



ARGENTINA

Concert Tours



**Buenos Aires
Rosario
Santa Fé**

Suggested Itinerary

11 Days / 8 Nights



PLEASE NOTE: Actual sequence and timing of activities will revolve around your concert schedule . All times are approximate and may vary according to flight schedules and other logistical factors.

ALL MUSICAL ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED.

Day 1 **Depart USA**

Evening Board your overnight flight to cosmopolitan Buenos Aires, Argentina’s political, economic, and cultural capital, arriving at Ezeiza International Airport the next morning. Likely connection en route. Dinner and Breakfast served aloft.

Day 2 **Buenos Aires**

Morning Arrival at Buenos Aires' Ezeiza International Airport.

Buenos Aires is a world-class city of some 10 million people, located on the shores of the Río de la Plata, adjacent to the Atlantic Ocean. The sophistication of this city is evident in the abundant presence of elegant mansions and other buildings constructed in the appealing turn-of-the-century French Beaux Arts style of architecture. Its many leafy parks, graced by dramatic and imposing statues, are reminiscent of European capitals, such as Paris, Rome or Madrid. Buenos Aires' wide and busy boulevards, some as many as twelve lanes across, project the metropolis' energy, drive, and fast pace. Its never-ending supply of cafes, restaurants, and other entertainment options, speak of the city's appreciation of a certain joie-de-vivre.

Buenos Aires has a rich musical life and tradition, most famous of which is found in the Tango song and dance genre. In addition to numerous Tango dinner dance performances, nearly every night there is a wide selection of both choral and instrumental concerts to choose from, performed by skilled musicians in beautiful venues that are rich in character and culturally significant.

Greeting by your highly-qualified **Tour Manager**. The Tour Managers we select are chosen for their high-energy and commitment to customer satisfaction. For the duration of your stay, your Tour Manager will be coordinating and managing all of your scheduled activities and will be available to you on a 24-hour basis should you need special assistance.

Afternoon

City Sightseeing Tour



Plaza de Mayo



Casa Rosada



Ave. 9 de Julio

Commence a three-hour city sightseeing tour giving you an overview of Buenos Aires' history and culture as seen through its neighborhoods and historical landmarks.

Tentative itinerary includes the **Plaza de Mayo** (historical heart of the city), the **Casa Rosada** (presidential palace), **Palace of Congress**, the **Teatro Colón** (renowned opera house), **Avenida Nueve de Julio** (a ten-lane wide avenue), and the **Obelisk** (reminiscent of the Washington Monument).

The delightful neighborhoods of **La Boca** and **San Telmo** (birthplace of the Tango), **Palermo** (with wide boulevards, leafy parks, and extravagant monuments) and **Recoleta** (highlighted by the cemetery featuring opulent mausoleums where "Evita" Perón is buried) will be featured. After completing your tour you will understand why Buenos Aires is compared to many European cities.

Afternoon

Arrive at your Three-Star Hotel for check-in. Lunch on your own.

Evening

Welcome Dinner at a nice restaurant (this meal is included in your tour program).

Day 3

Buenos Aires

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning

Teatro Colón Guided Tour



Transfer to the Teatro Colón, one of the world's most important opera houses, for a guided tour of this marvelous facility. The Colón was completed in 1908 representing the ambitions of Buenos Aires' growing elite families to emulate the style of the finest cities of Europe. The theater's magnificent performance hall, La Sala, has seating for an audience of 2,478. Host to performances by some of the world's finest performing groups, the Colón is Buenos Aires' most-valued cultural treasure.

Afternoon

Suggestion: Free time to visit **Avenida Santa Fé** - Buenos Aires' premier shopping street with 35 blocks of Boutiques and Shopping Gallerias with the latest European fashions at reasonable prices.



Arte Decorativo



Bellas Artes



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Those with more of a cultural / history interest should visit the fine museums of Recoleta and nearby areas, such as the **Museo de Bellas Artes** (fine arts museum), **Museo de Arte Decorativo** (housed in a beautiful early 20th-century French style mansion) or the **Casa Rosada Presidential Palace** for a guided tour. The **Museo Evita** is small but captures the essence of Evita Peron's enormous impact on Argentine history.

Evening

CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 1



Day 4

Buenos Aires

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon

Paseo Recoleta Artisans' Market



On weekends venture to the **Paseo Recoleta Artisans' Market** for lots of bargains on hand-made leather and other goods at one of the hundreds of stalls staffed by the artisans themselves. Located in the upscale Recoleta neighborhood, this market is one of Buenos Aires' favorite shopping pastimes with an unsurpassed variety of items at attractive prices.

Evening

Tango Dinner Show & Lessons



Enjoy one of Buenos Aires' cozy and elegant dinner theatres, reminiscent of the early 20th century. Dine on delicious Argentine beef or other delicacy as you are entertained by perfectly-groomed and fashionably-attired Tango dancers performing the traditional dance with its distinctive dramatic movements. A wonderful musical experience !

Day 5

La Plata

Breakfast at Hotel.

Afternoon

Lunch on your own.

Depart to **La Plata**, the planned city of 500,000 people located 35 miles south of Buenos Aires.

Afternoon

Visit to the City of La Plata



Upon arriving in La Plata, enjoy an overview of the points of interest of this city, which is the capital of the Province of Buenos Aires. La Plata was built as a planned city on a grid pattern of roads intersected by diagonal avenues dotted by plazas and small parks. Highlight is the magnificent **La Plata Cathedral** facing Plaza Moreno in the center of town. It is the largest neo-Gothic cathedral in Latin America and was only completed in the late 1990s after a 100-year construction effort. Ride the elevator up one of the cathedral spires for a great view of La Plata's historic buildings, plazas and monuments.

Early Evening

Dinner at a local restaurant (this meal is included in your tour program).

Evening

CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 2



Day 6

Buenos Aires

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning or
Afternoon

Calle Florida



Visit **Calle Florida**, the 10-block long pedestrian shopping street in the heart of downtown Buenos Aires. There is an unending variety of shops featuring some of the best-quality goods you will come across during your entire trip. Typical Argentine items of interest include jackets, shoes, boots, pants, wallets, purses, gloves, etc., basically anything made out of leather. "Florida" has many cafés and restaurants available for lunch on your own to break up the long shopping day !

Evening

Dinner on own.

Day 7

Buenos Aires – Rosario

Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out of your Hotel.

Morning &
Afternoon

"Pampas" Ranch Day



Depart in your private motorcoach for an exciting visit to an authentic Argentine "estancia" (cattle ranch). Experience the life of the "gauchos" (cowboys) through roping demonstrations, rides on horse-driven carts plus folklore dancing and singing. Highlight of your visit is a traditional Argentine "asado" (barbecue) featuring delicious cuts of world-famous Argentine beef grilled over an open pit.

Continue on your private motorcoach to Rosario.

Evening

Arrival in Rosario. Check-in to your Three-Star Hotel.

Dinner included in tour program.

Day 8

Rosario

Breakfast at Hotel.

With a population of approximately 1 million people, Rosario is tied with Córdoba for the title of Argentina's second-largest city. Settled in the early 18th century, Rosario grew briskly in the mid-19th century as a transportation center for crops, beef and leather goods making their way to Buenos Aires for overseas export. Rosario has a vibrant economy and active cultural life, and is attractively located next to the Río Paraná with much lush parkland on its shores.

Morning

City Sightseeing Tour



View the city's centrally-located **Plaza 25 de Mayo** and the massive and imposing **Monumento á la Bandera**, a 200- foot high tower of unpolished marble dedicated to the national flag and patriotic causes. Continue along the **Costanera**, a refreshing tree-lined road along the shores of the Paraná. Take in **Parque de la Independencia** with its beautifully laid out **Jardín Francés** gardens.

Free time for lunch on your own.

Afternoon

Time to explore Rosario's many parks and museums. Or, if you prefer, go shopping for typical hand-made Argentine items in the city's main shopping avenues.

Wander to the **Estación Fluvial** where a selection of waterfront cafés and restaurants awaits you for a relaxing time as you watch sailboats and other waterbound vessels cruise by.

Evening

CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 3



Day 9

Rosario – Santa Fé

Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out from Hotel and transfer to the city of Santa Fé (2 hours north of Rosario)

Morning

Santa Fé City Tour



Casa de Gobierno



St. Francis Convent



Río Santa Fé

Enjoy a guided walking tour of Santa Fe's historical district.

Start at the city's main square, **Plaza 25 de Mayo**, surrounded by several important landmarks, including the **Cathedral of Santa Fé** and the **Immaculate Conception School and Museum**.

Admire the beautiful and symmetrical **Casa de Gobierno** (governor's office), where you will be able to walk inside the two patios.

Continue the tour by visiting **Saint Francis Convent**, Santa Fé's most important Spanish colonial-era structure dating back to the 17th-century. Visit its timeless chapel with wooden pews, ornate altar, and detailed wood carvings that are unchanged over the centuries.

Afternoon

Arrive at your Three-Star Hotel and check-in.

Early Evening

Dinner on your own.

CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 4



Day 10

Santa Fé – Buenos Aires

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning

Check out of your hotel and transfer to Buenos Aires.

Afternoon

Farewell Lunch at a restaurant on the way to Buenos Aires (included in tour program).

Evening

Depart on your overnight flight to the USA. Dinner and breakfast served aloft.

Day 11

Arrive USA

Morning

Arrival back in the USA.

Your Argentine Cultural & Musical Adventure comes to a close with great memories to cherish for a lifetime

Concert Tour Land Program Includes:

Inter-City Transportation:

- Buenos Aires / Rosario / Santa Fé / Buenos Aires transfers by private motorcoach

Buenos Aires:

- 5 Nights Accommodations at a Three-Star Hotel including daily breakfast
- Airport / Hotel one-way transfer
- Welcome Dinner in Buenos Aires
- City Sightseeing Tour of Buenos Aires with Bilingual Guide
- Teatro Colon tour
- Visit to the city of La Plata
- Dinner in La Plata
- Estancia Day Trip (including barbecue lunch)
- Tango Lessons & Show (including dinner)
- Round-trip transfers for all of the above activities

Rosario:

- 2 Nights Accommodations at a Three-Star Hotel including daily breakfast
- City Sightseeing Tour of Rosario with Bilingual Guide
- 1 Dinner included

Santa Fé:

- 1 Night Accommodation at a Three-Star Hotel including daily breakfast
- City Sightseeing Tour of Santa Fé with Bilingual Guide
- Farewell Lunch

Other:

- Full-Time **Tour Manager** in Argentina for all of your scheduled activities. Also available 24/7 in case of emergency or special needs.
- 24/7 Emergency Support from Argentina Concert Tours' Operations office.

Performance Component:

- **Organization of 4 Concerts.**
- **Pre-Concert Sound Check and/or Rehearsal.**
- **Water at concerts.**
- **Hotel – Concert Venue round-trip transfers by private motorcoach.**
- **Concert Publicity utilizing our "Larger Audiences" Promotion Program.**

Summary of Included Meals:

- 8 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches (Estancia Day & Farewell Lunch)
- 4 Dinners (Welcome Dinner, one dinner in La Plata, Tango Dinner show & one dinner in Rosario)

FREE Ensemble Director Tour Included:

- One **FREE Ensemble Director's** trip is included based on 20 paying travelers (21st is free).
- Tour leader would share twin room with a paying traveler and pay only taxes/fees.

Not Included:

- Tips for Tour Manager, Tour Guides, and Bus Drivers
- Passports and visas for non-US passport holders (if necessary)

- Personal expenses, such as phone calls and personal laundry.
- Increases in air taxes / fees / fuel surcharge beyond those stated below
- Anything not noted in the above list of inclusions