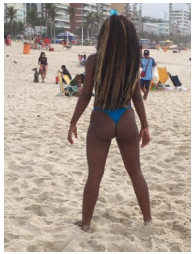


SOUTH AMERICA 2017

ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL

We started our trip flying into Argentina. Buenos Aires is a beautiful city. It's surrounded by water,, white sand beaches and lively music.

We headed right for Ipanema Beach– famous for clothing being optional. As far as the eye can see, it definitely is a party in the sunshine. I took a photo of one of many girls that gave the song– Girl From Ipanema– it's



fame. There is no denying it, the whole area has a magical air of let loose freedom. During the evenings there is always a place to dance. Particularly TANGO. Tango is even taught in schools here and it's a passion to be done anywhere at anytime when music is in the air. Oh there is nothing more sensuous than the close hold and expectation



of romance with movements imitating sexual play on the floor. Hum....Yes, we took dance lessons, yes, it was lovely. Yes, I want more.

But off to Brazil. You immediately recognize it. When you land in RIO, the first thing you see is the Christ of the Redeemer Statue. It's huge! Look at this photo, those dots are tourists at the bottom. Taking the cable car up to this mountain and seeing the expansive views are breathtaking. Brazil is more inland and they have cattle. And they are fiercely proud of their beef. Delicious. Even the plates of street food are piled high with meat. Yummy. Brazil also is



a country that makes the most of it's natural resources. It has a mountainous terrain, cliffs, a rain forest and waterfalls. Speaking of waterfalls....IGUAZU FALLS was a great surprise and the most awesome sight ever to see anywhere in the world. These falls stretch for almost two miles between Brazil and Argentina. They have over 300 vertical layers and with walkways under and around many of them. The views at every turn and the different sizes

and shapes of each individual fall that make up the powerful sounds of the gusting waters is a deafening reminder of natures controlling force.

Rio is full of music and carnivals and color and provocative tourist dance shows. It too doesn't skip a beat to entertain the world. Loved every minute.

