



Detailed Itinerary

Exclusive Grape Harvest Tour in Argentina & Chile – March 2015

Day 1: March 02, 2015 BUENOS AIRES (D)

Transfer from Ezeiza International Airport to hotel with guide. Lunch and explore the city at leisure.

COOKING CLASS AT LA CABANA - DINNER & BEVERAGES INCLUDED

Grilled beef as a culinary symbol largely exceeds meat cooked slowly over glowing embers on the grill. It means elementary secrets and science combined to paying tribute to Argentinean national identity in front of a fire. Learn from our tips; put them into practice to enjoy the glory of a nice Argentine grilled beef. This cooking class includes:

- Welcome and introduction of the grill
- Cooking with coal and firewood
- Difference between Argentinean regional grills
- The offal on the grill, characteristics, cooking methods and tasting accompanied by a Malbec wine
- Argentinean dressings: Creola and Chimichurri Sauce, ingredients and preparation.
- Meat cuts: Location on animal, characteristics, and cooking process
- Tenderloin grilling
- The guest is invited to sit at the table or if he/she prefers to finish cooking it on the grill

Overnight at AMERIAN PARK BUENOS AIRES HOTEL / Standard Room

Day 2: March 03, 2015 BUENOS AIRES (B/D)



BUENOS AIRES CITY TOUR

On an unforgettable route, we will live all the porteño magic. These few hours feature all the magic of Argentina's capital city. In this most complete overview of the Paris of South America we will visit the glamorous neighbourhoods of Recoleta and its most famous cemetery, Palermo, May Square and the Pink House, the Metropolitan Cathedral, the newest & trendiest Puerto Madero Area and many other emblematic buildings and palaces of unique architectural, historical, and cultural value. The visit would not be complete without the sights of the first settlements of the city of Buenos Aires. The picturesque neighbourhood of San Telmo, residence to the porteño aristocracy until the end of the XIX century and where the renowned antiques market is held every Sunday; Caminito Street, in the colourful, Italian immigrants neighbourhood of La Boca. Duration: 4 hours

In the morning we visit, **Catena Zapata**. In the year 1902, Nicola Catena, an Italian immigrant, planted her first vineyards in Mendoza, Argentina. The cellar has remained in hands of the Catena family for three generations. In the last two decades, the proprietor of the cellar, Nicolás Catena Zapata has studied the different microclimates and terrains of the Mendocinean viticultural region, to determine the best areas to plant Malbec, Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon. Today, Nicolás Catena Zapata is recognized as the pioneer of the production of wines of quality in Mendoza. In the year 2001 they inaugurated their new cellar, Catena Zapata, inspired by Mayan architecture.

Then we visit **Caelum**. Caelum is a family project that was born in 2009. After more than ten years of dedicated farm work and selling grapes to neighbouring wineries, they decided to complete the cycle of the vine elaborating wine. With passion, every day they seek for the highest quality, respecting the environment and maintaining a family structure to ensure the care of each bottle.

Lunch at **Ruca Malen**. We will visit the Ruca Malen vineyards owned by Jean Pierre Thibaud. We will taste its wines and we will eat regional food for lunch, specially prepared by a chef, in a dining room where the landscape of the mountain range can be appreciated through its large windows.

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Dinner at leisure.

Overnight at AMERIAN EXECUTIVE MENDOZA HOTEL / Deluxe Room

Day 5: March 06, 2015 MENDOZA (B/L)



WINE CELLARS IN UCO VALLEY WITH GUIDE AND LUNCH

This area covers the highest vineyards of the province: up to 1,700 meters above sea level. Tupungato, Tunuyán and San Carlos are located in this area. Characterized by a top quality red and white wine production, wines grown in this region are suitable for prolonged ageing. The typical wine varieties of this area are Semillon and Malbec, but Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Tempranillo, and Syrah have been recently implanted, with excellent results.

In the morning we visit **Salentein**. In the area of Tunuyán, in the high Uco Valley, the wine-making tradition of one of the most important Mendocinean families unites with capital and European technology in the creation of Salentein Cellars. With a unique location, more than 1,200 meters above sea level, surrounded by their properties and literally in the foothills of the Andes, the Cellars Salentein is erected. The cruciform construction is of an unprecedented design. *Salentein has an incredible art museum.* Then, we visit and Lunch at winery: **Andeluna**. Andeluna winery is located on the feet of the Andes in a 200 hectare estate. Its classical architecture combined with the outstanding landscape of the Andes and Tupungato mountain, contrasts with the high technology of their winemaking. At Andeluna visitors can enjoy a unique dining experience. In his beautiful restaurant, tastefully decorated and with an incredible view of the Andes, can enjoy a special lunch.

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In the evening, the **Via Blanca de Las Reinas** (Harvest Queen Parade) will happen on the main streets of the city. We suggest that you join the festivities and street party.

Dinner at leisure.

Overnight at AMERIAN EXECUTIVE MENDOZA HOTEL / Deluxe Room

Day 6: March 07, 2015 MENDOZA (B,D)

Free day to enjoy on your own the different activities, parades, etc. taking place in Mendoza during the day due to the Harvest Festival (today is the main day). Or go off on your own and explore more wineries.

Lunch at leisure.

In the evening, transfer with a guide to the Greek Theatre “Frank Romero Day” to enjoy the Harvest Festival Main Ceremony. Box dinner included.

Overnight at AMERIAN EXECUTIVE MENDOZA HOTEL / Deluxe Room

Day 7: March 08, 2015 BUS TO SANTIAGO (B,D)

Transfer from hotel to bus terminal with guide. Scheduled bus from Mendoza to Santiago (guide assistance on board is not included). Upon arrival in Santiago you will meet your local guide who will bring you to your hotel.

Refreshments and lunch available for purchase during transit.

Dinner at the hotel included.

Overnight at GALERIAS SANTIAGO HOTEL / Standard Room

Day 8: March 09, 2015 SANTIAGO – SANTA CRUZ (B,L)

After breakfast, half day tour around Santiago visiting the most outstanding attractions of the city, including a walking tour in the center of Santiago, visiting the main square “Plaza de Armas”, Santiago’s Cathedral, Ahumada Boulevard, the Government Palace “La Moneda”. Lunch in a local restaurant. Then you will visit the main avenues of the old Santiago, crossing the bohemian neighborhood of Bellavista. Climb up the San Cristobal hill to have a magnificent panoramic view of the city and the Andes Mountain Range. Then visit the modern part of Santiago including its elegant neighborhoods, shopping and financial centres.

In the afternoon departure to Santa Cruz located to 195 kms from Santiago in the heart of Colchagua Valley. Currently the Colchagua Valley is the leader in Chile in the production of fine wines for international consumption. The climate and land are extremely favourable for the production of these excellent wines.

Dinner at leisure.

Overnight at SANTA CRUZ PLAZA HOTEL / Standard Room

Day 9: March 10, 2015 SANTA CRUZ (B,L)

Visit one of the finest wineries of Colchagua valley: Casa Lapostolle. This one is dedicated to the production of premium wines. Throughout its facilities you will see how gravity plays an important role to gently create the Clos Apalta wine. You will admire a wonderful setting in which winemaking blends perfectly with design. The tour takes a bit more than an hour, and you will be introduced into the winemaking world; finishing with a tasting of Lapostolle wines, which will be longing to be part of your experience.

During this day we will also visit another important winery: Montes. The Tour begins at the reception of the winery: passengers will be invited to learn about the secret of Montes wines. The guided tour includes wine tastings and visit to the sophisticated design and technology of the winery and cellar. Passengers will be able to admire the beauty of the Apalta Valley with its breathtaking steep hillsides and panoramic views. Lunch menu at local vineyard Viu Manent (or similar). Return to the hotel and rest of the day at leisure.

Dinner at leisure.

Overnight at SANTA CRUZ PLAZA HOTEL / Standard Room

Day 10: March 11, 2015 SANTA CRUZ (B,D)

At the agreed time, departure to Santiago and transfer to Santa Rita winery. This winery is located at the foot of the Andes in Alto Jahuel. A guided tour through the vineyards, starting at the wineries and finishing at the wine bottling process. Visit the historic Bodega 1 made of “Cal y Canto” and the famous “Bodega de los 120 Patriotas”, nowadays, a national treasure. Then enjoy an amazing wine tasting moment of the aged wines. At the end of the tour transfer to the hotel in Santiago.

Lunch at leisure.

In the evening transfer to the bohemian neighbourhood of Bellavista to enjoy farewell dinner menu at local restaurant.

Overnight at GALERIAS SANTIAGO HOTEL / Standard Room

Day 11: March 12, 2015 SANTA CRUZ (B)

Breakfast at the hotel. At the agreed time, transfer to the airport to board flight back home.

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