

FOOD & WINE TOUR TO ARGENTINA & CHILE

11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS

Experience the best of Argentina and Chile on this food and wine tour! Let your taste buds do the talking during a Buenos Aires cooking class, inspired by Argentine flavors. Sip excellent wines in Mendoza, where the cultivated wine grapes take you to another dimension, possibly pushing you towards a career of a sommelier. Finish this mouth-watering tour in Santiago de Chile. Enjoy the local cuisine during a Santiago food & cultural walking tour. Try some of the best local dishes paired with a glass of Cabernet Sauvignon and watch the sun go down. There's nothing tastier than this culinary tour to Argentina and Chile!

FROM
\$ 2760
per person

THIS TOUR INCLUDES:

- 11 days / 10 nights
- Transfers in private with English-speaking guides
- Daily breakfast & additional meals as listed
- 24/7 phone support in each country
- Tours in private or group (as noted in itinerary)

HIGHLIGHTS

- Buenos Aires City Tour
- Argentina Cooking Class
- Mendoza Wine Tasting
- Santiago Culinary & Cultural Walking Tour
- Santiago Wine Tasting

ITINERARY



Day 1

ARRIVE IN BUENOS AIRES

Upon arrival in Buenos Aires, your guide will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. Settle in and get ready for an evening of entertainment. Enjoy a passionate Tango show, complete with a full meal, wine and live music. Witnessing professional dancers perform the Tango is one of the best ways to experience Buenos Aires, the city where the Tango was born.



Day 2

BUENOS AIRES CITY TOUR & STEAK DINNER

Today, visit the highlights of Buenos Aires, including the Obelisk, 9 de Julio Avenue, the Colon Theater, the French Embassy, Plaza de Mayo, Plaza San Martin and the financial district. Learn the history and essence of Tango in the traditional neighborhoods of La Boca, Monserrat and San Telmo (home of the famous Sunday antique market). Stroll through the elegant neighborhoods of Recoleta and trendy Palermo. Finally, visit Puerto Madero, the modern part of the city. Puerto Madero was Buenos Aires's former port and has transformed into a neighborhood with luxurious skyscrapers, a yacht club and first-class restaurants.

In the evening, enjoy a traditional Argentine *asado* at Steak by Luis. Steak by Luis is located in a unique location in Palermo Soho, perfect for hosting small and large groups alike in a warm and comfortable setting. Enjoy front-row access during the show, along with an Argentine host present to answer any questions you might have as you walk through Argentina's rich cuisine traditions.



Day 3

BUENOS AIRES COOKING CLASS

Get ready for an exciting cooking class and learn how to cook like an Argentine. Whip up Locro, carbon, pies, the famous Neapolitan Milanese, along with delicious regional desserts. After the cooking class, sit down and dive into your meal paired with the best Argentine wines.



Day 4

TRANSFER TO MENDOZA

In the morning, transfer to the Buenos Aires Airport (AEP). Then, board your flight from Buenos Aires to Mendoza, the heart of Argentina's wine region.

Mendoza is synonymous with wine. With 365 days of sunshine, this desert land is a wine producing haven. While in the area, make sure to swirl, smell and sip on Malbec, Argentina's crown jewel. This Argentine red blend is exuberant with fruity flavors that top any French version. If you have some time, head to the Uco Valley, Mendoza's most fertile wine region. During your visit, choose from a variety of excellent Argentine wines to bring back home to taste test with your friends and family.



Day 5 - 6

FREE DAY IN MENDOZA

Spend two free days at your leisure. Horseback ride through the vineyards, enjoy plenty of wine tastings or simply relax at the hotel.

We recommend dining at Siete Fuegos "Seven Fires", where internationally acclaimed chef Francis Mallmann cooks regional beef dishes by open-flame, an old style cooking method inspired by the gauchos. Specialties include the 9 hour slow grilled rib eye, salt encrusted salmon and seasonal grilled fruit. Pair your meal with some award-winning wines from Mendoza.



Day 7

TRANSFER TO SANTIAGO DE CHILE

Enjoy your final moments in Mendoza. Take a quick flight over the Andes Mountains to Santiago de Chile. Or during the summer months, take a bus over the Andes to experience the fascinating landscape of the Andes.

Santiago de Chile is an energetic city ready for visitors to explore. Hike to the top of San Cristobal Hill, wander around the Plaza de Armas (main square) and check out the number of neighborhoods that surround the city, that sparkle with their own unique flavor. With the extra time, venture inside the various museums and top your day off at one of the delicious restaurants that can be found on every corner.



Day 8

MARKET TOUR & LUNCH

Experience Chile's vibrant market district. Begin in the Plaza de Armas and walk north through La Vega Chica, La Vega Central, Tirso de Molina and Mercado Central. Walk through the bustling markets where many locals purchase all their fresh goods. Take in the bright blend of colors, fragrances and a bit of chaos.

Along the way, sample some home-style dishes like Porotos Granados paired with a refreshing summertime drink, Mote con Huesillo. Later, indulge in empanadas filled with fresh seafood, paired with a crisp glass of white wine. Today's tour offers visitors a glimpse into Chile's culinary flavors and culture.



Day 9

SANTIAGO DE CHILE WINERY VISIT

Venture outside of Santiago de Chile to the Maipo Valley for a day of wine tasting. Maipo Valley is the closest wine producing area to Santiago and is home to some of the country's most prestigious wines. The region is known for its Cabernet Sauvignon as it's often referred to as the "Bordeaux of South America." Although the Cabernet Sauvignon is a favorite amongst many, Maipo Valley also produces other wine grape varieties such as Merlot, Syrah, Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc.

Visit Concha y Toro winery, famous for producing excellent wines from French vines. Taste and buy wines, including the best-known brands like Casillero del Diablo and Don Melchor.



Day 10

SANTIAGO FOOD & CULTURAL WALKING TOUR

Experience Santiago's inspired neighborhoods during an afternoon of culture, food and wine. Kick things off at the newest section of Santiago's market quarter: Tirso de Molina for an introduction into Chilean ingredients and food. Browse the fruit and vegetable stands and sample fresh juice. Then, cross through one of Santiago's oldest parks, Parque Forestal, on the way to the Bellas Artes barrio.

Stop to appreciate the facade of the neighborhood's namesake landmark: the Bellas Artes Fine Arts Museum. Next, visit a local eatery and sample some Chilean craft beer. Finish with a visit to the beautiful neighborhood of Lastarria and indulge in creamy Chilean ice cream.

Finish your walk at Santiago's most famous wine bar for a wine and food pairing and learn more about Santiago's most famous wine regions.



Day 11

DEPART SANTIAGO DE CHILE

Bid farewell to Santiago de Chile and transfer to the Santiago de Chile Airport (SCL) for your departure home or to your next journey.