



ENGLISH FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSE: TOURISM

Text: Ilha Grande

How to get there – Useful Information

First, you have to decide if you´re going by car or by bus (Angra dos Reis´s airport is small and offers no regular flights). Remember that cars (or any other motor vehicles) are not allowed on the island, so you´ll have to leave your car in a paid parking lot.

There are two points of embarkation for the island: Angra dos Reis (bigger and with better infra-structure) and Mangaratiba. Both offer a ferry boat to Abraão, the island´s main village. Be careful with the schedule – there is only one round trip per Day, and during holidays lines can be long.

Usually the guest houses located on other beaches have a boat service to take you there. If you´re not staying in Abraão or in a guest house, you have two options: go to Abraão and then walk with all your stuff to your destination beach, or hire a private boat. If you choose the second option, don´t forget to check the safety equipment and be prepared to spend more. If you´re heading to the beaches of Palmas or Lopes Mendes, Mangaratiba is the shortest way; for all other beaches, Angra is the best choice. In this area, the sea is rather calm and the crossing from Angra (21 Km) or Mangaratiba (23 Km) takes around 1 hour and a half.



Ferry Boat Schedule:

Angra/Abraão – 3:30 p.m.
Abraão/Angra – 10 a.m.
Mangaratiba/Abraão – 8 a.m.
Abraão/Mangaratiba – 5:15 p.m.

Extra boat:

Angra/Abraão – Friday – 10 p.m.

Tickets:

Mon – Fri – R\$2,15
Sat/Sun/Holidays – R\$6

Parking Lots:

Angra dos Reis and Mangaratiba have many options. Most of the companies pick your car up at the dock and bring it back to you at an agreed-upon time. If you prefer you can park it yourself and take the key with you. The price is around R\$6 (uncovered) and R\$8 (covered).

Buses:

Angra dos Reis´s bus terminal is located at the city entrance. To get to the harbor, take a circular bus that departs every five minutes. In Mangaratiba, the bus terminal is in front of the harbor.

From SP:

There are no buses to Mangaratiba. The Reunidas bus to Angra dos Reis departs from Tietê, the trip takes seven hours. Tickets cost R\$20,97. There are intermunicipal buses from Angra to Mangaratiba.

From RJ:

Costa verde has trips to Angra (R\$13,18) and Mangaratiba (R\$9,42). The trip takes around two hours.