

# Buenos Aires & Argentina Eclipse 2020

7 days | Buenos Aires to Buenos Aires



Combine Argentina's bustling capital of Buenos Aires with the stunning beauty of northern Patagonia on this 7-day group tour which coincides with the total solar eclipse in December 2020. Enjoy a guided tour of Buenos Aires, watch the eclipse from an exclusive observation camp with a gourmet picnic lunch and enjoy a scenic tour of Bariloche's rolling hills and shimmering Lake Nahuel Huapi.

## HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

### Trip Highlights

- Total Solar Eclipse - watch the incredible natural phenomena on the 14 December 2020 from an exclusive observation camp and enjoy gourmet food and Argentinean wine as the spectacle unfolds
- Buenos Aires - enjoy a guided tour of Argentina's capital including the Plaza de Mayo, colourful La Boca neighbourhood and the Recoleta
- Bariloche - explore the stunning Patagonian scenery on a scenic tour of the region including Lake Nahuel Huapi and Campanario Hill

- Spend three nights at the charming Petit Peninsula Hotel by Lake Nahuel Huapi in Bariloche

### What's Included

- 6 breakfasts & 1 gourmet picnic lunch with premium Argentinian wines
- 3 nights 4 star hotel & 3 nights 3 star boutique hotel in Bariloche
- Domestic flights: Buenos Aires - Bariloche and Bariloche - Buenos Aires
- Airport arrival and departure transfers on days 1 and 7
- Expert local guides for scheduled sightseeing
- Full day solar eclipse excursion to an exclusive observatory camp with an astronomer guide
- Eclipse viewing glasses
- Half day Buenos Aires city tour
- Half day Bariloche scenic tour
- All relevant transfers and transportation in private vehicles
- Maximum group size: 22

### What's Not Included

- International flights and visas
- Items of a personal nature, additional meals and drinks
- Tipping – an entirely personal gesture
- Bariloche Eco Tax - \$2 per day (\$6 in total) to be paid directly to the hotel at time of check in

## ITINERARY

### Day 1 : Buenos Aires

11 December 2020. Welcome to Buenos Aires. You will be met by our representative at Buenos Aires airport and transferred to our hotel in Argentina's captivating capital. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. **Overnight - Buenos Aires**

### Day 2 : Buenos Aires city tour



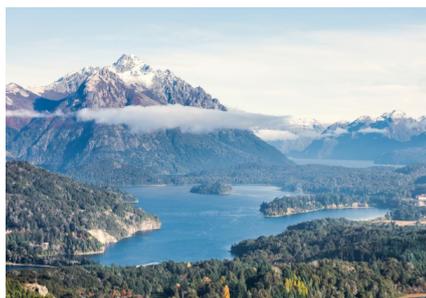
This morning we take in the highlights of the seductive city of Buenos Aires on a half day guided tour, including attractions such as 9 de Julio Avenue, the Obelisk and Corrientes Street. The first stop will be in the Plaza de Mayo to visit the Cathedral and the Old City Hall, before we continue to the old neighborhood of San Telmo, with its colonial houses and cobblestone streets. We'll also visit the striking La Boca neighbourhood, with its brightly coloured zinc houses, the exclusive area of Puerto Madero, which was

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once the old city port, and the scenic Palermo woods.

Finally, we end our tour in Recoleta, which is one of the most elegant neighbourhoods in Buenos Aires. See the Recoleta Cemetery, the resting place of Argentina's most famous figures and spend the rest of the day at leisure. **Overnight - Buenos Aires (B)**

## Day 3 : Fly to Bariloche



Buenos Aires - Bariloche. Transfer to the airport today for our flight to Bariloche, a scenic city in the northern part of Patagonia. Set on the shore of Lake Nahuel Huapi and within a national park of the same name, Bariloche is surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery in the world.

On arrival in the city, the rest of the day is free to relax at the charming Peninsula Petit Hotel, our base for exploring Bariloche and witnessing the total solar eclipse tomorrow. Located on the shore of beautiful Lake Nahuel Huapi, the hotel boasts incredible views of the surrounding forests and mountains and has its own private beach, so you can get out and make the most of your surroundings.

**Overnight - Bariloche (B)**

## Day 4 : Total Solar Eclipse



14th December 2020. Experience the incredible astronomical event that is a total solar eclipse today. We have a full day excursion to an exclusive Nomad observatory camp, at a privileged location along the central path of the eclipse, near Piedra del Aguila. Departing Bariloche with our local guide early this morning, enjoy an incredibly scenic drive to the vast steppe lands in the east of Nahuel Huapi National Park. Arriving at our eclipse camp, you can have a drink, relax and await the eclipse in comfort or go for a short hike in the stunning Patagonian wilderness.

The big event begins with a partial eclipse at 11:45 local time. 13.08 is the start of the total eclipse, with totality lasting for just under 2 minutes. We'll be in the perfect spot to watch this incredible spectacle unfold (subject to weather conditions). Eclipse glasses will be provided to ensure you can watch this natural phenomenon safely.

Solar eclipses usually occur twice a year, however total solar eclipses are rare. A total solar eclipse is when the moon perfectly aligns in front of the sun, plunging the entire area into total darkness. Look out for Baily's Beards as the eclipse unfolds - these small blots of lights appear just before the total eclipse and are caused by gaps in the mountains and valleys on the Moon's surface allowing sunlight to pass through in some places but not others.

After the mesmerising eclipse, we'll enjoy a delicious 'Campestre' picnic lunch at our camp, accompanied by premium Argentinian wines. Relax and reflect on the spectacle you just witnessed before we return to the hotel in Bariloche, arriving late afternoon. **Overnight - Bariloche (B, L)**

## Day 5 : Bariloche Scenic Tour



We spend our final day in Bariloche exploring the staggeringly beautiful Patagonian hills. Our half day sightseeing tour of the region takes in the breathtaking vistas of Lake Nahuel Huapi and Victoria Island. We also head through pine forest and past towering rock formations to the top of Campanario Hill. The incredible views from the top of the hill were voted one of the "Top 10 Views in the World" by National Geographic. The rest of the day can be spent further exploring Bariloche and its surrounding area at leisure.

**Overnight - Bariloche (B)**

## Day 6 : Return to Buenos Aires



Bariloche - Buenos Aires. Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Buenos Aires today. Upon arrival in the capital the rest of the day is free to relax or further explore the city independently. **Overnight - Buenos Aires (B)**

## Day 7 : Buenos Aires

17 December 2020. Today your Argentinian solar eclipse adventure comes to an end. Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before check-out and an included transfer to the airport. (B)

## HOTELS

Highlighted below are some of the hotels which we frequently use on this tour, though

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we reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard.

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## Hotel Grand Brizo Buenos Aires

Conveniently located in the heart of Buenos Aires, the 4 star Hotel Grand Brizo offers comfortable and spacious guestrooms, which are well-equipped with modern amenities. Free WiFi is available throughout the hotel and a tasty buffet breakfast is served daily. The hotel's restaurant offers international cuisine and the property also has a bar, outdoor swimming pool and fitness centre for those looking to unwind from the hustle and bustle of the city. Popular places of interest near Hotel Grand Brizo Buenos Aires include The Obelisk of Buenos Aires, July 9 Avenue and the Colon Theater, while Plaza de Mayo Square is just 1 km away.



## Peninsula Petit Hotel

This enchanting boutique hotel is set in an idyllic location, on the shore of picturesque Lake Nahuel Huapi. With attractive Patagonian decor and modern amenities including WiFi, the well appointed guest rooms all offer incredible views of the lake, native forest and surrounding hills. The hotel's restaurant and tea house serves delicious home cooked meals and guests can enjoy leisurely strolls through the beautiful gardens down to the private beach. Located in San Pedro's Peninsula, the property is 12.4 miles from downtown Bariloche, which can easily be reached by bus or taxi.



## Hosteria Katy

Anyone booking this tour from 01 December 2019 onwards will stay at Hosteria Katy. Surrounded by lush woods, rugged snowcapped mountains and pristine lakes, Hosteria Katy is a charming family-run inn which offers a real home away from home. The property has seven cosy en-suite guestrooms, which are simply furnished, with garden views and free WiFi. There's a comfortable living room and dining room where you can enjoy a wonderful variety of organic products fresh from the garden, delicious home-made bread, jams and tasty cakes. Located in the picturesque and peaceful village of Llao LLao, away from the hustle and bustle of Bariloche town centre, you'll find several excellent places to eat within easy walking distance and given its convenient location inside the Nahuel Huapi National Park there's a wonderful range of walking trails and lake activities to enjoy nearby. Bariloche city centre is 16.2 miles away.



## PRICES / DATES INFO

This tour is guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 4 persons. Prices shown are per person when there are 2 persons sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the per person price. If you are happy to be paired up with another single traveller of the same gender on your tour, this can be arranged provided there is another

single traveller booked on the tour date of your choosing. If a roommate cannot be found the single room supplement will apply.

## PRICES / DATES 2020

Date	Twin Share	Single
11 Dec	ZAR 40,900	ZAR 48,800