



SAMBALISCIOUS

THE SPIRIT OF BRAZIL

Rio Carnival Tour 2017

February 17-26

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS NOW
WWW.SAMBALISCIOUS.COM.AU

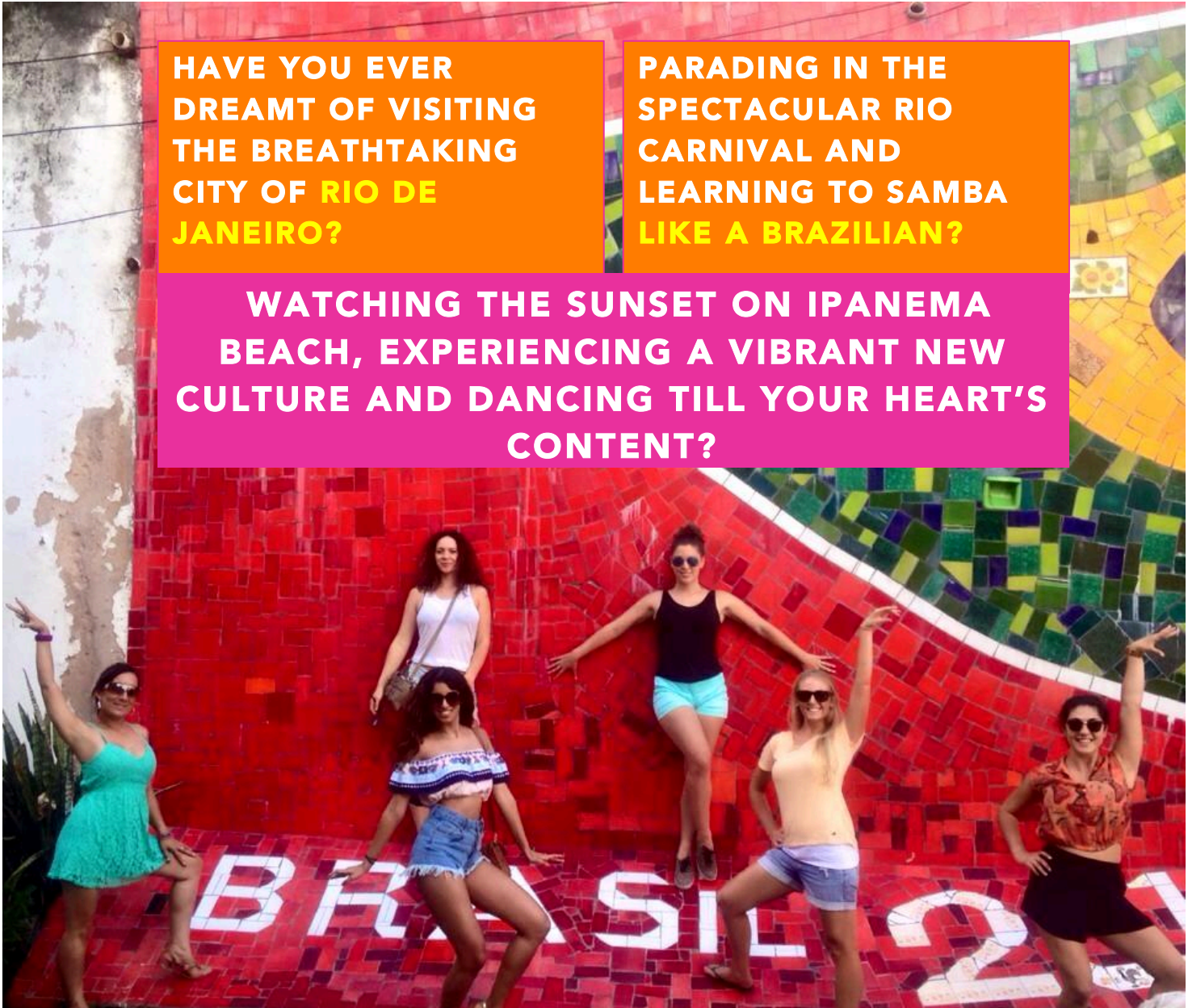
SAMBALISCIOUS RIO TOUR

FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY - SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY, 2017

**HAVE YOU EVER
DREAMT OF VISITING
THE BREATHTAKING
CITY OF RIO DE
JANEIRO?**

**PARADING IN THE
SPECTACULAR RIO
CARNIVAL AND
LEARNING TO SAMBA
LIKE A BRAZILIAN?**

**WATCHING THE SUNSET ON IPANEMA
BEACH, EXPERIENCING A VIBRANT NEW
CULTURE AND DANCING TILL YOUR HEART'S
CONTENT?**



THEN THIS TOUR IS FOR YOU!

Sambaliscious provides the most authentic Rio Carnival experience for Samba lovers of all levels!



TOUR DIRECTOR MISHEL JEMMA FINLAYSON

Mishel Jemma Finlayson is the Director of Sambaliscious Entertainment (established 2008) and spent 2 years living in Rio de Janeiro studying Brazilian Samba. She has spent the past decade travelling to Brazil annually to keep up to date with everything involving Carnival and Samba. Due to her fluency in Portuguese, exclusive contacts with the industry's most renowned Samba instructors and Carnival directors, the Sambaliscious Rio Carnival Tour has been uniquely tailored to give you an experience you will not receive elsewhere.

In 2014, Mishel represented Australia as its very first Samba Queen in the Rio Carnival parade on a float and appeared on Australia's Network 7 in a documentary showcasing her journey.

In 2015, Mishel negotiated for 28 Australians to perform on the very first Australian float in the history of Rio's Carnival for the champion school, "Estacio de Sa", and appeared on Brazil's national TV Network, Globo in an interview about her Samba experience in Australia and her annual Rio tour. In 2016, Mishel performed as the Principal Muse for "Paraiso do Tuiuti" Samba school, and took 22 Australians with her to perform on a float, helping the school to win the championship once again!

Mishel genuinely cares about you and your tour experience - you will not simply be another tourist in Brazil, but will experience Rio as a local "Carioca"!

Whilst living in Rio, Mishel designed and filmed a complete series of online Brazilian Samba lessons from Beginners to Performance level, which are included in the tour package!



SAMBALISCIOUS

THE SPIRIT OF BRAZIL

Rio Carnival Tour 2017

February 17-26

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS NOW
WWW.SAMBALISCIOUS.COM.AU

TOUR INCLUSIONS

Accommodation:

- 10 days (9 x nights) accommodation in shared dormitory rooms (4x people per room)
- Boutique hostel located near the beach in Rio's safest/most exclusive suburb, Leblon
- Breakfast included each day
- Airport pick up and drop off in private van/taxi included

Tours and Activities:

- Rio Day Tour including Statue of Christ, Sugarloaf Mountain, Santa Teresa and Selaron Steps (transport and entry fees included)
- Samba school rehearsal night (transport and entry fees included)
- Entry to the 1st Annual World Samba Congress
- Entry to the 1st Annual International Samba Queen competition
- Guided Favela Tour
- Samba group classes with a selection of Rio's most respected Samba Queens

Carnival Experience:

- Carnival costume and entry to parade with a Samba school (private van to and from the Sambadrome)
- VIP box seat ticket to experience the Carnival parade right in front of the Samba avenue (private van to and from the Sambadrome)

Resources:

- 1 x Complete reference Guide to Rio (PDF)
- 1 x Portuguese Audio lessons series
- Full access to "Samba with Me" online dance lessons (5 x levels)

Not included:

- Meals and drinks (except for daily hostel breakfast)
- Flights/Visas
- Travel insurance and pre-departure travel preparations such as immunizations
- Shopping
- All other personal expenses
- Additional activities outside the scheduled tour itinerary



TOUR PACKAGE

Package:

AU\$6995 (in full by November 1st, 2016)

Please note: **AU\$500** (non-refundable) deposit is due by May 1st to secure your place.

- All tour inclusions as stated above
- Performing in the Rio Carnival on a **Float**
***Subject to video audition showcasing knowledge of Samba skills)

Early Bird Booking

Book and pay in full before May 1st 2016 and receive 5% discount on the overall tour price – AU\$6645.25.

Repeat Booking

If you have already joined us in Rio on the full tour, receive a \$500 discount on the next tour.

Optional Extras:

Not included in the tour packages, but available upon request:

- **Samba Queen photoshoot** on Ipanema beach
Including professional photographer, make up artist and hired Samba costume – AU\$1000/person
- **Private Samba classes** – AU\$150/person/class (excluding transport)
- **Private Capoeira classes** – AU\$150/person/class (excluding transport)
- Tailored **Sambaliscious Couture costumes** – price dependent on costume/postage



SAMBALISCIOUS

THE SPIRIT OF BRAZIL

Rio Carnival Tour 2017

February 17-26

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS NOW
WWW.SAMBALISCIOUS.COM.AU

TESTIMONIAL

Tonight was one of the craziest, most magnificent moments of my life! To dance for this Samba school, alongside Aussies and Brazilians on a beautiful float – I couldn't be more proud! Thank you Mishel for the wonderful opportunity!

- Kate Ticehurst,
Director Subdance Latin Studio

TESTIMONIAL

A dream come true....performing in Rio Carnival on a float! I had tears in my eyes as we entered the Sambadrome. This was by far the best experience of my life. Thank you Mishel for making our dream a reality – you're amazing!

- Simone Vecchi

TESTIMONIAL

Just returned from the experience of a lifetime – dancing in the Carnival in Rio de Janeiro! Nothing compares and I'm so grateful! Thank you Mishel for the opportunity!

- Becky Flemming, Director
Kokoloco Dance studio

TESTIMONIAL

What an amazing experience and honour to be part of Carnival in Rio de Janeiro! Huge thanks to Brisbane's very own Samba goddess Mishel! We are so lucky to have this beautiful experience to remember forever!

- Amanda Zawada



SAMBALISCIOUS

THE SPIRIT OF BRAZIL

Rio Carnival Tour 2017

February 17-26

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS NOW
WWW.SAMBALISCIOUS.COM.AU



TESTIMONIAL

I wanted to go on Mishel's Sambaliscious Rio Carnival tour two years ago, and finally the stars aligned and I was able to join in 2015. The wait was MORE than worth it. The authentic Rio experience I've had on this trip is like no other, thanks to Mishel's in-depth knowledge of the culture, her wonderful contacts and ability to speak fluent Portuguese. Her incredible connections with the Rio Samba scene and true friendships with dancers here meant that we've been able to experience the Samba world at its very core, taking classes from some of Rio's most respected dancers, entry into exclusive Samba clubs, and the whole reason we were the first Australian float in Rio Carnival history! It is only because of her that such an amazing opportunity exists for foreigners, and it's one you cannot get anywhere else. It was a truly unforgettable, once-in-a-lifetime experience that I will treasure for the rest of my days and cheekily smile about when I'm old!

- Sukriti Wahi