

AWE INSPIRING DESTINATIONS & EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCES



ARGENTINA

7/8 DAYS - WINTER (NORTHERN HAMPSHIRE)



ITINERARY OUTLINE

DAY 1 – December 26 - Arrival in Argentina, Orientation Tour

DAY 2 – December 27 - Buenos Aires, Iguazu, The Falls (Brazil)

DAY 3 – December 28 - Iguazu Falls (Argentina)

DAY 4 – December 29 – El Calafate

DAY 5 – December 30 – Perito Moreno, Los Glaciares

DAY 6 – December 31 – Puerto Bandera, River of Ice

DAY 7 – January 1 - Buenos Aires, Rio La Plata, Delta del Parana

Day 8 - January 2 - Buenos Aires, Palermo Soho, Departure

ITINERARY MAP



Buenos Aires – Iguazu: 1 hour, 45 mins.



Ushuaia – Calafate: 1 hour 25 minutes

Buenos Aires – Calafate: 3 h 20 min

DAY 1 - Saturday, December 26 - Arrival in Argentina, Buenos Aires

Arrival in Buenos Aires and transfer to the hotel.

Half Day Sightseeing of Buenos Aires (4 hours)

The tour starts at the historic Plaza de Mayo square, scenery of resonant political demonstrations. It is surrounded by the Government House, best known as the “Pink House”, which is the Government seat; the Cabildo (the old City Hall) and the Cathedral. The Avenida De Mayo, which starts in this square, is an interesting set of buildings of varied styles that reflect the diversity of its inhabitants. Wide avenues and green areas appear constantly trying to slow down the rhythm of this vertiginous city. A sample of this is the 9 de Julio Avenue, with its eight lanes divided by small green squares with old leafy trees and enriched by sculptures and fountains. In the middle of this avenue, in the Plaza de la República, the Obelisk arises as a symbol of the city.

Southwards, we reach the picturesque and colorful port neighborhood of La Boca with its famous street, “Caminito”. Its architectonic characteristics reflects the European culture of the 19th century, immigration, specially Genovese sailors.

Visit La Boca club stadium and Museum.

The visit continues towards San Telmo, one of the oldest neighborhoods in Buenos Aires, which was also a center for immigrant settlers and still keeps most of its architectonic patrimony untouched: its colonial houses, its cobbled streets. Every Sunday an antique fair is held in Plaza Dorrego. The area has also a lively night-life as there are many tango houses, restaurants and pubs. The visit continues towards the modern district of Puerto Madero; Palermo neighborhood with its elegant residences framed by wide green areas; reaching finally the district of Recoleta, the most sophisticated neighborhood in Buenos Aires. Return to the hotel.

Lunch in La Boca. Dinner reservations in typical Argentinian restaurant.

Overnight in Buenos Aires (Lunch)



DAY 2 – Sunday, December 27 - Buenos Aires, Iguazu

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the local airport for the flight to Iguazú

Arrival at Iguazú. Meet and greet by our local English speaking guide. Immediately after your arrival visit the Brazilian side of the Iguazú falls. The Iguazú Falls is the largest waterfall system in the world, spanning a distance of an incredible 2 KM (1.25 miles) with average flow of 1,000 cubic meters (35,315 cubic foot) per second and consists of some 275 individual waterfalls and cascades.

Crossing the Juan D. Peron and Tancredo Neves Bridge which connects the cities of Puerto Iguazú (Argentina) and Foz do Iguacu (Brasil). You will continue along Das Cataratas Avenue towards the Foz do Iguacu National Park, one of the largest vegetation reserves in Brazil.

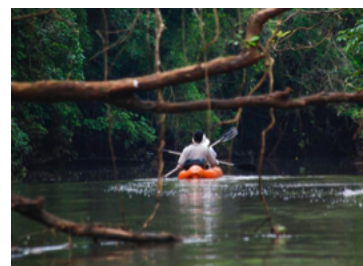
Walking along the paths on the Brazil Side you will get startled by the panoramic view of San Martin Island and the most imposing falls situated on the other side of the border like: the Bozzeti, Two Sisters, San Martin and the Three Musketeers, among others. Near the end of the path you will reach the outlook that offers an astonishing view of the Devil's Throat, situated only 150 meter away at this point. This wonderful scenery is rendered even more beautiful by the permanent rainbows that appear on the falls.

The path ends near Floriano Fall, where there is a small gift shop and the panoramic elevator, that can be optionally boarded. At the end of the path a long stairway will take you to the place where the bus will be waiting to start the way back to the hotel. (Breakfast and Dinner)

Dinner at the Argentine Experience: Our unique dinner party's concept is to teach you the fundamentals of what being an Argentine is all about, whilst simply having more fun than is available anywhere else. Learn how to close your own empanada using the 'repulge' technique, to order steak your way in Spanish, to prepare your own 'mate' drink.

Return to the Hotel. Dinner at the hotel.

Overnight at the selected hotel in Iguazú (Breakfast and Dinner)



DAY 3 - Monday, December 28 - Iguazú

Breakfast at the hotel.

Full day excursion to the Argentinean side of Iguazú Falls.

Transfer from the hotel to the entrance of Iguazú National Park (Argentinean side). Once in the park, we stop at the Visitor's Centre. After that, we take the jungle train to the Cataratas Station, from where we will be able to choose between the Inferior and the Superior Circuit. The first one goes through the down-river falls and the second one takes you to the up-river cascades. The Argentinean side offers paths leading very closely to the different waterfalls.

After that, we take the Jungle train again to the most impressive observation point of the falls – The Devil's Throat. When we get off the train, we walk through a path of about 1,000 meters (0.6 miles) that takes us to the most impressive fall. This is a unique experience, that combines the whole essence of the Iguassu National Park in one ride: the jungle and the waterfalls.

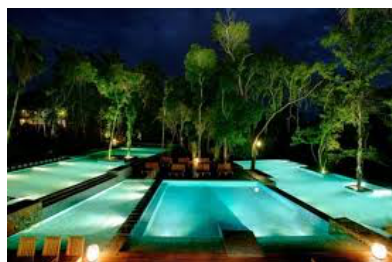
It starts by entering the jungle from the "Sendero Yacaratía" trail with special transportation that allows a panoramic view of the environment along with experienced guides that give a lot of explanations as well as the legend of this spectacular place. After an 8 km (5 miles) truck ride, we arrive at the Puerto Macuco Base, which is 100 meters (330 ft) away from the Infirmary and Service Station, and 100 meters of stairs ahead is the floating platform where the second part of this ride begins.

With motor-boats, we take visitors 6 km (3.7 miles) through the Canyon of the Iguassu River, until the falls, from these total, 2 km are river rapids. After enjoying the view from the calm side of San Martin Island we sail to the "Tres Mosqueteros" waterfall, at that point, the Brazilian and Argentinean sides and the Devil's Throat can be clearly appreciated. After that, we sail along the shore of the island until we get to the most exciting part where we face the San Martin waterfall, a wonderful and unforgettable experience, for it's the largest waterfall any motor-boat can approach safely.

Dinner at the hotel.

Optional helicopter ride over the falls (highly recommended).

Overnight at the selected hotel Iguazú (Breakfast and Dinner)



DAY 4 – Tuesday, December 29 - Iguazú, El Calafate

Breakfast at the hotel. After breakfast transfer to the local airport for your flight to Buenos Aires continuing to Calafate (there is no direct flight)

El Calafate is a small village located on the south coast of Argentino Lake. Located in the southwest of the Province of Santa Cruz. It was named after a typical thorny bush of southern Patagonia. The Calafate blooms in the spring with yellow flowers and in summer with purple fruits. According to tradition those who eat this fruit will always return to Patagonia.

El Calafate is an important tourist destination as the hub to visit different parts of the Los Glaciares National Park, including the Perito Moreno Glacier (one of the most visited in the world) and the Cerro Chaltén and Cerro Torre.

Transfer from the airport to the hotel.
Early evening orientation tour of El Calafate.

Back to the Hotel. Dinner reservations.

Overnight in Calafate (Breakfast and Dinner)



DAY 5 – Wednesday, December 30 - El Calafate, Perito Moreno. Los Glaciares National Park

After breakfast depart the hotel to Los Glaciares National Park. Arrival at Bajo de las Sombras Bay, where you will embark on a catamaran to cross the Rico Arm of Lago Argentino, for a 20-minute sail across the lake, along the south wall of Perito Moreno Glacier.

Once at the refuge, you will be welcomed by specialized trekking guides that will offer a brief lecture about glacier behavior and the particularities of the local forest. A short hike through a dense lenga forest will take you to the glacier edge. There, you will be provided with special crampons to walk on ice and will be instructed about how to walk on the ice.

The 2 hours hike over the glacier, is particularly attractive since it allows you to be in close contact with the millenary ice, its peaks, fissures, small inner lagoons and deep blue drains. Another highlight is no doubt the excellent view of the lake and the land on the other side of the lake. Once you are back at the refuge, you will have free time for lunch fully admiring this amazing wonder of nature. Recross the lake again and short walk via a path to watch the glacier from another area. Return to El Calafate.

Overnight in El Calafate (Breakfast and Box Lunch)

Important: This excursion requires moderate strength. It is recommended to wear comfortable clothing, trekking boots or water proof sneakers with rubber sole, sweaters, water-proof jackets or rain coats, sun glasses, gloves, hats and sun tan lotion.



DAY 6 – Thursday, December 31 - El Porto Bandera, Rivers of Ice

Breakfast at hotel. 7:45 AM depart on a private transfer from the Hotel to Puerto Bandera, 47 kilometers from El Calafate (29 miles) . Arrive at the Port of Punta Bandera. Board a catamaran and sail across the North Arm of Lake Argentino to reach the Channel Upsala, where we will find the site of the spectacular Barrier Icebergs. From there we will have a panoramic view of the Upsala Glacier. Then navigate Spegazzini Channel, where you will observe the Seco Glacier to reach the front of Spegazzini Glacier, the highest in the National Park.

Private return to Puerto Punta Bandera by boat will be at approximately 4:00 PM, by boat. Upon arrival private transfer to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires.

Evening arrival in Buenos Aires and private transfer to your hotel

Overnight in Buenos Aires (Breakfast and Box Lunch)



DAY 7 - Friday, January 1 - Buenos Aires, Rio de La Plata, Delta del Parana to Tigre

After breakfast depart the hotel and transfer for a boat ride along the coastal waters of Rio de La Plata reaching Parana Delta on modern vessels, fitted with the ultimate navigation system and comfort. Departure from Darsena Norte, Cecilia Grierson 400, Buenos Aires Port, in modern motorboats with satellite guiding systems, coffee and snack on board. Sailing along the Coastal Canal of the Río de la Plata appreciating the Port, Jorge Newbery Airport, River Plate Soccer Stadium, Olivos Port, Martinez, San Isidro and the Cathedral to enter the Delta del paraná thorough San Antonio River. Tres Bocas, Capitan Sarmiento River , Lujan River, Tigre River up to Tigre River Station. Package included Tigre local Bus
Lunch at Vivanco restaurant.

Return to the hotel, refresh and private pick up for Tango Show with dinner

Overnight in Buenos Aires (Lunch and Dinner)



DAY 8 - Saturday, January 2 - Buenos Aires, Rio de La Plata, Delta del Parana to Tigre

After breakfast visit Palermo Soho area designers shopping.

Enjoy free time for lunch and special typical Argentinean Ice Cream.

Private transfer to the International airport for your flight back to the USA

TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

Hotels	7 nights in deluxe hotels: 3 night in Buenos Aires, 2 nights in Iguazu, 2 nights in El Calafate.
Meal	Daily breakfast at hotels, 2 lunch boxes, 2 lunches at restaurants, 4 Dinner at hotel, Argentinian experience and and show.
Ground Assistance	Meet and Assist at Arrival in Argentina. Meet and assist in any transfer while in Argentina
Transfers	Private transfer from Buenos Aires airport to hotel (arrival day) Private transfer from Buenos Aires airport to hotel (return from EL Calafate) Private transfer from Buenos Aires hotel to International airport
Private Guide	7 days with Private English speaking guide
Domestic Flights	Buenos Aires to Iguazu, Iguazu to El Calafate, El Calafate to Buenos Aires. All flights are Economy class
Entrance Fees	National Park iguazu Argentina, National Park Iguazu Brazil, National park Perito Moreno, Boca stadium museum, Fee Tigre
Activities	Tigre ride boat, Great adventure Iguazu, Argentine experience lesson dinner, Cruise River of Ice, Mini trekking at the glacier , Tango Show dinner.
Taxes and Fees	All taxes and service fees
Service	24/7 ground service support from our office in Argentina.

NOT INCLUDED

Flights	International Flights
Brazilian Visa	Brazilian Visa required in order to view the falls from the Brazilian side. Visa must obtain in advance. Electric Visa fee: \$44.24 per person. electronic_visit_visa
Airport taxes	Domestic airport taxes
Beverages	Beverages during meals
Optional Tours	Any tours indicated in the itinerary above as "optional/s"
Helicopter Tour	Iguazu Falls helicopter tour
Gratuities/Tips	Tips for guides, drivers, Bellman, waiters. Recommendation and guidelines will be provided.

“Nos vemos en Argentina”
see you in Argentina