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## ARGENTINA, URUGUAY & BRAZIL

### SPORTS TOUR

*Buenos Aires, Montevideo & Río de Janeiro*

**13 Day / 10 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 SPORTS 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" Peron 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.

**Suggestion:** Explore **Santa Fe Avenue** featuring many shops and sidewalk cafes for lunch on your own. Choose one of the informal "parilla" grill restaurants for a delicious beef or chicken barbecue lunch or lighter fare at another eatery.

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**

**Afternoon** **Argentine Premier League Soccer**



**(optional – additional fee for Game Tickets)**

**Transfer to a stadium for a 1st Division Argentine professional soccer match featuring one of the "Big Five" teams of Boca Juniors, River Plate, Independiente, Racing or San Lorenzo. Experience the Argentine passion for "FUTBOL" !!!!! (subject to availability and being in-season)**

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

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

### **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** **CLINIC with a highly-qualified licensed professional coach.**

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

## **Day 6** **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. Time for 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 Dinner at your hotel or nearby restaurant (included in tour program).

**Day 7** **MONTEVIDEO**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.

**Morning** **PRACTICE SESSION**

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

**Day 8** **MONTEVIDEO – RIO DE JANEIRO**

Morning Transfer to Montevideo’s Carrasco International Airport for your flight to Rio de Janeiro.

Afternoon Arrive at Rio de Janeiro’s Galeão International Airport.

Transfer to your Three-Star Hotel on or near Rio de Janeiro’s famous **Copacabana Beach** where you will check in.

Afternoon Lunch at a restaurant near your hotel on your own.



Head to the beach, take a dip in the warm ocean waters, join in or watch a game of ***futevolei***, a Brazilian invention that mixes beach soccer and volleyball. The beaches are lined with pick-up games, or with people simply juggling a loose ball around in a circle. Don’t forget to try the **Globo** cookies that they sell on the beach! Or just take in the “sights” !

**Suggestion:** Try the fresh “sucos” (squeezed juice) at every corner! Açaí (a purplish fruit from the Amazon) is a local delicacy that many “cariocas” (Brazilians from Rio) cannot live without !

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

**Day 9** **RIO DE JANEIRO**

Morning Breakfast at Hotel.



**Christ the Redeemer**



**Corcovado**



**Sugarloaf Mountain**



**Cable Car**

Morning

### **Corcovado Mountain & Christ Redeemer Statue**

Arrive at the Cosme Velho train station at the base of the Corcovado Mountain where you will board the cog railway train for the ascent to the summit where the impressive 125-foot high Christ statue overlooks the city. Completed in 1931, the art deco statue can be seen from most of Rio de Janeiro. The mountain is located behind most of the city and affords magnificent panoramic views of the **Copacabana** and **Ipanema Beaches**, **Sugarloaf Mountain**, Rio's **Historic Center** and **Guanabara Bay**, orienting you to all of the city's major attractions.

Afternoon

### **Sugarloaf Mountain excursion**

Take the two-stage cable car for the nearly mile-long ascent to the 1,299-foot-high summit of the mountain for one of the world's most spectacular views with great vistas of the surrounding bays, beaches, mountains and the city itself. Optional visit to the restaurant and shops at the first cable car stop - the 700-foot-high **Morro de Urca**. Don't forget your camera !

Evening

### **MATCH # 4 vs. a BRAZILIAN TEAM**

Day 10

### **RIO DE JANEIRO**

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Morning

### **PRACTICE SESSION**

Afternoon

Free time for lunch on your own.

Afternoon

### **Brazil Premier League Match**



**(optional – additional fee for Game Tickets)**

**Head to one of the local stadiums to watch some of the world's best players and teams in action. Experience the passion and tradition of Brazilian soccer !!!**

**Rio de Janeiro is famous for its intra-city professional team rivalries. There are four professional teams in Rio, leading to constant excitement and soccer passion !!! Flamengo vs. Fluminense – known as FlaFlu, has been a bitter rivalry since the early 1910s. Vasco de Gama and Botafogo are also fervent competitors ! (subject to availability and being in-season).**

Day 11

### **RIO DE JANEIRO**

Morning

Breakfast at Hotel.

Afternoon

### **MATCH # 5 vs. a BRAZILIAN TEAM**

Evening

Return back to your hotel and enjoy your last night in Rio! Visit the restaurants and clubs lining **Rua General San Martin**. Hotspots line this street, a block from the beach in **Leblon**, a trendy neighborhood next to **Ipanema** !

Day 12

### **RIO DE JANEIRO – 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 Galeão International Airport for your return flights home.

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

## **Day 13 USA**

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

**Your South American Sports & 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 – Rio de Janeiro – USA.
- Buquebus cruise one-way Buenos Aires – Montevideo.

#### **Buenos Aires:**

- Four 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 including authentic Argentine "asado" barbecue and "Gaucho" show.

#### **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.

#### **Rio de Janeiro:**

- Four nights at a Three-Star Hotel in Rio including daily breakfast.
- Airport / Hotel / Airport transfers by private motorcoach.
- One Dinner at your hotel or nearby restaurant.
- Farewell Lunch at restaurant serving traditional Brazilian dishes.
- Excursion to top of Corcovado Mountain and Sugarloaf Mountain.
- City Sightseeing Tour with Bilingual Guide in Rio.

#### **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.



### **Sports Program:**

- ***Five Games*** with clubs/universities at your level.
- ***One Clinic*** with a highly-qualified licensed professional coach.
- ***Three Practice Sessions.***
- **Bottle of Water** provided to each player, each game / practice.
- **Uniform Laundry Service** provided between games.
- **Round-trip transfers** to above Sports Activities by private motorcoach.

### **Please Note:**

The following services have NOT been included in the estimated tour price due to variations in ticket prices and availability of games:

- **Tickets and transfers** for ***Boca Juniors, River Plate, Independiente, Racing, or San Lorenzo*** pro soccer game in Buenos Aires.
- **Tickets and transfers** for ***Flamengo, Fluminense, Botafogo, or Vasco de Gama*** pro soccer game in Rio de Janeiro.

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

- 10 Breakfasts
- 2 Lunches
- 4 Dinners

### **Tour Price:**

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

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Click on your sport and scroll down to the tour named "**Argentina, Brazil & 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.