

Rio 2016 Olympic torch

The 2016 Olympic torch features an innovative recycled aluminium design



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Based on hues found in **Brazilian flag**

Sky: Embodies sun and ultimate achievement of gold medal

Mountains: Inspired by Rio's surrounding natural beauty

Sea: Captures fluid ripples of blue ocean

Ground: Indicative of **Copacabana** promenade – most famous stretch of land in Rio

Triangular texture: Reflects three Olympic values – **excellence, friendship** and **respect**

Designed by relatively unknown São Paulo design studio **Chelles & Hayashi**

Floating segments: Influenced by motion of athletes flying through air

Transferring flame: When flame passed from runner to runner, in action known as **kiss of the torches**, upper sections automatically extend vertically

Rio de Janeiro
BRAZIL

Torch will pass through more than 300 towns and cities on its 95-day journey across Brazil – first South American country to host Olympic Games

63.5cm

69cm

Weight:
1-1.5kg