Brazil: Welcome to the South American giant!

Brazil is a South American country famous for its tourist attraction features, soccer, dances and other unique features. Brazil is the largest region of South America; it is centrally located making access to other nations easy. The country is unique as it boarders all South American countries with the exception of Ecuador and Chile. The country is rated fifth in the largest world countries. With supermodels, samba, world soccer stars and other most fascinating features Brazil presents itself as the best South American tourist destination.

Brazil is on the equator and the tropic of Capricorn cut through it as well; most of the Brazilian population lives in the tropics but others also live in the seaside and highland areas. The temperature is moderate with amazing and rich forests. Brazilians are the most welcoming people in the world; we visited this country last year to familiarize ourselves with the big nation hosting the 2014 FIFA world cup. Some of the daily ingredients I enjoyed myself include bass, nova, samba, soccer and beer. The nightlife in the cities is worth remembering, with carnival one of the major events celebrated in February annually. The Brazilian monuments, escarpments, falls and rich equatorial rain forests paint the large Brazilian picture. Here are some of the great things to do in Brazil.

Christ the Redeemer

This is one of the most cherished statues in the world and it is listed in the Seven Wonders of the World. Who does not want to associate him or herself with such exquisite and unique features? Since, Brazil is mostly a Christian catholic nation the statue is of high religious meaning and many Catholics visit there in large numbers annually. It is a hundred and twenty feet tall on the Corcovado Mountains in an area overlooking Rio de Janeiro; the statue was created by Landowski Paul and designed by Heitor Da Silva Costa. What more could I want other than taking pictures of the amazing statue? It is symbolic showing how the Brazilian people are friendly, warmly and welcoming!

Beaches and mountains of Rio De Janeiro

The tropical beaches ranging from Copacabana and Ipanema form some of the best tropical beaches in Rio de Janeiro area in Brazil. The meandering coastline, the exquisite beaches and the sultry tropical pleasure of Rio makes it one of the favorite tourist destinations. Most hotels are local on the beachfront making them unique through foods and drinks served while enjoying the ocean breeze. The mountains are legendary and sugar loaf is one of them named after Portuguese sailors resembled it to lumps of sugar. We could enjoy the breeze while sipping on some local drinks from the region. Personally, I do not eat different kind of food that I am not used to but, the Brazilian cuisine made me think twice the fish was sumptuous and mouth watering.

Brazil has extensive sandy beaches ranging to over two thousand miles lined with ; coral reefs, emerald green waters , coconut palms, mangroves just to name a few of the exhilarating features of the beaches. We used to relax and sunbathe on the beaches while playing games , taking pictures and building sand castles.

 Manaus gateway to Amazon forests

Manaus is a region in the heart of the Amazon jungle adjacent to Rio Negro, which later joins the Amazon River. Manaus is renowned for rubber trade, which goes back to the seventeenth century. It has all the colonial artifacts and monument. It is one of the places we visited while in Brazil while getting into the Amazon jungle. Boat rides and other water sports activities are the most unforgettable things to do in Brazil.  We got some help from the locals on how to ride the boats from one end of the river to the next; this was an amazing experience I have ever had. Armed men escorted us as security and tour guides because we were not familiar with the place. The risk factor of visiting the Amazon jungle even added more excitement as it spiced up our journey and visit to the beautiful country.

Salvador da Bahia

The city developed in early fifteenth century forms one of the unique Brazilian areas to visit as a tourist. It is one of the earliest towns the Portuguese colonialists developed, it is a port town and many beach activities and it is rich in colonial architecture and history. The Afro Brazilian culture crowns it all with rich history and unique monuments and buildings. The cultural contrast and unique monuments were worth our time in the city, the Portuguese designs were a textbook of experience to some of my architect friends when we visited the area.

Sao Paulo

This is the largest and the richest city in Brazil, the commercial town developed in the seventh century. There are many breathtaking landscapes in the area apart from the monuments and the tall buildings. Ibirapuera Park is an excursion site where we relaxed and unwound while watching wild animals in the natural surroundings. The Sao Paolo art museum is rich with culture and art one can acquire for memoirs. The gorgeous lagoons, Japanese gardens and flower beds are memory lingering for any tourist visiting the area.

 Pantanal

The Pantanal is one of the most rich wetlands and diverse areas in Brazil with varied ecosystems where one can see the beautiful unique natural features. Boat tours, hiking, horse riding and fishing are some of the activities one can do as a tourist in the area. I loved the boat tours as I could watch the aquatic life with ease and embrace nature. With safaris in an open vehicle alligator, anaconda, anteaters, wolves and deer are visible and one can take pictures with these unique backgrounds!

Florianopolis mostly referred to as Floripa is a paradise in the Ilha do Santa Catarina , the place is filled with a vibrant life and excellent restaurants serving unique foods and drinks . My friends enjoyed surfing while I watched them.

In summary, Brazil is a favorite tourist destination in South America and I would recommend anyone to visit the area. The experience is amazing and unforgettable!