

TRAVEL ITINERARY – BRAZIL - KARL/AGRO CONNECTION

JANUARY 28, 2024 – FEBRUARY 10, 2024

JANUARY 28

NIGHT: USA – Brazil (Sao Paulo)

JANUARY 29

MORNING: Arrival at Sao Paulo (Guarulhos Airport – GRU) (5:40 AM)

MIDDAY: Lunch

AFTERNOON: Visit to Terra Viva – Flower and Plant Production – Santo Antônio de Posse/SP



<https://pousadapiuval.com.br/fotos/>

In 1959, Mr. Klaas and Mrs. Gemma, founders of the Terra Viva Group, left Netherlands for Brazil with their 11 children in search for a better life. They settled in Holambra, the City of Flowers. Currently, the group researches, develops, produces and markets potatoes, bulbs, cereals, flowers and ornamental plants, oranges, seedlings, and eucalyptus in farms located in strategic areas in the States of São Paulo and Minas Gerais. The Terra Viva Group has over 1,200 employees. The group's deeply rooted values and principles guide day-to-day activities promoting sustainability, constantly improving products, processes, people, and the surroundings. Terra Viva is proud to believe in Brazil's potential, in human development, in its mission and vocation to sow, care, and harvest responsibly.

Website: <https://www.terraviva.agr.br/>

NIGHT: Overnight in Holambra/SP; Check-in Hotel 1

JANUARY 30

MORNING: Visit Nova Cintra Farm - Coffee Farm – Espírito Santo do Pinhal/SP



Nova Cintra Farm dates to 1901. It is more than 100 years of work and dedication, most of them run by the same family. Over the last few decades, modernization has made the farm more efficient, sustainable, and prepared to meet market demands with a focus on high quality coffees. Nova Cintra has 1902 acres, with more than 494 acres dedicated to coffee in Espírito Santo do Pinhal, a traditional coffee producing region of Mogiana, State of São Paulo. The coffee varieties produced are the following: Yellow and Red Bourbon, New World, Red Catuaí, Yellow Catuaí, Acaiá and Obatã. *“The affection for our people and our land is reflected in the excellence of our production: special coffees awarded in competitions and recognized in Brazil and abroad”*.

Website: <https://www.fazendanovacintracom.br/>

MIDDAY: Lunch

AFTERNOON: Visit Terra Viva – Citrus Production – Casa Branca/SP



Same Terra Viva group, but a different farm.

Website: <https://www.terraviva.agr.br/>

NIGHT: Dinner and overnight in Holambra/SP in Hotel 1

JANUARY 31

MORNING: Travel to Piracicaba/SP - Visit CTC (Technology Center for Sugarcane)

The Technology Center for Sugarcane (CTC) is the global leader in sugarcane science, which seeks constant innovation in genetic improvement, whether through conventional techniques, biotechnology or planting methods. We have one of the largest sugarcane germplasm banks in the world, with over 4,000 varieties. With laboratories in Piracicaba (SP) and Saint-Louis (Missouri-USA), the team of scientists develop products using modern techniques such as transgenics and genomic editing.

Created in 1969, the CTC has contributed throughout its history to the technological advancement of national agribusiness and the competitiveness of the sugar-energy sector, leading Brazil to the world leadership in the sector, with sustainable production of sugar, ethanol (clean and renewable biofuel) and bioelectricity.

Website: <https://ctc.com.br/en/>

MIDDAY: Lunch

AFTERNOON: Visit the University of São Paulo (ESALQ) – Piracicaba/SP



The Escola Superior de Agricultura Luiz de Queiroz (ESALQ) is a unit of the University of São Paulo (USP), located in Piracicaba, a municipality in the center-west of the State of São Paulo, characterized as an important center of industrial and agricultural development. ESALQ is a global leader in agricultural research and has 130 laboratories in 12 ag based departments.

Website: <https://www.esalq.usp.br/>

NIGHT: Travel to Campinas airport and flight to Sinop/MT

FEBRUARY 1

DAWN: Transfer from Sinop/MT to Sorriso/MT – check-in and overnight in Hotel 2 in Sorriso/MT

MORNING: Free/Recharge

AFTERNOON: Visit to Rigon Farm – Corn and Soybean Production - Sorriso/MT



Rigon Farms is a soybean and corn production farm located in Sorriso, Mato Grosso. It is a family business that stands out for the continuity of the family's agricultural legacy. The Rigon family has been involved in agriculture for four generations, starting in the state of Rio Grande do Sul in the 1950s, where they still have a grain production unit nowadays. In 2000 they expanded their activities to the state of Mato Grosso. Compared to other producers in the region, the farm can be considered medium-sized, with 3,950 acres of crop area. The farm adopts modern and sustainable agricultural practices, seeking to maximize productivity while preserving the environment and implementing practices to preserve the soil and natural resources.

NIGHT: Dinner and overnight in Hotel 2 in Sorriso/MT

FEBRUARY 2

MORNING: Visit to Proteplan – Crop Consulting and Research Center - Sorriso/MT



Proteplan's mission is to develop integrated solutions in agriculture and disseminate technical knowledge and experience to the production chain. Proteplan contributes to the development of agriculture in a sustainable way, promoting environmental stewardship and seeking profitability in the different cultures in which we operate.

Site: <https://en.proteplan.com.br/>

MIDDAY: Snacks on the bus

AFTERNOON: Visit to Grupo Guerinno Ferrarin (GGF) – Crop Production - Lucas do Rio Verde/MT



The GGF is one of the largest Brazilian agribusiness groups focused on the production of soybean and corn. Headquartered in the municipality of Lucas do Rio Verde/MT, the group own more than 15 other farms in the State of Mato Grosso. The group counts with a modern fleet of machinery and farm equipment, being able to implement practices with extreme precision, speed and operational efficiency. The GGF operates in more than 321 thousand acres, distributed in 13 Production Units and 4 warehouses.

Website: <https://ggfbrasil.com/>

NIGHT: Check-in Hotel 3 and overnight in Lucas do Rio Verde/MT

Dinner

FEBRUARY 3

MORNING: Transfer from Lucas do Rio Verde/MT to Poconé/MT

Snacks on the bus

Arrival in Poconé/MT at 12:00 pm. Check-in Pousada Piuval



The Pantanal is a natural region encompassing the world's largest tropical wetland area, and the world's largest flooded grasslands. The vegetation of the Pantanal is a mixture of plant communities typical of a variety of surrounding biome regions: these include moist tropical Amazonian rainforest plants, semiarid woodland plants typical of northeast Brazil, Brazilian cerrado savanna plants and plants of the Chaco savannas of Bolivia and Paraguay. The Pantanal ecosystem is home to 463 species of birds, 269 species of fishes, more than 236 species of mammals, 141 species of reptiles and amphibians, and over 9,000 subspecies of invertebrates.

MIDDAY: Lunch at Pousada Piuval, Poconé/MT – Traditional Pantanal Food

AFTERNOON: 3:30 pm Boat tour on the Pixaim River (2 hour tour). We will see many animals on the riverside. Sunset sighting.

NIGHT: Wildlife sighting from 8 PM to 9 PM. Dinner and Overnight at Pousada Piuval.



FEBRUARY 4

MORNING: Dawn walk at 06:00

Breakfast at 07 AM

Safari jeep tour



MIDDAY: Lunch

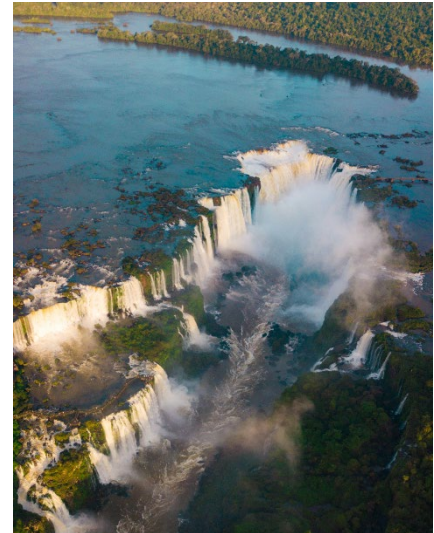
AFTERNOON: Departure to Cuiabá

NIGHT: Dinner at the Airport - Flight to Foz do Iguaçu/PR

Check-in Hotel 5 and overnight in Foz do Iguaçu/PR

FEBRUARY 5

MORNING: Cataratas do Iguaçu Tour



The Iguazu Falls are composed by 275 waterfalls on the Iguazu River, located in the Paraná River basin, in Foz do Iguaçu. They are one of the largest waterfalls in the world both in number of falls and extension as well as in volume of water, which make it a unique place. The Iguazu Falls were elected one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, through a global competition organized by the New Open World Corporation (NOWC). The Iguazu Falls are on the border between Brazil and Argentina, as the Iguazu River divides the two countries. Part of the falls is in Foz do Iguaçu and another part in the Argentine city of Puerto Iguazu. On one side is the Iguazu National Park, in the Brazilian state of Paraná, and on the other in Misiones, Argentina, the Parque Nacional del Iguazú. Both parks were designated Unesco Heritage Sites in 1984 and 1987.

MIDDAY: Lunch at Restaurante Barracão



AFTERNOON: Itaipu – Hydroelectric Plant



On the Itaipu Hydroelectric Plant you will be impressed with all the grandeur and modernity of one of the largest hydroelectric power plants in the world. Itaipu, which in Tupi Guarani means “the singing stone”, is the hydroelectric plant that generates the most energy in the world. The powerplant has 20 generating units, which means that in favorable weather conditions (rain at

normal levels) production can reach 100 billion kilowatt-hours. 19.3% of the energy consumed in Brazil and 87.3% of the energy consumed in Paraguay is supplied by Itaipu.

Website: <https://www.itaipu.gov.br/>

NIGHT: Dinner in Foz do Iguaçu/PR

FEBRUARY 6

MORNING: Transfer to Foz do Iguaçu Airport and flight to Passo Fundo/RS

Visit to Biotrigo Genética - Wheat breeding company - Passo Fundo/RS



Biotrigo Genética is a national wheat breeding company, focused on developing cultivars for all wheat growing regions in Brazil and Latin American countries. With more than three decades of experience in the genetic improvement segment, Biotrigo Genética was established in 2008 through its directors Ottoni Rosa Filho and André Cunha Rosa (Kansas State University Alumni).

Website: <https://biotrigo.com.br/>

AFTERNOON: Visit to Cabanha Soldera - Beef Cattle Production - Panambi/RS



In the heart of the grain production in Rio Grande do Sul, Cabanha Soldera started their operation in 2005 in Panambi. As a family-owned business, they became a reference in grassfed cattle production and crop-livestock integration systems, as well as Angus and Brangus genetic markets.

Website: <https://cabanhasoldera.com.br/>

NIGHT: Dinner, Check-in Hotel Executivos and overnight in Cruz Alta/RS

FEBRUARY 7

MORNING: Visit to CCGL – Co-op - Cruz Alta/RS

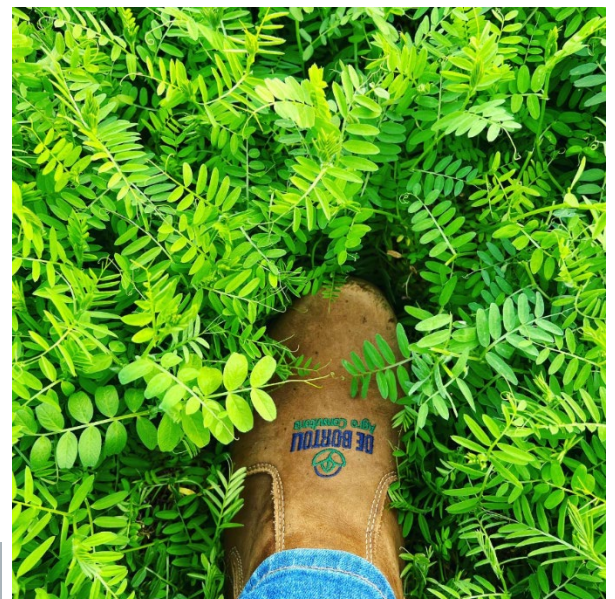


Considered one of the largest cooperatives in Brazil, the Cooperativa Central Gaúcha Ltda. (CCGL) has more than 171,000 producers. To develop their activities with greater competitiveness, associates have the support of their units specialized in technologies applied to agriculture, logistics and dairy products. The dairy unit has a production capacity of 900 thousand gallons of milk per day. CCGL's industrial park has one of the most modern manufacturing processes in Latin America.

Website: <https://app.ccgl.com.br/site/>

MIDDAY: Lunch at CCGL

AFTERNOON: Visit to Sementes Aurora (Aurora Seeds) – Seed Production - Cruz Alta/RS



Aurora Seeds operates in the production and sale of soybean, wheat, and corn seeds with a focus on continuous improvement of its production and grain processing. The company constantly invests in state-of-the-art equipment, which provides a high level of quality to its products. Aurora seeds won several soybean yield contents in Brazil and are leaders in sustainable production, soil health, cover crops, and no-tillage. They are currently operating the biggest wheat drill machine in Brazil (105 rows).

Website: <https://www.sementesaurora.com.br/>

NIGHT: Gaucho Style Barbecue and Traditional dance & music at Aurora Seeds – Cruz Alta/RS

FEBRUARY 8

MORNING: Transfer to Bento Gonçalves/RS

MIDDAY: Lunch (TBA)

AFTERNOON: Salton Winery Tour – Winery - Bento Gonçalves/RS



The Salton winery, in Bento Gonçalves (RS), is an immersion in the world of wine. It is a unique experience, unveiling intense aromas and striking flavors, where history, tradition and innovation complement each other in the midst of nature. The tasting and visit experience consist of a guided tour of the vineyards and the winery, where you can learn a little more about the history of Salton and the production process in Southern Brazil.

Website: <https://www.salton.com.br/>

NIGHT: Dinner, check-in and overnight in Hotel 7 in Bento Gonçalves/RS

FEbruary 9

MORNING: Typical Mountain Brunch in Bento Gonçalves/RS

Transfer from Bento Gonçalves/RS to Porto Alegre/RS Airport

Flight from Porto Alegre/RS Airport to Guarulhos Airport

NIGHT: Return to USA

FEbruary 10

MORNING: Arrival in the USA

INVESTMENT

- **Kansas City - \$5,875/person. Includes \$500 gift to the KARL Program**
- **Wichita - \$5,950/person. Includes \$500 gift to the KARL Program**
- Includes all in-country flights (4), 34 meals (soft drinks included (soda, water, and juice) – alcohol excluded), airfare, lodging, and ground transportation.
- Tips are included in the tour pricing.
- Additional single: \$480 for all nights.
- Due dates:
 - Deposit required to secure your booking: \$500 per person (which is your KARL gift)

- First payment \$1,700 on **August 15, 2023**
- Final payment \$3,675 (Kansas City) on **October 1, 2023**
- Final payment \$3,750 (Wichita) on **October 1, 2023**
- **Payment should be made do KARL, Inc.**

In case of cancellation:

- September 1st to September 30th - Cost will be \$150 per cancellation.
- October 1st to October 31st – Cost will \$450 per cancellation.
- November 1st to date of departure – 100% non-refundable

PASSPORT AND VISA

A valid US passport is required to travel to Brazil. Your passport must be valid for at least 3 months beyond the date you expect to return home. We strongly recommend a minimum of 6 months’ validity to avoid any possible issues. Brazil currently do not require a Visa for US citizens. If this rule changes from the date of booking to departure day you shall be informed via KARL.

ITINERARY

The 12 in-country days itinerary encompasses about [4,000 miles](#). You will visit 4 Brazilian States (Sao Paulo, Mato Grosso, Parana, and Rio Grande do Sul) and 4 natural biomes (Atlantic Forest, Cerrado, Pantanal, and Pampa).

