

## **VISA AND PASSPORT CONSIDERATIONS**

Brazil has different VISA requirements according to the country where you were born. For some countries, a Brazilian visa is not needed or only required if you intend to stay in the country for a certain period (usually more than 90 days). For other countries a VISA is mandatory. Therefore, check with the Brazilian Embassy or Consulate closest to your residence whether or not you need a VISA.

## If you need a VISA, you must obtain your Brazilian visa in advance at the Brazilian Embassy or Consulate. There are no "airport visas" and immigration authorities will refuse entry to Brazil to those who do not have a valid visa when required.

To obtain a visa you must contact the nearest Brazilian Consulate General (your passport cannot expire within six months of entrance into Brazil and must have at least 2 blank pages, both sides). Do not forget to get this Visa or check to make sure that your current visa is valid. There are countless nightmares about foreigners arriving in Brazil without one.

NOTE: If you have a valid Brazilian Visa (check the dates on the visa) in an expired passport, you can use both passports (renewed and the expired one with a valid visa to enter Brazil).