

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



BRAZIL – ILHÉUS

INFOPACK OF PROJECTS



Cooperbom Turismo is a Cooperative of Tourism and Social Promotion. Based in Ilhéus-Bahia since 2007. Our projects and Programs aim to reduce poverty by promoting employability of young people.

General information about Brazil and Ilhéus

Language: Portuguese (official), Spanish, English, French, American Spiritualist, 2% Spiritist, 1% Atheist

Currency: Real (BRL)

Exchange Rate: 3,88 Brazilian Reais per 1 € Euro (as of 14/06/2018).



Bounded by the Atlantic Ocean on the east, **Brazil** has a coastline of 7,491 kilometers (4,655 mi). It borders all other South American countries except Ecuador and Chile and covers 47.3% of the continent's land area. Its Amazon River basin includes a vast tropical forest, home to diverse wildlife, a variety of ecological systems, and extensive natural resources spanning numerous protected habitats. This unique environmental heritage makes Brazil one of 17 megadiverse countries, and is the subject of significant global interest and debate regarding deforestation and environmental protection.

Welcome to the land of Gabriela! An enchanting tour with 486 years of history! **Ilhéus** is located between the ocean and the Atlantic Rain Forest, on the coastline of the south of Bahia. With 100 km of white sandy beach, the city became famous for its cocoa plantations that made its prosperity for many years, influencing the architecture of the city. Hometown of the great author Jorge Amado who became internationally known with his novels happening in Ilhéus. Neo-classical mansions, small palaces and churches surround the city center remembering the golden age of the cocoa period at the beginning of the 20th century.



The city's economy is based mainly on tourism, as a result of its beaches and cultural heritage that includes early Portuguese buildings, history and culinary distinctions, which bring to the city many Brazilian and foreign tourists. Walking around the streets and squares of Ilhéus is like traveling through its History. The town is known as one of the most important tourism centres of the northeast of Brazil.



Its landscapes and environmental protection areas attract tourists that are looking for white sand and crystal clear water.

The city of São Jorge dos Ilhéus is located in a privileged place. Cut out by lots of water, your arrival by plane is very beautiful and exciting. The centre of the city is located on an island formed by the rivers Almada, Cachoeira and Itacanoeira (or Fundão) and also by the channels Jacaré and Itaípe. The latter, built at the end of the eighteenth century by naval engineer François Gaston Lavigne, Napoleon's army officer. This channel was constructed to facilitate the passage of the canoes that brought cacao from the region of the Almada river for the embarkation in the port. This last river has its beginning in a lagoon, the Lagoon Encantada, of unique natural beauty and high level of environmental preservation.



Projects: The organization develops many projects in the field of sports, tourism, teaching, environmental protection and advocacy.

Logistic: You will arrive at Guarulhos International Airport, Salvador, Brasilia, Recife, Fortaleza, Natal, Campinas or Rio de Janeiro. Once in Brazilian territory you will fly to Ilhéus Jorge Amado Airport.

1) If you will come to **Salvador** (Luis Eduardo Magalhães International Airport), you will need to take a bus outside the airport to the Bus Station 50 minutes far, it costs R\$ 3.50 to 5.50 (0.95 cents of euro to 1.49 euros), there take a bus to **Ilhéus** by ROTA Cia or ÁGUIA BRANCA

If you come directly to Ilhéus, you will be picked up at the airport

2) Fee cost (included stay and food)

3) Minimum stay (Minimum period – 05 months)

4) **Project description:** “English for Life” - The project has been developed to overcome the lack of skills in english and spanish of youth and teachers of public schools. We aim to raise the possibilities of employability of youth students and teachers working in youth and adult education to enhance the learning outcomes of learners of public schools and with fewer opportunities.

5) Volunteer for English and Spanish Teaching

Volunteer as an English and Spanish teacher in Brazil and gain valuable experience in teaching English / Spanish as a foreign language whilst exploring Ilhéus a beautiful city in the middle of Atlantic Forest and on the seaside (Atlantic Ocean). This is a great opportunity for qualified and experienced teachers as well as college students and any aspiring teachers who want to gain more work experience. We need you!

6) **Three volunteers** will be in this project (teaching English/Spanish, working as supporter and advocacy)

7) Requirement of volunteer (knowledge of English, Spanish, flexible, committed with the activities and the project)

8) Fees: 450 euros

9) Activities starting in July 2018

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