



ARGENTINA 2023

BUENOS AIRES, IGUAZÚ FALLS, MENDOZA

FEBRUARY 18 - FEBRUARY 28

FLIGHT TO BUENOS AIRES (FEB 18)

Plan your flight for a morning arrival at Buenos Aires International Airport, Ezeiza. Meet up with our group and our tour manager at our Buenos Aires hotel for check-in. Arrange transportation to hotel.

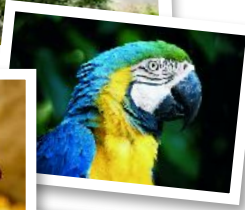
DAY 1 ARRIVAL AND AFTERNOON TOUR

Founded in 1580, Buenos Aires is one of the largest cities in South America, and is also known as the city that never sleeps, its many and varied around-the clock attractions never fail to surprise and impress visitors. This afternoon enjoy a fascinating highlights tour of the elegant turn-of-the-century districts that earned Buenos Aires the soubriquet of the "Paris of South America". From the charming, cobbled alleys and colonial architecture of San Telmo, to the picturesque district of La Boca, from the Plaza de Mayo - dominated by the Casa Rosada (Government House), the National Bank, the Cathedral and the colonial Cabildo, up the leafy Avenida de Mayo towards the imposing grandeur of the Palace of Congress. Buenos Aires is a city of plazas and parks, a city of open spaces where the residents and visitors love to walk, meet for coffee and browse among the stalls of the markets that are always to be found on weekends in the larger squares. This is a day of 2 very different open-air markets: the art market at the colorful Caminito street in La Boca, followed by a browse among the antiques stalls of San Telmo.

DAY 2 BUENOS AIRES CITY TOUR - HALF DAY / TANGO NIGHT

Tour of the elegant northern areas of the city including Recoleta and Palermo. Recoleta was named after a religious order and its main landmarks are Pilar Church, and the magnificent cemetery. Besides being the most elegant residential district in Buenos Aires, Recoleta is also an important nexus of culture, dining out and cafe-bar society. Scores of shops can be found here, from haute couture to hippie stalls.





Enjoy a walk of Recoleta and Palermo, visit Paseo del Pilar that houses a great variety of places to dine, live music, and charming cafes alongside a wide lawn esplanade.

Finish the Recoleta walk at the famous cemetery where many mausoleums and tombs are the work of famous artists, seventy graves have been declared national monuments, but perhaps the most famous is the tomb of Evita Peron. Continue to the Palermo residential area that holds very impressive mansions, including some that have been turned into embassies or museums. This quarter is also known for its lovely parks with different tree species, sculptures, artificial lakes and rose gardens. This evening, enjoy a typically Argentine meal, before settling down for a tango show which includes some of the best-loved songs, music and dances performed by skilled musicians and dancers.

DAY 3 BUENOS AIRES/IGUAZU HALF-DAY STREET ART TOUR

The Street Art tour is a visually stunning introduction to the vibrant world of urban art in Buenos Aires. Explore the hidden historical barrios to discover huge scale works by international artists such as Blu & Jus. This tour does much more than bringing to life the gorgeous murals seen on almost every Buenos Aires street. It is an absolutely crucial insight into contemporary Argentine socio-political history. Transfer flight to Iguazu Falls - The Seventh Wonder of the Natural World. One of the most popular destinations in Argentina, Iguazu Falls lie on the triple frontier of Brazil, Paraguay and Argentina and are a powerful magnet for visitors from all over the world.

DAY 4 IGUAZU FALLS - ARGENTINE NATIONAL PARK - FULL DAY

This excursion takes you to Devil's Throat, the most spectacular segment of Iguazu Falls, and the Upper and Lower trails of the Argentine National Park. The experience begins with a 20-minute train ride through the dense jungle, home to amazing plant and animal life as well as a myriad of butterflies. At Garganta Station, walk out onto the modern catwalks that stretch across the Upper Iguazu River leading to the breath-taking viewpoint. The resounding roar of water thundering over the lip of the Garganta del Diablo (Devil's Gorge) and the sight of massive quantities of white froth that seem to hang in mid-air while feeling the vibrations of the surrounding rocks is one of the most awe-inspiring experiences in the natural world. The falls create a roar that can be heard for miles, and create a symphony of rainbows that light up the spray. Walk along the Upper Trail for a close-up view of the falls and across the Iguazu River to the Brazilian National Park and San Martin Island. Finally, hike along the looped Lower Trail discovering more amazing views amidst the lush tropical vegetation dotted with orchids, bromeliads, ferns, a myriad butterflies, birds and rainbows.

DAY 5 IGUAZU FALLS - BRAZILIAN NATIONAL PARK - HALF DAY

Enjoy a private tour of the Brazilian side of the falls. The falls and the surrounding forest are protected in national parks on both sides of the border: Parque Nacional Iguazu in Argentina and Parque Nacional do Iguazu in Brazil. Both parks have been included on the UNESCO World Heritage List. A walkway descends past several lookout points, to a catwalk over the falls where one can sense the power of the rushing water both ahead and just under one's feet. Prepare for a soaking if you choose to go all the way to the end of the walk!

DAY 6 - 7 IGUAZU / MENDOZA / FULL DAY HIGH MOUNTAIN TOUR

Transfer flight from Iguazu to Mendoza. Enjoy a private full day mountain tour that offers natural wonders. Ride past rural regions along the Rio Mendoza leading to Potrerillos. Continue to Uspallata, enjoying a beautiful multicolored landscape. The road continues entering Picheuta's historical bridge and crossing small towns like Polvaredas, Punta de Vacas and Penitentes, the region's ski resort. We then approach Puente del Inca, a natural arch that forms a bridge over the Vacas River. Scientists speculate that interaction of extreme elements like ice and hot springs was involved in the origin of its formation. Charles Darwin was one of the visitors to this natural marvel, and made some drawings of the bridge with great stalactites. As we continue on, Mount Aconcagua, the highest peak in South America (6959 mts), dominates the landscape. The Aconcagua viewpoint is the access point to the Horcones lagoon and the Aconcagua Provincial Park and a great place to admire this colossal from. A few kilometres along an unpaved side road will get us nearer the glacial lagoon of Horcones, where we will undertake a short trekking excursion. Lunch included.

DAY 8 - 9 MENDOZA - HALF DAY WINE TASTING TOUR / BUENOS AIRES

Lujan de Cuyo region is the cradle of Malbec and boasts a real oasis spread out by the Andes. This vast valley totally irrigated by ancient canals holds historical and new wineries which are blended with country houses, tree lined streets and wide vineyards. Led by local guides, we will visit two different world-class wineries. Walking around their facilities and vineyards we will learn about wine making process, from the vineyards to the bottled wine, as well as the steps to taste a good wine. Farewell dinner tonight. Transfer flight on Day 9 to Buenos Aires. Balance of the day at leisure in Buenos Aires. Visit one of the exceptional museums, enjoy the local cuisine, or get in some last minute shopping

DAY 10 - BREAKFAST AT HOTEL / FLIGHT HOME (FEB. 28)

Plan your own flight to return home today or extend your trip with other individual excursions or travel. Arrange your own transportation/transfer to airport.

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\$4,345* - Land Only

Point-to-point transportation and flights while in Argentina, all breakfasts, 3 evening meals, 1 lunch, entry fees, excursions and/or transportation for included tours

Rolando Steigleder - Tour Manager

This trip is limited to 30 adult participants.

*discounted price for payment with check or cash

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