

# **ARGENTINA #2**

FIELD HOCKEY TOUR

Buenos Aires & Mar Del Plata 10 Day / 7 Night Program

#### **SUGGESTED PROGRAM**

**PLEASE NOTE**: Actual sequence and timing of activities will revolve around your game & practice schedule, which will be finalized in the weeks prior to your team's arrival at its destination. All times are approximate and may vary according to flight schedules and other logistical factors.

#### ALL FIELD HOCKEY ACTIVITIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED.

#### Day 1 <u>USA – FLIGHTS</u>

Fly overnight to Buenos Aires via major international scheduled airline with likely change of plane enroute. Dinner and breakfast served aloft.

#### Day 2 **BUENOS AIRES**

Morning Arrive at Buenos Aires' Ezeiza International Airport.

> 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 your scheduled activities and will be available to you on a 24-hour basis should you need special assistance.

#### **Recoleta Walking Tour** Morning







Recoleta is Buenos Aires' most elegant and traditional neighborhood and home to some of the city's most popular sights, including the **Recoleta Cemetery** with opulent mausoleums, where "Evita" Perón is buried, and the **Basilica Nuestra Señora del Pilar**, one of Buenos Aires' oldest churches dating back to Spanish colonial times.

Visit "<u>The Flower</u>", a 7-foot high steel and aluminum structure with "petals" that open in the morning to 106 ft. in width and close at night to 86 feet wide, symbolizing a "hope reborn every day at opening".

Afternoon Check in to your Three-Star Hotel.

PRACTICE SESSION at an astroturf field to warm up for the next few days.

Evening <u>Welcome Dinner</u> at a nice restaurant.

Day 3 **BUENOS AIRES** 

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon

**City Sightseeing Tour** 







Tour with an overview of Buenos Aires' culture and history as seen through its neighborhoods and historical landmarks.

Highlights include the <u>Plaza de Mayo</u> featuring the <u>Casa Rosada</u> Presidential Palace, <u>Cabildo</u> 17th-century town hall, and <u>Metropolitan Cathedral</u>. Continue on to the <u>Palace of Congress</u>, the world-class <u>Teatro Colón</u> opera house, <u>Avenida Nueve de Julio</u>, the city's main avenue at 12 lanes wide, and the <u>Obelisk</u> (reminiscent of the Washington Monument).

Puerto Madero's **Women's Bridge** and the **Palermo** parks district with wide boulevards, leafy parks, and extravagant monuments round out your introduction to this great city.

Stop for an included **<u>Lunch</u>** during your city tour.

#### Evening MATCH # 1 vs. an ARGENTINE HOCKEY TEAM







Aftermatch Party hosted by the opposing team with food and refreshments served.

#### Day 4 <u>BUENOS AIRES</u>

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning <u>La Boca Neighborhood</u>







La Boca is a colorful and historic neighborhood of Buenos Aires. located on the city's south side.

The port of La Boca was the point of entry for many immigrants to Argentina with an especially large number arriving from Genoa, Italy in the late 19th century. Communal homes, known as "conventillos", sprang up with many painted in colorful hues, said to be using paint left over from the painting of ship's hulls.

Visit the famous "Camino" pedestrian street where artists display their works and street performers dance the tango

Boca is best-known as home to the <u>Club Atletico Boca Juniors</u>, one of the world's most storied soccer clubs, and its classic stadium "<u>La Bombonera</u>" which is available for visits.

### Afternoon <u>FIELD HOCKEY CLINIC</u> - Led by a highly-qualified licensed professional coach

Argentina's field hockey clubs and national teams are among the most-accomplished in the world with a decades-long coaching tradition to match. Take advantage of the opportunity to evaluate new perspectives on the game.

#### Evening Tango Dinner Show & Lessons (optional - approx. US\$ 55)







Enjoy one of Buenos Aires' cozy and elegant dinner theatres, reminiscent of the early 20<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>BUENOS AIRES</u>

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

# Morning & Afternoon

#### "Pampas" Ranch Day — Full-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. **Barbecue Lunch** is included.

#### **Evening** MATCH # 2 vs. an ARGENTINE HOCKEY TEAM







Aftermatch Party hosted by the opposing team with food and refreshments served.

### Day 6 <u>BUENOS AIRES</u>

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

#### Morning FIELD HOCKEY CLINIC - Led by a highly-qualified licensed professional coach

Afternoon Depart on your private motorcoach to Mar del Plata located on the Atlantic Ocean some 250 miles to the south of Buenos Aires.

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Evening Stop for Dinner on own en route to Mar del Plata.

Arrival in Mar del Plata. Check-in to your Three-Star Hotel.

#### Day 7 MAR DEL PLATA

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

# Morning & Mar del Plata Beaches Afternoon

Leisure day to enjoy Mar del Plata's lovely beaches, explore, sightsee or shop as you wish.

View Mar del Plata's highlights, including <u>La Rambla</u> waterfront road and <u>Avenida Colón</u>, the city's main avenue. Stop at a <u>Havanna Café</u> (nothing to do with Cuba) the most famous and popular makers of the "<u>alfajor</u>", the classic Argentine sweet sandwich cookie filled with <u>dulce</u>

**<u>de leche</u>** (caramel) and covered with chocolate! Delicious! Have a coffee and alfajor and take a box or two back home for yourself and family and friends.







Evening <u>Dinner</u> at your hotel or nearby restaurant (included in tour program).

### Day 8 MAR DEL PLATA

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Afternoon Free day to enjoy Mar del Plata's lovely beaches. Take in the sun and go in for a swim.

Meet Argentines on the beach and make new friends. Argentines are very sociable and curious

about visitors to their country.

#### Evening MATCH # 3 vs. an ARGENTINE FIELD HOCKEY TEAM







Aftermatch Party hosted by the opposing team with food and refreshments served.

### Day 9 MAR DEL PLATA - BUENOS AIRES - FLIGHTS

Morning Breakfast at Hotel & check out.

Free time to explore Mar del Plata for last-minute shopping, sightseeing or just plain relaxing by

a sidewalk café!

Noon Transfer by your private motorcoach to Buenos Aires' Ezeiza International Airport for your

return flight home.

Evening Relax and sleep during your overnight flight. Dinner and breakfast served aloft.

#### Day 10 USA

Morning Arrive back in the USA this morning.

Your Argentine Adventure comes to a close with great memories to cherish for a lifetime!

#### **TOUR INCLUSIONS:**

#### **Travel Services:**

- Economy-class Air Transportation USA Buenos Aires round-trip
- Four nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Buenos Aires, including daily breakfast
- Three nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Mar Del Plata, including daily breakfast
- Airport / Hotel / Airport transfers by private motorcoach
- Buenos Aires / Mar del Plata round-trip transfers by private motorcoach
- Welcome Dinner at a restaurants serving traditional Argentine dishes
- One additional Dinner at a restaurant near your hotel
- Recoleta Walking Tour
- City Sightseeing Tour with Bilingual Guide in Buenos Aires
- La Boca neighborhood visit
- "Pampas" Ranch Day Full-Day including authentic Argentine "asado" barbecue and "Gaucho" show
- Mar del Plata Beaches Visit
- Transfers for all of the above activities by private motorcoach
- **Tour Manager** available for all scheduled activities in Argentina and 24/7 access in case of emergency.
- 24/7 Emergency Support from <u>Victory Sports Tours'</u> Operations office.

#### **Field Hockey Program:**

- Three Games with clubs / universities at your level
- <u>Two Clinics</u> with a <u>High-Level Argentine Coach</u>
- One Warm-Up Practice Session to start your tour
- Aftermatch Parties with Argentine Teams/Coaches including food and drink
- Water at games / practices
- Uniform Laundry Service provided between games
- Round-trip Transfers to above Field Hockey activities by private motorcoach

#### **Summary of Included Meals:**

- 7 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches (during city tour, "Pampas" Ranch Day barbecue)
- 2 Dinners (Welcome Dinner & Mar del Plata dinner)
- 3 Post-Match Receptions, including food appropriate to the time of day of the game. Quantities vary depending on the club from "snack" portions to full meals.

#### **Tour Price:**

For the most up-to-date pricing information on this tour, please visit our website:

http://www.victorysportstours.com/sport/field-hockey/

Scroll down to the tour named "Argentina #2"

- Price is based on a minimum of 20 paying travelers.
- Prices are subject to availability of airfares at time of booking.
- One FREE COACH'S TRIP is included based on 20 paying travelers (21st is free).
- Coach would share twin room with paying traveler and pay only taxes/fees.

#### Notes:

• The itinerary text outlines both included services and suggested free time activities. For a definitive indication of what is included in the tour price, please refer exclusively to the "TOUR INCLUSIONS" section above.

No booking has been made yet. Tour dates are subject to availability.
Air taxes/fees are determined by the various governments/airlines involved and are those currently in effect. By government regulation, actual air taxes/fees collected will be those in effect at ticketing, approx. 45 days before departure.
Airlines may add a fuel surcharge if the price of fuel increases significantly.
Final fuel surcharge is determined approx. 30 days prior to departure.
Full Terms & Conditions to be provided upon acceptance of this proposal.