



## **Essence of Argentina- 15 Days (#9652)**

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### **Overview**

Enjoy the beautiful city of Buenos Aires with a dinner show with tango performance. A boat trip through the Beagle Channel, gaining an excellent panoramic view of the city surrounded by mountains. Visit to the Valdés Peninsula, a Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO. During the tour, we visit Puerto Pirámides for whale watching, Estancia San Lorenzo for the Magellanic penguin colony and Punta Norte for sea lions. Walk with the penguins in Martillo Island. Visit to the Perito Moreno Glacier, a Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO. Admire the Iguazu Falls, World Heritage Site by UNESCO and one of the New Seven Wonders of Nature.

### **Trip Highlights**

Buenos Aires- Puerto Madryn- Ushuaia- El Calafate- Puerto Iguazú-Salta-Cafayate

### **Detailed Itinerary**



**Day 01**

**Day 1 Buenos Aires**

Arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel. In the afternoon, we make a panoramic tour of the city. We start in Plaza de Mayo, witness to the most important events of the country since 1810, to then continue to the neighbourhood of La Boca and finish in Palermo and Recoleta. In the evening, we attend a dinner show to appreciate the magnetism of tango.

**Meal:** Dinner

**Day 02**

**Day 2 Buenos Aires - Puerto Madryn**

Transfer to the airport to board the scheduled flight to Trelew. Arrival and transfer to Puerto Madryn. Once there, afternoon at leisure to explore this maritime city.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 03**

**Day 3 Puerto Madryn**

Visit to the Valdés Peninsula, declared a Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO. because of its geography, flora and fauna, characteristics that make it a nature's paradise.

This tour stands out for the variety and quality of the experiences it offers. We start at Estancia San Lorenzo to trek through the penguin colony, where more than 6,600 Magellanic penguins live during the breeding season. After enjoying lunch (not included) we will visit Punta Norte, the most likely site for coastal whale and elephant seal sightings, and Puerto Pirámides, where whale watching can be done from September to early December.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 04**

**Day 4 Puerto Madryn - Ushuaia**

Morning at leisure. Transfer to the airport to board the flight to Ushuaia. Arrival, reception and transfer to the selected hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast



**Day 05**

**Day 5 Ushuaia**

Departure from the city to Tierra del Fuego National Park to visit Ensenada Bay, Lapataia Bay, where National Route 3 ends, in addition to Lake Acigami (former Lake Roca), which is featured by its changed-by-weather water's colour. In the afternoon, sail the Beagle Channel to admire the Sea Lions Island, Les Eclaireurs Lighthouse and Ushuaia's Bay from the water.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 06**

**Day 6 Ushuaia - El Calafate**

At due time, transfer to the airport to board the scheduled flight to El Calafate. Arrival and transfer to the selected hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 07**

**Day 7 El Calafate**

Visit the Perito Moreno Glacier, located in Los Glaciares National Park and declared a Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO. During the tour, a walk along the walkways located in front of the glacier allows to admire it from different angles.

The visit can be enhanced by a one-hour boat trip that helps to acquire a better dimension of the height of its peaks. Return to the hotel.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 08**

**Day 8 El Calafate - Buenos Aires**

Day at leisure until the time of the suggested flight. We suggest a boat trip through Lake Argentino to complete your experience.

**Meal:** Breakfast



**Day 09**

**Day 9 Buenos Aires - Iguazú**

In the morning transfer to the local airport to board, the scheduled flight to Puerto Iguazu. Arrival and reception at the airport; transfer to the hotel. In the afternoon departure from the hotel to the Foz do Iguazu National Park, to get a different view of the falls. Return to Puerto Iguazu.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 10**

**Day 10 Iguazú**

In the morning we will visit the argentinean side of the Iguazu Falls, declared World Heritage Site by UNESCO and one of the New Seven Wonders of Nature. We will visit the Devil's Throat Balcony, upper and lower paths from where you can take the Great Adventure as an optional tour.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 11**

**Day 11 Iguazú - Salta**

Transfer to the airport to board the scheduled flight to Salta. Arrival and reception in the airport. In the afternoon, enjoy a visit to the beautiful city of Salta including a must, the MAAM (High Altitude Archaeology Museum), with a great archaeological asset because of the girls mummies found in the Llullaillaco Volcano.

Max. Altitude: 1.152 MASL (3.779 ft.)

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 12**

**Day 12 Salta**

Today we go on a tour to Jujuy province, to get to know the Humahuaca Gorge, Cultural and Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO.

Total travelled distance: 476 km (296 miles)

Time travelled 12 hours



Max. Altitude: 3.012 MASL (9.882 ft.)

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 13**

**Day 13 Salta - Cachi - Cafayate**

Departure from Salta through slopes and ravines to the Calchaquies Valleys. We will visit Cachi, Route 40, De las Flechas's Gorge, to finally arrive at Cafayate

Total travelled distance: 320 km (199 miles)

Time travelled: 11/12 hours

Max. Altitude: 3.348 MASL (10.984 ft.)

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 14**

**Day 14 Cafayate - Salta - Buenos Aires**

In the morning we will take a brief tour of the town including a visit to a winery. After lunch (not included) departure towards Salta visiting the Quebrada de Cafayate (Cafayate's Gorge) with its strange rock formations. Arrival at Salta and transfer to the airport. Reception at the airport and transfer to the hotel.

Total travelled distance: 197 km (122 miles)

Time travelled 8 hours

Max. Altitude: 1.683 MASL (5.522 ft.)

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Day 15**

**Day 15 Buenos Aires**

At due time, transfer to the airport to board the scheduled flight.

**Meal:** Breakfast

**Inclusions**



Needed transfers

Accommodation: 14 nights

Buenos Aires (3) - Puerto Madryn (2) - Ushuaia (2) - El Calafate (2) - Puerto Iguazú (2) - Salta (2) - Cafayate (1)

Tours:

Buenos Aires: City tour – Dinner tango show

Puerto Madryn: Valdés Peninsula with penguin colony of San Lorenzo

Ushuaia: Tierra del Fuego National Park - Beagle Channel boat trip

El Calafate: Perito Moreno Glacier

Puerto Iguazú: Argentinian Falls - Brazilian Falls

Salta: Walking Tour with MAAM - Calchaqués Valleys

Jujuy: Humahuaca Gorge

Meals: 14 breakfasts - 1 dinner

Needed tickets to Parks and museums

## Exclusions

-Flight tickets and airport taxes.

-Extra: laundry service, telephone call.

-Tips.

-Eco-tax in Puerto Iguazú, Bariloche and port taxes in the Lake Crossing.

-Early check in / late check out (Except early check-in in Buenos Aires on day 1, in the Fixed Departures)

## Note

### Operational notes:

Day 3: From December to March, the excursion to San Lorenzo does not have a stop in Puerto Pirámides. From April to early September it is replaced by Península Valdés Sur visiting Puerto Pirámides, Punta Cantor and Caleta Valdés.

Day 11: The Alta Montaña Museum is closed on Mondays. Due to the closure of Cabildo (TUE) and Mercado de San Miguel (SUN). The points of interest to visit will be modified

Day 13: Pablo Díaz Museum and the Vine and Wine Museum close on Mondays.

Day 14: A return flight after 9PM is required.

### In addition, exclusive benefits of our fixed departure:

Buenos Aires: Early check in with breakfast / Tango lesson previous to the dinner show.



Península Valdés: lunch at the Tour to San Lorenzo (during low season will be replaced by lunch during the FD Península Valdés).

Ushuaia: an upgrade to the Beagle Channel boat trip to visit the penguin colony during the penguins' season.

El Calafate: Boat trip during the Perito Moreno Glacier excursion.

**NOTE: \*\* 25/12/24\*\* SPECIAL DEPARTURES INCLUDING THE HAPPY NEW YEARS DINNER IN EL CALAFATE.**

### **Hotels Used**

#### **3 Star**

BUENOS AIRES - HUINID OBELISCO OR SIMILAR (SUPERIOR ROOM)

PUERTO MADRYN - BAHIA NUEVA HOTEL OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

USHUAIA - ALTOS DE USHUAIA OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

EL CALAFATE - SENT HOTEL OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

PUERTO IGUAZU - MERIT IGUAZU OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

SALTA - DEL VINO HOTEL OR SIMILAR (SUPERIOR ROOM)

CAFAYATE - HOTEL LOS SAUCES OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

#### **4 Star**

BUENOS AIRES - NH JOUSTEN BUENOS AIRES OR SIMILAR (SUPERIOR ROOM)

PUERTO MADRYN - PENINSULA HOTEL OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

USHUAIA - LOS ACEBOS HOTEL OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

EL CALAFATE - IMAGO CALAFATE OR SIMILAR (STANDARD PATAGONIAN STEPPE)

PUERTO IGUAZU - PANORAMIC IGUAZU OR SIMILAR (STANDARD ROOM)

SALTA - BRIZO SALTA OR SIMILAR (CONFORT)

CAFAYATE - VIÑAS DE CAFAYATE OR SIMILAR (MOUNTAIN VIEW ROOM)

## **Program Touring / Guide**

Escorted Experience

## **Fixed-Departure**



<p><b>09 Sep, 2024</b> 3 Star AUD 7,085 P P twin share AUD 9,237 P P single AVAILABLE</p> <p>4 Star AUD 7,436 P P twin share AUD 10,187 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>07 Oct, 2024</b> 3 Star AUD 7,794 P P twin share AUD 10,161 P P single AVAILABLE</p> <p>4 Star AUD 8,180 P P twin share AUD 11,207 P P single AVAILABLE</p>	<p><b>21 Oct, 2024</b> 3 Star AUD 7,794 P P twin share AUD 10,161 P P single AVAILABLE</p> <p>4 Star AUD 8,180 P P twin share AUD 11,207 P P single AVAILABLE</p>
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<p><b>25 Dec, 2024</b> 3 Star AUD 8,147 P P twin share AUD 10,512 P P single AVAILABLE</p> <p>4 Star AUD 8,531 P P twin share AUD 11,558 P P single AVAILABLE</p>		

