



# TOASTING & TASTING ARGENTINA

## A Wine-Inspired Journey

Join our Master Sommelier, Emily Wines, on this exclusive tour tailor-made for the Cooper's Hawk Wine Club. Sure to sell out quickly, this unforgettable journey will explore Buenos Aires, a sophisticated city full of Latin flair and vibrant energy. Experience charming outdoor cafés, exciting neighborhoods, stunning architecture, and the exotic tango. Venture to the grasslands and estancias and witness Argentina's most iconic inhabitants, the rugged gauchos (cowboys). We'll explore the famed wine region of Mendoza, known especially for its Malbec, Merlot, Pinot Noir, and Sémillon production. Approximately 60 miles outside of Mendoza City is the province's Uco Valley, a striking and captivating setting that lies below a stretch of the Andes that includes the 22,300-foot Mount Tupungato. Visits, tours, and tastings will be made at vineyards that are historic as well as those that are on the cutting edge of winemaking. Throughout this adventure, we'll be enjoying the best of Argentina's cuisine as well as partaking in a cooking class that teaches different methods of creating tasty empanadas. You won't want to miss dinner at the exclusive 1884 Restaurante, considered one of the best in the world, created by Francis Mallmann, Argentina's renowned chef. Sign up for this amazing tour, customized just for you!



APRIL 3 - 13, 2019



## DEPART USA

Today you will board your plane to depart the USA for Buenos Aires, Argentina, arriving the following day.

## ARRIVE IN BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

Welcome to Buenos Aires, the “Paris of South America” and the capital of Argentina! This cosmopolitan city with a great European cultural influence has managed to preserve its old traditions and charming corners. Upon arrival, you will be met by your Tour Director, who will help you check into your hotel (normal check-in times apply). Plan to arrive by 9:30 a.m. to catch the group transfer. Tonight, enjoy a wine tasting led by a local sommelier at an exclusive *Cava*, where you will try some famous Argentine wines, followed by a welcome dinner in an intimate setting.

*Meal Included – Dinner*

*Hotel – Sofitel Buenos Aires Recoleta Hotel or similar*

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Sommelier-Led Wine Tasting & Welcome Dinner

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# BUENOS AIRES

Begin your Buenos Aires city tour with your Local Guide and Tour Director with a drive on the widest avenue in the world, 9 de Julio, passing the famous Colón Theatre, Plaza de Mayo, and the first City Hall, which was built during Spanish rule. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before visiting La Casa Rosada (the President's Pink House). Continue to the *Metropolitan Cathedral*, where Pope Francis celebrated Mass when he was Cardinal of Buenos Aires, and also see the mausoleum of General San Martin, Argentina's national hero. Then continue to the glamorous Recoleta district, home to elegant boutiques, distinguished restaurants, and *Recoleta Cemetery*. See one of the most impressive monuments in Argentina, the mausoleum of Eva Duarte, also known as Eva Perón.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch*

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Buenos Aires City Tour**

**Metropolitan Cathedral**

**Recoleta Cemetery**





# BUENOS AIRES

In Argentina, ranches dedicated to cattle breeding and to growing grains are called *estancias*. Today, enjoy a complete day at an *Estancia* in the pampas, where Buenos Aires ends and the home of the *gauchos* begins! This full-day excursion is an ideal opportunity to absorb the atmosphere of rural life and a colorful feast in the heart of the pampas. Lunch will include world-renowned Argentine beef and live entertainment by *gauchos* in their native costumes. After lunch, the folklore show will begin with its music and dances. The day will end with demonstrations of typical activities at an *estancia*: regional games on horseback such as the *carrera de sortijas*, where two teams gallop at full tilt under a wooden arch and try to pass a pin through a small ring hanging from the arch. Tonight, visit a famous *tango* house and enjoy dinner and drinks before your professional tango show begins.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Estancia Visit with Lunch & Folklore Show

### Tango Dinner Show



# BUENOS AIRES

Today visit *San Telmo* to explore one of the oldest neighborhoods in Buenos Aires before continuing to La Boca with its colorful *Caminito Street*. Witness how San Telmo comes to life on Sundays, and you will have free time to enjoy the *San Telmo Antique Fair* with over 270 stalls offering unique Argentine antiques. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant with wine. Balance of day will be at leisure.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch*

## HIGHLIGHTS

**San Telmo Neighborhood Tour**

**Caminito Street**

**Antique Fair**



# BUENOS AIRES – MENDOZA

## EXCURSION TO LUJÁN DE CUYO

Catch your flight to Mendoza, land of sunshine and good wine, where the famous Malbec grape is grown. Travel into the ancient and traditional wine region of Luján de Cuyo, known as the “first wine area” of the Argentine wines that have gained international prestige. Your first stop is at *Dominio del Plata Bodega*, where you will partake in a cooking class that teaches different methods of cooking and how to make empanadas. You also will learn about the importance of the tea-like beverage called *mate* in Argentina’s culture, and how it is infused and consumed. Tour the vineyard that produces varieties of Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot before lunch with a wine tasting. Later, visit *Cruzat*, a bodega specializing in sparkling wines made from Pinot Noir and Chardonnay grapes. Tour the production area and sample their creations with the Andes as a spectacular backdrop. Return to the hotel this evening.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch*

*Hotel – Hotel Diplomatic or similar*

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Dominio del Plata Bodega Cooking Class

#### Vineyard Tour & Tasting

#### Bodega Cruzat Production Tour & Tasting





# MENDOZA

Enjoy your morning at leisure to rest or explore on your own – your Tour Director will be on hand for suggestions. This afternoon, visit *Bodega Catena Zapata*, a family-owned winery since 1902. Enjoy a video presentation with a tour of the winery followed by a tasting of four single vineyard wines. Continue on to *Bella Vista Vineyard*, home to some of the best Malbecs in the world, and *Bodega Achaval Ferrer*. Nestled at the foot of the mountains, the winery hosts spectacular views. Enjoy a guided tour of the vineyard and cellar, followed by a wine tasting. Lunch will be included at one of the wineries.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch*

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Bodega Catena Zapata Tour & Tasting**

**Bodega Achaval Ferrer Tour & Tasting**

**Winery Lunch**



# MENDOZA

## EXCURSION TO UCO VALLEY

Today takes you to the *Uco Valley* and *Bodegas Salentein*, which consists of three estate *fincas*. The *fincas*, where grapes are grown at a range of altitudes among the highest in the world, are irrigated with pure mountain run-off from the Andes, which creates lower pH in the grapes. This results in higher acidity, more color in the wine, and greater age-ability. After your tour, enjoy a sampling of wines. Later, stop at *Andeluna* for a special lunch, locally sourced from nearby farms and orchards and paired with the perfect wine. Continue to *Domaine Bousquet*, one of the top exporters of premium wine in Argentina, for a tour and tasting. This evening, dine at the exclusive *1884 Restaurante*, considered one of the best restaurants in the world, created by Francis Mallmann, one of the best-known chefs in Argentina.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner*

### HIGHLIGHTS

**Bodegas Salentein Tour & Tasting**

**Lunch at Andeluna**

**Domaine Bousquet Tour & Tasting**

**1884 Restaurante Dinner**





# MENDOZA – BUENOS AIRES

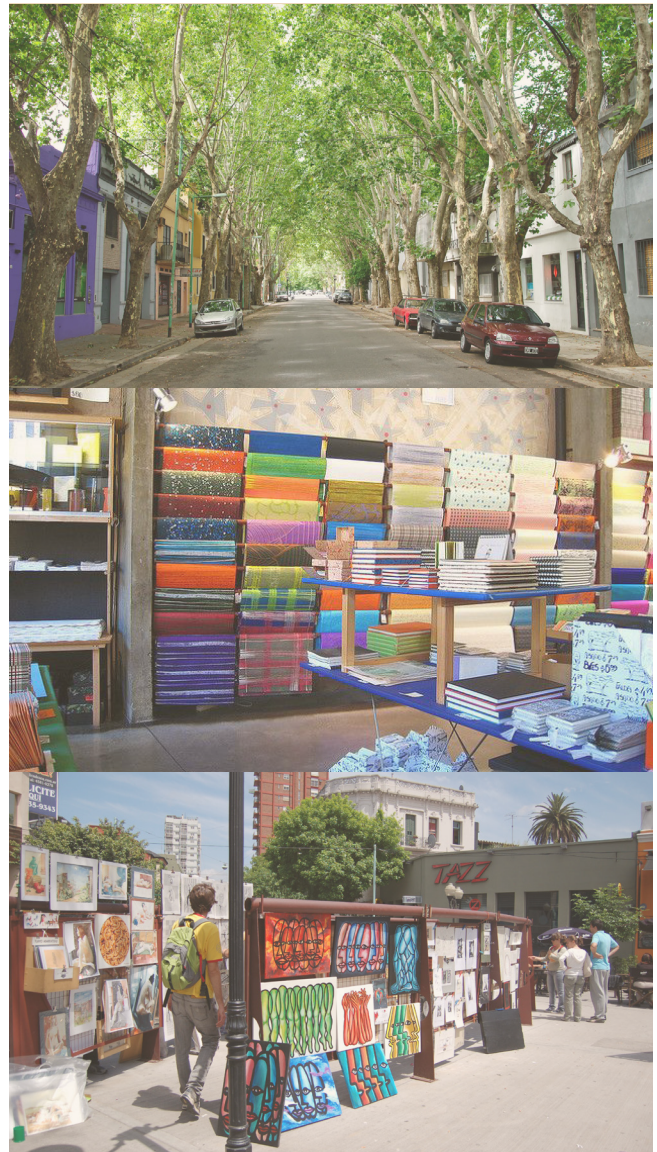
After breakfast catch your flight back to Buenos Aires. Visit the *Palermo Soho* area known for its boutiques, chic cafés, the latest fashion, and of course shopping! Enjoy free time to shop and explore the area. Your Tour Director will be nearby for suggestions. This evening enjoy a traditional asado farewell dinner with wine pairing at a popular restaurant.

*Meals Included – Breakfast, Dinner*

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Palermo Soho Visit & Shopping**

**Asado Farewell Dinner with Wine Pairing**



friday, april 12, 2019

## BUENOS AIRES

After breakfast, you will have free time until your late-afternoon transfer to the airport for your evening flight home. Flights should be scheduled for 8:00 p.m. or later. You will have your hotel room until 4:00 p.m.

*Meal Included – Breakfast*

saturday, april 13, 2019

## ARRIVAL INTO USA

### inclusions

## INCLUDED

8 nights' accommodations at superior first-class hotels

10 winery, vineyard, cooking, and farm visits & experiences as shown

Sightseeing, tours, & iconic sights as shown

Breakfast daily, 6 lunches, 4 dinners

Tour director throughout

Private motor coach & driver throughout

Taxes

Gratuities for tour guide and driver (local guide gratuities not included)

## NOT INCLUDED

Meals when not mentioned as included

Room service & personal room charges

Excess baggage and portorage

Local guide gratuities

Private transfers if you do not arrive/depart with group

Trip cancellation and travel insurance



#### rates

**\$4,857**

Double occupancy (per person)

**\$5,697**

Single occupancy

*Space is limited on this tour and will be sold on a first-come basis upon receipt of deposit. To make reservations, please call or email Carol or Kelly (contact information below).*

*You must have a valid passport for travel to Argentina.*

*At this time, no visa is necessary for US citizens to travel to Argentina.*

*This tour requires a minimum of 20 participants to operate. Wineries and hotels are subject to change.*

#### deposit & final payment

**\$1,200 DEPOSIT (NON-REFUNDABLE)**

per person, due upon making reservations

**FINAL PAYMENT**

due by January 15, 2019

*Forms of payment can be cash, check, Mastercard, Visa, or American Express.*

#### airfare

*Airfare is not included but we are happy to assist you in securing your air tickets. Arrive into Buenos Aires Airport on April 4th by 9:30 a.m. to catch the group transfer. Depart from Buenos Aires Airport after 8:00 p.m. on April 12th.*

#### land cancellation policy

**DEPOSIT - JANUARY 25, 2019**

\$1,200 per person penalty

**JANUARY 16, 2019 - DEPARTURE**

non-refundable

*Travel Guard trip cancellation and travel insurance will be quoted at the time of booking.*

*If we have a waitlist, we may be able to assist with a name change instead of a cancellation on land only. Name changes have a \$100.00 per person administrative fee. There is no guarantee we will have someone to take your spot, in which case cancellation fees will apply. Air tickets are non-refundable from the time of ticketing.*

*Name changes are not allowed on air tickets.*

#### reservations



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