Centro: art on foot from Saara to Rosário

6½-7 hours / Downtown Rio / 5 stops

Thursday or Friday; Proeza confirmed and holidays checked.

Five spaces, from a public art centre to galleries and photography at Arco do Teles; an editorial selection by Rio em Camadas.

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10:00

01 Centro Municipal de Arte Hélio Oiticica

Rua Luís de Camões, 68, Rio de Janeiro

Public contemporary-art centre preserving Hélio Oiticica's memory in the former Conservatory. Check the programme before visiting. Look closely: Galleries and former Conservatory architecture.

Confirm / book

12:00

02 A Gentil Carioca - Rio

Rua Gonçalves Lédo, 11/17, sobrado, Rio de Janeiro

Contemporary-art gallery in Saara townhouses, connecting current artistic production, popular commerce and Centro architecture. Look closely: Townhouses and the Rio gallery's exhibition.

Confirm / book

14:00

03 Refresco

Rua do Rosário, 26, Rio de Janeiro

Gallery for contemporary work and residencies, now on Rua do Rosário. The former Santo Cristo address is not this guide's destination. Look closely: Current exhibition and works in the gallery programme.

Confirm / book

15:00

04 Casa Proeza

Rua do Ouvidor, 26, Rio de Janeiro

Photography and design gallery in an 1895 townhouse, with publications and graphic objects. It combines exhibitions, a studio and encounters. Look closely: Photography, publications and townhouse.

Confirm / book

16:00

05 Centro Carioca de Fotografia

Travessa do Comércio, 11A, Rio de Janeiro

Gallery and visual-memory centre at Arco do Teles. Photographs enable comparisons of framing and Rio's urban transformation. Look closely: City photographs and Arco do Teles architecture.

Confirm / book

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Getting around

Walk between Saara and the Rosário corridor. Allow 1h for lunch after Gentil and 15-25 min to reach Refresco. Times are editorial estimates.

Tickets and tips

Confirm the Proeza visit. Gentil opens at noon; CentroFoto does not list Tuesdays. Check each show: the route cannot guarantee all galleries during exhibition changes.

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Visit and travel times are estimates. Links require an internet connection.

Sources and bookings

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