

Rio 2026 Guide: 10 Tourist Spots

1 **Christ the Redeemer (Cristo Redentor):** The ultimate symbol of Brazil. Located at the top of Corcovado Mountain, it offers one of the most breathtaking panoramic views of the city. It is the perfect starting point to understand Rio's unique geography.

- **Address:** Parque Nacional da Tijuca (Main access via Corcovado Train: Rua Cosme Velho, 513 - Cosme Velho, Rio de Janeiro - RJ)

2 **Sugarloaf Cable Car (Bondinho do Pão de Açúcar):** An absolute classic. The cable car ride connects Praia Vermelha to Urca Hill and then to the top of Sugarloaf Mountain, revealing a spectacular sunset over Guanabara Bay.

- **Address:** Avenida Pasteur, 520 - Urca, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

3 **Copacabana Beach:** The famous "Little Princess of the Sea." With its Portuguese stone promenade drawing black and white waves, it is the ideal setting for a walk, a dip in the ocean, or simply drinking coconut water at the kiosks.

- **Address:** Avenida Atlântica - Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

4 **Museum of Tomorrow (Museu do Amanhã):** An icon of the revitalized Praça Mauá. With its futuristic architecture designed by Santiago Calatrava, the interactive museum invites you to reflect on sustainability, science, and the future of our planet.

- **Address:** Praça Mauá, 1 - Centro, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

5 **AquaRio:** The largest marine aquarium in South America. An immersive and fascinating journey through the bottom of the sea, ideal for sparking children's curiosity and enchanting adults, passing through transparent tunnels surrounded by sharks and rays.

- **Address:** Praça Muhammad Ali - Gamboa, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

6 **Yup Star (Rio's Ferris Wheel):** Neighboring AquaRio, this attraction offers a different angle of the Port Region, providing an incredible view of the sunset, the Rio-Niterói Bridge, and the downtown area in air-conditioned cabins.

- **Address:** Avenida Rodrigues Alves, 455 - Santo Cristo, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

7 **Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon (Lagoa Rodrigo de Freitas):** The heart of the South Zone. The 8-kilometer water mirror is the perfect setting for a morning run, a bike ride, or a fun family pedal boat ride.

- **Address:** Avenida Borges de Medeiros - Lagoa, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

8 **Botanical Garden (Jardim Botânico):** An oasis of tranquility. With avenues lined with century-old imperial palms, giant water lilies, and orchid gardens, it is one of the richest and most well-preserved green spaces in the city for a relaxing stroll.

- **Address:** Rua Jardim Botânico, 1008 - Jardim Botânico, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

9 **Parque Lage:** At the foot of Corcovado, this public park hides a beautiful eclectic-architecture mansion surrounded by the Atlantic Forest. It is a magical place to explore light trails and take amazing photos.

- **Address:** Rua Jardim Botânico, 414 - Jardim Botânico, Rio de Janeiro - RJ

10 **Maracanã:** The temple of world football (soccer). Even on non-game days, the stadium tour allows you to go behind the scenes, onto the pitch, and into the locker rooms, breathing the emotion of the country's most beloved sport.

- **Address:** Avenida Presidente Castelo Branco, Portão 3 - Maracanã, Rio de Janeiro - RJ