<u>Tombs with effigies of Emperor Pedro</u> <u>II of Brazil</u>

Location: Brazil

The tombs with effigies of Emperor Pedro II of Brazil are located in the Imperial Mausoleum of the Cathedral of São Pedro de Alcântara in Petrópolis, Brazil. They were built to house the remains of Pedro II, the last emperor of Brazil, and his wife, Empress Teresa Cristina. Pedro II ruled over Brazil from 1831 to 1889, and was known for his progressive policies and support for science and the arts. He was deposed in a coup in 1889 and forced into exile, where he died in 1891, After his death, his body was returned to Brazil and he was buried in the Imperial Mausoleum. The tomb features an effigy of Pedro II in full regalia, lying in repose, with his hands clasped in prayer. The effigy is made of bronze and is highly detailed, with intricate carvings and delicate features. The tomb of Empress Teresa Cristina is located next to Pedro II's tomb, and features a similar effigy of the empress. Both tombs are highly ornate and feature intricate details and carvings, reflecting the importance of the imperial family in Brazilian history. Today, the tombs with effigies of Pedro II

and Empress Teresa Cristina are an important cultural and historical landmark in Petrópolis, and attract visitors from all over the world. They serve as a reminder of the rich history and cultural heritage of Brazil, and the important role that the imperial family played in shaping the country's identity.