

Things only people from São Paulo know about

This article lists nine things that only someone who lives in São Paulo know. Give each paragraph a title:

1. What “far” really means

Is a place that takes an hour to get to far away? Not for a paulistano, who sometimes has to wait three hours to get to and from one location. If you consider the time it takes to get from Itaquera to Santo Amaro, neighborhoods that are 30km apart, then you can start to understand what far really means for someone living in the largest city in Latin America.



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The idea that Brazilians don't have a single stereotypical “look” is found in its truest form in São Paulo, where you'll find people from every corner of the world. 25% of São Paulo's residents weren't born in the city. People from various, different ethnicities and nationalities all coexist in this city, making it one, gigantic, multicultural center.

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A rule of thumb for São Paulo residents is: you leave home with a sweater and umbrella in your bag regardless of how sunny it may be. And if it's cold outside, wear layers so that you can cool off when it starts to get hot – because, believe me, it will. It can seem absurd how much the temperature can change in one day, and for this reason, it's important to always be prepared.



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The fact that the city's second largest favela, Paraisópolis, is located next to one of the city's wealthiest neighborhoods, Morumbi, illustrates well the inequality and social contrast found in São Paulo. Cardboard houses sit next to grand, imposing buildings. This poor distribution of wealth in one concentrated space, where executives and individuals fighting for survival live side by side, is prominent in São Paulo.

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São Paulo is noisy. The sound of the city's traffic is ubiquitous (honk, beep beep, vroom!), people yelling in the streets, and yes, the helicopters. São Paulo has the largest fleet of helicopters in the world, so hearing the sound of helicopters flying above you is a normal part of daily life in São Paulo.



**6.** _____

Real paulistanos know that you have to really put yourself out there and insist: to get on the metro, to get lunch service at a restaurant, or sometime to even just cross the street. This city doesn't stop or wait for you, it forces its inhabitants to learn how to look out for themselves and to get by on their own.

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It's estimated that more than a million pizzas are consumed every day in São Paulo. The range of pizza toppings is impressive, you can get hot dog, salmon or even feijoada pizza!

**8.** _____

São Paulo is ranked in 4^o place on CNN's list of the 10 cities with the best nightlife in the world. The city has thousands of excellent options for enjoying the night, whether its dining out, getting drinks, or dancing until sunrise.



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Paulistanos quickly realize and accept the fact that successfully getting from one place in the city to another is very much out of their control. The reasons for a delay can range from pouring rain which causes the already chaotic traffic to totally stop, a strike, or when you just happen to run into a demonstration on your way.



These were the actual titles to each paragraph that the author used. Match each one with its original paragraph:

- A. Life doesn't ask for your permission ()
- B. The sounds of daily life ()
- C. What "far" really means (1)
- D. What extreme wealth living next to extreme poverty is ()
- E. What thermal amplitude is ()
- F. Every day is a good day for pizza ()
- G. The night is really young ()
- H. You really only get somewhere if circumstances permit ()
- I. What miscigenation is ()