

Table Of Content

Geographical location	
Neighbouring cities/countries	5
Significance	6
History	7
Cultural identity	8
Natural resources	9
Key site seeing places (paid and free)	10
- Paid	10
Memorial JK	10
Parque Nacional de Brasília	10
Jardim Botanico de Brasilia	11
Nova Nicolândia	11
Fundação Jardim Zoológico de Brasília	12
- Free	14
Catedral Metropolitana	14
Santuário Dom Bosco	14
Pontao do Lago Sul	15
Parque da Cidade	15
Banco do Brasil Cultural Centre	16
Itamaraty Palace	17
Lago Paranoa	17
JK Bridge	18
Congresso Nacional	18
Praca dos Tres Poderes	19
Torre De Televisao (TV Tower)	19
Templo Da Boa Vontade	20
Museu de Valores	20
Feira da Torre de TV	21
Setor de Diversõe	21
Feira do Paraguai or The Imports Market	21
Park Shopping	22

taxidio

Brasìlia Shopping	22
Iguatemi Brasilia	22
Shopping Conjunto Nacional	23
Eixo Monumental	23
Planalto Palace	23
National Museum	24
Panteão da Pátria Tancredo Neves	24
Caixa Cultural	25
Pátio Brasil Shopping	26
CasaPark	26
Liberty Mall Shopping	26
Boulevard Shopping Brasília	26
Pier 21	26
FUNAI	27
Galeria Dos Estados	27
Shopping Campo Grande	27
Key sites sports & adventure	28
Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums	29
Spas and relaxation	30
Events calendar	31
Key local guides and tours	33
Transportation hubs	34
Transportation cost	35
Baggage allowance	36
Must try food and local savouries	37
Restaurant & Nightlife	
Average meal cost	44
Shopping	45
Tourist benefits	
Essential local apps	47
Driving	48
Travel essentials	49
Essential clothes	50



Local currency		• • • • •		• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	51
Change vendor's	commissio	n, ATM	charge	es ···	• • • • • • • • •	52
Staying connected	d	• • • • •		• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	53
Time Zone	• • • • • • •	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	54
Languages	• • • • • • •	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	55
Political Scenario	• • • • • •	• • • • •		• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	56
Economic Scenar	io	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	57
Religious belief	• • • • • • •	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	58
Visa requirements	• • • • • •	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	59
Essential vaccina	tion · · · ·	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	60
Theft and Safety						61
Embassy/Consula	ite · · · ·	• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	62
Accessibility		••••		• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	63
Emergencies		• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	64
Do's and Don'ts						65
Tipping basics		• • • • •		• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	66
Pet info						67
Conclusion		• • • • •	• • • •	• • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	68
Disclaimer		• • • • •	••••	• • • • •	• • • • • • • •	69



1. Geographical location

Brasilia is the capital of Brazil and is the seat of the government of the Distrito Federal or the Federal District. This city is located on the top of the Brazilian highlands in the central – western region of the country. It is important to understand the orientation of the city and the addresses are generally shortened to acronyms here, which are initially difficult to understand. Brasilia is designed in the form of an airplane and there are separate zones assigned for different activities. The wings of the "airplane" are the residential area with small commercial districts. At the intersection of the commercial and the cultural hub, there are a large number of hotels, malls and other tourist attractions. The axis of the city is divided into North (N) and South (S). The commonly used acronyms are: SQS/SQN - Residential sectors SCS/SCN - Commercial sectors SES/SEN - Embassies sector SHS/SHN - Hotel sectors CLS/CLN (or SCLS/SCLN) - Local commerce sectors

Refer Disclaimer Page 4 of 69



2. Neighbouring cities/countries

The Cities Close To Brasilia Are Anapolis At A Distance Of 128kms, Goiania At A Distance Of 175kms, Uberlandia At A Distance Of 351kms And Rio Verde At A Distance Of 391kms.



Refer Disclaimer Page 5 of 69



3. Significance

Brasilia is one of the most planned cities in Brazil and attracts thousands of visitors each year because of its architecture and scenic beauty of the place. Brasilia has been granted the UNESCO, World Heritage Site because of the architecture and the town planning of the city. The symmetry and the layout of the residential and administrative districts are in sync with each other. All the buildings in the city are also in harmony with each other. It was inscribed in the

list on December 7, 1987.

Refer Disclaimer Page 6 of 69



4. History

From 1763 to 1960, Rio de Janeiro was the capital of Brazil, but in 1891, the first republican constitution stated that the capital of Brazil should be placed towards the centre of the country. The basic structure of Brasilia was completed in only four years that is from 1956 to 1960. Brasilia developed under the leadership of President Juscelino Kubitschek and the city is a memorial to him.



Refer Disclaimer Page 7 of 69



5. Cultural identity

Being a cosmopolitan city, Brasilia holds a number of political events, conferences, seminars and music events / film performances on a regular basis. Brasilia is known for its business tourism and this also helps in the growth and development of the economy. Brasilia is also famous for its modern day literature. The World In Grey: Dom Bosco's Prophecy, by author Ryan J. Lucero that was published in the year 2008, is on the prophecy of the Italian saint Don Bosco. Don Bosco is a patron saint of Brasilia.

Refer Disclaimer Page 8 of 69



6. Natural resources

Paranoa Lake, which is an artificial lake created in Brasilia is one of the most beautiful reserves here. This lake serves as a leisure area and also helps in reducing the humidity during the dry months. Natural resources like Bauxite, gold, manganese, phosphates, rare earth elements, platinum, uranium, iron ore, petroleum, nickel, hydro-power, tin, and timber are found in abundance in this country. The city of Brasilia is known mostly for its agricultural produce like guavas, strawberries, coffee, soybeans, lemons, etc.





7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

7.1. Paid

7.1.1. Memorial JK

Built in the honor of the beloved leader of the city, President Juscelino Kubitschek, Memorial JK sits on one of the highest points of the city. Housing the personal items of the president including medals, presidential ribbon and other pieces that narrate his story, the museum also has a burial chamber with the remains of the president. One of the major attractions of the memorial is the auditorium that is used for events and performances with an image panel in the background replaying the political track of JK.

Address : Zona Cívico-Administrativa - Lado Oeste, Brasília - DF, 70070-300,

Brazil

Zipcode: 70070-300

Location: -15.78419, -47.913349

Contact: +55 61 3226 7860

Website: http://www.memorialjk.com.br/

Nearest Public Transport: Eixo Monumental Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adult: R\$ 10, Students & Senior Citizens: R\$ 5

Open & Close Timing : Tuesday-Sunday 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Expected Wait Time: 5-10minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.1.2. Parque Nacional de Brasília

Parque Nacional de Brasilia is one of the largest parks in the world that is located in an urban area just 10 kilometers away from the city. Stretching across a vast expanse, this National Park is well-known for its healing waters. The park is full of clean, mineral water pools, scenic streams and watery caves that are mostly reachable via well-groomed trekking trails. Inside the park, you will find lush green forests, large formations of quartzite and limestone that are covered in a green veil of vegetation.

Address : Sman - Zona Industrial, Brasília - DF, 70635-800, Brazil

Zipcode: 70635-800

Refer Disclaimer Page 10 of 69



Location: -15.73853890000001, -47.92365870000003

Contact: +55 61 3233-6897

Website: https://www.facebook.com/parnabrasilia/

Nearest Public Transport : Via Brasilia National Park Bus Station

Entry Fee: Brazilian/Foreigner BRL 8/16

Open & Close Timing: Daily 08:00hrs-16:00hrs

Time Required: 5

Expected Wait Time: 10-15minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

7.1.3. Jardim Botanico de Brasilia

Comprising of mainly Cerrado vegetation, the Botanical Garden of Brasilia, is also known as "Garden of the Cerrado". It is based on different themes like the Japanese Tea Garden and the Orchid Garden to name a few. Take a walk through the ecological trails and spot various species of native cerrado fauna including the endangered species. This lush green space featuring more than 5,000 hectares of exotic flora offers a perfect relaxation spot for nature-lovers and a lot of options for kids to play around.

Address : SMDB Cj 12 CL - Lago Sul, Brasilia - Federal District, 71680-001, Brazil

Zipcode: 71680-001

Location: -15.861392, -47.82873

Contact: +55 61 3366-5597

Website: http://jardimbotanico.df.gov.br/

Nearest Public Transport : Estrada Epcv Bus Station

Entry Fee: Adults: R\$ 5, Children upto 12years, senior citizens & people with

special needs: Free admission.

Open & Close Timing : Tuesday-Sunday 09:00hrs-17:00hrs, Monday Closed

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 15-20minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.1.4. Nova Nicolândia

One of the biggest amusement parks in the city, Nicolandia is the biggest attraction for both children and adults who visit Brasilia. The park offers a

Refer Disclaimer Page 11 of 69



variety of rides like the super frisbee, drop zone, pirate ship, sky flyer, colossus' loop and more leaving you with a thrilling experience. It has about 30 attractions that cater to all age groups.

Address : Srps - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70610-300, Brazil

Location: -15.7944354, -47.8983186

Contact: +55 61 3321-5330

Website: http://www.novanicolandia.com.br/

Nearest Public Transport : Via S Um Oeste, s/n Bus Station

Entry Fee: Thursday-Friday: Adults: BR\$ 80, Half Price: BR\$40 Saturday-Sunday:

Adults: BR\$100, Half Price: BR\$50

Open & Close Timing: Thursday-Friday 14:00hrs-21:00hrs Saturday-Sunday

11:00hrs-21:00hrs

Time Required: 6

Expected Wait Time: 20-25 Minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

7.1.5. Fundação Jardim Zoológico de Brasília

Opened in 1957, this 139-hectare wide urban space is home to native Brazilian fauna and other species of exotic wildlife from all over the world. The zoo boasts of an artificial pond, a 12-hectare area solely for producing animal feed, Taxidermy Museum, a campground, a playground for kids, snack bars and various walking trails and houses around 185 species of mammals and reptiles.

Address : Avenida das Nações, Via L 4 Sul, s/n - Candangolândia, Brasília - DF,

70610-100, Brazil Zipcode : 70610-100

Location : -15.8444989, -47.943309699999

Contact: +55 61 3445-7000

Website: http://www.zoo.df.gov.br/

Nearest Public Transport : Epgu Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: R\$10, Students & Senior: R\$5, Free for children under 5years

and people with disabilities

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday-Saturday 09:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 2.5

Expected Wait Time: 15-20 Minutes

Refer Disclaimer Page 12 of 69



Buy Ticket : Yes





7.2. Free

7.2.1. Catedral Metropolitana

Serving as a seat to Roman Catholic Archdiocese of the city, the metropolitan cathedral was designed by Oscar Niemeyer, an award winning architect of Brazil. This stunning hyperboloid structure was made by assembling 16 identical concrete columns and has 4 bronze sculptures at the entrance that represents the evangelists. The nave of the church displays 3 sculptures of angels in different sizes suspended from the ceiling by steel cables. The interiors of the church boast of stunning glasswork and the crypt has a reproduction of the Shroud of Turin. All in all, this cathedral is one of the most beautiful places of Brasilia and should not be missed.

Address : Esplanada dos Ministérios lote 12 - Brasília, DF, 70050-000, Brazil

Zipcode : 70050-000

Location: -15.7983419, -47.87553939999998

Contact: +55 61 3224-4073

Website: http://cathedral.org.br/

Nearest Public Transport: Eixo Monumental Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Daily 08:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Expected Wait Time : 5–10Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.2. Santuário Dom Bosco

A vision made reality by architect Claudio Naves, the Dom Bosco sanctuary is a work of light, illuminating the shrine with different shades of blue filtering through the windows that cover almost the entire wall. Though the exterior may seem like a fairly boring concrete work of art, the interiors boast of being a stunning space of Gothic architecture made up of stained glass bathed in 12 blends of blue with white dots. However, the charm of the shrine lies in the huge golden Chandelier made up of 7,400 tiny pieces of Murano glass hanging from the ceiling in the middle. Visit the church when the sun goes down and experience the remarkable feeling of being under a starlit sky.

Address : St. de Habitações Individuais Geminadas Sul 702 - Asa Sul, Brasília -

Refer Disclaimer Page 14 of 69



DF, 70330-720, Brazil Zipcode : 70330-720

Location: -15.8005847, -47.89478109999999

Contact: +55 61 3223-6542

Website : https://www.facebook.com/pages/Santu%C3%A1rio-Dom-

Bosco/205789402769400

Nearest Public Transport : Via W3 Sul Bus station Open & Close Timing : Daily 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Expected Wait Time: 15–20Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.3. Pontao do Lago Sul

Located near the artificial lake, Pontao do Lago Sul is a lively pier featuring palmlined walking paths and rich tropical parks. Take a stroll through the quaint walkway and come across a network of kiosks and shops selling traditional handicrafts or stop at a nearby restaurant and enjoy your meal at the patio while gazing at the beautiful panoramic view of the city or take a romantic boat ride through the lake, this leisure point has got it all. Offering a perfect atmosphere for sports like boating, cycling, wakeboarding, windsurfing and canoeing, the South Jetty is one of the biggest tourist attractions for family picnics.

Address : SHIS Quadra 10 Lote 1-30 - Lago Sul, Brasília - DF, 71630-100, Brazil

Zipcode: 71630-100

Location: -15.825434, -47.872994

Contact : +55 61 3364 0580

Website: http://www.pontao.com.br/index.html

Nearest Public Transport : SHIS Ql 10 - Lago Sul Bus station.

Open & Close Timing: Sunday-Monday - 07:00hrs-00:00hrs Tuesday-Thursday -

07:00hrs-01:00hrs Friday-Saturday – 07:00hrs-02:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.4. Parque da Cidade

Undoubtedly the largest recreational area in the city, this 420-hectare of verdant

Refer Disclaimer Page 15 of 69



urban space has been a popular sports hub and a picnic spot for families. Home to numerous paved fields, this outdoor leisure area in the city offers various equipment for practicing recreational activities and sports like running, horse riding and cycling, to name a few. The Ana Lydia playground in the park is a treat for every child. The park houses the largest exhibition area in the city and also hosts various cultural events. You can also try the traditional dishes sold in the park at various food kiosks.

Address : SHCS, Brasília - Federal District, 73015-132, Brazil

Zipcode : 73015-132

Location: -15.800042, -47.909203

Contact: +55 61 3226-7038

Nearest Public Transport : Via Srps Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24Hours

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: rominutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.5. Banco do Brasil Cultural Centre

Inaugurated in 2000, Centro Cultural Banco do Brasil or CCBB is the third most visited cultural center in the country and among the top 100 visited museums in the world dedicated to art. Designed by the renowned architect, Alba Rabelo Cunha, CCBB focuses on various artistic activities like cinema, exhibitions, dance, theatre, music and literature. The building also hosts various cultural events and performances that help in propagating the Brazilian culture. The weekends are booked for the garden as it features permanent sculptures made by Darlan Rosa and becomes a venue for free musical events.

Address : SCES Trecho 2, Lote 22 - Asa Sul, St. de Clubes Esportivos Sul Trecho 2 - Brasília, DF, 70200-002, Brazil

Zipcode: 70200-002

Location: -15.813475, -47.838615

Contact: +55 61 3108-7600

Website: http://culturalbancodobrazil.com.br/

Nearest Public Transport : SCES Trecho 2 Pólo 7 - St. de Clubes Esportivos Sul

Bus Station.

Refer Disclaimer Page 16 of 69



Open & Close Timing: Daily 09:00hrs-00:00hrs

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 10–20Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.6. Itamaraty Palace

Also known as the Palace of Arches, the Itamaraty Palace serves as a headquarter to the Ministry of External relations of Brazil. This palace was crafted by the famous architect, Oscar Niemeyer and features works of Brazilian artists. The architecture of this palace is spectacular inside-out. The dainty roof garden is also worth visiting. Note: Avoid wearing shorts, as you may not be allowed to enter.

Address : Esplanada dos Ministérios H Palácio do Itamaraty - Zona Cívico-

Administrativa, Brasília - DF, 70170-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 70170-900

Location: -15.800604, -47.86729300000002

Contact: +55 61 2030-6199

Website: http://itamaraty.gov.br/

Nearest Public Transport : Eixo Monumental Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Monday-Friday: 09:00hrs-13:00hrs, Saturday:

15:00hrs-19:00hrs, Sunday Closed

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 10-25Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.7. Lago Paranoa

Lago Paranoa is a planned lake that was built in the year 1959. A remarkable touristic attraction, this is one of the largest artificial lakes in the world. You can participate in various nautical sports here, like stand-up paddling and kayaking, or just enjoy the scenic view of the sky meeting the water while the wind sings. It is a perfect spot for an invigorating sundowner while snacking at the lakeside restaurants. The lake is also home to some Brazilian fauna like crocodiles, turtles, Cotiarinha snakes and otters.

Address: Brasília - DF, 70200-002, Brazil

Zipcode : 70200-002

Refer Disclaimer Page 17 of 69



Location: -15.820239, -47.856151

Contact: +55 6181248596

Nearest Public Transport : Trecho Sces 2, 1 Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24Hours

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.8. JK Bridge

A steel and concrete bridge crossing the Paranoa Lake, JK Bridge is one of the best bridges in the country designed by Alexandre Chan. It was built to create a link between the eastern lakeshore and the main center of the city. Named after the former president of the country, Juscelino Kubitschek de Oliveira, the bridge is one of the architectural wonders of Brazil. Supported by 3 asymmetrical arches, the bridge creates a ballet sight that becomes more prominent as you cross the bridge. Strike a pose as you take a walk across the bridge and marvel at the beauty of its architecture.

Address : Via L4 Sul, Lago Sul QL 24/26 | Lago Sul, Brasilia, Federal District

70200-002, Brazil

Zipcode: 70200-002

Location: -15.819532, -47.832384

Nearest Public Transport : Via Shis Qi 26 Bus Station & Trecho Sces 2, 43 Bus

Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24Hours

Time Required : 0.5 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.9. Congresso Nacional

An example of marvelous architecture designed by Oscar Niemeyer, Congresso Nacional houses the seat of the country's legislative branch. One of the most famous elements of the cityscape, come here to know more about the history and role of the Federal Senate and the Chamber of Deputies in the country. Note: There is a formal dress code. Wearing shorts, miniskirts, slippers and sleeveless shirts is prohibited.

Address : Praca dos Tres Poderes | Palácio do Congresso Nacional, Brasilia,

Refer Disclaimer Page 18 of 69



Page 19 of 69

Federal District 70160-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 70160-900

Location: -15.79971, -47.864163

Contact: +55 61 3126-0000

Website: http://congressonacional.leg.br/

Nearest Public Transport : Via N Um Leste Bus station

Open & Close Timing: Daily 08:30hrs-17:30hrs

Time Required: 1

Expected Wait Time: 5-10Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.10. Praca dos Tres Poderes

Praca dos Tres Poderes is a Civic Space integrating the 3 main headquarters of powers of the Brazilian Government and is the main reason the city exists today. The Executive headquarter is represented by the President's Office, Legislative headquarter is represented by the National Congress and the Supreme headquarter is represented by the Supreme Federal Court.

Address : Praça dos Três Poderes, Brasília - DF, 70100-000, Brazil

Zipcode: 70100-000

Location: -15.800661, -47.861281

Nearest Public Transport : Via S Um Leste Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24Hours

Time Required : 0.5 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.11. Torre De Televisao (TV Tower)

The fourth tallest building of the country, the digital TV Tower is about 224-meters high and is one of the most sought-after attractions in the city. Located in the heart of Brasilia, the observation deck of this tower gives you a splendid overview of the city and is worth a capture. So make sure you keep your cameras handy.

Address : Eixo Monumental, s/n - Jardim Burle Marx, Brasília – DF 70070-350,

Brazil

Zipcode: 70070-350

Refer Disclaimer



Location: -15.790607, -47.892948

Contact: +55 61 3214-2764

Website: http://www.setur.df.gov.br/visite-brasilia/torre-de-tv.html

Nearest Public Transport : Via S Um Oeste Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday-Sunday 09:00hrs-19:00hrs, Monday Closed

Time Required: 0.5

Expected Wait Time: 5-10Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.12. Templo Da Boa Vontade

Templo Da Boa Vontade or Temple of Goodwill was built in 1989 by José de Paiva Netto, President of the Legion of Good Will (LBV) as a symbol of universal solidarity. It incorporates 7 different conjoined pyramids that form a conical shape and are topped by the biggest raw crystal. It is advised to wear comfortable clothes as transparent clothing is not allowed. Some rooms of this temple have an entry fee.

Address : Estr. St. Policial Militar, S/n - SHCS, Brasília - DF, 70390-150, Brazil

Zipcode: 70390-150

Location: -15.824124, -47.929273

Contact : +55 61 3114-1070 Website : http://tbv.com.br/

Nearest Public Transport : Via W Três Sul Bus Station & Estrada Parque Polícia

Militar Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Daily 08:00hrs-20:00hrs

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 5-10Minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.13. Museu de Valores

Inaugurated in 1981, the Values Museum of Central Bank features themed rooms that narrate the tales related to the history of currency and coins in Brazil. A paradise for all numismatists, come here to see the biggest native gold nugget in the country and learn more about the different currencies of the world.

Address : Edificio-Sede do Banco Central, SBS, Qd. 3, Bl. B - 1 Subsolo | Asa Sul,

Refer Disclaimer Page 20 of 69



Brasilia, Federal District 70074-900, Brazil.

Zipcode: 70074-900

Location: -15.803039, -47.885247

Contact: +55 61 3414-2093

Website: http://www.bcb.gov.br/htms/museu-espacos/musevalo.asp

Nearest Public Transport : Via Erl S Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Tuesday-Friday 10:00hrs-18:00hrs, 1st Saturdays of every

month 14:00hrs-18:00hrs, Closed on Sundays, Mondays and other Saturdays.

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 10-15 minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.14. Feira da Torre de TV

The flea market that sits at the base of the TV Tower is best known for selling Brazilian handicrafts, clothing, jewelry, furniture and antiques.

Address : Feira de Artesanato da Torre de TV - SDC, s/n - Box 347 - Eixo Monumental, Brasília - DF, 70070-350, Brazil

Zipcode: 70700-350

Location: -15.7902154, -47.89430529999998

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.15. Setor de Diversõe

A pleasant shopping area in the heart of the city, Setor de Diversõe features upscale shops on one side and a number of smaller ones selling books, clothes, and accessories on the another. Avoid a visit post sunset, as there are many drug dealers here during the night.

Address : Setor de Diversões Norte Conjunto A - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70077-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 70077-900

Location: -15.7913595, -47.88354359999999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

Refer Disclaimer Page 21 of 69



7.2.16. Feira do Paraguai or The Imports Market

Feira do Paraguai or The Imports Market is your place to buy electronics, travel gadgets and more at comparatively cheaper rates.

Address : SIA Trecho 7 Conj. A - Área Especial, Brasília - DF, 01800-000, Brazil

Zipcode: 01800-000

Location: -15.796517, -47.950333

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.17. Park Shopping

The largest shopping mall in the city, Park Shopping is favored by both tourists as well as locals. It has about 183 stores and a central garden where many cultural events are held. This mall caters to people of every age group with a diverse range of stores, a theatre and playgrounds for children.

Address : SMAS Trecho 1 - Guará, Brasília - DF, 71219-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 71219-900

Location: -15.833826, -47.95535899999999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.18. Brasilia Shopping

This arch-shaped shopping mall is known for various designer stores and a number of departmental shops along with a cinema.

Address: Setor Comercial Norte Quadra 5 Bloco A - Asa Norte, Brasilia - Federal

District, 70715-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 70715-900

Location: -15.786767, -47.88890430000003

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.19. Iguatemi Brasilia

Zipcode: o

Location: -15.720367, -47.88582

Refer Disclaimer Page 22 of 69



Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.20. Shopping Conjunto Nacional

The oldest mall in the city, Shopping Conjunto Nacional features local stores, numerous restaurants, a supermarket as well as a bookshop.

Address : Setor de Diversões Norte Conjunto A - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF,

70077-900, Brazil Zipcode : 70077-900

Location: -15.791281, -47.88317799999999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.21. Eixo Monumental

The central-most street in the city, the Monumental Axis or Eixo Monumental was designed by the famed architect, Oscar Niemeyer and is considered to be one of the widest streets in the world. Housing the most important buildings of the city including the National Congress, the TV Tower, the Metropolitan Cathedral of Brasilia and more, the street has been featured in the Guinness Book of World Records for possessing the broadest central reservation of a twofold carriageway.

There are various events held here too.

Address: Eixo Monumental - Brasília-DF, Brazil.

Zipcode: 70160-900

Location: -15.7885232, -47.894082599999

Nearest Public Transport : Eixo Monumental Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Open 24Hours

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

7.2.22. Planalto Palace

The official seat of the President of the country, Planalto Palace is one of the prime buildings to be built in Brasilia and is located at the dominating Three Powers Plaza. The inauguration of the palace in 1960 marks the recognition of the city and symbolizes the transfer of capital in the history of the country. Designed

Refer Disclaimer Page 23 of 69



by the well-known architect, Oscar Niemeyer, the structure of the palace attracts the crowd due to the power of its evenly-aligned horizontal strokes giving it a plastic effect.

Address : Praça dos Três Poderes - Brasília, DF, 70150-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 70150-900

Location: -15.7990489, -47.860768899999

Contact : +55 61 3411-1221

Website : http://www2.planalto.gov.br/presidencia/palacios-e-residencias-

oficiais/palacio-do-planalto

Nearest Public Transport : Eixo Monumental Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Daily 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1

Expected Wait Time: 15minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.23. National Museum

Built as a tribute to the 99th birthday of Oscar Niemeyer, the museum forms a part of the Republican cultural center and is a structure that promotes native Brazilian art in the international space. This dome-shaped museum features exhibits made by local artists and events on cultural themes.

Address: Setor Cultural Sul SCTS 2 - SHCS, Brasília - DF, 70310-000, Brazil

Zipcode: 70310-000

Location: -15.7973887, -47.8781738

Contact : +55 61 3325-5220

Nearest Public Transport : Via L2 Sul Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Tuesday-Sunday 09:00hrs-18:30hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 10-15minutes

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.24. Panteão da Pátria Tancredo Neves

A monument constructed to honor the former President, Tancredo Neves and all the national heroes who idealized democracy and freedom, Panteão da Pátria Tancredo Neves is a doe-shaped pantheon inaugurated in 1986. It features

Refer Disclaimer Page 24 of 69



exhibits by famed artists like João Câmara, who made the Panel of the Inconfidência Mineira, Athos Bulcão who created the Mural of Liberty and The Vitral by Marianne Peretti. The museum also displays the Steel Book of National Heroes consecrating the memory of the Civic Patron and national hero, Tiradentes.

Address : Praça dos Três Poderes - Esplanada, Brasília - DF, 70100-000, Brazil

Zipcode: 70100-000

Location: -15.8015571, -47.8603891

Contact: +55 61 3325-6244

Nearest Public Transport : Eixo Monumental Bus station Open & Close Timing : Tuesday-Sunday 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Expected Wait Time: rominutess

Buy Ticket: No

7.2.25. Caixa Cultural

Opened in the year 1980, Caixa Cultural is the first cultural center established by the Federal Savings Bank in the capital city. Situated in the Southern banking sector, this cultural space promotes the native culture of Brazil and features around 2,000 artworks including paintings, drawings, sculptures and pictures made by the local artists. The center boasts of 5 art galleries, a workshop, a stained glass atrium, a theatre and a garden of sculptures dedicated to the dissemination of Brazilian culture in the international space.

Address : Setor Bancário Sul Quadra 4 Lotes 3/4 - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70092-900, Brazil

Zipcode: 70092-900

Location: -15.8037137, -47.884449899999

Contact: +55 61 3206-9448

Website : http://www.caixacultural.com.br/SitePages/unidade-informacoes-

gerais.aspx?uid=1

Nearest Public Transport : ERL - Sul Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday-Sunday 09:00hrs-21:00hrs

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 10-15 minutes

Refer Disclaimer Page 25 of 69



Buy Ticket: No

7.2.26. Pátio Brasil Shopping

One of the most modern shopping malls in the city, Patio Brasil has around 200 stores offering everything from jewelry to clothing.

Address : Setor Comercial Sul Q. 6 7 A - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70307-902, Brazil

Zipcode: 70307-902

Location: -15.7962091, -47.8915401

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.27. CasaPark

Zipcode: o

Location: -15.826926, -47.953329

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.28. Liberty Mall Shopping

Zipcode: o

Location: -15.786887, -47.884265099999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.29. Boulevard Shopping Brasília

Zipcode : o

Location: -15.7334386, -47.899132099999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.30. Pier 21

Refer Disclaimer Page 26 of 69



Zipcode: o

Location: -15.818188699999, -47.874899199999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.31. FUNAI

Known for selling hand-woven garments and handicrafts, FUNAI or The National Foundation for Indigenous Community promotes the sale of products made by the indigenous communities of the countryside.

Address : Setor Bancário Sul Q. 2 - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70070-120, Brazil

Zipcode: 70070-120

Location: -15.7999989, -47.883102399999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.32. Galeria Dos Estados

Situated within the Galeria Metro station, Galeria dos Estados has various shopping stores offering clothes, accessories and more.

Address : Setor Comercial Sul Q. 1 - Brasília, DF, 70297-400, Brazil

Zipcode: 70297-400

Location: -15.7986258, -47.8854909

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

7.2.33. Shopping Campo Grande

Zipcode : o

Location: -20.45736, -54.587630999999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

Refer Disclaimer Page 27 of 69



8. Key sites sports & adventure

Adventure sports in Brasilia include Stand Up Paddling (SUP), Zip Lining, Surfing, Rappelling, Horse-riding, Hiking and Canoeing. Hence, this city is a paradise for all the adrenaline junkies.

• SUP(Stand Up Paddling) -

Address: SCES Section 2, Conjunto 10, Lot 18 - Asa Sul, Brasilia – DF

70200-002, Brazil.

Location: -15.816962,-47.852376

Contact No: +55 61 99681-6499

Website: http://www.supbrasilia.com/

Nearest Public Transport: Trecho Sces 2 Bus Station

Entry Fees: BRL30

Open / Close Time : Saturdays and Sundays 09:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 1.00

Ballooning -

Address : Quadra Cln 215 Bloco B Sala 113, Brasilia, Federal District

70874-520, Brazil.

Location: -15.739043,-47.889237

Contact No: +55 61 3272 3780

Website: http://www.experimentebrasilia.com.br/experiencias/voe-de-

balao-na-chapada

Nearest Public Transport : Via Erl N Bus station

Entry Fees: Tours start from BRL590

Time Required : 2.50

Refer Disclaimer Page 28 of 69



9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

Soccer: SE Gama and Brasiliense FC and Brasilia FC are the three most common teams of Brasilia in the soccer world. Soccer is a favourite sport of the locals here. Brasilia was the host city of the FIFA Confederation Cup in 2013 and the FIFA World Cup in 2014. Brasilia will also hold the football tournaments during the Summer Olympics of 2016 to be held in Rio de Janeiro. Basketball: Brasilia is home to Universo BRB, the national basketball team in Brazil. From January to June, there are a number of national basketball leagues taking place here. There are a number of basketball courts all over the city parks where you can play for free. Jogging: This is one of the favorite pass times for the people of Brasilia. There are a lot of running tracks in the National Park. 5Kms and 10Kms jogging races take place on a bi-monthly basis in the national Park. Do try the coconut water from a local vendor near the park.

Estadio Nacional Mane Garrincha:

Address: Asa Norte, Brasília - Federal District, 70070-701, Brazil

Location: -15.783478,-47.899222

Refer Disclaimer Page 29 of 69



10. Spas and relaxation

Nuwa Spa:

Address: SHTN 01 C - Asa Norte, Brasilia - Federal District, 70200-002,

Brazil

Location: -15.786555,-47.829049

Contact No: +55 61 3225-2000

Website: http://www.nuwaspa.com.br/

Balsamo Spa Natural:

Address: DF-015, SMLN Trecho 7, Chácara 9 - Lago Norte, Brasília - DF,

71540-075, Brazil

Location: -15.755338,-47.809951

Contact No: +55 61 3033-3397

Website: http://balsamospa.com.br/s/

• Eliá SPA:

Address : Setor de Clubes Esportivo Sul - 2, 32 | Shopping Pier 21, Asa Sul,

Brasilia, Federal District 702000-002, Brazil

Location : -15.818722,-47.874738 Contact No : +55 61 3224 2540

Website: https://www.eliaspa.com.br/

Refer Disclaimer Page 30 of 69



11. Events calendar

Month

Events New Year's Day

January 1 is a National holiday in Brasilia and is celebrated with a lot of enthusiasm.

Good Friday

This day is widely celebrated by the Christians. Celebrated on 14th of this month during the holy week.

Easter

Easter means passing and thus Easter Sunday is celebrated on the occasion of resurrection of Jesus Christ. This day holds a great importance in Christian religion. It is celebrated on 16th April.

Festas Juninas

This festival is celebrated for honoring all the Catholic saints. It is celebrated on 24th June. Japanese Festival

This festival is celebrated by the Japanese community in Brasilia on Weekends of August i.e.



every Saturday and Sunday from 18:00hrs at Honpa Hongwanji Temple.

Cinema Festival

This festival is celebrated every year to celebrate cinema and honor the actors, producers and directors. A number of short and commercial films are launched here every year. This week-long festival is celebrated from 20th-27th September.

Feast of Our Lady of Aparecida

On 12th October, Brazilians celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Aparecida who is known to be the official patron of Brazil.

Black Consciousness

This festival marks as the symbol of Black movement in Brazil. 20th November marks the death of the famous Zumbi dos Palmares who is the icon resistance to slavery and the main mark of freedom in Brazil. Christmas

Christmas is also widely celebrate here as the majority of the population is that of Christians.

Refer Disclaimer



12. Key local guides and tours

There are a number of local tourist guides in Brasilia. The local guides are generally English speaking or you can request for a specific language at the time of booking your tour. You can pick up pamphlets from the airports regarding the local tours and contact them to schedule a local trip for you. Bike Tours: Brasilia is known to be one of the most favored destinations for pedaling with its Wide and flat paths. There are a number of biking tours available to explore this iconic city. Balloon Tours: There are various ballooning tours provided by a number of providers. It is a must gain experience for everyone to try ballooning at Chapada dos.

Refer Disclaimer Page 33 of 69



13. Transportation hubs

Brasilia's international airport, Presidente Juscelino Kubitschek International Airport is only 11Kms from the city centre. One can take an Executive bus from the airport to the hotel zone and the central part of the city for only R\$ 8. Alternatively, you can also take the bus number 102 that will drop you at the city centre and is relatively cheaper than the Executive bus or the taxi. Taxis are also available at the airport and are relatively expensive than the local bus. It would cost around R\$ 30 – R\$ 40 for reaching a hotel in the city centre from the airport. Bus Station: The major bus station of Brasilia is Rodoviária. Subway: Rodoviária de Brasília is the major Subway station in Brasilia.





14. Transportation cost

By Bus: You can take a bus from rodoviária, which is the central part of the city. Single fare ride may cost up to R\$ 3 and you must flag the buses to make them stop and request the driver when you need to get off the bus. For frequent journeys, you may like getting a metro card. It can be recharged with credits valid for 90 days. By Subways: The city subway is not very useful for the tourists because there is limited accessibility of the subways to the tourist attractions. Remember to take change along if purchasing subway tickets since credit cards are not accepted here and no change above R\$ 20 is given. By Taxi: Taxis are relatively expensive in Brasilia and cannot be hailed from anywhere on the streets. There are proper taxi stands that are near all hotels or tourist attractions. Do check that the taxi you are riding is a metered taxi and the meter starts only when you get into the taxi. The minimum fare is R\$ 5.24 and after every kilometer, it increases by R\$ 2.85. By Car: Being a tourist you can rent a car and drive here. The traffic in Brasilia is better than other cities of Brazil. There are a lot of parking options available in the city and driving is also comfortable here. As a tourist, you do not really need an international driver's license. However, it is useful for police controls. Official tourist information can be obtained from the State Secretariat of Tourism of the Distrito Federal. The information guides are all in Portuguese.

Refer Disclaimer Page 35 of 69



15. Baggage allowance

It is not advisable to carry large bags when riding in a public transport, neither is it convenient. It is better to take a local taxi if you have large bags. Carrying a large suitcase is allowed in subways after security clearance, but again it is better to avoid. One can carry a backpack easily when exploring the city, and avoid carrying lots of cash or expensive items with you.



Refer Disclaimer Page 36 of 69



16. Must try food and local savouries

Brasilia does not have any typical or regional cuisine. Almost all the restaurants here serve the local Brazilian food and international cuisines. Popular local delicacies include: • Pão de Queijo - Cheese baked bread rolls • Feijão Tropeiro - Pinto beans with bacon and eggs • Cabidela - Rice cooked with poultry or rabbit. • Coxinhas - Fried balls with creamy cheese and chicken filling • Pastel - Crispy pastry with assorted fillings like mozzarella, meat, shrimp etc. • Brigadeiro - Chocolate truffles sprinkled with chocolate

Refer Disclaimer Page 37 of 69



17. Restaurant & Nightlife

Food -

Olivae:

Address: Cls 405, Loja 6 - SHCS, Brasília - DF, 70239-520, Brazil

Location : -15.813937,-47.890552 Contact No : +55 61 3443-8775

Website : http://olivaerestaurante.com.br/

Open / Close Time : Tuesday-Saturday 12:00hrs-14:45hrs &

19:30hrs-22:45hrs, Sunday & Monday 12:00hrs-14:45hrs.

Beirute:

Address: Asa Sul Comércio Local Sul 109 BL A1 Loja 2/4 - Asa Sul,

Brasília - DF, 70200-050, Brazil

Location: -15.8196811,-47.907525299999

Contact No: +55 61 3244-1717

Website: https://www.facebook.com/barbeirute

Open / Close Time : Monday-Wednesday 11:00hrs-01:00hrs, Thursday-

Saturday 11:00hrs-02:00hrs, Sunday 11:00hrs-00:00hrs

• Feitiço Mineiro:

Address: CLN 306, lojas 45/51 - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70745-520,

Brazil

Location: -15.768809,-47.886867

Contact No : +55 61 3272 3032

Refer Disclaimer Page 38 of 69



Website: http://feiticomineiro.com.br/v2/

Open / Close Time : Monday-Saturday 12:00hrs-02:00hrs, Sunday

12:00hrs-17:00hrs

• Don Durica:

Address : SHC Norte CL 201, s/n - Loja 14/45 - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF,

70832-510, Brazil

Location: -15.783875,-47.87873

Contact No: +55 61 3326-1045

Website: http://www.dondurica.com.br/

Open / Close Time : Monday 11:30hrs–15:30hrs Tuesday-Friday

11:30hrs–15:30hrs, & 18:00hrs–23:00hrs Saturday & Sunday

12:00hrs-16:00hrs, & 18:00hrs-23:00hrs

Coco Bambu Lago Sul:

Address: SCES, trecho 2, conjunto 36, 2 andar, Edificio Icone Park, Lago

Sul, Brasilia, Federal District 70200-002, Brazil

Location: -15.818960,-47.868204

Contact No : +55 61 32245585

Website: http://brasilia.deboa.com/restaurantes/coco-bambu-lago-sul

Open / Close Time : Monday-Wednesday 11:30hrs–15:30hrs &

17:30hrs-00:00hrs Thursday 11:30hrs-15:30hrs & 17:30hrs-01:00hrs Friday

& Saturday 11:30hrs-01:00hrs Sunday 11:30hrs-00:00hrs

Taypa:

Address : SHIS QI 17, Bloco G, loja 208, Fashion Park, Lago Sul, Brasilia,

Federal District 71645-500, Brazil Location : -15.860717,-47.872418

Refer Disclaimer Page 39 of 69



Contact No: +55 61 3248-0403

Website: http://www.taypa.com.br/

Open / Close Time : Monday-Thursday 12:00hrs-15:00hrs & 19:00hrs-00:00hrs Friday 12:00hrs-15:00hrs & 19:00hrs-01:00hrs Saturday 12:00hrs-16:00hrs & 19:00hrs-01:00hrs Sunday 12:00hrs-17:00hrs

• Brazilian American Burgers:

Address : St. Sudoeste Superquadra Sudoeste 301 BL C Dakota Shopping LJ 44 - Cruzeiro / Sudoeste / Octogonal, Brasília - DF, 70673-603, Brazil

Location : -15.797978,-47.921129 Contact No : +55 61 3041-4848

Website: https://www.facebook.com/brazilianamericanburgers

Open / Close Time : Tuesday-Sunday 12:00hrs to 22:30hrs, Monday

Closed

Vitamina Central:

Address : 506 Sul, s/n - Loja 63 - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70350-515, Brazil

Location : -15.808982,-47.901528 Contact No : +55 61 3244-2866

Website : https://www.facebook.com/Vitamina-

Central-119394484850730/

Open / Close Time : Monday-Friday 07:00hrs-20:00hrs Saturday

07:30hrs-12:30hrs, Sunday Closed

Universal Diner:

Address : 210 C 18 - SHCS, Brasília - DF, 70273-530, Brazil

Location : -15.823412,-47.905089 Contact No : +55 61 3443 2089

Refer Disclaimer Page 40 of 69



Open / Close Time : Monday-Thursday 12:00hrs–15:00hrs & 19:00hrs–00:00hrs Friday 12:00hrs–15:00hrs & 19:00hrs–01:00hrs Saturday 12:00hrs–16:00hrs & 19:00hrs–01:00hrs Sunday Closed

Dom Francisco:

Address : SCES Quadra 41 Trecho 2 Conjunto 31 Lote 2 ASBAC - Associação dos Servidores do Banco Central - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF,

70200-002, Brazil

Location: -15.819429,-47.869963

Contact No : +55 61 3226-2005

Website: http://domfrancisco.com.br/

Open / Close Time: Monday-Thursday 12:00hrs-00:00hrs Friday &

Saturday 12:00hrs-01:00hrs Sunday 12:00hrs-17:00hrs

• Pôr-do-Sol:

Address : St. de Habitações Coletivas e Geminadas Norte SCRN 702/703

BL C - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70720-630, Brazil

Location : -15.759997,-47.879488 Contact No : +55 61 3274-8861

Open / Close Time : Open till 00:00hrs

• 5uinto Club 904:

Address : SGAS I Setor de Grandes Áreas Sul 904 - Asa Sul, Brasília -

DF, 70200-610, Brazil

Location : -15.800471,-47.900277 Contact No : +55 61 3081-0183

Website: http://www.5uinto.com/

Open / Close Time : Daily 17:00hrs-02:00hrs

Refer Disclaimer Page 41 of 69



Landscape Pub:

Address : SHIN CA 7, Bloco F-1 - loja 33 - Lago Norte, Brasilia - Federal

District, 71503-507, Brazil

Location : -15.717266,-47.886002 Contact No : +55 61 3468-4678

Website : http://www.landscapepub.com.br/

Open / Close Time : Daily 23:00hrs-06:00hrs

Chiquita Bacana:

Address : CLS 209, s/n - Loja 37 - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70272-510, Brazil

Location: -15.822731,-47.905187

Contact No : +55 61 3242-1212

Open / Close Time : Tuesday-Friday 17:00hrs-01:00hrs, Saturday

16:00hrs-02:00hrs, Sunday 13:00hrs-00:00hrs, Monday Closed

• Apples Nightclub:

Address: 06 1275 - Setor Gráfico Sul, Brasília - DF, 70610-440, Brazil

Location: -15.794349,-47.914207

Contact No : +55 61 9998-0051

Website: http://www.applesnightclub.com.br/

Open / Close Time : Monday-Saturday 21:00hrs-05:00hrs, Sunday Closed

Mangai Brasília:

Address : St. de Clubes Esportivos Sul Trecho 2 Lote 2 - Asa Sul, Brasília - DF, 70200-002, Brazil

Refer Disclaimer Page 42 of 69



Location: -15.8177803,-47.836971800000

Contact No : +55 61 3252-0156 Website : http://mangai.com.br/

Open / Close Time : Daily 12:00hrs-15:00hrs & 18:00hrs-22:00hrs



Refer Disclaimer Page 43 of 69



18. Average meal cost

Meal for 2 at an inexpensive Restaurant: R\$ 20-30 Dinner for two in a mid-range restaurant: R\$80–160 Dinner for two at top restaurants: R\$200–400 Average cost of 300 ml Mainstream local Beer is around R\$ 1.79 Average cost of about 500ml Imported beer is around R\$ 14



Refer Disclaimer Page 44 of 69



19. Shopping

There are a lot of small shops every round the corner from where you can purchase groceries or things that are required on an urgent basis. There are a lot of shopping malls in Brasilia too. Apart from that other places to shop here include: Flea Market: Every Sunday there is a flea market at the base of the Television Tower. This place is good for buying souvenirs and local crafts that are hard to find elsewhere. Setor de Diversõe: This is a nice shopping area in the city centre. There are a lot of upscale shops of one side and a number of small shops selling books, clothes, music and accessories. Avoid going here at night as there are a number of drug dealers here during night. Feira do Paraguai or The Imports Market is a market to buy electronics, travel gadgets, etc at comparatively cheaper rate. One of the Major shopping malls in Brasilia include ParkShopping which is favored by most of the tourists as well as locals. This mall has everything for people of every age group from Store to theatre to play areas for children. Brasília Shopping, Iguatemi Brasilia, Shopping Conjunto Nacional are some other major Shopping centers in Brasilia.

Refer Disclaimer Page 45 of 69



20. Tourist benefits

As such there are no shopping concessions for tourists in the city, but duty free products can be purchased at the Brasilia airport. A Brasilia rechargeable metro card will help you to purchase the metro tickets at comparatively lower price.



Refer Disclaimer Page 46 of 69



21. Essential local apps

Some useful apps are: - Learn Brazilian Portuguese: An app which will help you interact with the locals in the city. - Brazilian Newspapers – This app will keep you updated about the events happening in the city.



Refer Disclaimer Page 47 of 69



22. Driving

The driving experience in Brasilia can be a real roller coaster especially for tourists from those parts of the world where driving is done in a disciplined manner. Driving in Brasilia is not for faint hearted as the local people here drive in a very haphazard way. The local transportation is easily available and has a good connectivity; it is recommended to take the take transportation rather than renting a car. International drivers can drive on the rental car on their home license only. You need your passport, a proof of identification, a credit card and your home country's driving license to show it to the rental car company. Insurance can be purchased from the rental car company on a daily basis. The international driving license is valid for 6 months from the date of arrival in the country. After this period, a local license has to be applied for with the licensing authority and the new license is valid for a year.

Refer Disclaimer Page 48 of 69



23. Travel essentials

A power plug type "C", "N" is advisable to be carried along when travelling to Brasilia. The voltage varies from 100 to 240 Volts, 50 to 60Hz. The standard plugs are NBR 14136 with a frequency of 60 Hz and the residential voltage of 127 V, 220 V. It is recommended that you carry your prescribed medicines with you along with a proper doctor's prescription.



Refer Disclaimer Page 49 of 69



24. Essential clothes

A power plug type "C", "N" is advisable to be carried along when travelling to Brasilia. The voltage varies from 100 to 240 Volts, 50 to 60Hz. The standard plugs are NBR 14136 with a frequency of 60 Hz and the residential voltage of 127 V, 220 V. It is recommended that you carry your prescribed medicines with you along with a proper doctor's prescription.



Refer Disclaimer Page 50 of 69



25. Local currency

The official currency of Brazil is Brazilian Real. 1 US Dollar = 3.98 Brazilian Real



Refer Disclaimer Page 51 of 69



26. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

Authorized banks remain the best source for currency exchange. It is advised that you avoid exchanging money at the airport as there are long queues and the exchange rate is quite poor. The ATM charges and fees for international withdrawal vary from bank to bank. Brazilian banks charge a fee of 10 BRL upon withdrawal from ATMs. Avoid using ATMs on the street and use only authorized bank ATMs. The ATMs shut down by 11pm. Avoid withdrawing large sums of money at one time. Exchange rate commission charged by Banks is usually around 9%, whereas, exchanging currency with the local vendors will be worse as they charge a commission around 15-20%.

Refer Disclaimer Page 52 of 69



27. Staying connected

It is easy to get a SIM card in Brasilia. The four major wireless mobile carriers are Claro, Vivo, Oi and TIM. A SIM card can be purchased from anywhere, but to activate the card, one needs to visit the mobile carrier store along with a photo identification proof. A SIM card costs around US \$ 4 - 5. Additional recharge coupons can be purchased from almost anywhere, from a newspaper seller to malls. Incoming calls are free in Brasilia. Internet connectivity is also good here. There are many Wi-Fi hotspots available throughout the city. Alternatively one can also purchase an internet top up for R\$ 3 - 4 by a mobile carrier. Almost all the hotels provide a complimentary Wi-Fi that has a good connectivity.





28. Time Zone

Brasilia time zone: UTC-03:00 or BRT which is 2 hours ahead of the Eastern Standard Time (EST).



Refer Disclaimer Page 54 of 69



29. Languages

The commonly spoken language of Brasilia is Portuguese. Very few local people understand English here, so language can be a problem for non – Portuguese speaking people.



Refer Disclaimer Page 55 of 69



30. Political Scenario

Brazil has a bicameral National Congress that consists of an upper house called the Senate and the lower house commonly known as the Chamber of Deputies of Brazil. The National Congress has been located in Brasilia since 1960.



Refer Disclaimer Page 56 of 69



31. Economic Scenario

The service sector dominates the economy of Brasilia with 91% of the local GDP being earned by the services sector that includes banking and finance, entertainment, food production and legal services. Construction sector is also dominant for the economy of Brasilia. The city exports wood products on a large scale. The total GDP of the Federal District is about R\$ 113.4billion which is

about 3.8% of the country's GDP.



Refer Disclaimer Page 57 of 69



32. Religious belief

The dominant religion in Brasilia is Christianity. Majority of the people here are Roman Catholics followed by Protestants.



Refer Disclaimer Page 58 of 69



33. Visa requirements

EU passport holders and British nationals do not need visas to visit Brazil. All that is required to visit Brazil is a valid passport that has an expiration period of 6 or more months and a return ticket. All other nationals including those of US, Canada and Australia require a valid visa to enter Brazil. One can find details regarding visa requirements at: https://brazil.visahq.com/



Refer Disclaimer Page 59 of 69



34. Essential vaccination

Zika virus outbreaks have been reported in Brazil. Because of the risk of birth defects in babies born to women who were infected with Zika while pregnant, women who are pregnant should not travel to Brazil. For most travelers with standard itineraries and accommodation, vaccination of Hepatitis A is recommended. Vaccination for Yellow Fever Recommended for all travelers of the age of 9 months or more going to the following areas: the entire states of Acre, Amapá, Amazonas, Distrito Federal (including the capital city of Brasília), Goiás, Maranhão, Mato Grosso, Mato Grosso do Sul, Minas Gerais, Pará, Rondônia, Roraima, Tocantins, and the following states: Bahia, Paraná, Piauí, Rio Grande do Sul, Santa Catarina, and São Paulo (state). Vaccination is also recommended for travelers visiting Iguaçu Falls.

Refer Disclaimer Page 60 of 69



35. Theft and Safety

Brasilia is a safe city but avoid walking alone at night especially around the central bus station, prostitution and drug peddlers are common here. Avoid carelessly wandering around especially during the night, else you will be mugged or robbed. Tourists and people with fair skin are always high targets for the local people.



Refer Disclaimer Page 61 of 69



36. Embassy/Consulate

Brasilia being the capital of Brazil is home to a number of foreign embassies. The list of foreign embassies can be checked here and the details for the Consular Addresses for the US Embassy can also be checked at: http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-in/brazil



Refer Disclaimer Page 62 of 69



37. Accessibility

There are a lot of hotels, B&B's, restaurants and bars in Brasilia that are wheelchair accessible. Some of the tourist attractions are also wheelchair friendly but it is difficult to get on a public transport as they do not have any special wheelchair accessibility.



Refer Disclaimer Page 63 of 69



38. Emergencies

The medical facilities are good in Brasilia, the doctors are well qualified and the hospitals have the latest medical equipment. Hospital Brasilia is a major hospital. For any medical emergency, you may dial 192. However, English speaking operators are not readily available on the hotline. The hospitals here accept international health insurance plans and the travel insurances thereby making it easy for foreign tourists to avail medical assistance. The Emergency Contact Number of the Federal Police is 194 and of The Fire Service is 193.



Refer Disclaimer Page 64 of 69



39. Do's and Don'ts

Do's: • Do check your surrounding in the public places and ensure that no body is constantly following you. • Do check the prices of the products while shopping and negotiate a lot. • Do carry your regular / prescribed medications with you. • It is advisable to carry a certified doctor's prescription along with the medicines to ensure hassle free import clearance. Don'ts: • Do not travel alone especially during the night time. • Do not ask a stranger for help / directions especially during night. • Never share a taxi with unknown people. • Do not withdraw money from ATM machines that are located at public places, instead use the ones that are at safe places like hotels, banks or at shopping centers especially during night. • If you are driving a rented car, do not stop in any parking area for long, else you will be robbed! • Do not shout out loud even if you see someone committing a crime, criminals do not operate alone, and nobody will turn up for your help. • Don't Smoke on the Dance Floors at the Bar. There are Smoking areas in every pubs. • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/ unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import.

Refer Disclaimer Page 65 of 69



40. Tipping basics

At least 10% of the bill amount is expected to be paid off as a tip. Tip can also be included in the final debit / credit card bill and the restaurants generally share the total amount with all their employees.



Refer Disclaimer Page 66 of 69



41.Pet info

Brasilia is not a very friendly destination in terms of the tourist's pets. Although there are a couple of pet – friendly hotels in Brasilia, but pets are not allowed inside museums and religious places. The following information should be kept in mind while taking your pets to Brazil: • Pet Microchip: It is recommended that your pets have a microchip or an identification tag before they are separated from you. Always register your contact information when travelling with pets, so that it is easy to identify your pet. • Vaccinations: A proof of vaccination against rabies is required for your pets before entering Brazil. • Before entering Brazil, ensure that your dog or cat is treated with any internal or external parasite infections. • While entering Brazil by air, notice has to be given to the Veterinary officer as your pet will be inspected on arrival in Brazil.

Refer Disclaimer Page 67 of 69



Conclusion - Why to select this destination

Brasilia is a masterpiece of modern architecture. This place is perfect for art and architecture lovers. The planning of this city and its beautiful architecture makes it one of the World Heritage sites by UNESCO. Brasilia also has the largest artificial man-made lake in the world that adds to the beauty of this city. Lacking the cultural flair and urban sprawl like other major cities of Brazil, Brasilia makes it up by being the fascinating place in the tapestry of the country. The Capital of Hope as they address the city, it caters to almost everything a person may desire from sightseeing to shopping to the buzzing nightlife.

Refer Disclaimer Page 68 of 69



Disclaimer

All rights reserved. This Travel Guide (inclusive of all content – text, graphics, images, illustrations, designs, etc.) is an Intellectual Property of Taxidio Travel India Pvt. Ltd. Copying, republishing, uploading, reproducing, downloading, distributing, posting, transmitting, or duplicating any of the material is prohibited. All the information contained in this Travel Guide is purely a work of research. The information may have undergone changes from the time it has been compiled. Taxidio Travel India Pvt. Ltd. Cannot be held liable for any alteration, inaccuracies or omissions.

Refer Disclaimer Page 69 of 69