







Buenos Aires & Iguazú

Suggested Itinerary

10 Days / 7 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 <u>Tour Manager</u>. 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 <u>City Sightseeing Tour</u>







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

The delightful neighborhoods of <u>La Boca</u> and <u>San Telmo</u> (birthplace of the Tango), <u>Palermo</u> (with wide boulevards, leafy parks, and extravagant monuments) and <u>Recoleta</u> (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. Time to freshen up and shower. Lunch on your own.

Evening

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

Day 3 Buenos Aires

Morning 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, <u>La Sala</u>, 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

<u>Suggestion</u>: Free time to visit <u>Avenida Santa Fé</u> - 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

MALBA

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

Evening

CONCERT PERFORMANCE - EVENT # 1







Day 4

Buenos Aires

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon

Paseo Recoleta Artisans' Market







On weekends venture to the <u>Paseo Recoleta Artisans' Market</u> 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
Morning	Breakfast at Hotel.
Afternoon	Lunch on your own.
	Depart to La Plata, the planned city of 500,000 people located 35 miles south of

Afternoon Visit to the city of La Plata

Buenos Aires.







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 & 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.

Day 7 Buenos Aires – Iguazú Falls

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out of your hotel and transfer to Aeroparque, Buenos Aires' domestic airport, for your flight to Iguazú, home of the world's largest and most spectacular waterfalls!

Flight arrives at Iguazú Airport.







<u>Iguazú Falls</u>, located in the <u>Iguazú National Park</u>, are like no other falls in the world. Some 250 waterfalls, from smaller less-spectacular falls to the gigantic mountain of water thundering down the huge horseshoe-shaped <u>Garganta del Diablo</u> (Devil's Throat), Iguazú's waterfalls extend for nearly

two miles across a lush sub-tropical rainforest setting, in itself an exciting and exotic attraction.

Afternoon Free time to relax by the hotel pool.

Evening Dinner on own at one of the many restaurants located near your hotel.

Day 8 Iguazú Falls

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Board your private motorcoach for the transfer to **<u>Iguazú National Park</u>** for a full day of sightseeing and exploring the park's different attractions.







Iguazú Falls

Garganta del Diablo

Rainforest Setting

Board the Jungle Train again to the Estación Cataratas to access the <u>Paseo Inferior</u> (Lower Trail) leading you down through the forest to the river coming very close to some smaller, yet spectacular falls, such as the <u>Saltos Ramirez</u> and <u>Bossetti</u>.

Board the <u>Jungle Train</u> at the <u>Estación Central</u> for the short ride to the <u>Estación Cataratas</u> (Falls Station) where you can access the <u>Paseo Superior</u> (Upper Trail). There are six distinct viewpoints along the 650-meter long Paseo Superior affording views of many of the falls, including some of the most impressive cascades, such as the <u>Dos Hermanas</u>, <u>Chico</u> and <u>Mendez</u> falls. Spend some time taking in the true magnificence and awesomeness of this natural spectacle! Take plenty of photos of this sight that you will never want to forget!

Return to the Estación Cataratas to board the Jungle Train for the short journey to the **Estación Garganta del Diablo** (Devil's Falls Station). From here meander along the 1000 meter long catwalk to the highlight and most impressive sight of Iguazú National Park, the massive **Garganta del Diablo** falls. Peer out over the platform at the riverflow near the edge of the falls for an incredible view and sensation of the power of the water as it flows over the cliff in a blur of mist and foam! Truly spectacular!

Afternoon

Return to the Visitors Center for a break and lunch at the restaurant or café.

Great Adventure Excursion (Optional) estimated US\$ 75 per person

Put on lifejackets and board a boat for an exhilarating ride zig-zagging along the river at high speed getting very close to the falls where you will get soaked but truly experience the power and majesty of this natural spectacle! Afterwards, board a 4x4 open-roof truck and drive along a trail witnessing the native fauna and wildlife.

Return to the Visitors Center where you will board your motorcoach for the transfer back to your hotel.

Evening CONCERT PERFORMANCE – EVENT # 3







Day 9	Iguazú Falls – Flights		
Morning	Breakfast at Hotel & check out of Hotel.		
	Free time to explore Puerto Iguazú's shops and other attractions.		
	Farewell Lunch.		
Afternoon	Board your private motorcoach for the transfer to Iguazú Airport for your flights to the USA connecting in Buenos Aires.		
Evening	Depart on your overnight flight to the USA. Dinner and breakfast served aloft.		

Day 10	Arrive	USA
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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 Program Includes:

Inter-City Transportation:

• Buenos Aires/Iguazú Falls one-way economy-class air transportation

Buenos Aires:

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

Iguazú Falls:

· 2 Nights Accommodations at a Three-Star Hotel including daily breakfast

- Airport/ Hotel round-trip transfers
- 1 Day Visitor Pass to Iguazú National Park
- Round-trip transfers for all of the above activities

Other:

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

Performance Component:

- Organization of 3 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:

- 7 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches (Estancia Day & Farewell Lunch)
- 3 Dinners (Welcome Dinner, Tango Dinner & one dinner in La Plata)

FREE Ensemble Director Tour Included:

- One <u>FREE Ensemble Director's</u> 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:

- · Drinks at Dinners
- 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