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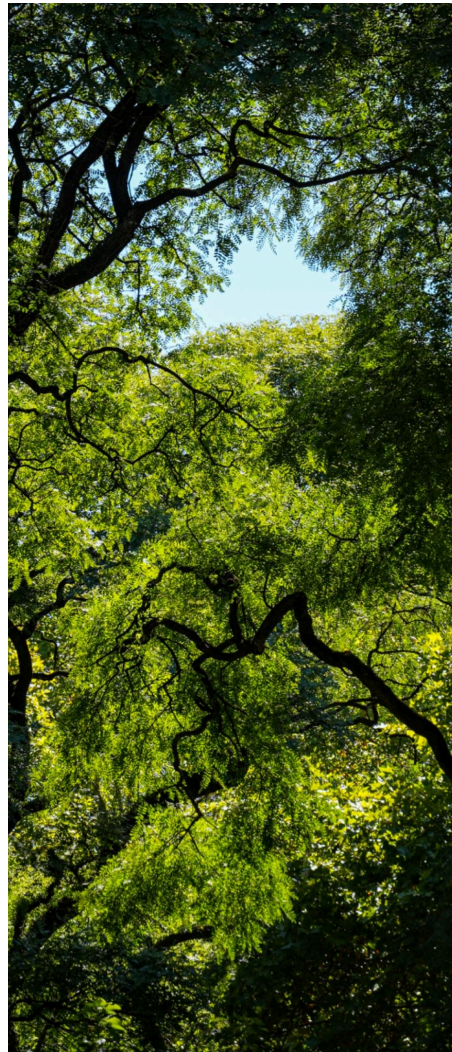
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INTRO

Buenos Aires – Argentina's capital city totally surprised and delighted us. By far the largest city in the country with a population of around 3 million, it feels like a mixture of an Italian and a Spanish city.

The tree-lined streets and numerous parks give the city a very green feel.

There are several direct flights to Buenos Aires from Europe, including Lufthansa's longest direct flight from Frankfurt. The most convenient way to get from the airport to the city center is by Uber.

The journey takes approximately 30-45 minutes from EZE International Airport and only 15-30 minutes from AEP Airport, depending on your location in the city.

The best way to get around the city is by Uber, which is also quite cheap (or Cabify). For buses and trains, you often need a SUBE card, which is available locally, but more and more buses are also accepting credit card payments.

You should plan to spend three to four days in the Argentine capital.

In these three to four days, you can visit the city's highlights and soak up its special vibe.

If you have more time, you can also take a day trip to Colonia in Uruguay, which is only an hour away by ferry.

HIGHLIGHTS



01.

Obelisk

The Obelisk of Buenos Aires is considered THE landmark of the city, located in the center on the lively main street Avenida 9 de Julio. At almost 70 meters tall, it stands out from the surrounding streets. It was built in 1936 by German companies, modeled on the Washington Monument and to mark the city's 400th anniversary. Tourists are not allowed to climb to the top.



02.

Mercado San Telmo

The San Telmo market once again exemplifies the city's vibe mentioned above and is symbolic of its fantastic food scene. Here in the large market hall, there are many delicious foods to try, with the empanadas from El Hornero coming highly recommended. The "Feria de San Telmo" market, which takes place on Defensa Street on Sundays from 10 a.m., is a highlight that should not be missed.



03.

La Boca

The La Boca district, especially the streets around Caminito, is also a must-see during your visit. The characteristic tango dancers, the many restaurants, and the nearby Boca Juniors stadium, "Bombonera," contribute to the charm of the neighborhood. La Boca is generally one of the poorer neighborhoods, but it is very safe during the day and is also ideal for a walking tour via gyg (€10).



04.

Teatro Colón

The Teatro Colón is Argentina's most famous opera house and even the most important in South America. It is located near the Obelisk and is worth visiting both inside and out—perhaps even for a performance.

05.

Puente de la Mujer

The bridge, Puente de la Mujer, is also officially one of the city's highlights. We didn't find it particularly spectacular, but the port district of Puerto Madero is still worth a visit.

06.

Parks of Palermo

As already mentioned, the city of Buenos Aires is very green, and the huge parks in the Palermo district are particularly inviting for relaxation. In general, we consider Palermo to be the most beautiful district alongside Recoleta, and it is also safe, so it is a great place to live.

07.

Cementerio Recoleta

It may seem surprising at first that a cemetery is one of the city's highlights. However, this is due to the very magnificent tombs of famous families, such as Eva Perón. For around €10, you can enter the grounds or look down on the cemetery from the nearby mall free of charge.



08.

Plaza Mayo

Plaza de Mayo is also worth a visit, with surrounding buildings such as the Casa Rosada, the presidential palace, and a huge Argentine flag.

A visit to the square can be easily combined with a trip to the market in San Telmo and a visit to the Congress building, which is also well worth seeing.

09.

Food

As already mentioned, the food scene in Buenos Aires is also a real highlight. The food is quite meat-heavy, so a classic asado is a must.

But the city is also characterized by its many stylish cafés and restaurants, more on that below.



10.

Uruguay

As already mentioned, if you have enough time, you can also take a day trip to Uruguay, or more precisely to Colonia del Sacramento. The ferry ride there takes just over an hour and can be booked online via Open Ferry. Half a day in the old colonial city was enough for us, but we didn't regret the visit.





DAY TO DAY

Day 1 - On the day we arrived in *Buenos Aires*, we first drove to our accommodation in *Recoleta* and visited the *Cementerio Recoleta*. Afterwards, we strolled to the *Obelisk* and the *Teatro Colon*. Here we had lunch in the theater district at *Güerrin*, where we enjoyed an Argentine pizza. We spent the afternoon taking a relaxing walk through the *parks of Palermo* and had dinner at *Hierro Parrilla Palermo* in the evening.

Day 2 - On day 2, we started the morning with breakfast at *Cuervo Café*, as we had by now

our accommodation in *Palermo* (after our days in *Patagonia*). Then we drove (it was Sunday) to *San Telmo*, where we strolled through the market and ate empanadas for lunch in the *market hall*. From there, we continued on to *Plaza Mayo* and the *Congress*, with a quick stop at the beautiful *El Ateneo Grand Splendid* library, before having dinner at *Parrilla Peña*.

Day 3 - On the third day, we had a light breakfast at *Zavalía Mini* and then went on a walking tour of the *La Boca* neighborhood.

Afterwards, we also visited the *Boca Juniors stadium* and had a 9-course asado dinner at *Fogón Asado*.

Day 4 - We started the fourth and final day with a coffee at *Esmero Café*. Afterwards, we took a stroll through the city and visited *Puerto Madero* with the *Puente de la Mujer*. We had dinner in the *Belgrano* district at *Amina Kitchen & Bar*.

Day 5 - If you have an extra day, you can plan a daytrip to *Colonia in Uruguay* by ferry.

WHERE TO EAT

Restaurants:

★ **Fogón Asado**

9 course Asado, Make a reservation!
Gorriti 3780, C1172, Buenos Aires

● **Hierro Parrilla Palermo**

Very good steak & starters
Costa Rica 5602, C1414, Buenos Aires

● **Amina Kitchen & Bar**

Nice ambiente & good "tapas"
Manuela Pedraza 1741, C1429 Buenos Aires



● **Güerrin**

Cool restaurant, argentinian pizza
Av. Corrientes 1368, C1043 Buenos Aires

● **Don Julio**

Very good steaks, a bit pricey
Guatemala 4699, C1425 Buenos Aires



Cafés:

● **Esmero Café**

Very good coffee, nice interior
Libertad 1362, C1016 Buenos Aires

● **Tona Café**

Great Espresso bar
French 3541, C1425 Buenos Aires

★ **Cuervo Café**

Delicious coffee, Tip: cinnamon rolls!
Costa Rica 5801, C1414 Buenos Aires

● **Zavalía Mini by Café Z**

Cute little café, great coffee
Boulogne Sur Mer 999 C1213 Buenos Aires

● **San Telmo Market**

Great selection, Empanadas at El Hornero!

WHERE TO SLEEP

Buenos Aires has many great hotels and apartments at relatively affordable prices (around €50 per night for two people). The Recoleta and Palermo districts are particularly recommended and safe, with lots of great cafés and restaurants on every corner.

We stayed at **Casa Par Grand Suites** in Recoleta and **We The People Palermo Hollywood** in Palermo and were happy with both. Although there was no daily room service and the reception was not staffed 24 hours a day, we were able to leave our suitcases there during our trip to Patagonia and check in at night. You just have to communicate with the accommodation via booking.com, etc.

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