

ARGENTINA, 10 DAYS

Day 1: In-Flight

Fly from your home airport to Buenos Aires

[In-flight meals]

Day 2: Buenos Aires

Arrive in the capital of Argentina this morning. We will take you on a city tour of Buenos Aires, considered the most cosmopolitan city of South America, very much alike some European capital cities. The highlights include: Plaza de Mayo and the surrounding buildings, among which La Casa Rosada (seat of the National Government); “El Cabildo”, old seat of the government of Buenos Aires, the metropolitan Cathedral stand out. Then we’ll move along towards the “Palace del Congreso” (Parliament), the 9 de Julio Avenue (the widest in the world) to see the Colon Theatre, considered together with the Metropolitan House of New York and the La Scala of Milan, among the best opera houses of the world, where the best actors and musicians have come from all over the world to perform. Also visit the popular suburb of the Boca with its Neapolitan or Genovese character, as well as Palermo Park and historic Recoleta, with its renowned cemetery, located just a few steps from well-known restaurants, cafeterias and night clubs of Buenos Aires.

Transfer to hotel; check-in.

The evening is at leisure; your tour manager will assist you finding a place for dinner or further evening activities.

[In-flight meals]

Day 3: Buenos Aires

All day at leisure in Buenos Aires

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Day 4: Buenos Aires – Gaucho Excursion (Areco)

Depart for an exciting day in the countryside today! We will travel to the Areco area (the Pampas), and visit a Gaucho museum. Also, enjoy a real Gaucho-style Barbecue while watching one of the best Gaucho shows Argentina has to offer.

Tonight, return to Buenos Aires for an evening at leisure.

[Breakfast, lunch]

Day 5: Buenos Aires – Bariloche

Transfer to the airport this morning and fly south to Bariloche. San Carlos de Bariloche, or simply Bariloche, is the winter and summer playground for vacationing Argentines and the second most-visited destination in the country. The city sits in the center of Nahuel Huapi National Park and is fronted by an enormous, irregularly shaped lake by the same name. Bariloche's grand appeal are the many outdoor activities, sightseeing drives, boat trips, great restaurants, and shopping opportunities here.

Upon arrival, we will embark on the famous Circuito Chico (little circuit) tour of the Bariloche area. This drive offers spectacular views of Lake Nahuel Huapi, the San Pedro and Llao Llao peninsulas, as well as the mountain peaks framing the scenery.

Check-in; dinner at hotel.
[Breakfast, dinner]

Day 6: Bariloche * Isla Victoria and Bosque Arrayanes Forest excursion

An enjoyable full-day excursion today takes you to Isla Victoria and the Bosque Arrayanes by boat from Bariloche. The excursion begins with a 30-minute sail to Isla Victoria, where we disembark for a walk through a conifer forest or ascend to a lookout point atop Cerro Bella Vista via chair lift. The second stop is Península Quetrihué and the Bosque Arrayanes, famous for its concentration of the unusual terra cotta-colored arrayán tree. These handsome trees (which are really bushes) have an odd, slick trunk that is cool to the touch.

Return to Bariloche in the evening.
[Breakfast]

Day 7: Calafate * Los Glaciares National Park

Transfer to the airport this morning to board your flight to El Calafate – heart of Patagonia’s glacier area and adjacent to Los Glaciares National Park.

The Los Glaciares National Park has been declared by UNESCO as Natural Patrimony of Humanity. The Perito Moreno glacier is 4 kilometers wide, 195 kilometers long, and 60 meters high over the level of Lake Argentino. It moves slowly over the bottom of the lake to produce the phenomenon known world-wide; the process of the rupture of this glacier occurs when it advances over the Peninsula of Magellanes until it forms a natural dike of ice that blocks the passage of the waters from the Brazo Rico to the Canal de los Témpanos. In any time of the year, the constant caving-in of the glacier astonishes the visitors as the towers of ice fragment into ice floes. Once at the glacier, its majesty never fails to impress the visitor, who through flights of steps or footbridges can obtain different views of the glacier, all of them unforgettable.

Transfer to hotel, check-in, dinner at hotel.
[Breakfast, dinner]

Day 8: Los Glaciares National Park

After breakfast, we will take a boat ride right into the heart of the glacier national park. On this excursion you can appreciate the icebergs coming from Moreno Glacier, which drift towards the south extreme of Canal de los Témpanos. The boat travels at a at discretional distance from the glacier wall, so that you can contemplate the brakings and enjoy the wonderful blue tones of the ice. Only from this perspective it is possible to appreciate the real dimensions of this huge mass of ice.

[Breakfast]

Day 9: Return to Buenos Aires

Transfer to the airport and return to Buenos Aires for an evening at leisure.

Share your impressions of Argentina during our Farewell Dinner Party tonight.

[Breakfast, dinner]

Day 10: Fly home

Morning at leisure; in the afternoon transfer to the airport and board your flight back home with memories to last a lifetime.

[Breakfast, in-flight meals]