

International Futsal/Soccer Tour 2023 Itinerary

South Bay Santos

Argentina – Buenos Aires

Travel dates:

November 18-26, 2023. Feel free to adjust the tour dates by some dates if needed.

Itinerary:

- Nov. 18 Departure from LAX.
- Nov. 19 Arrival Buenos Aires Airport. Transfer to your accommodations. After check-in we'll offer the group a walking tour to explore the area around your hotel as well as a light training session.
- Nov. 20 Day at leisure for optional sightseeing: Guided bus tour of Buenos Aires. Afternoon or evening game vs. a local futsal team.
- Nov. 21 Afternoon or evening game vs. a local futsal team.
Day trip to La Boca. The city's historical Little Italy where El Caminito, a historical pedestrian zone is located. Afternoon visit the Boca Juniors Football Stadium as well as the museum, popularly known as La Bombonera (the Chocolate Box). From outside, the stadium seems to be part of the scale model exhibited in the museum depicting this famous neighborhood. Everything is intertwined and indivisible: not only is La Bombonera a part of a neighborhood which witnessed its creation but it also defines its identity. It was on this port suburb that football and Argentina were born.
For the evening we recommend attending a Tango Show (extra cost for this Tango show is approx. \$100.00 per person and it includes dinner, wine, tango class and the show
- Nov. 22 Morning walking tour to Calle Florida and La Galleria Pacifico: shopping at Calle Florida with live performing artists in the streets, later time for shopping at Galerías Pacifico artistic Mall. Shopping areas in Buenos Aires are the best places for people watching and traditional crafts and food. Afternoon community service project.
Evening game vs. a local futsal team.
- Nov. 23 Pro club day (Boca Juniors, River Plate or a pro futsal team). Start in the morning by watching a training session of the first team (if available) with a possible introduction from a player from the first team. After this, tour the stadium, the club museum and locker room followed by lunch at the Academy complex and then a training session with a club coach.
Evening game vs. a local futsal team.
- Nov. 24 Afternoon or evening game vs. a local futsal team.
Day at leisure for possible sightseeing: Walking tour to the beautiful Recoleta Neighborhood, known for its squares, parks, cafés and galleries, or spend the day in Buenos Aires to explore the city, do your shopping, etc
- Nov. 25 Morning available to do your final shopping or packing. Afternoon transfer to Buenos Aires Airport and return flight.
- Nov. 26 Arrival back at LAX

*The above itinerary is a provisional/suggested itinerary and can/will change depending on your group's specific wishes, the final game schedule for your team(s) and any pro game visit(s) incorporated for your group. Sightseeing admission fees are not included in the prices but can be added and pre-booked based on your group's specific wishes. Consult us for more information.



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Plaza de Mayo



Ithaca College



Buenos Aires Bridge

Price per person:

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| Number of people traveling | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |
| Participant prices | \$2,874 | \$2,833 | \$2,752 | \$2,685 | \$2,644 | \$2,617 |

Price inclusions:

- Round trip airfare, including airport taxes and fuel surcharges. Tour prices are always subject to availability of group flights and fares at time of tour booking.
- Accommodations and meals as specified in this proposal – see below.
- Ground transportation – see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program – see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant – see below.

Sport program included:

We will arrange 6 futsal games vs. local futsal teams. After the games, meals/snacks with opposition will be provided.

Accommodation and meals included:

Four-star hotel accommodation (Rochester Class hotel or similar) - daily breakfast and dinner is included. The hotel is centrally located in Buenos Aires, an 8-minute walk from the grand Teatro Colón. Includes accommodation in rooms for 2-3 people per room with private bathroom, free Wi-Fi, cable TV and minibar. The hotel offers its own restaurant as well as business center and gym.

Ground transportation included:

We have included all mentioned transportation as well as airport transfers. Many of the tours we offer are walking tours.

Local guide services included:

A local tour assistant will be assigned to be exclusively with your group full time each day during your stay in each destination to provide you with any assistance when necessary, and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed.

Options available (not included in prices)

Sport program and excursion options:

- We can include a Club Day with either Boca Juniors, River Plate, San Lorenzo, Racing, Independiente or a famous local professional futsal club, which includes a training session with a club coach and a tour of their stadium/facilities. Costs approx. \$150.00 per player.
- A visit to a pro soccer or futsal game. Admission fee not included. Please calculate between US\$65.00 and US\$110.00 per person depending on the game. Some so called premium games might be more expensive.
- Training session with own coaches - US\$45.00 per person including transportation to and from the futsal courts.
- Community service projects - A soccer clinic with underprivileged children and/or work at a soup kitchen.
- Tango Show - US\$120.00 per person including dinner, wine, tango class and the show.
- Gauchos Tour - US\$70.00 per person including food and transportation.

Travel insurance option:

Your participants have the option to purchase accident, illness and trip cancellation/interruption insurance, including a Cancel for Any Reason Coverage (CFAR) – more information about this insurance is included on your team website page.

Not included in prices:

- Beverages (soda) with meals.
- Gratuities for representatives and bus drivers.
- Admission fees to attractions.
- Single rooms in hotels. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night on top of the double room supplements outlined in the accommodation description.

Touristic information Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires is the capital and most populous city of Argentina. The city is located on the western shore of the estuary of the Río de la Plata, on the South American continent's southeastern coast. Buenos Aires is a top tourist destination, and is known for its preserved Spanish/European-style architecture and rich cultural life – it is known as the “Paris of South America”. Buenos Aires held the 1st Pan American Games in 1951 as well as hosting two venues in the 1978 FIFA World Cup. Buenos Aires will host the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics and the 2018 G20 summit. The tango is the national dance of Argentina which originated in the 1880s along the River Plate, the natural border between Argentina and Uruguay, and soon spread to the rest of the world.

Puerto Madero: When visitors want to take an evening stroll, many head to Puerto Madero, where dazzling city lights illuminate the port that once served as a major destination for European trade. During the day, this area rests as a quiet business hub, but by night, this little neighborhood bursts with energy. Trendy porteños flock to the neighborhood steak and seafood restaurants and tango at festive dance clubs. Standout spots include Rojo Tango and Asia de Cuba, which are both for their sultry dancing and festive décor.

La Boca: This fashionable neighborhood located in southern Buenos Aires brims with trendy boutiques and art galleries. Once a gritty shipyard bustling with European immigrants, this now vibrant port houses local artists, soccer fans, and middle-class workers alike. Its name—which translates to “The Mouth”—is derived from its distinct location near the Río de la Plata (the estuary formed by the meeting of the Uruguay and Paraná rivers). Make your way to Vuelta de Rocha's triangular plaza and you'll come upon the start of colorful Caminito, a popular pedestrian sidewalk flanked by bright murals and shimmering metal houses. Here, you'll also find the taxicab-yellow stadium of Argentina's most popular soccer team, Boca Juniors, along with lively cafés, bars, and casual tango institutions.

Recoleta Cemetery: This beloved cemetery—located in the ritzy Recoleta neighborhood—is the resting place of many notable political figures and elites in Argentine history. You'll probably recall Madonna belting out Tim Rice's lyrics “Don't Cry for me Argentina” in her rendition as Eva “Evita” Perón in the 1978 musical, *Evita*. But what you may not remember is Eva Perón's role as the outspoken and influential first Lady of Argentina in 1946, nor her untimely death at age 33 from cancer. As you stroll through the cemetery, you'll not only catch a glimpse of Ms. Perón's ornate resting place, but also discover a wide array of art nouveau, art deco, and modernist mausoleums. Another highlight is the towering Círculo Militar, a black structure imported from Paris that features stunning white marble angels. One TripAdvisor user comments, “It is a necropolis full of architectural art. A visit to the city wouldn't be complete without this.”