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ARGENTINEAN SPANISH IMMERSION TOUR

days: **19** from: **\$6,292 pp**

› Tour Dates

2016

- 5 March – 23 March
- 8 April – 26 April
- 24 September – 12 October
- 21 October – 8 November

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› Highlights

- Immerse yourself into Argentina with a Spanish language course
- Participate in activities that you enjoy such as cooking or yoga classes
- Enjoy authentic meals at carefully selected restaurants and traditional Argentinean home-cooked BBQs
- Take in the dramatic mountain scenery of the Aconcagua National Park
- Participate in a tango class in the heart of the city

› Itinerary

DAY 1. Depart Australia – Arrive in Santiago

Transfer to your boutique hotel in one of the best locations in Chile's colourful capital. This evening we enjoy a group welcome dinner at one of Santiago's top seafood restaurants. **D**

DAY 2. Santiago

We will explore the food markets of Santiago at Mercado Central and will purchase ingredients for our Chilean feast. You will participate in a cooking class, where we will enjoy five courses with matching wines. Enjoy the rest of the evening at your leisure. **B L**

DAY 3. Santiago

On today's city tour you will see the cosmopolitan city of Santiago that blends the oldness with modernity. We will show you the origins of the city and landmarks such as Plaza de Armas, the Cathedral, the Post Office and the Municipality of Santiago. Dinner at one of Santiago's outstanding restaurants. **B D**

DAY 4. Santiago – Cordoba

Today we fly to Cordoba where we will be met by our coach. We will stop at a scenic spot for lunch on our way to Santa Rosa de Calamuchita.

Santa Rosa de Calamuchita is a small village in the province of Cordoba. The village is located in the centre of the Calamuchita Valley, in the middle of landscape that includes the Sierras as well as rivers and lakes; the area is well known to the Argentinean but off the beaten track for international travellers. Here you will get to know the true way of Argentinean life.

It is here in Santa Rosa de Calamuchita that you will commence your Spanish language course with Spanish and beyond. Learn the basics to survive and enjoy your travel experience more thoroughly or take a more tailored course depending on your level and language goals.

Welcome dinner at our Cabanas by your host Spanish and beyond. **L D**

DAY 5. Santa Rosa de Calamuchita

We will commence our Spanish language course today and will follow this with a lunch at a local village with panoramic views of the Sierras Grandes Mountain Range. Following we will drive to the gorgeous alpine lake hamlet, La Cumbrecita located amongst spruce and pine. Here you will have time at your leisure to explore this picturesque German village.

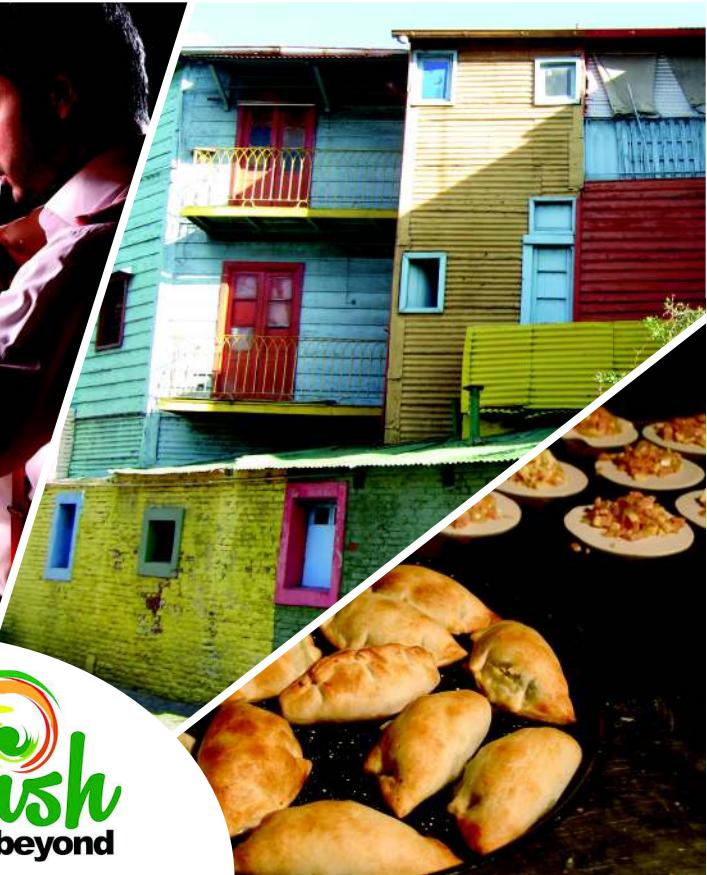
Spanish games in evening followed by Argentinean barbecue. **B L D**

DAY 6. Santa Rosa de Calamuchita

Your morning Spanish class will be followed by an Empanada class in the home of a local and you will experience traditional cooking. Enjoy a day at leisure or you may like to participate in an activity within the community such as yoga, painting class, or horse ride along the river. Dinner at a restaurant in Santa Rosa. **B L D**

Day 7. Santa Rosa de Calamuchita

After your morning Spanish class, we will take you to a local organic farm where we will have lunch and hear how the locals produce their food. Dinner at Cabanas. **B L D**



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We believe the magic of a place lies in its charm. In Santa Rosa de Calamuchita we will take you off the tourist track and into the community. We stay at locally owned Cabanas, that ensure profits stay in the community and gives you a greater insight into local life.

DAY 8. Santa Rosa de Calamuchita

After your morning Spanish class you can decide how you will spend the day. Test your Spanish skills out and participate in one of the local activities on offer. A relaxing meditation class is a great way to recharge the soul. Tonight's dinner at a local restaurant in Santa Rosa having the chance to try the local delicacy goat. **B D**

DAY 9. Santa Rosa de Calamuchita

After your morning Spanish class we will visit another local village Embalse returning for farewell dinner. **B D**

DAY 10. Santa Rosa de Calamuchita – Cordoba

We travel back to Cordoba where we will have a walking tour of Cordoba and lunch. Evening to explore Cordoba at your own leisure. **B L**

Cordoba is the second largest city in Argentina. The National University of Cordoba is the oldest university of the country it was founded in 1613 by the Jesuit Order.

DAY 11. Cordoba – Mendoza

Day at leisure and then transfer to Cordoba airport, for our flight to Mendoza. **B**

DAY 12. Mendoza

Today we will head for the vineyards of Lujan de Cuyo in the heart of Mendoza wine country. We will visit a top winery and have an incredible gourmet lunch paired with wines. Evening at your own leisure. **B L**

DAY 13. Mendoza

Mendoza is located in the northern central part of the province, in a region of foothills and high plains, on the eastern side of the Andes. Best known for its wine, Mendoza is a bustling city. City tour and group dinner. **B D**

DAY 14. Mendoza

Today we will go west, climbing into dramatic mountain scenery, making our way to Aconcagua National Park. On return we stop and see Puente Del Inca, a naturally formed bridge over a steep ravine. We continue down the mountain, returning to enjoy lunch of Argentine asado (barbeque) including the local delicacy, goat. Dinner at leisure. **B L**

DAY 15. Mendoza – Buenos Aires

Day at leisure, fly to Buenos Aires **B**

DAY 16. Buenos Aires

Our morning will be spent sightseeing in Buenos Aires, known as the "The Paris of the South". The tour includes 24 stops, which you can explore at your leisure. Dinner at a "puertas cerradas" or closed restaurant, which is the home of a BA resident. **B D**

DAY 17. Buenos Aires

Today we visit an Estancia (ranch) a place that time forgot. Experience life on a traditional Argentine estancia in the gaucho heartland. Have a traditional asado (barbeque) during which you can sample succulent barbecued beef, which has been raised on the estancia. Dinner at leisure. **B L**

DAY 18. Buenos Aires

Day of leisure to explore this grand city. We will end our tour with a special evening. Don your dancing shoes as we enjoy a tango lesson, then sit back and watch the professionals perform during a lively dinner and show. **B D**

DAY 19. Buenos Aires

Your **Spanish and beyond** adventure ends. Transfer to the airport will be provided.

► Inclusions

Travel:

All airport transfers within South America

All touring in air-conditioned vehicles

Accommodation and meals:

18 nights in good quality hotels (3.5–4.5 star)

16 breakfasts, 9 lunches, 11 dinners, including group welcome and farewell dinner

Tour guides:

English and Spanish speaking locally-based tour director and guides

B Breakfast included

L Lunch included

D Dinner included

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