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# SPLENDOURS OF CHILE, ARGENTINA & BRAZIL - A LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY (2025)

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Small Group Journeys, Luxury Small Group Journeys

Latin America, Argentina, Brazil, 11 days from AU\$23,555 pp 18 Guests Chile

# Journey Overview

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#### **Journey Highlights**

- Visit the famed wine-growing region of Mendoza and enjoy an exclusive cooking class in a private estate, as well as the opportunity to blend your own wine
- Explore Valparaiso and its UNESCO-recognized historic quarter
- Thrill to a professional tango show with dinner at the renowned Rojo Tango, one Buenos Aires' top nightspots
- Behold magnificent Iguazu Falls from your hotel, situated mere steps away, and view the thundering cascades firsthand from both the Brazilian and Argentinian sides
- Gain exclusive backstage access at one of Rio's first Carnival group schools to learn how costumes and floats for the iconic event are created



## Itinerary

### Day 1: Arrive Santiago, Chile

Arrive in Santiago, vibrant capital of Chile, where you are met and transferred to your hotel in the heart of the city, with guaranteed check-in arranged by A&K. Gather for lunch, then take in the highlights of Santiago, including a guided visit to the Pre-Columbian Museum to view its superb collections of statues, pottery and decor, with some pieces dating back 14,000 years. Tonight, celebrate the beginning of your journey with a special welcome dinner at a local restaurant.

#### Mandarin Oriental, Santiago | Meals: LD

### Day 2: Santiago | Guided Walk of Valparaíso

Explore Valparaíso, starting with a guided walk along the hills of this storied port city. See how the hills are connected by an ingenious network of twisting streets, stairways, cable car lines, flower-filled balconies and lookout platforms. Visit the Plaza de la Victoria with its lovely Neptune Fountain, the famous Turri Clock, fisherman's wharf, the Naval Academy and "La Sebastiana," the one-time residence of Chilean Nobel Prize-winning poet Pablo Neruda. After lunch at a local restaurant, head into the countryside and Casablanca Valley, for wine tasting at the vineyard of Casas del Bosque. Afterward, return to your hotel with time free this evening for dinner at your leisure.

### Mandarin Oriental, Santiago | Meals: BL

#### Day 3: Mendoza | Famed Region with a Distinctive Terroir

After a morning at leisure, fly to Mendoza, Argentina's premier wine-making region, and settle into your hotel. This evening, enjoy a delicious dinner at a local restaurant.

#### Park Hyatt Mendoza | Meals: BD

#### Day 4: Mendoza | Wild Landscapes & High-Altitude Wines

Journey to Las Carreras, a high-elevation plain abounding in rustic beauty, its yellow grasses contrasting with the white snow on the surrounding Andes peaks. Explore it with a guide on your choice of horseback riding or trekking. Watch for the wild species inhabiting the rugged landscapes, such as herds of guanacos and wild rabbits, and perhaps sight a condor gliding on the horizon. Afterward, proceed to a private estate for an exclusive, interactive Chef 's Table cooking class followed by lunch. Learn more about one of the newest appellations (protected wine-producing areas) in Argentina. Planted by a husband-and-wife team and located at almost 2,286 metres, this appellation pushes the limits of high-altitude mountain viticulture. With breathtaking views of the mighty Andes and an intimate vineyard setting, Las Carreras offers a unique experience in Argentine wine tasting.

#### Park Hyatt Mendoza | Meals: BL

#### Day 5: Mendoza | Blend your own Vintage

Today, with the help of the house sommelier, learn the subtle art of winemaking by blending your own wine. Start with three components — Merlot, Malbec and Cabernet — following instructions from a winemaker who explains what each of them brings to a blend. When you're finished, enjoy a tasting and stay for a light lunch. Afterward, fly to Buenos Aires, Argentina, and settle into your elegant hotel, where you and your fellow guests later enjoy dinner.

#### Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: BLD

#### Day 6: Buenos Aires, Argentina | Tango Show with Dinner

Take in compelling highlights of Buenos Aires, such as the Plaza de Mayo, La Boca and San Telmo, as well as some of the vibrant, colourful graffiti art that adorns neighbourhoods throughout the city. Break for lunch on your own, and then enjoy an afternoon at leisure. This evening, transfer to Rojo Tango for dinner, followed by a captivating tango show that celebrates Argentina's national dance.

#### Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: BD

### Day 7: Iguazu Falls | Living Treasures of the Rainforest

This morning, board a flight to Iguazu, where you have lunch at the Melia Hotel, inside Iguazu National Park in Argentina. Then, set out to view the magnificent Iguazu Falls, traversing raised walkways and seeing the Devil's Throat with your expert guide. Afterward, cross the border to Brazil on your way to the Hotel Das Cataratas, a Belmond Hotel and the only hotel located inside the Iguassu National Park in Brazil. This tropical rainforest is home to rare birds such as macaws, toucans and parrots, as well as monkeys, caimans, armadillos and even jaguars, so keep your eyes peeled. Check in to your hotel and enjoy the evening at your leisure.

#### Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: BL

#### Day 8: Iguazu Falls | Up Close to a Natural Marvel

Observe the mighty falls from two different vantage points, starting with a walking tour on the Brazilian side, taking in spectacular views and basking in a natural setting filled with orchids, colourful birds and endemic wildlife. Then, embark on a boat tour that takes you up close to the foot of the plummeting cascades for a visceral experience of the rainbow-making mists. Enjoy your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, gather for dinner at your hotel.

#### Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls | Meals: BD

#### Day 9: Rio De Janeiro, Brazil | Sugarloaf & Barbecue

Fly to marvellous Rio de Janeiro and savour lunch at a true Brazilian taste sensation, Assador — a restaurant that takes barbeque to succulent new heights. This afternoon, tour iconic Sugarloaf, ascending to the mountain's upper reaches to take in panoramic vistas of the city and Guanabara Bay, and toasting the incredible view on a relaxing Scenic Sundowner experience. Check into your hotel and enjoy the rest of the evening at your leisure.

#### Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana | Meals: BL

### Day 10: Rio De Janeiro | Total Immersion in Rio

Explore downtown Rio de Janeiro on a tour of the historic city centre, viewing sites central to local history and culture. Along the way, hop on and off the Rio VLT electric train, which also carries you to the revitalized port area to view the massive street murals by artist Eduardo Kobra, each a dazzling example of Brazilian graffiti art. Then, get a taste of the city's Carnival culture, enjoying insider access that takes you backstage to see the construction process of costumes and floats. Later this afternoon, travel to the heights of Corcovado Mountain for a spectacular glimpse of Rio. Also behold Corcovado's crowning jewel, the majestic 36-metre-high statue of Christ the Redeemer — one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World. Complete the evening with a special farewell dinner in the bohemian neighbourhood of Santa Teresa, where you share stories and raise a toast to your amazing journey across South America.

#### Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana | Meals: BD

### Day 11: Depart Rio De Janeiro | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy the opportunity to experience Rio de Janeiro your way, with one of these **Design your Day** activities.

- **Visit a Local NGO**, supported by Abercrombie & Kent Philanthropy, that works to foster a favela-based ecosystem in the Vidigal favela.
- **Bicycle Iconic Rio Neighbourhoods**: Copacabana, Ipanema, Leblon and the Rodrigo de Freitas Lagoon
- Indulge in a Relaxing Massage with aromatic essential oils at your luxurious hotel's spa.

Afterward, transfer to the airport for your departing flight.

#### Fairmont Rio de Janeiro Copacabana (dayroom) / Meals: B

#### **Journey Details**

Internal Air Included: Santiago/Mendoza/Buenos Aires/Iguazu/Rio de Janeiro This journey contains some active elements. Minimum age is 10 years. First group event: lunch at 12:30 p.m. on Day 1. Last group event: end of sightseeing at 1:00 p.m. on Day 11. Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

#### Included with every Luxury Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director® and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy® Luggage Handling
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Traveller's Valet® Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

#### **Customise this Journey**

**Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers** or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.

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# Accommodation

#### Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires



The Four Seasons brand is synonymous with style and service. Situated in the heart of the exclusive La Recoleta district, this hotel is within easy reach of the city's cultural attractions. From the outside you will be wowed by the hotel's blending of a contemporary tower and early 20th-century, French-style mansion. In the tower, warm, comfortable rooms feature leather upholstered headboards and dark mahogany furnishings. Suites in La Mansión offer either French country décor, with high ceilings, antiques and Toile de Jouy wallpaper, or a more contemporary look.

Preferred Rooms and Suites on the seventh and eighth floors of the tower enjoy complimentary access to The Library, an exclusive lounge on the seventh floor that provides a selection of international newspapers and magazines, and complimentary Internet access.

Another highlight is Pony Line, a chic bar. Inspired by the sport of kings, Pony Line brings to life the casual chic of La Dolfina polo lifestyle. Balancing urban sophistication with the carefree elegance of polo in leathers and other fabrics, riding motifs, art by Alejandro Moy, and rugged yet refined elements such as pergamino-clad trunks that act as cocktail tables, the mood at Pony Line is lively and fun.

#### Why we like it

- Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires offers 116 spacious guest rooms and 49 suites, including seven one-of-a-kind suites in the adjacent Belle Époque-style mansion
- The hotel is located in the heart of the city in stylish La Recoleta district
- Dine on premium beef and impeccable seasonal vegetables in a dramatic airy setting at Elena, or savour delicious bites and equally delicious wine, cocktails and artisanal beers at the casual chic Pony Line
- The Spa at Four Seasons offers a full range of massages and spa treatments based on the Germaine de Capuccini natural product line
- An outdoor, Roman-style pool is located in the hotel gardens



Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, Iguassu Falls

The Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel, is a Portuguese-colonial residence and a classic Belmond hotel, redolent with the atmosphere of lazy days lounging on a veranda or beneath sub-tropical palms.

The rooms are decorated in a Portuguese style and feature paintings of the local flora and fauna by the Brazilian artist Ludmilla de Montes, alongside traditional Azulejos "painted tiles" designed exclusively for Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel. The suites follow a similar decorative style, with the addition of outdoor spaces in many cases. All have lovely, marble-lined bathrooms.

This charming hotel is a fantastic location from which to experience the magnificence of the Iguassu Falls, or to explore the paths leading to the mighty Devil's Throat.

#### Why we like it

- Some of the suites have private balconies. All rooms are air-conditioned
- The Hotel das Cataratas, A Belmond Hotel is the only hotel within the Iguassu National Park (on the Brazilian side), and is surrounded by tropical nature alongside the Iguassu Falls
- Dining options include Ipê Grill alongside the pool and the Restaurant Itaipu both serve international cuisine and local dishes

# Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

Feb 5, 2025 - Feb 15, 2025			
Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$23,555 pp	AU\$6,880	Included	Call for Availability
Mar 12, 2025 - Mar 22, 2025			
Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$23,555 pp	AU\$6,880	Included	Call for Availability
Oct 8, 2025 - Oct 18, 2025			
Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$23,555 pp	AU\$6,880	Included	Call for Availability
Nov 5, 2025 - Nov 15, 2025			
Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$23,555 pp	AU\$6,880	Included	Call for Availability
Dec 3, 2025 - Dec 13, 2025			
Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$23,555 pp	AU\$6,880	Included	Call for Availability

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