

BRAZIL

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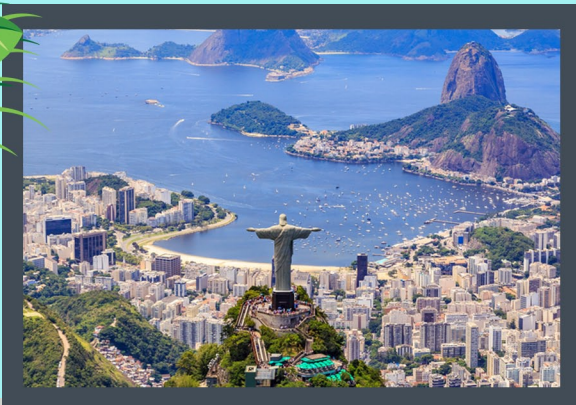
The name Brazil comes from a tree named brazilwood. Brazil is the fifth largest country in the world both in terms of territory and population.

Brazil's population: Over 209 million.



The Amazon River

The Amazon River flows through Brazil, it is the 2nd longest river in the world (after the Nile).



Landmarks

One of the most well known landmarks in Brazil is the statue of Christ the Redeemer. It is located at the peak of the Corcovado Mountain in the Tijuca Forest National Park.

Language

Brazilians speak Portuguese because the country was claimed by Portugal in 1500. Brazil gained its independence in 1822.

Sport

Football (soccer) is the most popular sport in Brazil. Brazil has one of the best soccer teams in the world, winning the World Cup a record 5 times.

Did you know?

The Amazon Rainforest is home to many species including jaguars, sloths, macaws, anacondas, armadillos and toucans.



Rio Olympics

The Summer Olympic Games will be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from the 5th to 21st of August 2016. This will be the first Olympic games to be held in South America.

Food

A popular dish in Brazil is called feijoada. The dish consists of a bean stew with meat, usually served with rice, cabbage and farofa.

The Amazon Rainforest

The Amazon rainforest is the largest tropical rainforest in the world, covering over five and half a million square kilometres (1.4 billion acres).

