

BRAZIL: BEHIND THE STEREOTYPE



There's a great fascination about travelling around the world! It's not hard to know why when you realize while living in another country, that cultures completely different from yours exists, and you have a chance to dive deep into it. I feel lucky to say that for a couple of months it has been my case. Since I decided to move to Czech Republic, I've been blessed day by day with much knowledge about this fantastic country, full of magic stories and curious celebrations so different from the ones that I used to hear and believe in my childhood. Besides the lovely people that made every peace of this magic possible and welcoming me as one of them, I have the experience of living as a resident: working, going for groceries, and having a routine discovering small new things every day. Facing something different is always exciting and in my case, makes me feel like we want to share something back, that's why, from my point of view, this newsletter will be about where are came from, and what makes me proud of my world.

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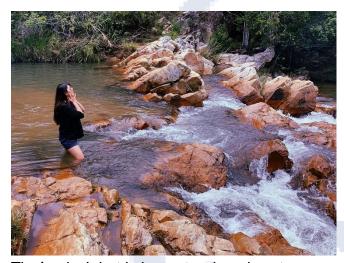
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HOW IS IT LIKE TO COME BACK

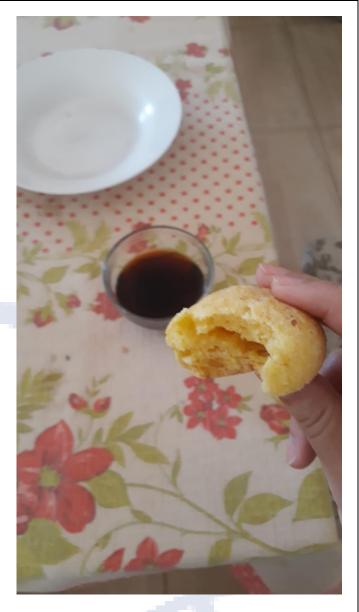


I've been far from my hometown for almost three years now. There was so many places that I lived and visited that I almost forgot the feeling of being in my own place.



That's why I decided to write about how it was to go back to Brazil and share the vision of somebody that really see the wonders that I grow up with, but never looked with the analytical eyes of an outsider.

Most people believe that Brazil is full of happy people, great music, and fun celebrations during the year. Well, they are right! But that is not the only subject here, the best thing about this country is that you never know what else you can find inside this huge place.



I like to say that Brazil is a mix of everything, and I really mean it: you can see a mix of food from all over the world inside the same dish, a mix of rhythms in the same song. We have mix of races, religions, beliefs, and Brazilian people like to show that it really works well.





CURIOSITIES ABOUT BRAZIL



During the activities that DDM Kamarád gave me the opportunity to lead in the English Schools, I was able to prepare for the first meeting a presentation about the place I was born. We never went so deep into the subject, but I could notice that, as it also happens with other countries, there are still some information missing about this wonderful country! Some of these information may look pretty obvious for people who already know the story or even a little bit about Brazilian culture, but I like to think of the youth minds too, and perhaps awake in them the desire to visit Brazil some day.

• The name "Brazil" comes from a tree named "Brazilwood", the national brazilian's tree.



 Around 60% of the Amazon rainforest is located in Brazil.



The climate in Brazil is mostly tropical.



 Brazilian national dish is "feijoada" which is black beans with dried, salted and smoked pork meat.



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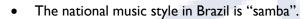
• The capital of Brazil – Brasília – looks like an airplane from above.



 Brazil has more animal and plant species than any other country in the world.



• Portuguese is the official language in Brazil.



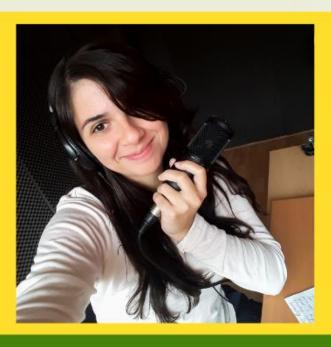


 The statue "Christ, the redeemer" in Rio de Janeiro, is one of the seven wonders of the world.





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