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Surfersvillage Global Surf News, 15 May, 2007 : - - Florianopolis, a small island located just off the southern coast of Brazil, is quietly making a name for itself as one of the best all-around surf trip destinations around. Recently named by Forbes Traveler as one of the world's top 10 "luxury" surf destinations, a Florianopolis surf trip offers a unique combination of day and night-time activities to keep just about anyone happy.

For starters, this beach break paradise boasts over 15 classic surf beaches, with several world-class spots. Variety and year round wave consistency are two of the island's strong points, and with so many options and nearly unlimited peaks, uncrowded waves are always for the finding and the scenery from out in the water is unbeatable.

While Florianopolis (or "Floripa", as locals call it) has for some time been famous for being a major stop on the WCT and WQS tours (it is South America's ONLY WCT tour stop), the WCT even is held outside of the strong swell season and so is not a fair representation of the island's wave quality.

The strongest swell season ranges from April - October, with the peak wave months being July and August, when the Southern Hemisphere's winter swells reach their highest intensity. For updated swell reports on the surf in Florianopolis, Brazil check out: swellmagnet.com

While certainly worth the trip for the surf alone, Floripa is unique among surf trip destinations in the wealth of other options and attractions offered. For one, it is an outdoor/adventure sports enthusiast's dream - everything from river rafting and paragliding, sand dune boarding to snorkeling/diving, kitesurfing to wakeboarding, it's all here and easily accessible on the island.

After the day's surf and sports activities come to a close is when Florianopolis' competitive advantage really steps up big. The island features some of South America's best dining and nightlife options.

Many who expect a sleepy surf town are blown away by the quality of the nightlife and the beautiful people who frequent the best bars, clubs and lounges on the island. In fact one of the biggest challenges on a surf trip here is managing to get to bed at a reasonable hour in order to make the next morning's prime surf hours.

One word of advice for international visitors - make sure you visit the island with someone who knows what they're doing. Not well organized for tourists who don't speak the local language (Portuguese) and quite spread out (both in terms of the best surfing, activities, restaurants, and nightlife), it can be difficult for those who show up with no prior knowledge to uncover Florianopolis' true gems.

A great option for high-end all-inclusive surf vacations to Florianopolis, including guided tours to best breaks on and around the island for advanced surfers and complete lessons/equipment packages for beginners, in addition to top-notch accommodations in the island's best beachfront location and VIP access to the best of Florianopolis nightlife, check out Nexus Surf.

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