



GROUP TRAVEL
SAE 2234

THROUGH THE ANDES MOUNTAINS

A journey between Northern Chile and Argentina 14 days / 13 nights

*EUROLATINO offers an interesting way to connect San Pedro de Atacama in Chile with Salta in Argentina. This tour starts in Santiago, where you will visit its highlights. You will also join us to a wine tasting tour at the Casablanca Valley. Flying north to Calama, you will in contact with the Atacama desert, the driest desert in the world. Spend a few days there, getting acclimatize to the high altitudes. Then, your adventure continues through Paso Sico, from where the magnificent altiplanic lagoons are visible. **Crossing the Andes**, we will reach the highest point of this trip at 4.329 meters above sea level, near El Lago. This trip goes then through Argentina until arriving in Salta to enjoy your stay in a farm. You will be delighted with this region where you will have active days hiking free with a beautiful contact with nature. Further on you will fly to the stunning capital of Argentina, where you will enjoy a tango show as a culmination of your trip. Come with **EUROLATINO** to this trip and live your adventure in the Andes.*

DAY 1 (Saturday) ARRIVAL SANTIAGO DE CHILE

Arrival in Santiago de Chile after your evening international flight from home. Reception at the airport in Santiago and transfer to the hotel. Registration. Afternoon city tour of Santiago, starting at the Cerro Santa Lucía (Santa Lucia Hill), where the city was founded in 1541. Continue to San Cristóbal Hill. Then you will visit the Plaza de Armas (main square) with the Government Palace "La Moneda" and other important national monuments such as the Cathedral, Correo Central (main post office) and the Municipalidad de Santiago (city hall). The journey continues across the Mapocho River and through various neighborhoods with a view of the city. Return to the hotel in Santiago. Overnight.

DAY 2 (Sunday) SANTIAGO - CASABLANCA – VIÑA - VALPARAISO

Breakfast at the hotel. On this day we will take part on one excursion to the wine-growing region. Arrival in Pirque, where you will find the vineyard "Concha y Toro", the largest wine producer in Chile. Tour of the "Patronal House" (mansion) with the beautiful park and the lagoon. Access to vineyards and deposits of these internationally renowned wines. Visit the wineries, including the famous "Casillero del Diablo", taking into account its production. There is a wine shop at the end. The tour continues to Viña del Mar & Valparaíso, main port of the country and city chosen by the poet Pablo Neruda to spend his days of melancholy. We will go for a walk searching for this glorious past of the Latin American literature. Afterwards, following the coast towards the north of the bay, you arrive to the city of Viña del Mar, the most popular relax-center in the region. Known as the "Garden City" for its well-kept parks and the well-known flower clock. The tour considers a visit of its beaches, the Casino and its main avenues. Lunch at local restaurant. Return to Santiago and free time for private activities or shopping. Accommodation. (B) (L)

DAY 3 (Monday) SANTIAGO - CALAMA - SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA - MOON VALLEY

Breakfast at the Hotel. Early transfer to the airport and flight to Calama. Reception at the airport and transfer to San Pedro de Atacama. While driving, it is possible to see the Cordillera de la Sal (Salt Mountain) and the Licancabur Vulcano. Arrival in San Pedro de Atacama and registration at the hotel. In the afternoon excursion to the Valle de la Muerte (Death Valley),

PRICE PER PERSON IN DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

USD 3.586.- EUR 3.310.-

**Surplus single occupancy
USD 675.- EUR 623.-**

SET DEPARTURES

2022

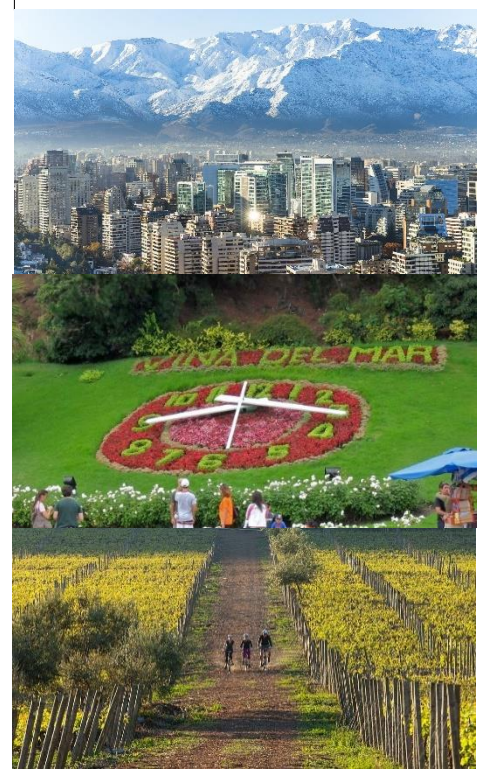
18 June	09 July
23 July	06 August
20 August	10 September
01 October	15 October
12 November	03 December

INCLUDED SERVICES

- ✓ SIB (Sit-in-basis) for transfers, sightseeing tours and connections
- ✓ 10 nights in selected 4****/5***** hotels
- ✓ 2 nights in Estancia Rancagua with ALL INCLUSIVE and open Bar
- ✓ 12 breakfasts, 11 lunches and 4 dinners included
- ✓ All excursions and transfers mentioned in the program
- ✓ Local english-speaking tour guide in all excursions and transfers
- ✓ 24 h. support (Hotline)

NOT INCLUDED

- International and domestic flights.
- Local airport taxes
- Tips for guides, drivers and porters
- Services or excursions not mentioned in the program as included
- Insurance
- Drinks and personal expenses





Valle de la Luna (the Moon Valley), world famous for its salt caverns known as Tres Marías, rock formations and for the great dune, from where a magnificent sunset can be seen. Return to the hotel in San Pedro. Arrival at the hotel in San Pedro de Atacama at 2,500 m.a.s.l. Overnight. **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 4 (Tuesday) SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA

After breakfast, you can choose one of many excursions that the hotel offers. By car or bicycle, or horseback riding... for a few hours or all day if you want. These trips allow you to prepare for the altitude before crossing the Altiplano. Learn the entire geography of the Atacama Desert, its wildlife and ancient local culture. At the end of each excursion, the hotel awaits you to relax and relief your stress in the calm of its facilities. **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 5 (Wednesday) SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA

Breakfast at the hotel. In the morning visit the Salar de Atacama and Laguna Chaxa, an atypical lagoon of muddy strata and shallow depth. Return to San Pedro de Atacama for lunch. Then visit the Jere and Tatío Raving, the largest geyser field in the southern hemisphere, and the third largest in the world. The view from ground level makes it look like a sci-fi scenario, with the steam that arises from geothermal activity and that surely provides you with some of the unique and creepy photographic opportunities on the whole trip. **(B) (L)**

DAY 6 (Thursday) ANDES MOUNTAINS - CHILE

Early in the morning and after breakfast, the journey begins in the southeast going in direction to Argentina. On the way, we will visit the farmer's Villages of Toconao and Socaire. The most notable building in Toconao is its church dating 1750 and declared national monument. Its name means "places of stones". Further south we will reach Socaire, the last Chilean town on the route CH-23 towards Argentina. In this spot we will hike for about three hours on the Altiplano at 4000 m.a.s.l. The walk ends in the Aguas Calientes salt flats. The journey continues through the Tuyaito Lake to arrive at "El Laco" Camp at 4200 m.a.s.l. before sunset, very close to the border between Chile and Argentina. From the campsite at Laco-peak, it is possible to see the Laco Saltflats. This is the highest and most isolated camp during our trip. The stay there allows us to understand how life is at this level and to experience what the first pioneers have experienced when they went through the area on foot or on mules **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 7 (Friday) ANDES MOUNTAINS - ARGENTINA

Breakfast at the hotel. The journey continues to Argentina to the Sico International border on 4.115 meters above sea level. After the custom and migration formalities, we continue to the Calchaqui valleys, known for its contrasts of colours and its unique geography that ranges from the mountain desert to the subtropical forest. On the way, we drive off through the village of San Antonio de Cobres at 3,900 m.a.s.l. From here, you can see the Calchaqui River. Hike through the hills of the Calchaqui valleys. In the evening, we reach "La Quesera" Camp at 3,500 meters above sea level. The name means "female cheese producer" and comes from the tradition to prepare goat cheese. **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 8 (Saturday) ANDES MOUNTAIN RANGE - ARGENTINA

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning walk through the outer edges of La Quesera and then down through the valley to La Poma, a mountain village where goats and sheep are breed. La Poma lies at 3.000 meters above sea level. We will also go to the crater of a volcano, the Twins. After a while arrival in Cachi, one of the main villages on the Calchaquí Valleys and surrounded by imposing snow-covered mountains reaching as much as 5,000 meters.



The name of the region comes from the many freshwater streams that run down from the mountains and flow into the Calchaqui River with salty waters. In this region, we find many agricultural areas. Registration at the hotel and free time to relax until dinner at the hotel. Overnight. **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 9 (Sunday) ANDES MOUNTAIN CHAIN -ARGENTINA

Breakfast at the hotel. Today we will explore the area, with walks through the complicated Calchaqui valleys and near the Cachi town, along a semi mountainous dry land with wind-shaped rocks as well as fresh water flowing from the higher mountaintops downhill and mixing with the salt water of the Calchaqui River. You can observe this day the local agriculture with various fields as well as some ruins, archaeological artifacts, and stone carving art of the Calchaqui Indians who developed several centuries ago a unique alfalfa production. A hike brings us closer to the snow-capped mountain Cachi, which is with 6.380 meters the highest mountain in the area. **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 10 (Monday) CACHI - SALTA (ARGENTINA)

Breakfast. Today we drive the Cuesta del Obispo downhill towards Salta. The landscape in this environment was created by wind and water erosion. Around noon, we arrive in Salta, which is situated in the Lerma Valley at 1,200 meters above sea level, at the foothills of the Andes Mountains. Registration at the hotel. The afternoon is at leisure. Time to enjoy the city and its historic buildings around the main square. Attractions in the city include the 18th century Cabildo, the neo-classical style Cathedral, and the 9 de julio central square along with San Bernardo hill and its surroundings. Overnight. **(B)**

DAY 11 (Tuesday) SALTA - BUENOS AIRES

Breakfast at the hotel. On time transfer to the airport for your flight to Buenos Aires. Arrival and welcome by our partners. Transfer to the hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure. You can explore the surroundings on your own. In the evening, we go to a restaurant with typical tango show. **(B) (D)**

DAY 12 (Wednesday) BUENOS AIRES

After breakfast, city tour. Buenos Aires is a stylish and modern city full of contrasts. We will visit the "barrios" (neighborhoods) of Palermo and San Telmo. To continue, we will visit the historic Playa de Mayo (May Square) with the government buildings, the old Town Hall (Cabildo) and the Metropolitan Cathedral. Next, we go to La Boca, an Italian embossed port district and one of the best known of the city. Because of its brightly colored painted houses became a tourist attraction. Then go visit the famous street "Caminito". It follows a visit to the Recoleta, where you will find the cemetery with graves of many famous celebrities including Evita. Back to the hotel **(B)**

DAY 13 (Thursday) BUENOS AIRES

Breakfast at hotel. Today we are going to experience a real "Fiesta Gaucha". This full-day excursion takes us through the Argentine pampas to an "estancia" (farm) and includes a BBQ with drinks. This is the ideal opportunity to live the real Argentinean life and a good end in "La Tierra de gauchos". Lunch with Argentinian beef, practically straight from the slaughterhouse, accompanied by Argentine Gaucho Folklore and a show. After lunch, you'll have the chance to explore the estancia. Back to the hotel. Overnight. **(B) (L)**

DAY 14 (Friday) BUENOS AIRES - AIRPORT

Breakfast at the hotel. The day is at leisure until you go on time to the airport for your connecting flight. Good opportunity for shopping. Assistance at the airport. Return flight home. **(B)**

(B) Breakfast **(L)** Lunch **(D)** Dinner

