

## A quick guide to Brazil

<b>Time zone</b>	- 3 to -4
<b>Air Travel Time</b>	7.5hrs
<b>Airlines</b>	Air France, American Airlines, BA, Lufthansa, Swissair, VARIG
<b>Major Airports</b>	Brasilia, Natal, Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo
<b>Population</b>	176,030,000
<b>Capital City</b>	Brasilia
<b>Climate</b>	35/23
<b>Expat population</b>	300
<b>Language</b>	Portuguese
<b>Currency</b>	Brazilian Real (BRL)
<b>Exchange Rate</b>	£1 = 4.15 BRL
<b>Member of EU</b>	No
<b>Immunisations Required</b>	Malaria, Polio, hepatitis A, typhoid, yellow fever
<b>Visa Required</b>	90 days initially (no visa), contact Federal Police for extension
<b>Work Permit Required</b>	Yes
<b>Private Medical Insurance Required</b>	Yes
<b>Pets ok?</b>	Yes, with current health and rabies certificate
<b>Local Bank Account Required?</b>	Yes
<b>Mortgage Lenders</b>	Many developers offering financing, and most banks when you buy off-plan

<b>Emergency Services</b>	190
<b>Interest Rate</b>	Local currency from Brazilian lenders, but rates high. Cash or UK loan is best.
<b>Deposit Required</b>	10%
<b>Agent Fees (Typical)</b>	None
<b>Legal Fees (Typical)</b>	2 to 3% transmission tax; title and registration 1.5 to 2.5%
<b>Capital Gains Tax</b>	15 to 27%
<b>Other Taxes/Duties</b>	Stamp duty 2 to 5 %
<b>Grants Available</b>	No
<b>Letting Opportunity</b>	All year round.
<b>Peak Season</b>	Pipa region December to February; July to August countrywide.
<b>International Dialling Code</b>	0055
<b>Useful Websites</b>	<a href="http://www.forcetenproperty.com">www.forcetenproperty.com</a> <a href="http://www.propertyfrontiers.com">www.propertyfrontiers.com</a> <a href="http://www.halofinancial.com">www.halofinancial.com</a>