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ARGENTINA & URUGUAY

FIELD HOCKEY TOUR

Buenos Aires & Montevideo

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 **USA – BUENOS AIRES**

Fly overnight to Buenos Aires via major international scheduled airline with possible 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 of your scheduled activities and will be available to you on a 24-hour basis should you need special assistance.

Morning **City Sightseeing Tour**



Three-hour city sightseeing tour on your comfortable motorcoach giving you an overview of Buenos Aires' culture and history as seen through its neighborhoods and historical landmarks.

Included highlights are the **Casa Rosada** (presidential palace), **Palace of Congress**, the

world-class **Teatro Colón** opera house, **Avenida Nueve de Julio**, a ten-lane wide avenue with an esplanade in between, and the **Obelisk** (reminiscent of the Washington Monument).

Continue on to the delightful neighborhoods of **La Boca**, **San Telmo**, birthplace of the Tango, **Palermo**, with wide boulevards, leafy parks, and extravagant monuments, and **Recoleta**, highlighted by the cemetery featuring opulent mausoleums where "Evita" Perón is buried. After completing your tour, you will understand why Buenos Aires is often compared with Paris and Madrid.

Afternoon City Tour ends at your Three-Star Hotel where you will check-in.

Afternoon **"Primera A" Women's Club Game – Watch some of the world's top hockey !!!**
(subject to availability)

Evening **Welcome Dinner** at a typical Argentine barbecue restaurant with the best beef you will ever eat ! (chicken and vegetarian options available). This dinner is included in your tour package.

Day 3 **BUENOS AIRES**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning **PRACTICE SESSION at an astro turf field to warm up for the next few days.**

Afternoon **Suggestion**: Great day for shopping !



On weekends venture to the **Recoleta Flea Market** for lots of bargains on hand-made leather and other goods at one of the hundreds of stalls staffed by the artisans themselves. On other days, visit the **Galerías Pacífico** shopping center and food court. This is a beautifully-restored early 20th-century landmark that used to be the headquarters offices of the Pacific Railways, but that was recently converted into shops and cafés. Be sure and try some of the delicious cake that is a blend of chocolate and dulce de leche (caramel-type dessert) !

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



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

Day 4

BUENOS AIRES

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning &
Afternoon

"Pampas" Ranch Day – Full-Day Tour



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.

Evening

Suggestion: Visit **Las Cañitas** neighborhood, one of the nicest districts in the city, famous for its many restaurants, bars, pubs and nightlife.

Day 5

BUENOS AIRES

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning

HOCKEY CLINIC



Training with a Top-Level Argentine Coach with National Team credentials, such as:

Claudio "Lalo" Junquet – Longtime member of the Argentine National Women's Team coaching staff, "Lalo" is the hockey director at the prestigious Club Atlético San Isidro (CASI) with 30 Girls/Women's Teams under his direction.

Santiago Capurro – Played on the Argentine Men's National Team from 1993-2006 and has coached at all levels, including the Argentine Women's National Team.

Mariana "Donna Rossi" – Current member of "Las Leonas" Argentine Women's National Team that won the Champions Trophy in three consecutive years – 2008,

2009, and 2010 plus the Bronze Medal at the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics.

Rodolfo Schmidt – Argentine Men’s National Team goalkeeper at the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics.

Afternoon

Suggestion: Those with an interest in art and culture should visit:



Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes (Museum of Fine Arts) - Buenos Aires' fine arts museum features works of international renown, including several sculptures by Rodin.

Museo Nacional de Arte Decorativo – This former mansion of Buenos Aires’ early 20th century elite is a wonderful place to visit featuring its own café for a relaxing break.

Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires (MALBA) – This museum is Buenos Aires’ most acclaimed and popular museum with its modern architecture and extensive collection of mostly modern Latin American Art.

Evening

MATCH # 2 vs. ARGENTINE HOCKEY TEAM



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

Day 6

BUENOS AIRES

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning & Afternoon

Tigre River Delta – Full-Day Tour



Depart to the **Tigre River Delta**, about 20 miles north of Buenos Aires.

Arrive in Tigre and board your comfortable boat for a leisurely 45-minute cruise through the islands of this unusual natural river delta. Tigre was once the summer retreat of Buenos Aires' elite with several landmark structures from that elegant era still surviving.

Free time for lunch on your own and shopping in the **Mercado de Frutos**.

Evening Dinner at your hotel or nearby restaurant (included in tour program).

Day 7 **BUENOS AIRES – MONTEVIDEO**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out of Hotel and transfer to the Buenos Aires port passenger terminal.

Check in for your **Buquebus** cruise to Montevideo, Uruguay.

Late Morning Arrival in Montevideo. Transfer to your Three-Star Hotel for check-in. Lunch on your own.

Afternoon **City Sightseeing Tour**



Palacio Salvo



Plaza Independencia



Presidents' Museum

Board your private motorcoach for a full-afternoon tour of Montevideo's historic and present-day sights with your bilingual guide.

View the **Ciudad Vieja** (the "Old City" founded in colonial times) and the **Metropolitan Cathedral**. **Plaza Independencia**, the square in the heart of the city, features a lovely plaza and monument to General Artigas (Uruguay's George Washington) and is overlooked by **Palacio Salvo** (Uruguay's first skyscraper).

Continue on to **Avenida 18 de Julio**, the city's main thoroughfare and shopping street. Following this part of town, view the imposing **Parliament Building**, "**La Carreta**" monument to Uruguay's settlers and the 73,000-seat **Estadio Centenario**, site of the first World Cup of Soccer in 1930.

Evening **MATCH # 3 vs. URUGUAYAN HOCKEY TEAM**



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

Evening Dinner at your hotel or nearby restaurant (included in tour program).

Day 8 **MONTEVIDEO**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning **PRACTICE SESSION**

Afternoon **Free time suggestion:**



Shop along **Avenida 18 de Julio**, stroll down **Calle Sarandí** in historic **Ciudad Vieja**, or take a guided tour of the recently restored **Teatro Solís**. A hidden gem is the **Museum of the Uruguayan Presidency**, a small but complete museum that tells the story of this interesting country in a nutshell.

Evening **MATCH # 4 vs. URUGUAYAN HOCKEY TEAM**



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

Day 9 **MONTEVIDEO – FLIGHTS**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

Check out from hotel.

Afternoon **Farewell Lunch** at a fine restaurant. Toast the conclusion of a great trip !

Transfer by private motorcoach to Montevideo’s International Airport for your return flights home.

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

Day 10 **USA**

Morning Arrive back in the U.S. this morning.

Your South American Field Hockey & Cultural Adventure comes to a close with great memories to cherish for a lifetime !

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

Travel Services:

Inter-City Transportation:

- Economy-class Air Transportation USA – Buenos Aires and Montevideo – USA.
- Buquebus cruise one-way Buenos Aires – Montevideo.

Buenos Aires:

- Five nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Buenos Aires including daily breakfast.
- Airport / Hotel / Port transfers by private motorcoach.
- Welcome Dinner at restaurant serving traditional Argentine dishes.
- One additional Dinner at your hotel or nearby restaurant.
- Three-hour City Sightseeing Tour with Bilingual Guide in Buenos Aires.
- "Pampas" Ranch Day – Full-Day Tour including authentic Argentine "asado" barbecue and "Gaucho" show.
- Tigre River Delta – Half-Day Tour including boat ride through the Delta.

Montevideo:

- Two nights at a Three-Star Hotel including daily breakfast.
- Port / Hotel / Airport transfers by private motorcoach.
- One dinner at your hotel or nearby restaurant.
- City Sightseeing Tour with Bilingual Guide in Montevideo.

Other:

- **Tour Manager** available for all scheduled activities in South America and 24/7 access in case of emergency.
- 24/7 Emergency Support from **Victory Sports Tours'** Operations office.

Field Hockey Program:

- ***Four Games with clubs/universities at your level.***
- ***One Clinic with High-Level Argentine Coaches, usually with a National Team affiliation.***
- ***Two Practice Sessions.***
- ***Aftermatch Parties with Argentine & Uruguayan Teams/Coaches including food and drink.***
- ***Bottle of Water provided to each player, each game / practice.***
- ***Uniform Laundry Service provided between games.***
- ***First Aid provided at games in case of injuries.***
- ***"Primera A" Women's Club Game***
- ***Round-trip transfers to above Field Hockey Activities by private motorcoach.***

Summary of Included Meals:

- 7 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches
- 3 Dinners

Tour Price:

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

<http://www.victorysportstours.com>

Click on your sport and scroll down to the tour named "**Argentina & Uruguay #1**"

- 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.
- Tour price is based on current U.S. dollar / foreign currency exchange rate. Price may vary if the exchange rate were to change significantly prior to receiving your tour deposit.
- 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 30 days prior to departure.
- Full Terms & Conditions to be provided upon acceptance of this proposal.