Teresa Beall Expeditions presents

"Don’t cry for me, Argentina!"

Buenos Aires
March 6-13, 2008

$699 pp (land only)
$1799 (land & int’l air)

Plus two optional 4-day extensions to either Iguazú Falls or Mendoza (March 13-16)

This discounted group price is based on a minimum of 30 passengers, double occupancy in really cool 4- and 5-star hotels. Single occupancy rates are available for a supplement (see below); there are no triple or quad occupancy rates. Reservations are first-come first-served and accepted immediately with a completed registration form along with a $300 pp deposit ($200 is non-refundable); Final payment is due December 31, 2007. Please refer to itinerary details, inclusions and exclusions, and terms of conditions. A valid passport with THREE empty pages and at least six months validation is required.

Let’s face it, every now and then we all need a little attitude adjustment and Buenos Aires has plenty of attitude to spare. It’s somewhat serious, but intriguing nonetheless. It is a city with Paris’s boulevards, San Francisco’s sensibility and Madrid’s sense of time. Buenos Aires is Argentina’s heart and soul with tango parlors… fabulous restaurants and rooftop parrillas (grills)… late-night watering holes drawing stylish crowds… extremes of sophistication and poverty… a rusting port at the mouth of the mighty Rio de la Plata. Noisy, passionate, boisterous, this modern city feels a bit lost in the 1950s – men in fedoras and skinny mustaches and cars with tail fins. The museums are abundant. The beef is bold. The wine is overflowing. And, you can pay your respects at La Recoleta Cemetery, the final resting place of Argentine aristocrats and one still popular populist (Mrs. Eva Peron). This elegant city and birthplace to the tango offers museums, art galleries, chic shops, fascinating antiques, great cafes, lush green parks and picturesque tree-lined boulevards.

Next, you’re off (optionally) on a flight to Puerto Iguazú. South America’s best-kept (but not-so-silent) secret, Iguazú Falls is taller than Niagara and twice as wide. Count them: 275 individual cascades crash together to create the spectacle. There’s something primordial about Iguazú ceaseless roar. Walk along the footbridges to view Iguazú Falls, one of the first protected areas in South America to be declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. If you like, you can ride in a helicopter over Devil’s Throat where 14 falls converge with transfixing mocha swirls and luminescent spray. Take the time to see the falls from both the Argentine (free) and Brazilian sides (Brazilian VISA required).

Or (optionally) extend to Mendoza. Whether you are an oenophile or not, a visit to Argentina is not quite complete without some time in her wine country. Mendoza is Argentina’s answer to Napa Valley. The reds and whites are superb (if you’re not familiar with Malbec, you soon will be) and there’s excellent cuisine to match. Plus, the views of the Andes Mountains are spectacular! Come and see for yourself!

As are all of my Spring Flings, this is an ‘on-your-own’ trip! Although you will fly with the group and stay in the same hotels, you are free to do exactly what you want, when you want. While optional unique and exciting tours are always part of my group events, you control how engaged or independent you want to be… join others for meals and activities, explore and dine exclusively on your own, or partake in a combination of a little of both. The choice is yours. Whatever your travel style, leave yourself plenty of unplanned time – some of the best travel moments are those you stumble upon or spontaneously create.

For more information and to secure your reservation, please contact:

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Six nights at the PARK CHATEAU KEMPINSKI (63 rooms) or the PARK PLAZA KEMPINSKI (54 rooms) including daily breakfasts and all taxes. Both are 4-star charming boutique-style properties, each located in the heart of the elegant and famous Recoleta quarter. Rooms offer modern amenities and en suite bathrooms, TV, hairdryer, etc.  

- Arrival and departure airport transfers (including gratuities to the service personnel)
- Baggage handling at airport and hotel (one bag per person included)
- All service charges and governmental taxes.

NOTE: Round-trip coach-class GROUP airfare on American Airlines between San Francisco and Buenos Aires, Argentina (via Miami) is confirmed for $1100 per person (including taxes) – hence the $1799 land/air price. Yikes, I know the flight is expensive – blame it on Vang Airlines going out of business a little over a year ago – but the good news is that living is extremely affordable once you get down there! Keep in mind that other gateways (i.e. LAX, ORD, ATL AND MIA) are actually less expensive, and if you book your airfare now as an “instant purchase” (rather than going with the group flight that can be insured and not paid for until December) you can save a hundred dollars or more per person. If this is about as clear as mud, call me and I’ll explain in detail. You are also welcome to use your frequent flyer miles, based on availability – just keep in mind that if your flight arrives and departs much differently than the majority of the group, an additional price may apply for the private airport transfers.

Exclusions

- Meals, other than daily breakfasts included in the itinerary.
- Departure tax (currently $18 pp), payable directly to the Buenos Aires Airport.
- Optional travel insurance (price varies depending on whether you extend or not).
- Optional tours – stay tuned for a fabulous unique selection including: walking tours, private tango lessons, Argentine wine tasting with bruschetta pairing, fabulous tango dinner shows, tapas crawls, a visit to San Isidro & Tigre with kayaking in the Delta, biking through the parks, a day in the pampas (estancia visit), and a professional high-intensity kick-ass soccer game, etc…
- Personal expenditures, i.e. laundry, telephone bills, beverages of any kind, souvenirs etc.
- Single supplement – $500 more.

Optional 4-day Extension to Iguazú Falls – $759 per person (dbl occ)

- Economy Class domestic flights between Buenos Aires and Iguazú Falls (on Aerolineas Argentinas Airlines).
- Three nights at the PANORAMIC HOTEL IGVÁZÚ, a spanking-new 5-star boutique-style property, including daily breakfasts and taxes. Each of the 91 rooms is equipped with premium bathroom amenities including a Jacuzzi bath and flat-screen TV. Only 15 minutes from the Falls, the hotel is located atop a hill where the Paraná and Iguazú Rivers meet, offering views of the rivers and the triple border of Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay. The infinity pool is a great place to relax for an evening cocktail. www.panoramic-hoteliguazu.com
- Half day guided walking tour of Iguazú Falls (including entrance fee to the National Park).
- Arrival and departure airport transfers at both airports, including baggage handling of one bag per person.
- Single supplement – $400 more (in addition to the $500 single supplement for the basic package).

≈ You’ll have plenty of time to explore (hike, swim, boat) the National Iguazú Falls Park on your own. Optional tours available too!!

Optional 4-day Extension to Mendoza – $559 more per person (dbl occ)

- Economy Class domestic flights between Buenos Aires and Mendoza (on Aerolineas Argentinas Airlines).
- Three nights at the EXECUTIVE HOTEL, a modern and chic 4-star hotel located in city center, near Independence Plaza, including daily breakfasts and all taxes. Each of the 77 rooms is well appointed with flat screen TVs. www.parksuites.com.ar/nueva/executive.html
- Arrival and departure airport transfers at both airports, including baggage handling of one bag per person.
- Single supplement – $300 more (in addition to the $500 single supplement for the basic package).

≈ You’ll have plenty of time to explore award-winning wineries and enjoy the views of the Andes on your own. Optional tours available !!

The Fine Print

- PRICE: The tour prices are (dbl occ) based on a minimum of 30 participants in the tour (and at least 10 passengers for each extension). The price is guaranteed, but if (due to unforeseen circumstances beyond Teresa Beall Expeditions or Gate 1 Travel control our suppliers increase the price, we will adjust the price accordingly. Price of the airfare portion of the tour is subject to change until the air ticket has been issued. Should the number of participants (90 days prior to departure) be lower than the published minimum number of participants to operate the tour, the price will be adjusted accordingly, or the tour will be canceled.
- DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT POLICY: A deposit of $300 pp is due at the time of reservation ($200 is non-refundable). Final payment due 90 days prior to departure. Checks are to be made payable to Teresa Beall Expeditions.
- CANCELLATION & REFUNDS: For cancellation more than 90 days prior to departure, a cancellation fee of $200 tour cost will apply. For cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure, a 100% cancellation fee of the tour cost will apply. No refund will be paid for unused services such as: transfers, sightseeing, meals, hotel accommodation, entrance fees, and others that are listed in the tour program.
- LAND ARRANGEMENTS: We reserve the right to change the itinerary due to unforeseen circumstances. In all cases, Teresa Beall Expeditions and Gate 1 Travel will do their best to maintain the tour content. We reserve the right to change the hotels listed on the tour for others of similar quality.
- RESPONSIBILITY & LIABILITY: Whereas Teresa Beall Expeditions and Gate 1 Travel and the participating airlines and tour operators operate the land tours offered under this program only as agents of the aircraft, railroads, hotels, bus operators, sight-seeing contractors and others who provide the actual land arrangements, we are not liable for any act, omission, delay, injury, loss or damage or nonperformance occurring in connection with these tours. The Passenger contract in use by the airline concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchaser of these tours and/or passenger. Teresa Beall Expeditions and gate 1 Travel reserves the right to bring legal action to collect damages in the event that purchaser fails to pay any fees due and owing for services, including cancellation fees as set out in the section entitled Cancellations & Refunds. The parties agree that should legal action be commenced, the prevailing party will be entitled to his/her or its reasonable attorney fees and court costs in addition to the actual damages sustained and proven.
“DON’T CRY FOR ME, ARGENTINA” Registration Form

Passenger Responsibility:
Passenger has read the above exclusions, inclusions, and the fine print (terms and conditions) and agrees to each of them, and hereby warrants that he/she fully understands each of them. Specifically passenger understands that should he/she cancel the trip for any reason, passenger will be charged the cancellation fee set out in the ‘Cancellations & Refunds’.

Passport and Documentation:
Your passport must be valid for at least six months (with at least three empty pages for visa stamps). For more specific visa requirements, please contact the consulates for updated information.

Entire Agreement Severability:
This is the entire agreement of the parties and it may be amended only by written agreement signed by both Teresa Beall Expeditions, Gate 1 Travel and the client. If any part of this agreement is held unenforceable by a court of law, the rest of this agreement will nevertheless remain in force and effect.

Travel Insurance:
Travel insurance is not included in the tour price. It is the passenger's responsibility to verify whether his/her local health insurance provides coverage while out of the USA. Please contact your insurance carrier for details. Teresa Beall Expeditions and Gate 1 Travel highly recommends the purchase of comprehensive travel insurance, which covers health, luggage and trip cancellation. A waiver must be signed if insurance is declined.

Last name ___________________________ First name ___________________________

(*) NOTE – Your full name must be spelled EXACTLY as indicated on your valid passport!

Address ____________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State _________ Zip __________ Date of Birth _____________

Home Phone ___________________ Cell Phone ____________________ E-mail ____________________

Nationality _______________ Passport number _____________________ Valid until ______________

Emergency Contact ___________________________ Phone _____________________________

International Air to/from Buenos Aires? No______ Yes_______ Gateway: _______________ FF# __________________________

Extending? No ________ Yes, to Iguazu Falls (March 13-16) ____________ Yes, to Mendoza (March 13-16) ____________

Type of room? One Bed (Probably One Queen Bed or One King Bed)_____ Two Beds (Probably Two Twin Beds) ______

(*) Strong efforts will be made to request one large bed for couples, but cannot be guaranteed. Thanks for being flexible!

Require travel insurance? Yes______ No_______ If yes, the insurance price will be disclosed after you establish your choice of itinerary; the premium is based on package price. If no, “I understand that I will be fully responsible for any fees or costs associated with the tour due to cancellation/medical necessities/lost baggage/delayed flights, etc.” – requires signature below.

I hereby sign and agree to the terms and conditions attached to this form:

Signature _____________________________________________________________ Date _________________

IMPORTANT – Please sign this form and return it with a check for $300 pp, payable to Teresa Beall Expeditions

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