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South America Getaway



9 days from Rio de Janeiro to Buenos Aires

TOUR: SB



Want to learn the scintillating samba—or the tantalizing tango? Sip sweet caipirinhas—or dry Argentine wines? Sunbathe on famous beaches—or soak in the beauty of neoclassical architecture? This getaway just south of the usual visits two of South America’s most sizzling cities so you can do it all. With time in Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires, this sultry tour of South America combines the best of Brazil and Argentina, plus the opportunity to witness the thundering Iguassu Falls from the perspective of both countries. Guided sightseeing to the legendary sights is complemented by numerous opportunities to live like a local. This South America getaway includes an empanada cooking class, a private tango lesson, and a day on an

authentic Argentine ranch where you can enjoy authentic cuisine, tap your foot to regional music, and even take the reins of a horse and channel your inner gaucho.

Globus All Access

Special features included in this tour:

- Guided sightseeing in Rio de Janeiro includes Sugarloaf Mountain cable car with a regional cocktail, cog railway up Corcovado Mountain to the foot of the Christ the Redeemer statue, the Cathedral and more
- Visit both sides of Iguassu Falls with a Local Guide
- Guided sightseeing in Buenos Aires includes a walk through the San Telmo and La Boca neighborhoods and a tour of Recoleta Cemetery
- Empanada cooking class with regional wine
- Private Tango lesson followed by dinner and a show
- Authentic estancia experience with a traditional lunch
- All internal flights as noted in the itinerary...

[View full itinerary and read more >](#)

Variations of this Tour

Group Size Options

TOUR OVERVIEW

9

DAYS

2

COUNTRIES

🚩 COUNTRIES

Brazil

Argentina

🍴 MEALS

Breakfast 8

Lunch 1

Dinner 3

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Globus takes you beyond the guidebooks with more ways to discover each destination.

Local Favorites

Every Globus tour includes our exclusive Local Favorites, specially included to share the authentic experiences that make each destination unique. Get to know the locals and local flavors you might just miss on your own!

Tour Highlights

Discover something unexpected and unforgettable in the special way only Globus can share—with sightseeing highlights to off-the-beaten-path surprises to out-of-this world moments you'll remember for a lifetime!

Enhanced Free Time

Explore or relax as you please, or choose exciting options available at MyGlobus. Get local maps and free time tips on your GlobusGO mobile app. Your Tour Director can suggest the perfect way to design your day!

DAY-BY-DAY

Itinerary

1 ARRIVE IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

Welcome to Rio de Janeiro!

At 3:30 pm, meet your Tour Director for a drive along Ipanema and Copacabana beaches to the base of 1,300-foot-high Sugarloaf Mountain. Ascend by cable car to its summit, where you can take in spectacular vistas of the city. Next, toast the start of a memorable vacation with 🍹 caipirinhas, a traditional Brazilian cocktail, during a cocktail party.

LOCAL FAVORITE

LOCAL TASTES A once-in-a-lifetime experience awaits atop Sugarloaf Mountain overlooking Guanabara Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. Take in the breathtaking panoramic views followed by a private cocktail party with your fellow travel companions. Toast with a traditional caipirinha, Brazil's national cocktail, made with fresh lime, cachaça, and sugar. Deliciosa!

2 RIO DE JANEIRO

Heavenly Views

The city's landmark, the statue of Christ the Redeemer, crowns Corcovado Mountain, a rounded peak rising 2,300 feet from the bay below. A scenic ride by cog railway leads to the top, where a breathtaking 360-degree panorama affords sweeping views. From here, proceed to bustling downtown Rio, where modern office towers stand next to relics of the Portuguese colonial past. View the Sambodromo and visit the Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure for you to experience this vibrant city on your own. Tonight, it's a fun outing to a churrascaria for a feast of barbecued meats marinated and roasted over charcoal in true Brazilian style.

🍳 Breakfast 🍽️ Dinner

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

EPIC RIDE Soar to the summit of Corcovado Mountain by cog railway to reach the site of the iconic statue of Christ the Redeemer. This crowning jewel of Rio and Brazil was constructed between 1922 and 1933. The statue of Jesus Christ stands 98 feet high (or 124 feet including the pedestal) with an arm span of 92 feet wide. Towering over the city, this piece of art is truly an engineering marvel and was even voted one the New7Wonders of the World.

3 RIO DE JANEIRO

Unplug & Recharge

A full day at leisure to enjoy Rio. Relax on one of the world-famous beaches or take advantage of the world-class shopping or fine dining.

 Breakfast

ENHANCED FREE TIME

EXPLORE MORE Spend free time in Rio de Janeiro with an optional excursion to Petropolis, (mountain resort and former summer palace of Emperor Dom Pedro II). This and more options throughout your tour are available for purchase with MyGlobus. Get local maps and tips for free time on your GlobusGO mobile app.

Make the Most of Your Free Time

While we include select excursions and must-see sights on your trip, you may wish to explore other options to enhance your free time. Below is a selection of excursions that may be available for purchase on your tour.

Petropolis

Visit the 'Imperial City of Petropolis' outside of Rio in the Atlantic Rain Forest to visit the summer palace of former Emperor Pedro II of Brazil.

7h 45m
Price Range: \$\$



4 RIO DE JANEIRO–IGUASSU FALLS

What a Rush!

A flight from Rio takes you to Iguassu Falls. Experience the clouds of spray, the incessant roar, and the surrounding luxuriant tropical growth that make this an unforgettable natural wonder. Head into Brazil's Iguassu National Park to enjoy the magnificent panorama of waterfalls from the Brazilian side. Your Local Guide introduces the spectacle of this 2-mile-wide rushing torrent. With some cataracts as high as 250 feet, Iguassu Falls is nothing short of hypnotic!

 Breakfast  Dinner

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

PICTURE PERFECT Explore incredible Iguassu National Park (Brazilian side) and walk the pathways skirting Iguassu Falls. Watch for amazing wildlife in this protected area, including toucans, agoutis, giant otters, anteaters, tapir, and even jaguars!

5 IGUASSU FALLS. EXCURSION TO IGUASSU FALLS, ARGENTINA

Taking the Plunge

Today, journey across the Brazilian border by motorcoach to the Argentine side of Iguassu Falls, where you will enjoy a closer perspective on a walking tour of the falls. Meander along the walkways from atop the falls and enjoy an exhilarating view looking over the precipice of the falls as the water plunges to the rocks below. You will also have the chance to walk through the rainforest on the lower falls trails that will bring you up close to some of the smaller cataracts. Cross back into Brazil and return to the hotel, where the remainder of the day is at your leisure.

 Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

NATURAL WONDERS Visit Iguassu National Park (Argentinian side) where, from this side of the falls, you get a bird's-eye view from the catwalks perched over part of the Devil's Throat, where 14 waterfalls drop more than 300 feet into the Devil's Gorge below. From this completely different perspective compared to Brazil's side, you'll understand why you must see both sides of the falls!

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Bird Park

The Bird Park near Iguassu Falls offers visitors the opportunity to see indigenous birds up close in their native rain forest environment.

2h 45m

Price Range: \$



6 IGUASSU FALLS–BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

The Boulevards of Buenos Aires

This morning, cross the Brazilian border into Argentina by motorcoach to transfer to the Cataratas del Iguazu International Airport for your flight to Buenos Aires. After arriving, acquaint yourself with the “Paris of South America” and its wide boulevards and outdoor cafés.



 Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

CITY SIGHTS Elegant European architecture, epicurean cuisine, and a café culture to rival any rue de Paris, Buenos Aires is a city of leisurely afternoons sipping café con leche or the choicest Argentinian wines.

7 BUENOS AIRES

Dining, Dancing, Dazzling

Your sightseeing starts in La Boca, a vibrant district and site of the city's first port. Take a short walking tour of this unique enclave and then on to San Telmo, famous for its late-colonial buildings and a popular gathering spot for artists. At Plaza de Mayo, see La Casa Rosada (the President's Pink House) and the Metropolitan Cathedral, housing San Martin's Mausoleum. Drive past the ornate Teatro Colón opera house before reaching Recoleta Cemetery, burial site of Eva Perón. Next, learn how to make a traditional Argentinean dish with an  empanada cooking class. After an afternoon at leisure, top off the evening at a famous Tango club. The Tango and Argentina go hand in hand and tonight you will  visit a local milonga (tango house), where professional tango dancers teach the traditional techniques of the Argentine Tango. After your lesson, enjoy a farewell dinner featuring Argentine steaks and other local specialties. Top off the evening when the professionals delight you with a Tango Show featuring the dance as it has evolved through the ages!

 Breakfast  Dinner

LOCAL FAVORITE

LOCAL TASTES Immerse yourself in Argentina's culinary culture when you learn how to make empanadas. This hands-on cooking class teaches you the different fillings and the various 'repulga' techniques (how to close the empanada.) After perfecting your creation, enjoy your homemade empanada with a glass of Malbec wine.

8 BUENOS AIRES

Ranch Life

Today, head into the heart of the pampas (grasslands) and immerse yourself in the atmosphere of rural, country life at a working 🇦🇷 Argentina estancia (ranch). After a traditional welcome with empanadas and local beverages, get acquainted with the lifestyle of real gauchos (cowboys) on a carriage ride through the pampas. Later, at lunch, enjoy an authentic feast, complete with world-renowned Argentine beef, salad, desserts, and live music and dance by the gauchos themselves. Top off the day with an equestrian demonstration by the gauchos before saying 'adios' to the countryside and heading back to the city.

 Breakfast  Lunch

LOCAL FAVORITE

CULTURE & TRADITION Argentinean estancias date back to the 16th century during the era of Spanish colonization when conquistadors were gifted land to raise and breed cattle. Today, these lands and traditions endure, having been passed down from generation to generation. Step into the traditional, local life of a gaucho and embrace Argentinian heritage on a working estancia.

9 BUENOS AIRES

Safe travels until we meet again!

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast

Notes

- A welcome meeting is scheduled at 2 pm on day 1 in Rio de Janeiro. Check-in at the hotel is at 3 pm. Guests will depart the hotel for included sightseeing at 3:30 pm. Please make sure to arrive at the hotel in Rio prior to the meeting.

YOUR LOCAL EXPERT

Tour Director

With GLOBUS, there's no better way to get to know your destination than through the eyes of a Tour Director. We'd like you to meet one of our Tour Directors, who average over a decade of experience and are representative of the type of expert that will be with you on your vacation.



FERNANDO BORDALLO

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

Born and raised in Rio de Janeiro, I speak English, French, Spanish, and Portuguese. I became a Tour Director in 1986, and I love my work. It's so great to see guests engage with the diversity of South American countries -their traditions and contrasts. I love sharing the history of these countries, watching the group interact during the trip, and knowing I play a fundamental role in the success of the trip.

HAND-PICKED

Hotels

We've vetted and hand-selected the best hotels around the world with location, comfort, and style in mind. Enjoy first-class hotels in each destination, and check in with the confidence that we've already checked everything out for your comfort and convenience.

RIO DE JANEIRO

Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel And Resort

Avenida Niemeyer 121 Rio de Janeiro Brazil

 Deluxe

 WiFi

Beautifully situated along the well-known Ipanema Beach, this contemporary hotel boasts gorgeous views and extreme comfort. All 559 guestrooms are equipped with the signature Sheraton Sweet Sleeper bed, private balcony

overlooking the sea, mini-bar, cable television, air-conditioning, and room service. The facilities include a swimming pool, tennis courts, beauty salon, fitness center, sauna, business center, three restaurants, and two bars.

Hotel Amenities

- Spa Services
- Fitness Room
- Elevator
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Ice Machine
- Gift Shop
- Parking/Valet
- Business Center
- ATM
- Shoe Shine
- Concierge Desk
- Currency Exchange
- Beauty Salon
- Pool
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Complimentary Newspaper
- Desk
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Window Opens
- Internet Access
- Pay Movies
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Daily Housekeeping
- Coffee Maker
- Voicemail
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Wake-Up Calls
- Alarm Clock
- Cable/Satellite
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning

IGUASSU FALLS

Bourbon Cataratas Hotel

Rodovia Das Cataratas KM 2,5 Iguassu Falls Brazil

 First-Class

 WiFi

The Bourbon Cataratas Resort Hotel, is strategically located near the main tourist sites of Iguassu. Exclusive and professional staff take care of every detail.

Hotel Amenities

- Spa Services
- Fitness Room
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Currency Exchange
- Beauty Salon
- Gift Shop
- Parking/Valet
- Business Center
- ATM
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Pool
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Desk
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Smoking Rooms
- Room Service
- Window Opens
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Daily Housekeeping
- Voicemail
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Wake-Up Calls
- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning

BUENOS AIRES

Hotel Alvear ICON

Aime Paine 1130 Buenos Aires Argentina

 SuperiorFirst-Class

 WiFi

Situated in Puerto Madero, the city's most eclectic district, take in the breathtaking views of the city and the River Plate while lodging in opulent and cozy suites, exploring the many eateries and bars, and unwinding in the magnificent Beauty & Wellness Center. The Alvear Icon Hotel is the ideal representation of the vitality and modernity that define Buenos Aires.

Hotel Amenities

- Spa Services
- Business Center

- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Bar/Lounge
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Free WiFi
- Pool

Room Features

- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite
- Air Conditioning