França, 744 - Campina,
Belém - PA, 66010-020

Contact: +55 (91) 3225-4647

Is delivery available? Yes

4,6 ★★★★★



Casa do Saulo Onze Janelas

Address: R. Siqueira Mendes, S/N - Cidade
Velha, Belém - PA, 66020-310

Contact: +55 (91) 9 9933-84511

Is delivery available? Yes

4,6 ★★★★★



CULTURE AND HERITAGE

Belém's culture is characterized by its diversity and the preservation of its historical heritage.

It combines ancestral traditions with the modernity of a metropolis, reflecting its identity in popular festivals, artistic expressions, and the everyday life of its welcoming people.

Next, discover some of the city's main tourist attractions.



Learn more about these cultural landmarks



Located in Praça da República, it is the largest theater in the Northern Region and one of the most luxurious in Brazil. It is also the first opera house in the Amazon and one of the earliest lyric theaters in the country (**open to the general public**).



It is the first zoobotanical park in Brazil, the oldest scientific institution in the Amazon, and the second natural history museum in the country (**open to the general public**).



A Brazilian park and theater, it was the official residence of the state governors and also served as the headquarters of the State Secretariat of Culture (SECULT) of Pará (**open to the general public**).



Metropolitan Cathedral of Belém, or simply Catedral da Sé, is a Catholic church dedicated to Our Lady of Grace, known locally as Santa Maria de Belém (**open to the general public**).



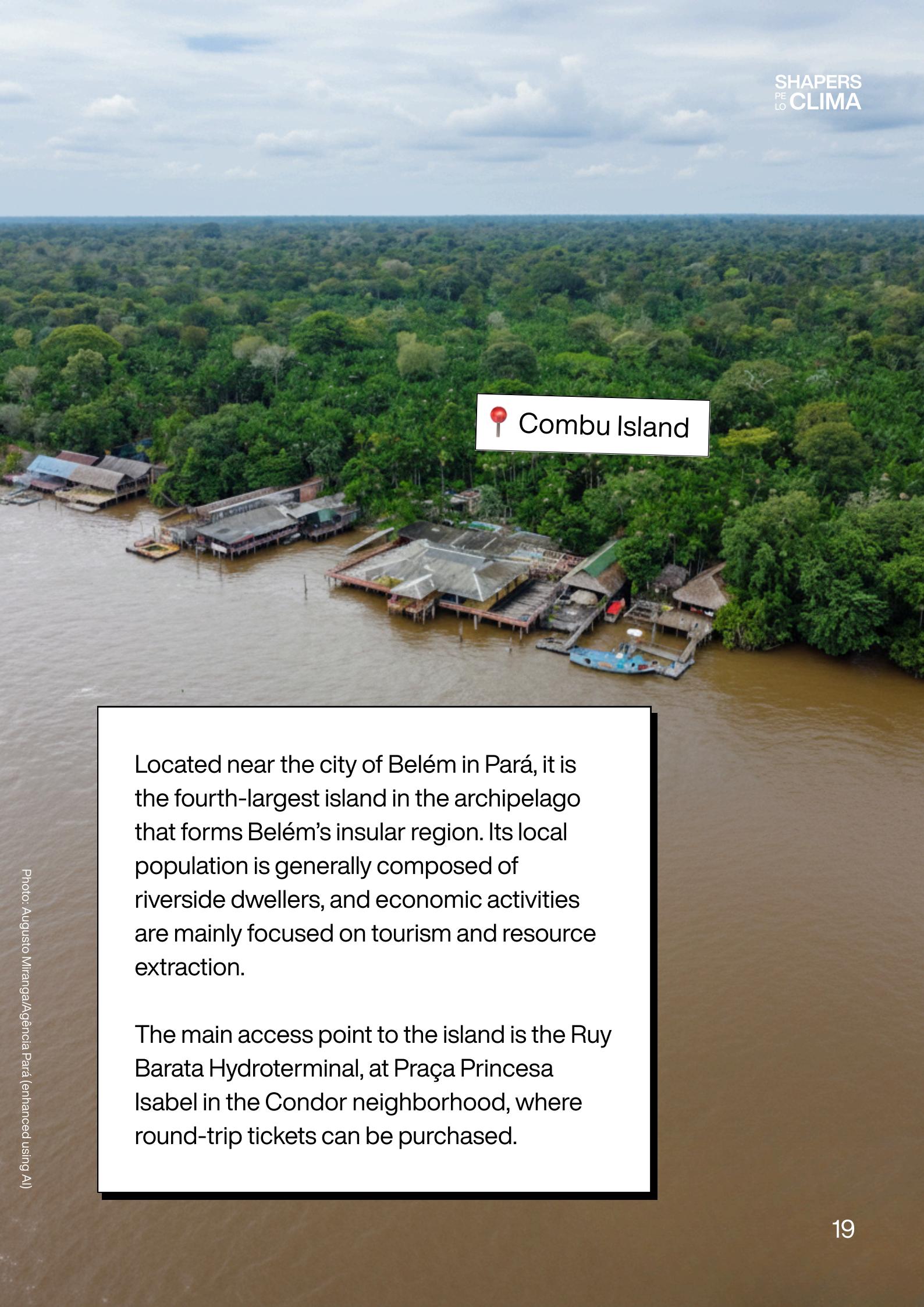
BELÉM'S NATURE

In Belém, nature is always close.

Mangal das Garças is an ecological park featuring a butterfly house, a panoramic viewpoint, and a restaurant integrated into the Amazonian landscape.

Additionally, Combu Island, accessible in just a few minutes by boat, offers a riverside experience and is famous for its artisanal chocolate made from local cacao.





📍 Combu Island

Located near the city of Belém in Pará, it is the fourth-largest island in the archipelago that forms Belém's insular region. Its local population is generally composed of riverside dwellers, and economic activities are mainly focused on tourism and resource extraction.

The main access point to the island is the Ruy Barata Hydroterminal, at Praça Princesa Isabel in the Condor neighborhood, where round-trip tickets can be purchased.



COWORKING SPACES

Belém has several coworking spaces, catering to both independent professionals and companies from various sectors, offering opportunities for experience sharing, networking, and collaboration.



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for more info!

A few examples:



DO IT Coworking

Address: R. Avertano Rocha, 192 -
Campina, Belém - PA, 66023-120

Website: doitcw.com.br



Elephant Coworking

Address: Av. Gov. José Malcher, 153 -
Nazaré, Belén - PA, 66035-065

Website: elephantcoworking.com.br



HUB Coworking

Address: Av. Roberto Camelier, 558 -
Jurunas, Belén - PA, 66033-640

Website: hubcoworking.com.br



DO IT Coworking

Address: R. Avertano Rocha, 192 -
Campina, Belén - PA, 66023-120

Website: <https://doitcw.com.br/>



EMERGENCY CONTACTS

In Brazil, there are public emergency numbers available for different situations.

Here are a few of them:

Military Police – 190

Responsible for preventive patrolling, preventing crimes, and ensuring public safety in the cities.

Mobile Emergency Care Service (SAMU) – 192

Acts in firefighting, rescue of people in risky situations, and in disaster relief and response.

Fire Department – 193

It is involved in firefighting, rescuing people in situations of risk, life saving, and disaster responses.

Civil Defense – 199

Organizes actions for the prevention, response, and mitigation of natural disasters and emergencies in the community.

Women's Support Line – 180

Service for women victims of violence, providing guidance, support, and activation of protection networks.



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