

BUENOS AIRES - THE SOUTH AMERICAN QUEEN OF CITIES



The Argentinean capital of Buenos Aires is one of the most fascinating cities in the world. It is often presented as a truly passionate place that has everything. Culture lovers, admirers of architecture, art and music, energetic party people - all come here to enjoy their ideal holiday.

Nearly three million people live in Buenos Aires; the name of the city means 'Fair Winds' in Spanish and it is one of the largest cities in Latin America.

There are plenty of things to do here. One of the most attractive districts is the picturesque La Boca. Its colorful buildings help create a light, cheerful atmosphere. Mere walking through the charming little streets is an unforgettable experience. Also, art devotees may visit many exhibitions organized by the Proa Foundation or the Cera (wax) Museum.

The newest district swarming with tourists, luxurious restaurants, offices and movie theatres is Puerto Madero. It is often presented as the most exclusive part of the city and is a must-see for any traveler.

The colonial atmosphere of the San Telmo district is a magnet for architecture fans. The very well preserved colonial homes with elaborate iron gates, charismatic paved streets lined with lanterns are creating a dreamlike reminder of the past. The most appealing aspect of San Telmo is the Santo Domingo church as well as the antique fair held every weekend in Plaza Dorrego. History devotees should not miss out on another appealing district - Monserrat.

Palermo is another district, favored by many visitors. Local Plaza Serrano is a fascinating place; the nearby Palermo Park and Rose Garden present a great opportunity for walking, playing soccer, or even romantic boat rides. Families should visit the zoo or the Galileo Galilei planetarium.

The most typical aspect of Buenos Aires is tango. When here, to watch and learn tango is simply a must, as it is the national dance here. There are plenty of convenient places to go and enjoy this dance. The famous 'milongas' (where tango is danced) are Salon Canning, El Beso, or Porteño y Bailarin.

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