
SSP makes first moves to Brazil airports

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[SSP Group](#) has announced today the opening of its first food and beverage outlets in Brazil's two main international airports, [Rio de Janeiro Tom Jobim International Airport](#) (GIG) and [São Paulo International Airport](#) (GRU).

SSP has opened the first Upper Crust restaurant at GIG, which serves its traditional menu of sandwiches, baguettes, snacks and regionally-inspired treats like the Salpicon baguette. Upper Crust boasts a 120 square-meter unit with lots of seating. And, Italian-centric Barzetti has opened in the airside domestic food court, offering pizza and pasta.

Also recently opened at GIG is Mi Casa Burritos and Monty's Dogs & Cones. Mi Casa Burritos serves Mexican cuisine while Monty's Dogs & Cones offers American-style hot dogs and ice creams. Artisan Coffee specialist Ritazza has opened in the international departures area. SSP's own contemporary dining service Factory Bar & Kitchen will also be unveiled at the airport soon.

Meanwhile at GRU, the food and beverage outlet operator opened Mi Casa Burritos in a 100 square-meter unit with bright décor and traditional Mexican dishes, including tacos, burritos and nachos. An Upper Crust is also located landside, with a new Ritazza unit in the landside arrivals area.

Also recently opened is Camden Food Co., which offers healthy sandwiches and salads. Factory Bar & Kitchen sports an updated menu at GRU with a focus on both local and international tastes. Completing the lineup is a new outlet for Monty's Dogs & Cones.

"We're incredibly proud and excited to be introducing some of SSP's own brands to South America for the first time at two of Brazil's busiest airports," said Rossana Spena, General Manager of SSP Brazil, in a press release from the company. "These concepts have proven extremely popular with travelers across the world. I'm certain that passengers in Brazil will be equally as impressed with these much-loved brands."

These units are the first to open under a joint venture partnership between SSP and Duty Free Americas, following the win of contracts worth about £70 million running over nine years.

According to the release, the company will continue to develop its operations at both airports in the coming months. It will open Jamie's Deli restaurants at both GIG and GRU, taking the global partnership between SSP and Jamie Oliver Restaurants to 18 outlets.