



GLACIERS TO JUNGLE: BEST OF ARGENTINA LUXURY ADVENTURE



Patagonia Glaciers ☀️ Tierra del Fuego ☀️ Ushuaia ☀️ Buenos Aires ☀️ Iguassu Falls ☀️

TOUR SUMMARY AND ARRIVAL SUNDAY



Spanning from the tropics to the sub-Antarctic, Argentina is a land of great contrasts and a nature lover's paradise- The Iguazu Falls, at 2800m wide, are ranked as the widest waterfalls in the world, and are listed as one of the “ 7 new natural wonders of the world. “

The unique valley glaciers of the Patagonian wilderness literally crash into the turquoise waters of the Argentine great lakes, creating massive icebergs and a spectacle and thunder so loud, those fortunate enough to visit them will be changed forever.

Tierra del fuego National Park and Ushuaia have the title of the Southernmost City and National Parks in the world- Here, the Pan American highway makes its dramatic end, together with the Andes Mountain Range and the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, more than 14,000 km away from its Alaskan start.

For the city-worshippers, Buenos Aires, known to many as the "Paris of South America", is actually a fusion of Italian, French, German, and English Sophistication in a Latin American Setting, on the banks of the Rio de La Plata, which has the distinction of being by far the world's widest river!

Today is an arrival day, where we take an afternoon flight from Buenos Aires to El Calafate, the gateway to the glaciers of Southern Patagonia, check into the exquisite “Casa Los Sauces”, an exclusive Patagonian estate on the edges of El Calafate, and freshen up for a delicious dinner.

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Monday : Perito Moreno Glacier



A magnificent drive from El Calafate along Lago Argentina and the nearby mountains takes us to the Southern side of the “Las Glaciares National Park”, and one of the world’s most beautiful glaciers, the famous “Perito Moreno.”

Our first encounter with this wonder of nature is by boat, where a short boat ride takes us up close to the southern wall of this ice-beauty.



We spend the afternoon admiring the views of the Northern face of the glacier from the extensive walkways designed for this purpose, hoping to catch and even film a calving, the spectacular scene where large chunks of ice break off the glacier from the summer thaw and crash into the lake below, with a deafening thunder.

The adventurous and physically fit can enjoy an ice-trekking adventure on the glaciers themselves! [extra charge/advance booking/under 65 years only]

Tuesday : Lago Argentina and Upsala Glacier



We set sail on the pristine multi-shaded waters of the “Lago Argentina”, cruising past magnificent mountains and ice-bergs to the “Upsala” region of the “Las Glaciaras National Park.” After close encounters with magnificent blue-colored ice-bergs, we stop near the largest glacier in the park, - the massive “Upsala Glacier.”

After viewing the massive glacier from as close as safety allows, we sail around the peninsula, where we tour a historic Patagonian sheep estancia. A lovely kosher lunch awaits us at the estancia cafeteria.



We board board jeeps for a scenic drive up the mountains, with spectacular views of the surrounding Patagonian forests.

A short walk up the hill takes us to the summit, where we are rewarded with a panoramic view of the “Upsala” and the turquoise waters it spills into- the best view of the glaciers available only to the select few who come on this route!

Our jeeps take us back to the estancia, from where we set sail back for the mainland.

Wednesday : Ushuaia and Tierra del fuego National Park



Today, we fly to Ushuaia, the world's Southernmost city, on the shores of the Beagle Channel, and check-in to the spectacular Los Cauquenes Hotel, right on the Beagle Channel beachfront, where we spend the next two nights.

An unforgettable 4*4 adventure takes us deep into the Andes mountains and valleys behind Ushuaia, exploring the lakes and forests of this gorgeous region.



For an extra cost, a helicopter flight over the area is highly recommended, with the possibility of a landing on a snow-covered peak overlooking the city and ocean, weather permitting. The snow-covered peaks, valleys, and "Emerald Lagoon" are an incredible contrast to the ocean below.



Thursday : Ushuaia and Tierra del fuego National Park

This morning, we explore the magnificent scenery of “Tierra del fuego National Park”, the southernmost National Park on the planet, with its forests, snow-capped peaks, waterfalls, and the bays of the Beagle Channel, the link between the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans.



Our vehicle which takes us through the park, stopping at gorgeous beaches, lakes, and viewing points, till we reach the end of the Pan American Highway, over 14,000 km from its other end in Alaska.

For the fit, a brisk climb takes us to the top of the martial glacier, a small but unique glacier overlooking Ushuaia and the Beagle Channel, the narrow waterway that separates the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

We end a magnificent day with a cruise on the Beagle Channel, looking for seals and penguins, and enjoying the magnificent views of the Andes.



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Fri : Buenos Aires



A three hour flight takes us back to the legendary Argentine capital, known in the tourist industry as the “Paris of South America.” In truth, this bustling modern metropolis has elements of New York, London, Frankfurt, and Venice, all in a Latin American Setting.



From the old, colorful soccer-famous barrio of Boca in the south, to the modern Puerto Madero Riverfront, and from the Jewish textile shops of Onse in the West, to the French Cafes and “Rodeo Drive” style “Avenida Alvear” of Recoleta in the North, this city has something for everyone.



Today, we focus on the downtown region, as well as the famous Jewish area of Onse, where we experience the Erev Shabbos buzz, and visit the AMIA centre memorial. After an incredible afternoon enjoying BA’s culture, history, and urban buzz, we check into the magnificent “Alvear Palace Hotel”, and prepare for Shabbos.



Saturday: Buenos Aires

We spend a wonderful Shabbos in one of Buenos Aires' classiest neighborhoods. This is a day of walking, davening in its synagogues, fine-dining, and exploring the city on foot with one of the city's expert tour guides.



Staying in the stylish French neighborhood of Recoleta, we daven in the nearby Chabad, and enjoy an afternoon walking tour of the Recoleta district, enjoying the French architecture, and famous parks.

Sun : Buenos Aires to Iguassu



Today, we continue our tour of this "City that never sleeps", touring the old BA La Boca neighborhood , famous for flea-markets and soccer, more of the downtown region, and the plush northern neighborhood of Palermo. A late afternoon flight takes us to Iguazu Falls, where we check into our luxury jungle lodge, and enjoy an incredible dinner.



Mon : Iguazu Falls/Argentina



Spanning 2800m at the meeting point of Argentina, Brazil, and nearby Paraguay, the mighty “Iguassu River” plunges down to the thunderous roar of the power of water, and the spectacle is indescribable.

Today, we explore the falls on the Argentina side, enjoying the numerous trails in the National Park that reward us with sights and sounds most people only dream of.

We also approach the falls by boat, and we get soaking wet from the spray and the waves!



After lunch, enjoy a more intense trail below the falls, exploring the wildlife and scenery of the Iguassu jungle while enjoying the falls from a different angle. After a short drive through the jungle, return to our luxury hotel and freshen up for dinner



Tue : Iguassu Falls/Brazil



Today, we cross the border into Brazil, and view the falls from the Brazilian side of this massive river. Here, the views are incredibly unique, and the whole panorama of the falls is visible



We visit the Exotic bird park, home to one of the greatest collection of parrots and Toucans in the world, many indigenous to the region, and some of which we hope to see in the wild in the park as well. We return to our hotel in Argentina for a delicious dinner, inspired by the largest waterfalls on this planet!



Wed Nov 20 : Iguassu Jungle



After a sumptuous breakfast at our jungle hotel, the morning is free for extra activities (own cost) that we didn't manage on the previous days, including jungle safaris, helicopter rides, or just spa treatments and drinks at our hotel.

For those who want to spend more time hiking and photographing the expansive lower trails at the falls, a return trip to the Argentina Falls is also a great option.

Alternatively, a fascinating guided tour of the nearby Itaipu Dam, considered the largest hydro-electric facility in the world, can also be arranged.



An afternoon flight takes us back to Buenos Aires, on time for our connecting flight back home, enriched with incredible memories of the jungles, glaciers, and urban buzz, of this fascinating land!

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