Center: sacred art and brotherhoods

about 7 hours / Downtown Rio / 5 stops

Tuesday-Saturday; confirm sacred-art collections

Start at Largo da Carioca and continue to churches of religious brotherhoods.

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09:00

01 Convento e Igreja de Santo Antônio

Largo da Carioca, s/n - Centro, Rio de Janeiro

Begun in 1608, the Franciscan convent connects the colonial city with independence, when Friar Sampaio became Pedro's political adviser. Look closely: Altarpieces and chancel panels.

Confirm / book

10:15

02 Igreja de São Francisco da Penitência

Largo da Carioca, 5 - Centro, Rio de Janeiro

The Third Order built beside the Franciscans. Look closely: Baroque gilded carvings.

Confirm / book

11:30

03 Igreja de São Francisco de Paula

Largo de São Francisco, s/n - Centro, Rio de Janeiro

The church combines carvings associated with Mestre Valentim and paintings by Manuel da Cunha, a Black artist who purchased his freedom through work.

Confirm / book

13:30

04 Igreja de Nossa Senhora do Rosário e São Benedito dos Homens Pretos

Rua Uruguaiana, 77 - Centro, Rio de Janeiro

The Black brotherhood founded in 1669 built its church in the eighteenth century. Look closely: Façade and building setting.

Confirm / book

14:30

05 Santuário de Santa Rita

Largo de Santa Rita, s/n - Centro, Rio de Janeiro

Construction begun in 1720 and the parish created in 1751 connect Santa Rita with eighteenth century urban growth and Rococo art. Look closely: Façade and building setting.

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Getting around

About 3 km on foot, with steps at Santo Antônio. The convent and Penitência church are neighbors but have separate rules. Have lunch before Rosário, and do not treat religious service times as tourist opening hours.

Tickets and tips

There is no combined ticket. Check admission, guided visits, indoor access and any free-entry policies with each institution.

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