SPORTSLINK TRAVEL, NZ RUGBY TOUR

SOUTH AMERICA, SEPTEMBER 2020:

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15th: AUCKLAND, NZ to SANTIAGO, CHILE

Depart Auckland, bound for Santiago, Chile. Arrive Santiago and transfer to your inner city hotel for 2 nights. Welcome drinks tonight with your SportsLink International Tour Manager.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16th: SANTIAGO

Half day guided city sightseeing today, including the Chilean History Museum, the famous Central Market and breathtaking views of the city and the majestic Andes Mountain range from San Cristobal Hill. Free afternoon to explore further.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 17th: SANTIAGO to MENDOZA, ARGENTINA

What a treat today as we board our private coach and head through the Andes and across the border into Argentina. Mid afternoon check in to our centrally located hotel in beautiful Mendoza for 3 nights.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18th: MENDOZA

Mendoza is a city in the heart of Argentina's wine country, famed for Malbecs and other red wines. Its many bodegas (wineries) offer tastings and tours. Enjoy the wide, leafy streets lined with modern and art deco buildings, and smaller plazas surrounding Plaza Independencia, on your half day sightseeing tour. Plenty of free time in the afternoon to perhaps indulge in what Mendoza is most famous for

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19th: MENDOZA

Free morning before leaving the hotel to join kindred spirits at a local rugby club for a hearty lunch, a cerveza or two and lots of socialising Argentina-style, as we build up to attendance at today's test match - the **All Blacks vs Los Pumas.**

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20th: MENDOZA to BUENOS AIRES

Check out of the hotel and transfer to El Plumerillo Comodoro Airport for your flight through to Buenos Aires. Arrive Buenos Aires and check into your accommodation for the next 3 nights. Traditional dinner included tonight in the vibrant Puerto Madero area.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21st: BUENOS AIRES

Locally guided sights today, visiting the main attractions of this modern metropolis as well as the diverse neighbourhoods of San Teimo, Puerto Madero, Recoleta and Palermo. Also visit Eva Peron's grave, Diego Maradona's 'home' at Boca Juniors FC, and integrate with a special group of rugby players at Botines Solidarios, a non profit organisation set up to promote human development and social inclusion through rugby.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd: BUENOS AIRES

The group leaves the central city this morning and ventures into the countryside to spend the day at the Estancia Gaucho Ranch, where you'll see these famous 'cowboys' showcase their horsemanship and ranch skills. Partake in a traditional fiesta and feast, before returning to the hotel to freshen up, dress up, and head out for an included Dinner & Tango show.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 23rd: BUENOS AIRES to MONTEVIDEO

Depart this morning to catch your international ferry across the Rio de La Plata to Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay. Upon arrival, you will be taken on a guided walking tour of this historic city, known for its cobblestoned Barrio Histórico, lined with buildings from its time as a Portuguese settlement. After lunch, carry onto Montevideo, the capital, and check into your hotel for 2 nights.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 24th: MONTEVIDEO

Guided tour this morning, first visiting the Plaza de Constitution, with its prominent cathedral and colonial town hall. Then onto the magnificent Teatro Solis and Old City, with it's famous Mercado del Puerto (Port Market). Free time to dine and explore further.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25th: MONTEVIDEO to AUCKLAND, NZ

Last minute shoppin'n'selfies before saying Adios to Montevideo and Hola to Buenos Aires again, as we retrace our steps, via Colonia, to Argentina's capital city and onto Ezeiza International Airport, and your flight back to New Zealand.



INCLUDED:

- International flights Auckland Santiago & Buenos Aires Auckland.
- Domestic flight Mendoza Buenos Aires
- Coach transfer Santiago Mendoza, through the Andes
- Ferry crossings Argentina Uruguay
- All airport, touring and match transfers
- 10 nights, 4 star hotels
- Daily breakfasts
- SportsLink International Tour Manager throughout
- English speaking guides throughout
- Guided city tour Santiago (Chile)
- Guided city tour Mendoza (Argentina)
- Guided tour Colonia de Sacramento (Uruguay)
- Guided city tour Montevideo (Uruguay)
- Guided city tour Buenos Aires (Argentina)
- Welcome dinner Puerto Madero
- **Dinner & Tango Show**
- Estancia Gaucho Ranch, show and bar b q lunch
- Tour of Boca Juniors FC (Diego Maradona's club)
- Visit the grave of Eva Peron (Evita)
- Visit "Botines Solidarios" a non profit organisation that promotes human development and social inclusion through rugby, founded by former Puma Nani Corleto.
- Rugby Club visit and pre test match feast, Mendoza
- Match tickets ARGENTINA vs NEW ZEALAND, Mendoza
- Tour merchandise

NOT INCLUDED:

- Meals other than those specified
- Items of a personal nature
- **Tips & Gratuities**
- Personal insurance
- Domestic flight NZ (if applicable)
- Visas if required





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