

THE WINE ROUTE

BUENOS AIRES - IGUAZU - SALTA - MENDOZA

A program designed to know Argentina and its winegrowing tradition. Relax and enjoy the way while tasting the best wines of the North and the Cuyo region

COMPLETE ITINERARY

DAY 01 | COUNTRY OF ORIGIN - BUENOS AIRES

Arrival in the international airport. Pick up and private transfer with English guide to the hotel. In the afternoon excursion "Live Buenos Aires" in shared services with English guide. It is a possibility to see Buenos Aires in a different, non-traditional way. This journey will make you feel the past of the City in an unforgettable manner. You will be able to see the Balcony, where Evita performed her speaking to the crowd (Casa Rosada). You will also visit: Plaza de Mayo, Puerto Madero, the youngest neighbourhood of the City, La Boca & "Caminito", the Bombonera, San Telmo, and its old stone streets. You will get the chance to know the origins of Tango, the most elegant and sensual dance. And the last but not least: Palermo & Recoleta – the most fashion neighbourhoods of the City. And when the excursion will finish you will be able to call yourselves "Porteños" Duration: 4hs.

DAY 02 | BUENOS AIRES

Breakfast. Day at leisure. Optional excursion to Estancia. The excursion will take you to San Antonio de Areco, to the ranch, La Porteña, which is 180 years old, but its architecture stays intact. You will be able to spend a day in countryside, discovering Argentinean folklore and traditions; spend an unforgettable day surrounded by nature and history. Lunch is a traditional creole roast outdoors. In the afternoon enjoy the demonstration of gaucho skills, carriage ride or polo lessons. Lunch included. Duration: 8 hs. In the evening, a tango show & dinner to discover the secrets of the most famous Argentine dance. Shared transfers included.

DAY 03 | BUENOS AIRES - IGUAZU

Breakfast. Pick up at the hotel and transfer to the local airport to take your flight to Iguazu. Arrival and private transfer with English guide to the chosen hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. In the afternoon an excursion to Brazilian Falls in private service with English guide. The visit to the Brazilian side of falls allows you to see a panoramic view of the falls. The visit starts at the Visitors centre, from where buses will take you to the beginning of the path. After the short walk along the catwalks the excursion finishes at Porto Canoas, where you will find food, beverages and facilities area. Return to hotel. Duration: 5 hs

DAY 04 | IGUAZU

Breakfast. Excursion to Argentinean Falls in private services with English guide. This tour will take you to discover the Argentinean side of the Iguazu National Park. It preserves approximately 67.000ha, a home for giant trees, vines and ferns, butterflies, birds and other animals of the local flora and fauna. You will be able to walk along the Lower Trail, from where you will find the "two sisters fall", the "Bossetti Fall", the "hidden fall", and have a panoramic view of "San Martin Island" and the "Union Fall". Later a walk along the Upper Trail, walkways located above major falls, from where you can enjoy a panoramic view of the Brazilian falls. And finally, do not miss the journey on an Ecological Train of the Jungle up to "Devil's Throat" station. From there, after only 1000 meters walk you will see a spectacular "Devil's Throat", a magic place where the falling water gives the illusion of a rainbows. Duration: 8 hs

DAY 05 | IGUAZU - SALTA

Breakfast. Pick up at the hotel and private transfer with driver only to the Airport to take flight to Salta. Arrival and private transfer with English guide to the chosen hotel.

DAY 06 | SALTA - CACHI - CAFAYATE

Breakfast. 2 days excursion in shared service to Calchaquí Valleys: Cachi & Cafayate. The journey starts from Salta city to the south, through route 68 going past different towns of Lerma Valley. Arrival to Cachi at lunch time (lunch not included). The trip continues down route 40 to admire mountainous landscapes with towns of great enchantment. Bordering the Calchaquí river, you can observe historical towns such as Seclantas, Molinos, Angastaco, San Carlos and Animana. By the end of the afternoon we arrive to Cafayate, where we spend the night. Accommodation in chosen hotel.

DAY 07 | CAFAYATE - SALTA

This day we visit some wineries, famous for their production of Torrontes, with special characteristics due to the particularities of the climate and land. After having lunch (not included), we return to Salta through The Shells' Gorge, visiting the peculiar rock formations caused by the wind and water. Erosion carved curious shapes on the rocks (The Amphitheater, Devil's throat, The Toad, The Castles, among others). We arrive to Salta after crossing The Lerma Valley. Arrival and accommodation at chosen hotel.

DAY 08 | SALTA - PURMAMARCA

Breakfast. Full day shared excursion "Around the Heights". The trip begins in Salta towards the Tastil Ruins arriving to San Antonio de los Cobres, after a two hours stop for lunch and a short visit the town. We continue our trip along Route 40 crossing one of the most deserts areas of our country. Soon, and already in the province of Jujuy, we arrive to Salinas Grandes (The Great Salt Flat), where the immensity of the area, the white shiny salt invites you to relax and take good shots. We continue down the Lipán Cliff arriving to Purmamarca, one of the typical towns of Humahuaca Gorge with its Seven Colors Hill and the enchantment of the small houses. Lunch not included. Accommodation at chosen hotel.

DAY 09 | PURMAMARCA - SALTA

Breakfast. Full day shared excursion to Humahuaca. The journey begins in Purmamarca and continue towards the town of Tilcara where we visit the Pucará (ancient ruins), the Archaeological Museum, and Huacalera, and then we cross the Capricorn Tropic, from where the colors of La Pollera de la Coya Hill can be seen and really good pictures taken because of the daylight. We visit Uquiá and its church, where the paintings of the Arcabuceros Angels (important vestige in the zone of the Cuzqueña School) are kept. Arrival to Humahuaca will be at noon; this town has an important Church and the Independence Monument (the Indian) of the sculptor Soto Avendaño. After lunch we'll observe, from the route, La Paleta del Pintor (Painters Palette) framing the town of Maimara. We continue to San Salvador de Jujuy where the Flag Hall and the Cathedral, characterized by its pulpit carved in wood and gold and the statues of Lola Mora are visited. Finally, we return to Salta through National Route N°9 of abundant subtropical vegetation. The last stretch is: El Abra of Santa Laura, observing La Ciénaga (The Swamp) dam, Las Maderas and Campo Alegre and returning to Salta through Vaqueros.

DAY 10 | SALTA - MENDOZA

Breakfast. Pick up at the hotel and shared transfer to the local airport to take your flight to Mendoza. Arrival and private transfer with English guide to the chosen hotel. Accommodation and rest of the time at leisure.

DAY 11 | MENDOZA

Breakfast. Full day private wine tour to Lujan de Cuyo with English guide. We start our wine tasting tour at 09.00 am and accompanied by our guide head for Lujan de Cuyo, the region known as The Cradle of Malbec. Surrounded by gentle hills and over-looked By America's highest mountains. Lujan de Cuyo provides exclusive accommodation options with Lodges and hotels amongst vineyards, fine Restaurants, Spa & Relaxation services and internationally renowned wineries. Just minutes into our journey we see vineyards and our journey on The Wine Road begins. In this area we visit some of the regions most recognized wineries where we will tour the vineyards and have the opportunity to taste their different lines of wine. We enjoy a winery lunch prepared by a renowned chef, who has developed the best gourmet dishes to accompany the various varieties of wine produced here. After lunch, we return to the city with a clear picture of the diversity involved in the world of wine, the gastronomy and Mendoza's landscape. End of tour, return to Mendoza City. Lunch included.

DAY 12 | MENDOZA

Breakfast. Day at leisure. Optional full day excursion High Mountain Overland Adventure at Mendoza's Andes. The High Mountain Adventure tour is an exciting experience. The itinerary starts in Mendoza through Uspallata on a 4x4 vehicle, driven by an off road expert and accompanied by a bilingual guide. The journey is perfect to discover the most special sights of the Andes and contemplate the geological formations in deep contact with the mountains. We'll be able to see the Aconcagua from Paramillos viewpoint and you'll enjoy all nature, fauna and native flora from the area. We start early in the morning to leave the city and enter the Andes to enjoy the full day and see fauna of the region, guanacos, foxes and majestic condors through all the trails and shortcuts we get to Paramillos, the highest point of the journey, at 3200 meters over the sea level. At this point we can see Aconcaguas southern face. We also visit the "7colors" hill and the "Laguna de los Cangrejos" (Crab's Lagoon). Lunch at Uspallata includes a classic barbeque and excellent wines.

DAY 12 | MENDOZA - BUENOS AIRES

Breakfast. Pick up at the hotel and private transfer to the Airport to take a short flight to Buenos Aires. Arrival and private transfer with driver only to the hotel. Accommodation.

DAY 13 | BUENOS AIRES - COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Breakfast. Pick up and private transfer to the airport in plenty of time for your departure flight.