Argentina Vacation - Globus® South America

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Want to learn the scintillating samba—or the tantalizing tango? Sip sweet caipirinhas—or dry Argentine wines? Sunbathe on famous beaches—or soak in the beauty of neoclassical architecture? This getaway just south of the usual visits two of South America's most sizzling cities so you can do it all. With time in Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires, this sultry tour of South America combines the best of Brazil and Argentina, plus the opportunity to witness the thundering Iguassu Falls from the perspective of both countries. Guided sightseeing to the legendary sights is complemented by numerous opportunities to live like a local. This South America getaway includes an empanada cooking class, a private tango lesson, and a day on an authentic Argentine ranch where you can enjoy authentic cuisine, tap your foot to regional music, and even take the reins of a horse and channel your inner gaucho.

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Notes:

There is a welcome meeting scheduled on day 1 in Rio de Janeiro at 2 pm. Check-in at the hotel is at 3 pm. Guests will depart the hotel for included sightseeing at 3:30 pm. Please make sure to arrive at the hotel in Rio prior to the meeting.

Meals

Breakfast Daily, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners

Itinerary

Day 1

ARRIVE IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZILWelcome to Rio de Janeiro!

At 3:30 pm, meet your Tour Director for a drive along Ipanema and Copacabana beaches to the base of 1,300-foot-high Sugarloaf Mountain. Ascend by cable car to its summit, where you can take in spectacular vistas of the city. Next, toast the start of a memorable vacation with caipirinhas, a traditional Brazilian cocktail, during a cocktail party.

LOCAL FAVORITE

LOCAL TASTES A once-in-a-lifetime experience awaits atop Sugarloaf Mountain overlooking Guanabara Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. Take in the breathtaking panoramic views followed by a private cocktail party with your fellow travel companions. Toast with a traditional caipirinha, Brazil's national cocktail, made with fresh lime, cachaça, and sugar. Deliciosa!

Day 2

RIO DE JANEIROHeavenly Views

The city's landmark, the statue of Christ the Redeemer, crowns Corcovado Mountain, a rounded peak rising 2,300 feet from the bay below. A scenic ride by cog railway leads to the top, where a breathtaking 360-degree panorama affords sweeping views. From here, proceed to bustling downtown Rio, where modern office towers stand next to relics of the Portuguese colonial past. View the Sambodromo and visit the Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure for you to experience this vibrant city on your own. Tonight, it's a fun outing to a churrascaria for a feast of barbecued meats marinated and roasted over charcoal in true Brazilian style.

Breakfast A Dinner

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

EPIC RIDE Soar to the summit of Corcovado Mountain by cog railway to reach the site of the iconic statue of Christ the Redeemer. This crowning jewel of Rio and Brazil was constructed between 1922 and 1933. The statue of Jesus Christ stands 98 feet high (or 124 feet including the pedestal) with an arm span of 92 feet wide. Towering over the city, this piece of art is truly an engineering marvel and was even voted one the New7Wonders of the World.

Day 3

RIO DE JANEIROUnplug & Recharge

A full day at leisure to enjoy Rio. Relax on one of the world-famous beaches or take advantage of the world-class shopping or fine dining.

Breakfast

FREE TIME TIPS

EXPLORE MORE Spend free time in Rio de Janeiro with an optional excursion to Petropolis, (mountain resort and former summer palace of Emperor Dom Pedro II). This and more options throughout your tour are available for purchase with MyGlobus. Get local maps and tips for free time on your GlobusGO mobile app.

Day 4

RIO DE JANEIRO-IGUASSU FALLSWhat a Rush!

A flight from Rio takes you to Iguassu Falls. Experience the clouds of spray, the incessant roar, and the surrounding luxuriant tropical growth that make this an unforgettable natural wonder. Head into Brazil's Iguassu National Park to enjoy the magnificent panorama of waterfalls from the Brazilian side. Your Local Guide introduces the spectacle of this 2-mile-wide rushing torrent. With some cataracts as high as 250 feet, Iguassu Falls is nothing short of hypnotic!

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

PICTURE PERFECT Explore incredible Iguassu National Park (Brazilian side) and walk the pathways skirting Iguassu Falls. Watch for amazing wildlife in this protected area, including toucans, agoutis, giant otters, anteaters, tapir, and even jaguars!

Day 5

IGUASSU FALLSTaking the Plunge

Today, journey across the Brazilian border by motorcoach to the Argentine side of Iguassu Falls, where you will enjoy a closer perspective on a walking tour of the falls. Meander along the walkways from atop the falls and enjoy an exhilarating view looking over the precipice of the falls as the water plunges to the rocks below. You will also have the chance to walk through the rainforest on the lower falls trails that will bring you up close to some of the smaller cataracts. Return to the hotel, where the remainder of the day is at your leisure.

Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

NATURAL WONDERS Visit Iguassu National Park (Argentinian side) where, from this side of the falls, you get a bird's-eye view from the catwalks perched over part of the Devil's Throat, where 14 waterfalls drop more than 300 feet into the Devil's Gorge below. From this completely different perspective compared to Brazil's side, you'll understand why you must see both sides of the falls!

Day 6

IGUASSU FALLS—BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINAThe Boulevards of Buenos Aires This morning, cross the Brazilian border into Argentina by motorcoach to transfer to the Cataratas del Iguazu International Airport for your flight to Buenos Aires. After arriving, acquaint yourself with the "Paris of South America" and its wide boulevards and outdoor cafés.

Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

CITY SIGHTS Elegant European architecture, epicurean cuisine, and a café culture to rival any rue de Paris, Buenos Aires is a city of leisurely afternoons sipping café con leche or the choicest Argentinian wines.

Day 7

BUENOS AIRESDining, Dancing, Dazzling

Your sightseeing starts in La Boca, a vibrant district and site of the city's first port. Take a short walking tour of this unique enclave and then on to San Telmo, famous for its late-colonial buildings and a popular gathering spot for artists. At Plaza de Mayo, see La Casa Rosada (the President's Pink House) and the Metropolitan Cathedral, housing San Martin's Mausoleum. Drive past the ornate Teatro Colón opera house before reaching Recoleta Cemetery, burial site of Eva Perón. Next, learn how to make a traditional Argentinean dish

with an iii empanada cooking class. After an afternoon at leisure, top off the evening at a

famous Tango club. The Tango and Argentina go hand in hand and tonight you will 🌉 visit

a local milonga (tango house), where professional tango dancers teach the traditional techniques of the Argentine Tango. After your lesson, enjoy a farewell dinner featuring Argentine steaks and other local specialties. Top off the evening when the professionals delight you with a Tango Show featuring the dance as it has evolved through the ages!

Breakfast A Dinner

LOCAL FAVORITE

LOCAL TASTES Immerse yourself in Argentina's culinary culture when you learn how to make empanadas. This hands-on cooking class teaches you the different fillings and the various 'repulga' techniques (how to close the empanada.) After perfecting your creation, enjoy your homemade empanada with a glass of Malbec wine.

Day 8

BUENOS AIRESRanch Life

Today, head into the heart of the pampas (grasslands) and immerse yourself in the

atmosphere of rural, country life at a working 🌉 Argentina estancia (ranch). After a

traditional welcome with empanadas and local beverages, get acquainted with the lifestyle of real gauchos (cowboys) on a carriage ride through the pampas. Later, at lunch, enjoy an authentic feast, complete with world-renowned Argentine beef, salad, desserts, and live music and dance by the gauchos themselves. Top off the day with an equestrian demonstration by the gauchos before saying 'adios' to the countryside and heading back to the city.

Breakfast X Lunch

LOCAL FAVORITE

CULTURE & TRADITION Argentinean estancias date back to the 16th century during the era of Spanish colonization when conquistadors where gifted land to raise and breed cattle. Today, these lands and traditions endure, having been passed down from generation to generation. Step into the traditional, local life of a gaucho and embrace Argentinian heritage on a working estancia.

Day 9

BUENOS AIRES Safe travels until we meet again! Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

Breakfast

Tour Director

With Globus, there's no better way to get to know your destination than through the eyes of your Tour Director. Averaging over a decade... we'd like you to meet a Tour Director, who is representative of the type of expert that will be with you on your vacation.

JOSE CORDEIRO

Escorting tours for more than 15 years

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FERNANDO CASARIEGO

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

"Born and raised in Buenos Aires, I studied English in London, French in Paris, Italian in Siena, and Tourism with the focus on the American market in Rio de Janeiro. I have been a Tour Director for more than 30 years, and enjoy helping guests better understand the customs, cultures, and people. The friendships that are created within each group lead to an energy that revitalizes me, bringing happiness and satisfaction to the end of each tour."



Accommodations

RIO DE JANEIRO

SHERATON GRAND RIO HOTEL AND RESORT

Hotel as shown or similar

Deluxe

Free Wifi

IGUASSU FALLS

BOURBON CATARATAS HOTEL

Hotel as shown or similar

First-Class

Free Wifi

BUENOS AIRES

HOTEL ALVEAR ICON

Hotel as shown or similar

Superior First-Class

Free Wifi

Optional Excursions

Contact your Travel Consultant for more information. Price Ranges

\$ (\$50 USD and under) \$\$ (\$51 - \$100 USD) \$\$\$ (\$101 - \$150 USD) \$\$\$\$ (Over \$150)

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