

## Arpoador Beach in Rio de Janeiro



*Arpoador Beach - One of the best Surf Spot in Rio de Janeiro*

**Arpoador**, one of the most visited beaches in Brazil, is a neighborhood sandwiched between two of the popular beaches, viz. [Copacabana](#) and [Ipanema](#). The beach offers stunning views of the sunset and is highly-picked by the families and surfers. This 500m-long beach featuring crystalline water, is somewhat quieter than the other beaches. Equipped with floodlights for night surfing and about 3m-tall breakers, the Arpoador Beach is regarded as the best surf spot in Rio.

### Arpoador Rock

The imposing *Arpoador Rock* is the main highlight of the beach. This rock was named after the Portuguese settlers and locals of Brazil, who used to hunt whales from the rock using a harpoon to strike them. The word Arpoador means "harpoon thrower." The rocks at the beach have trails for a leisure walk. From here you can also enjoy the views of the sunrise and sunset. People also love to dive into the sea from the cliffs.

### Arpoador Beach Location Map



## Facts about Arpoador Beach

Coordinates: 22.9906° S, 43.1917° W  
Ponta Arpoador is the full name of this beach.

## Where is Arpoador Beach ?

The Arpoador beach is situated in the vibrant city of Rio de Janeiro. The Santos Dumont Airport is the nearest airport to the beach. You can reach the beach via metro or taxi. The General Osório metro station is the nearest metro station

## Best time to visit Arpoador Beach

The best time to visit the beach is from December to March, as the weather is warm. As it is the peak tourist season, you would find everything expensive around this time. If you want to escape the high prices and crowds, you may choose to visit the Arpoador beach during the spring season, i.e. the months of September and October.

## Things to do

As the Arpoador beach is located in the center of the Rio's panoramic coastline, it offers stunning views of the lights of Ipanema, [Leblon](#), and Vidigal flashing underneath the peaks of Dois Irmãos, and of the [Copacabana beach](#). The nightlife at the beach is interesting. The views of the beach illumined with the gleaming lights are magical. The 24-hour Zona Sul supermarket of Copacabana, along with some bars and shops is at a walking distance from the beach. There are two mini skateboarding bowls in the Garota da Ipanema Park, that overlooks the beach. The MPB (Música Popular Brasileira) artists perform in the concerts hosted by the park.

## Arpoador Hotels & Restaurants

Some of the popular restaurants at the beach include Koni Store, and Restaurant Arpoador. The beach Arpoador is also famous for its discos. Xangri Lá, Inn Arpoador Buzios, Arpoador Inn, Hotel Cristal Palace, and Hotel Fasano are some of the best places to stay on the beach. At Hotel Fasano, you may get a glimpse of celebrities like Lenny Kravitz, and Beyoncé.

### **Tips:**

Do not carry your valuables to the beach for your safety at the Arpoador beach.

Check the surf report at [Magicseaweed.com](#) before deciding to surf.

Some other interesting places to visit near the beach include Praia de Piratininga, [Arpoador Beach](#), [Fernando de Noronha](#), [Copacabana](#), and [Ipanema](#).

## More on Arpoador Beach

### **How much money should be carried to the beach?**

Around \$300,00 local money, and only one credit card (Mastercard or Visa) should be carried to the beach.

### **What are Havaianas?**

The Havaianas are shoes that locals wear. You must buy these shoes as they are very comfortable and local people will feel you as one among them.

### **What attire is best for the beach?**

A cap and a T-shirt work perfect for the beach. You should also take a sun protector along.

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