

# Giftival 2016

## Santos, Brazil

### WHAT TO BRING:

- TOWELS AND BEDSHEETS
- RAIN GEAR
- APPROPRIATE WALKING SHOES FOR DIFFERENT SITUATIONS (BOOTS, TENNIS SHOES, FLIP-FLOPS OR SANDALS ETC.)
- APPROPRIATE CLOTHING FOR PHYSICAL WORK AND FOR SWIMMING
- A COAT
- CLOTHING FOR THE CELEBRATION PARTY
- SUN BLOCK AND A HAT
- INSECT REPELLENT
- CAMERA, IF YOU HAVE ONE
- PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS (SOAP, TOOTHBRUSH, TOOTHPASTE)
- MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
- MEDICATIONS

### HEALTH:

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY ALLERGIES OR MEDICAL OR DIETARY RESTRICTIONS OR REQUIREMENTS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO INFORM US IF YOU TAKE SOME MEDICATION REGULARLY. DO NOT FORGET TO BRING THE MEDICATION OF YOUR PREFERENCE FOR HEADACHES, STOMACHACHE AND FLU.

IN TERMS OF THE ZIKA VIRUS, WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT THE BEST THING TO DO IS CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL/REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTION FOR ADVICE. WE ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THIS TYPE.

### VISA REQUIREMENTS (FOR FOREIGNERS):

PASSPORTS MUST BE VALID FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS FROM YOUR DATE OF ENTRY AND MUST HAVE AT LEAST TWO BLANK PAGES. VISAS ARE

REQUIRED FOR TOURISTS OF SOME NATIONALITIES; OTHERS WILL RECEIVE ONE UPON ENTRY. VISAS ARE GENERALLY VALID FOR 90 DAYS, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF ONE EXTENSION OF UP TO 90 DAYS. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK THE VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR NATIONALITY AND APPLY – EVEN IF YOU THINK YOU ARE EXEMPT, VISA RULES OFTEN CHANGE, SO PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK THE INFORMATION.

#### CULTURE:

THE DIVERSITY OF THE GROUP IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. THUS WE INVITE YOU TO BRING SOME SORT OF CULTURAL EXPRESSION FROM WHERE YOU COME FROM TO SHARE WITH THE GROUP - MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS YOU PLAY, FOOD OR SNACKS YOU WOULD LIKE TO OFFER, TRADITIONAL CLOTHING, ACCESSORIES, ETC.

# Instructions and tips Traveling to Santos

#### ACCOMMODATIONS:

ALL THE ROOMS HAVE A BATHROOM AND ARE EQUIPPED WITH A SHOWER WITH HOT WATER, A CEILING FAN, 3 SINGLE BEDS AND A SMALL SPACE TO PUT AWAY YOUR BELONGINGS. THE ROOMS ARE SHARED AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE PER ROOM MAY VARY BETWEEN 2 OR 3 PEOPLE OF THE SAME SEX.

WIRELESS INTERNET WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE BUILDING FOR FREE.

THE ELECTRICITY IN SANTOS IS 220~240V. REMEMBER THIS WHEN PLUGGING IN YOUR ELECTRIC APPLIANCES.

#### HOW TO GET TO THE MEETING POINT:

COMING FROM GUARULHOS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:

TAKE A BUS WITH FOLLOWING BUS COMPANIES:

- VIAÇÃO COMETA: [WWW.VIACAOCOMETA.COM.BR](http://WWW.VIACAOCOMETA.COM.BR) OR

- PERSONAL BUS: [WWW.PERSONALBUS.COM.BR](http://WWW.PERSONALBUS.COM.BR)

THE BUS TAKES 2 TO 3 HOURS TO ARRIVE IN SANTOS.

COMING FROM CONGONHAS AIRPORT:

- SANTOS CONGONHAS [WWW.SANTOSCONGONHAS.COM.BR](http://WWW.SANTOSCONGONHAS.COM.BR) OR
- PERSONAL BUS [WWW.PERSONALBUS.COM.BR](http://WWW.PERSONALBUS.COM.BR)

THE BUS TAKES 1 TO 2 HOURS TO ARRIVE IN SANTOS.

IF YOU GET OFF AT THE RODOVIARIA DE SANTOS (BUS STATION), YOU CAN EITHER WALK TO THE ACCOMMODATIONS OR TAKE A TAXI, WHICH WILL COST YOU AROUND R\$10,00. EVEN THOUGH IT IS WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE BUS STATION, IT IS SAFER TO TAKE A TAXI BECAUSE YOU WILL BE CARRYING YOUR LUGGAGE, WHICH ATTRACTS MORE RISKS OF BEING ROBBED. TO GET A TAXI GO TO THE ENTRANCE OF THE BUS STATION OR CALL 0800 148687 OR 0800 141313.

# Instructions and tips In Santos

## WEATHER CONDITIONS IN SANTOS:

IT WILL BE SPRING IN SANTOS SO THE WEATHER WILL BE WARM WITH POSSIBILITIES OF VERY HOT DAYS; THE TEMPERATURES CAN REACH 20° TO 35° CELSIUS. YET THE WAY SANTOS IS SITUATED IT STILL RECEIVES QUITE SOME RAIN EVERY NOW AND THEN, IT'S HARD TO PREDICT. SO WE ADVISE YOU TO BRING CLOTHING FOR WARM WEATHER AND RAINY WEATHER.

THERE ARE NO SPECIAL CULTURAL RESTRICTIONS ON WHAT TO WEAR. NEVERTHELESS, GIVEN THE NATURE OF OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES IT HELPS TO USE DISCREET ATTIRE (NO FANCY CLOTHES OR CLOTHES THAT WILL EXPOSE TOO MUCH OF YOUR BODY, NO VALUABLE JEWELRY, ETC.).

WE WILL LIKELY DO ACTIVITIES IN AND AROUND THE COMMUNITIES WHERE HOST ORGANIZATION ELOS WORKS AND OUR GROUP WILL BE NOTICED. THESE PRECAUTIONS WILL MAKE IT EASIER TO APPROACH PEOPLE AND AVOID THE CREATION OF STEREOTYPES ABOUT WHO WE ARE.

## PRECAUTIONS:

SANTOS IS A LIVELY, FRIENDLY AND TOURISTIC CITY THAT OFFERS IMMENSE OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING, EXPERIMENTATION AND ENJOYMENT. TO MAKE THE BEST OF THIS EXPERIENCE AND AVOID PROBLEMS, SOME COMMONSENSE PRECAUTIONS ARE NEEDED. APART FROM NOT WALKING ALONE ALONG DARK STREETS AT NIGHT YOU SHOULD ESPECIALLY KEEP A GOOD EYE ON YOUR VALUABLES SUCH AS YOUR PASSPORT, MONEY, WALLET, CELL PHONE AND CAMERAS. YOUR HOSTS, THE ELOS TEAM, WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE PROGRAM TO GIVE YOU TIPS ON WHERE TO GO, AND WHAT TO WATCH OUT FOR. BE AWARE THAT ELOS CANNOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR BELONGINGS WHILE YOU ARE IN SANTOS.