BEST OF ARGENTINA & BRAZIL
Featuring Buenos Aires, Iguassu Falls and Rio de Janeiro
10 DAYS/8 NIGHTS

(3) Buenos Aires • (2) Iguassu • (3) Rio de Janeiro

TOUR FEATURES

• ROUND TRIP AIR TRANSPORTATION - Air transportation from Miami and internal flights in Argentina & Brazil
• FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS - Hotel accommodations for 8 nights
• SUPERB CUISINE - 13 included meals consisting of 8 buffet breakfasts, 1 lunch, and 4 dinners
• SIGHTSEEING TOUR PROGRAM - Sightseeing, including local guide and all entrance fees as follows: Buenos Aires panoramic city tour, a half day Tigre Tour, Tango Show, a tour of the Argentine side of the Iguassu Falls, a tour of the Brazilian side of the Iguassu Falls, a full day tour to Sugarloaf and Corcovado Mountains & Cultural Attractions. Optional tours are available
• PROFESSIONAL TOUR HOST - Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour upon arrival in Buenos Aires
• CULTURAL DISCOVERY SERIES - Our program encompass cultural connections, in-depth learning on the local economy, social systems and interaction with locals
• DELUXE MOTORCOACHES - Touring by private deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach
• BAGGAGE HANDLING AND TRANSFERS - Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

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Day 1 Depart USA  Depart Miami to Buenos Aires, Argentina. Meals and refreshments served on board.

Day 2 Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina  Welcome to Buenos Aires where European sophistication meets Latin passion! Upon arrival, proceed to baggage claim. After clearing customs, you will be met by our Argentinian Tour Director. Depending on the flight arrival you will either be transferred to your hotel or enjoy a panoramic tour of an area of Buenos Aires including some free time for lunch. Buenos Aires, capital of Argentina and center of its political, economic and intellectual life, is one of the most beautiful and captivating cities in the world. Its cosmopolitan nature results from the immigration of millions of Europeans during the 19th century, mostly Spanish and Italian, but also Jewish, German and Russian, among others. The habits and customs of several indigenous peoples, the largest being the Quechuan, Guarani and Mapuche, and of the African population starting from the late 18th century, also contributed to the diverse culture pot reflected in the city’s unique cuisine, music, dance and architecture. More than one-third of Argentina’s 40 million people live in Buenos Aires, which along with other urban areas, accounts for almost 90% of the total population. This is an exhilarating city of stunning natural beauty, cultural attractions, colorful neighborhoods, old world cafes, football and lively tango. Upon arrival at your hotel the remainder of the day at leisure to relax and recover from your overnight flight. Tonight savor a welcome dinner at a typical restaurant. Overnight in Buenos Aires. (D)

Day 3 Buenos Aires – City Tour  Get ready for this electrifying city! Today’s tour will introduce you to Buenos Aires main attractions and districts. You will be driven to the Plaza de Mayo, the heart and soul of Buenos Aires, serving as its historical, political and cultural center. First stop is Casa Rosada (the President’s Palace, from which Eva Peron used to address the crowds), the City Hall and the Metropolitan Cathedral. The tour continues to the oldest district in the city, San Telmo, which until 1888 was a river port. Today it is one of the most desirable places to live in Buenos Aires. Every Sunday San Telmo hosts one of the most famous street markets in South America. Next to the worker district of La Boca, famous for its colorful houses, and Recoleta, a residential neighborhood for the elite of Buenos Aires. It is an area of great historical and architectural interest, largely due to the Recoleta Cemetery, within which you can find the grave of the famous Evita. Then, continuing along the widest avenue in the world, Avenida 9 de Julio, to the Plaza Lavalle with the Federal Court of Justice and the Teatro Colón, the main opera house, and finally to Palermo, the city’s largest barrio. Now it’s back to the hotel. Overnight in Buenos Aires. (B)

Day 4 Buenos Aires - Tour of Tigre – Dinner and Tango Show  Today you will enjoy a half-day tour of Tigre, located about 18 miles from the city. We’ll drive along the northern residential districts of the city until we reach San Isidro, which ties with Palermo as Argentina’s most affluent residential district. Here, the historic neighborhood of colonial architecture and mansions is flanked by the River Plate. Then we’ll continue on to Tigre, a charming town located on the shore of the exotic Parana Delta, where a great number of summer residences, yacht and rowing clubs attract porteños and visitors alike for weekend relaxation and water sports. You’ll enjoy a boat ride along the remote, carefree islands of the Tigre Delta, passing waterfront homes on stilts, a fruit market, forest and grasslands. We’ll then drive back to the city via the Pan American highway. In the afternoon enjoy some leisure time. Experience Argentina’s capital’s dual heritage—part European, part Latin American. Wander its cobbled streets in search of shopping bargains, or relax and drink in the atmosphere. Cultural Discovery Series - Tonight you will visit the famous south zone of the city where the majority of traditional tanguerías are located. The tango is the outstanding music of Buenos Aires, born from a mix of Cuban and Spanish rhythms, some polka, and according to some, also a bit of African music. Each song has a story to tell about the city, its history and its people. In spite of its humble origins, in the 1920’s, the tango rose to the salons of the upper classes. In 1920, this old colonial house was converted into an exclusive tanguería. “El Quemao” or “The Burning One,” this symbolic corner of Buenos Aires has been converted into one of the most magical areas of the city where the spirit of the past returns and exists for its inhabitants and those who visit. It’s the ideal place for you to enjoy an excellent dinner and a very traditional show. Overnight in Buenos Aires (B, D)

Day 5 Buenos Aires/Iguassu – Tour of Iguassu Falls (Argentine Side)  After breakfast you will be transfer to the airport to board your flight to Iguassu Falls. Iguassu Falls, the 275 waterfalls of the Iguassu River straddling the jungle borders between Brazil and Argentina, are one of nature’s most spectacular creations. A 2-hour flight connects Buenos Aires to the city of Iguassu and both sides of the falls. The Brazilian side is farther from the tumbler but delivers a panorama and better view of the greatest section, Devil’s Throat. Here, 14 falls combine in the 330-foot fall, pounding the water below with such force that there is a constantly rising huge rainbow-spanned cloud of spray. The Argentinian side, offers such a close-up of the thundering water that most visitors wear waterproof raincoats. The Falls are shared by two Iguassu parks—the National Park in Brazil and the National Park in Argentina—each has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You must visit both! Upon arrival you will transfer to your hotel with immediate departure to your tour to the falls. Be prepared for one of the most spectacular natural beauties in the world: Iguassu Falls with 275 thundering waterfalls. The Argentine side offers walking trails to explore the park’s rich flora and fauna and such right-up-close views of the falls that you can really feel and hear their awesome power. (B)

Day 6 Iguassu – Tour of Iguassu Falls (Brazilian Side)  Today you tour the Brazilian side, starting from the park, which has a road leading to the start of the Cascades Trail, a moderate walk that takes you high above the river to a series of galleries with great views of the Argentinian side. At the end of the path, walk down to a boardwalk which extends to the lower base of Devil’s Throat. Or, you can stay on the car all the way to the end, and take a glass-enclosed elevator down. Next enjoy a visit to the Bird Park: The park is located near the Iguassu National Park (Brazilian side). Experience a direct contact with more than 1,000 birds from all four corners of Brazil and from various parts of the world, many of them endangered. There are 16.5 hectares of lush Atlantic rainforest maintained to provide the best habitat for the animals. Many species found here are no longer in condition to continue living in nature. The idea is to create an environment where the animals can live happily. Besides visiting the aviaries and a butterfly house, you also see reptiles such as alligators and the anacocana. Come, learn, and have fun! At the end of the tour, back to the hotel. Remainder of the day at leisure. Overnight in Iguassu. (B)

Day 7 Iguassu/Rio de Janeiro  After breakfast you will be transferred to the hotel to board your flight to Rio de Janeiro. With a magnificent blend of breathtaking beaches, spectacular mountains, lush rainforests, the historical and the cultural, Rio de Janeiro is unsurprisingly one of the most visited cities in the Southern Hemisphere. Part of Rio has been named a UNESCO World Heritage Site as a Cultural Landscape and its harbor as one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. Lose yourself in a vibrant samba at Carnival or a game at the Maracanã, one of the world’s largest football stadiums. Whatever your pleasure, Rio is the paradise you simply must visit. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel to check in and relax. Later, depart for your dinner extravaganza in one of Rio’s famous Brazilian Steak houses. (B,D)

Day 8 Rio de Janeiro – Tour to Corcovado  You will leave the hotel and travel to the Cosme Velho Station to board a cog-train for the ride through Tijuca Forest up Corcovado Mountain at 2,340 feet. The ride is a wonderful opportunity for a closer look at the forest’s lush tropical vegetation and to enjoy scenic landscapes. Once at the top, an escalator will bring you to the pedestal of the famous statue of Christ the Redeemer for a 360 degree view of the “Marvelous City”, as Rio is known worldwide. On our way back, we drive along the famous beaches of Rio. Afternoon at leisure to enjoy the sparkling beaches, busy markets and jubilant attitude of the locals embrace visitors to the world where heaven meets the earth. Overnight in Rio de Janeiro (B)

Day 9 Rio de Janeiro – Tour to Sugarloaf Mountain  This morning is at leisure to shop or walk some of Rio’s carnival route where its effervescent samba dancers jiggling their hips attracts thousands of tourists around the world. This afternoon you will head to the financial and historical heart of Rio where smart buildings share the scenery with historic landmarks such as the Imperial Palace and St. Anthony Monastery. A buffet lunch is served in one of the most traditional cafes in the city. Next to the Sugar Loaf Mountain with its cable cars, from where we have majestic views of Copacabana, Ipanema and the Guanabara Bay. We go back to the hotel to freshen up and cap up our trip with an unforgettable typical dinner and Folklore show (Cultural Discovery Series). Overnight in Rio de Janeiro (B,L,D)

Day 10 Rio de Janeiro to USA  Today we transfer to the airport for your international flight home. Depending on flight schedules some flights may arrive home on day 11. (B)

(B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch, (D) – Dinner
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