



***Enchanting Argentina
Buenos Aires- Mendoza - Iguazu Falls
Jan 19th -27th, 2024
Brazil Extension Jan 27th-Feb 1st, 2024
ITINERARY***

HIGHLIGHTS

- *Coda Tours signature small group size.*
- *Coda Tours signature comprehensive sightseeing programs.*
- *Coda Tours signature inclusive meal plan.*
- *Coda Tours signature deluxe accommodations.*
- *City Tours of Buenos Aires, Mendoza & Iguazu Falls with local experts.*
- *Exclusive wine tasting at World Class wineries.*
- *Exclusive access to private collections of art and culinary experiences.*

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

<i>Day 1: Jan 19th</i>	<i>Depart USA</i>
<i>Day 2: Jan 20th</i>	<i>Arrive in Buenos Aires</i>
<i>Day 3: Jan 21st</i>	<i>Buenos Aires</i>
<i>Day 4: Jan 22nd</i>	<i>Buenos Aires</i>
<i>Day 5: Jan 23rd</i>	<i>Buenos Aires-Mendoza</i>
<i>Day 6: Jan 24th</i>	<i>Mendoza</i>
<i>Day 7: Jan 25th</i>	<i>Mendoza</i>
<i>Day 8: Jan 26th</i>	<i>Mendoza -Iguazu Falls</i>



Day 9: Jan 27th Iguazu Falls Brazil-Return to the U.S

OPTIONAL EXTENSION TO BRAZIL

Day 9: Jan 27th Iguazu Falls-Rio
Day 10: Jan 28th Rio de Janeiro's Sugar Loaf and Corcovado
Day 11: Jan 29th Rio de Janeiro (Relaxing day)
Day 12: Jan 30th Rio de Janeiro and Paraty
Day 13: Jan 31st Paraty
Day 14: Feb 1st Rio-Return to the U.S

Day 1 – Friday Jan 19th USA- Buenos Aires

Travel day, departing the USA

Day 2 – Saturday Jan 20th Buenos Aires

Independent arrivals in BA. transfers to the hotel will be arranged, day at leisure, REST, there will be a fun evening program to welcome you to Argentina.

Hotel: Palladio Hotel Buenos Aires ★★★★★

Room: Superior Room Balcony

Meals: Dinner

Welcome cocktails will be served at the lobby bar to meet fellow travelers.

Departure afoot (17 minutes) for Welcome Dinner at **Fervor**, featuring an eclectic ambiance, this restaurant is rated #1 barbecue experience in the city, come hungry to try some of the best meat and seafood you've ever had.

Day 3 – Sunday Jan 21st Buenos Aires.

After breakfast, a city tour of most significant sites, with an emphasis on cultural and socio-political events that shaped the growth of a village that became a megalopolis. Notable highlights will include the **Main Square**, the colonial town-hall, the financial district, **Plaza de Mayo** and its neoclassical Cathedral, the '**Casa Rosada**' ("**Pink House**") **Presidential Palace**, plus numerous Neoclassical jewels along the Avenida de Mayo and at the Congress House. We will stop at San **Telmo Market**. Lunch at **La Brigada**. After lunch we visit Recoleta neighborhood and **Cemetery**: Considered one of the most unusual cemeteries in the world, the site was declared the city's first official public burial place in 1822. It is completely

unlike a normal cemetery with elaborately carved and unique tombstones. This graveyard is the burial site of Argentina's most famous figures, including **Evita Perón**. Next, we will cross Av. Del Libertador to visit Museo Nacional de **Bellas Artes**. The National **Museum of Fine Arts** is home to Argentina's largest national fine art collection. The museum has a vast permanent collection. The pieces are displayed on two floors of labyrinth-like rooms with a total of 34 exhibition halls. rest of the afternoon and dinner on your own. Recommended to eat at **Elena**, elegant porteño cuisine by **chef Juan Gaffuri**.



For music and dance lovers we have an optional evening program: **Tango show at El Querandi.**



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

Day 4 – Monday Jan 22nd Buenos Aires.

Tigre River excursion:

Swap the busy streets of Buenos Aires for the waterways of the Tigre River Delta on a day trip. You'll get to see the provincial side of the region as you explore the cobbled streets of San Isidro. At 5,405 square miles, the **Tigre Delta** is among the world's largest, and it is one of the only major deltas in the world that does not empty into a sea or ocean. It flows instead into the **Río de la Plata**, which separates Argentina and Uruguay. There will be stops at **Vivanco** restaurant to try some hand-made empanadas. Be welcome to a sensory, friendly, fresh and natural environment located within one of the emblematic rowing clubs of the city of Tigre, continue to **Puerto de frutos**: a small pier located on the banks of the **Luján River** in the town of Tigre, next to which the fruit market is located.

Last stop: The **Cathedral of San Isidro**, a historical landmark that stands out among the other temples of its style for its beauty and imposing design. It has a neo-gothic style and has a maximum height of 70 meters in its main tower, it dates from the late nineteenth century, and still maintains all its splendor.

Optional museum visits:

MALBA (Museum of Latin American Art, Buenos Aires).

With an impressive permanent collection and a continuous stream of new and exciting temporary exhibitions, MALBA is one of the most important museums of Contemporary art in Latin America. It was founded by Argentine businessman Eduardo Costantini in 2001, it showcases the artworks from the onset of the 20th century to the present of Latin American Masters.

MAMBA the Museum of Modern Art of Buenos Aires-Located in the neighborhood of SaN Telmo, this 15 million-dollar renovation venue, reopened to the public in December of 2010; includes over 6,000 works, including those by Josef Albers, Antonio Berni, Curatella Manes, Raquel Forner, Romulo Macció, Marcelo Pombo, Marta Minujín, Emilio Pettoruti, Xul



Solar and Wassily Kandinsky, among many other artists.

*Evening and dinner on your own. Recommended **Piegari** for the best of Argentinian pasta, or or **Argentine Experience** to learn what the fundamentals of being and Argentine as well as how to make your own empanada using the “**repulgue**” technique and how to prepare you own “**mate**”*

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

Day 5 – Tuesday Jan 23rd Buenos Aires-Mendoza.

*Hotel check-out and meet in the lobby for departure. On the way to the airport quick visit to **Parque de la Memoria**: The Remembrance park is a public space situated in front of the Río de la Plata. It is a memorial to the victims of the 1976–83 military regime. In October 2006 a ramped path was installed as well as commemorative sculptures, dedicated to the victims of the government sponsored violence. The ramped path is meant to form a giant "wound" in the lawn of the park leading toward the river, where the names of those killed or vanished are located. The park contains 18 sculptures. Visit **Teatro Colón**-One of the most important opera houses in the world-Its rich and prestigious history and its exceptional acoustics and architectural features rank it among theaters such as **Teatro alla Scala** in **Milan**, the **Paris Opera House**, the **Vienna State Opera**, the **Royal Opera House** in **London**, and the **Metropolitan Opera House** in **New York**. Light lunch and transfer to the airport to board the flight to Mendoza. Upon arrival we are transferred to check-in at Park Hyatt Mendoza.*

*Dinner tonight at famous **1884** by chef **Francis Mallmann**, arguably South America's most famous Chef, as featured on Netflix's “**Chef's Table**”.*

Hotel: Park Hyatt Mendoza ★★★★★

Room: Standard

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner.

Day 6 – Wednesday Jan 24th Mendoza.

*Visit **Luján de Cuyo** wine region. Lujan was the first region to institute the AOC (Appellation d'Origine Controlée) for **Argentine Malbec**: Our first stop will be **Catena Zapata** winery: Besides the striking, **Mayan-pyramid** inspired architecture, **Catena Zapata** offers unparalleled views of the Andes and the surrounding vineyards. Visit **Susana Balbo Winery**: This family winery is located next to the **Andes** in the town of **Agrelo**. In 1981 **Susana** received her degree in enology, and became the first woman in Argentina to do so; she is recognized as one of the “**Most influential women wine-makers**” by *The Drink Business* magazine. She holds awards for “**Woman of the year**” & “**The 10 most influential women in the wine world**”- We will experience a **cooking class** to learn about the secrets of Argentinian food. We will learn how to make a perfect empanada en the most delicious home-made flan. As we savor typical dishes we will also taste the best wines of the winery: **Crios**, **BenMarco** and **Susana Balbo**. On our way back to town we drive by **Chacras de Coria**, where we will stop at **Ayllu** with an incredible array of local crafts, tapestries and*



pottery. Tonight dinner is on your own, recommended: **Maria Antonieta, by chef Vanina Chimeno.**



Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Wine tasting.

Day 7 – Thursday Jan 25th Mendoza.

Day trip to the Uco Valley wine region: Approximately 90 minutes south of the city of Mendoza, the Uco Valley encompasses the highest altitude Argentine vineyards (averaging between 900 and 1200 meters above sea level). Known especially for **Malbec, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Semillon, and Torrontes** production, the Valle de Uco draws winemakers from all over the world (including **Michel Rolland**). Its striking natural setting - below a stretch of the Andes that includes the 6,800-meter **Mount Tupungato**. Visit **Salentein's winery** with its contemporary art space - Situated in the middle of 455 hectares of vineyards below the eastern slopes of the **Andes, Salentein** is a massive, concrete and steel harbinger of the future of Argentine wine, this venue showcases the award -winning architecture of the magnificent, cross-shaped bodega, which uses a traditional gravity transfer system to allow wine to flow from French stainless steel tanks and wooden vats to the underground oak casks used for aging. The tour ends in the dramatic tasting room, where wines are poured atop a massive marble altar. We continue to **Diamandes Winery**: In 2005, the Bonnie family, owner of the renowned **Château Malrtic-Lagravière** decided to leave France and acquired 130-hectares in the heart of **Uco Valley**. **The Bodega DiamAndes** was born, as a member of a prestigious **Clos de los Siete group**. Finally, a stop at **Monteviejo Winery** for a 4-course pairing meal at a restaurant facing the vineyards. **Monteviejo** is well-known for its high scoring wines; their **Lindaflor earned 93 points** from Wine Spectator internationally. To add to the winery's fame - it is owned by one of the most influential French women in wine, **Catherine Péré-Vergé**. Evening and dinner on your own.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Wine tasting.



Day 8 – Friday Jan 26th Mendoza-Iguazu Falls.

*Transfer this morning (10 minutes) to the domestic airport for a flight to Iguazú. (MDZ-AEP-IGR) Located near the junction of **Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay, Iguazú Falls** is among the greatest waterfalls in the world. There are 275 cataracts in all, stretching 2 miles from bank to bank and reaching a height of 300 ft. Upon arrival we tour the Argentine side of the Falls. Walk along the upper and lower trails around the spectacular scenery and admire the whole system of more than 270 different falls. Lunch break at **Jungle** restaurante. After lunch visit to the Devil's Throat, the main fall of the Iguazú system, where you will see many species of **wildlife** such as **toco toucans, parakeets, coatis, capuchin monkeys** and several species of tropical butterflies.*

Check in at the hotel.

*Farewell dinner is at the hotel at **Doña Flor** restaurant.*

Hotel: Panoramic Hotel ★★★★★

Room: Garden View

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 9 – Saturday Jan 27th Iguazu Falls- return to the U.S

*Departure to the Brazilian side of the falls (visa required), considered by most to be the most beautiful view. These falls are shaped in a semicircle 2.700 meters wide and reach 72 metres high. Depending on the river flow, the number of waterfalls can reach between 150 and 300 in number. Take the walkway along the river toward the falls and ascend by elevator. After lunch transfer to the Foz do Iguazu airport for a flight to **Rio de Janeiro. for those extending their trip, or heading back to the U.S. for those going home.***

EXTENSION TO BRAZIL

Day 9 – Saturday Jan 27th Iguazu Falls Brazil- RIO

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*in number. Take the walkway along the river toward the falls and ascend by elevator. After lunch transfer to the Foz do Iguaçu airport for a flight to **Rio de Janeiro**. The spectacular beauty of Rio is legendary. This glamorous metropolis is kissed by the sun, scalloped by gorgeous wide beaches, and dotted with dramatic mountains. Yet its history marked it not as a playground but as an important port for the shipment of gold, gemstones, and coffee as well as a seat of colonial power. Transfer to the hotel which is located just opposite the **gay beach** on **Ipanema Beach**. Dinner on your own.*

Hotel: Miramar by Windsor Copacabana ★★★★★
Room: Superior
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 10 - Sunday Jan 28th Rio de Janeiro's SugarLoaf and Corcovado

*Depart the hotel and drive through the residential areas of Rio to reach the **Urca district**, where a cable car ascent is made in two stages to the top of **SugarLoaf Mountain**. The first stage of the ride goes to Urca Hill, where there are gardens and lookout points. For those who wish to venture even higher, the second cable car goes to the very top of SugarLoaf itself – 1200 feet above the sea level – for breathtaking views of the city, harbor, and beaches. Afterwards drive to **Cosme Velho** to board the funicular railway for a 20-minute climb through **Tijuca Forest**. As the train climbs **Corcovado (hunchback) Mountain**, enjoy spectacular views of Rio and the Bay peeking through the dense vegetation. At the top of Corcovado, 2400 feet above sea level, is the majestic, 120-foot high statue of Christ with outstretched arms. The panoramic view is breathtaking. Descend by train again and return to the hotel via Rio's famous beaches, including Copacabana and Leblon. This evening, dine at a trendy **Brazilian "churrascaria."***

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 11 - Monday Jan 29th - Rio de Janeiro

*Today is at leisure to enjoy the beach or take optional excursions around Rio. You might like to take a jeep tour of a "**favela**" or paraglide over Rio's famous scenery.*

Meals: Breakfast

Day 12 - Tuesday Jan 30th - Rio de Janeiro & Paraty

*Depart this morning for a 3 ½ hour drive along the ocean to the village of **Paraty**. In 1966 the historic colonial center of Paraty was declared a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**. To preserve its unique pre-modern character, cars were banished from the old colonial core. In the heart of the city it's pedestrians only. This afternoon, we tour the village and check-in to*



our centrally located hotel, the Pousada Porto Imperial. Dinner is at one of the fun restaurants in town.

Hotel: Pousada Literária

Room: Standard ★★★★★

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 13 – Wednesday Jan 31st – Paraty

The region surrounding the city adds much to Paraty's quiet beauty. The hills are still mostly covered in lush green coastal rainforest, and the waters around **Paraty**, dotted with 65 islands, are tropical turquoise, warm, and crystal clear, perfect for snorkeling, swimming, or scuba diving. Our day is spent amongst these beautiful islands as we sail on a schooner. Stop for lunch on one of the islands and return to Paraty in the late afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 14 – Thursday Feb 1st Paraty & Rio de Janeiro to USA

Spend the morning relaxing or strolling through town. After lunch, depart for Rio de Janeiro and, later, to the airport for return flights to the USA.

Meals: Breakfast.

INCLUDED

- 4-5★ Luxury Accommodations
- Breakfast daily, with lunches and dinners as described on the itinerary.
- Private transportation and tours throughout the tour.
- Sightseeing excursions and entry fees, as stated in the itinerary
- English-speaking local guides
- Coda Tour Representative, with minimum participation
- Pre-departure assistance and Information Portfolio from Coda Tours

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfare and baggage fees
- Intra-tour airfare if any (quoted separately)
- Trip Cancellation & Interruption insurance (highly recommended)
- Passport and visa fees; no visa is required for American and Canadian Passport Holders
- Gratuity for local guides, drivers, staff, and Coda Tour Manager.
- Personal meals, transfers, drinks, telephone, gifts, and expenses not outlined in the itinerary.
- Any optional sightseeing excursions or additional visits not outlined in the itinerary.

INTRA-TOUR AIRFARE

Intra-tour flights are at an additional cost and are outlined below. Coda Tours will book these on your behalf.



RATES PER PERSON	Argentina
<i>Double Occupancy</i>	\$5895
<i>Single Occupancy</i>	\$6995
RATES PER PERSON	Brazil extension (Visa included)
<i>Double Occupancy</i>	\$3370
<i>Single Occupancy</i>	\$4295
Intra-tour BUE-MDZ-IGU (subject to change until ticketed)	
<i>Economy Class</i>	\$650 approx.

Note: Single occupancy rates can be avoided if matched with another single traveler. If no share is available, the single rate will apply. Rates are based on current rates of exchange at the time of publishing and are subject to change until final payment has been made. Rates are also based on a minimum participation which, if minimum participation is not met, may need to be revised.

INTERNATIONAL AIRFARE

Aerolineas Argentinas, AA and Delta are the best airlines you can use to book international airfare for this tour. We recommend booking at least 7 months in advance if you want to use Frequent Flyer Miles or the American Express Platinum card 2-4-1 program. Please request a quote if you would like Coda Tours to assist with international airfare bookings. We often can offer favorable rates for Business or Economy class at a standard fee of \$35 per ticket.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

A valid passport is required for international travel and must be valid for 6 months after the return date of travel and have two blank pages available per country visited. No visa is required for American and Canadian passport holders to travel to Argentina, however those participating on the Brazil extension will be required to purchase a visa.

HEALTH

All travelers must be up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines and have proof of vaccination that is verified by a medical professional. No other immunizations are required for travel on this tour; however, the Center for Disease Control suggests that all travelers be up to date on routine vaccines, including Chickenpox (Varicella), Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis, Flu (influenza), Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR), Polio, and Shingles. For this tour, it is especially important to be up to date on your Hepatitis A and B vaccines.

ATTIRE / WEATHER



Coda trips are casual at all times. There is no need for a jacket or tie. Pack for a variety of weather. Bring a light jacket or sweater. Jeans, khakis and shorts are fine

for daily wear. Comfortable shoes are a must. There will be opportunities for hiking, biking, and walking. All hotels offer laundry service but it can be expensive.

Expect variable weather while traveling in Argentina and Brazil. Summer is typically warm and sunny, rain could be frequent, but it should be beautiful, it can become. You should pack for a variety of temperatures.

Average Temperature	Low	High
Buenos Aires	68	83
Mendoza	65	89
Iguazu Falls	72	89
Rio de Janeiro	87	76
Paraty	82	71

MINIMUMS

All departures and rates are guaranteed on a minimum number of participants. A Coda Tour Manager will accompany a tour also based on a minimum number of participants. This tour can be operated as a Private Tour or customized and repriced based on a final itinerary.

PRE-DEPARTURE INFORMATION

A portfolio of pre-departure information will be mailed approximately three weeks prior to departure.

ACCOMODATIONS



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