



## **SOUTH AMERICA - AMAZING SOUTH AMERICA - 11N / 12D**

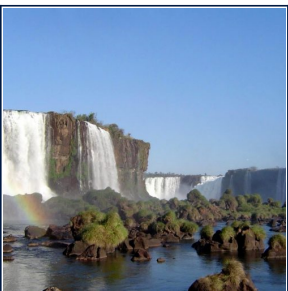


### **ITINERARY**

Itinerary:

Day 01 - Lima

Arrive in Lima, the capital of Peru and proceed for the city tour and visit the Main Square (Plaza Mayor), Government Palace, City Hall, the Cathedral, the San Francisco Convent and its "Catacombs" ancient underground cemetery of Lima, El Oidor, Torre Tagle Palace, a beautiful mansion and the Osambela House. Afterwards visit the Gold Museum and splendid collection of guns. The tour continues to the modern and high end side of Lima city, the Mira Flores. Overnight in Lima



Day 02 - Lima - Cuzco

After breakfast, transfer to airport & take an early morning flight to Cuzco. Arrive at the hotel after acclimating to the altitude proceeds to city tour in the afternoon. Visit nearby Ruins "Cusco" of Tambo achi, Kenki, Puca - Pucara, and finally the fortress of Sacsay huaman. Also visit the Koricancha or temple of the Sun. Overnight in Cuzco. (Meals: B)

Day 03 - Machu Picchu - Cuzco

After breakfast, begin your day with a breathtaking train ride which goes through Urubamba Valley and mountain top ruins of Machu Picchu. Machu Picchu is eye tantalizing tribute to man in harmony with nature. It is located high above the clouds. Machu Picchu has become one of most popular destinations in South America, high above the Sacred Valley. Take afternoon train back to Cusco and overnight in the hotel. (Meals: B)

Day 04 - Cuzco - Buenos Aires

After breakfast, Transfer airport and fly to Buenos Aires, capital of Argentina. After completing all the immigration formalities, you will be transferred to the hotel. Buenos Aires is, with over 11 million inhabitants, one of the largest cities in Argentina. A city with modern structure and dynamic activities has found the way to preserve old traditions & lovely spots. Overnight in Buenos Aires (Meals: B)

Day 05 - Buenos Aires

After breakfast, we start the city tour of Buenos Aires. Visit "Plaza de Mayo", the Pink House, the Buenos Aires Cathedral, the 9 of July Avenue, the Colon Theatre, La Boca neighborhood with the traditional "Caminito Street", "San Martin Plaza", Recoleta Cemetery, and the Palermo Woods. In the afternoon we will tour the Tigre and Parana's Delta River. Then we will return by bus along the Panamerican Highway to the city of Buenos Aires. Overnight in Buenos Aires (Meals: B)

Day 06 - Buenos Aires

After breakfast, enjoy a full day Fiesta Gaucho Tour at Estancia Santa Susana and meet 'gauchos' in their own environment. Ride to the outskirts of the city into the countryside, the 'pampas', cradle of the 'gaucho' and the rich 'gaucho' tradition. Visit typical Estancia in Buenos Aires Province who welcomes you with delicious Argentine 'empanadas'. After dinner, proceed to enjoy the LA VENTANA, TANGO SHOW. This is a diverse and superb Tango show with the great tango orchestras of the forties. Also included are a folklore show with dancers and musicians from the Altiplano. Overnight in Buenos Aires (Meals: B)

#### Day 07 - Buenos Aires - Iguassu Falls

Today, after breakfast at the hotel you depart Buenos Aires and fly to the natural wonder known as the Iguassu Falls located on the border of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay. After checking in to the hotel we proceed to enjoy the Iguassu Falls National Park, touring the Brazilian side of the fall. You will walk with the guide, descending a walkway, contemplating the lovely waterfalls in all of nature's exuberance, with panoramic views of both sides - Brazilian and Argentinean. Reaching the highest elevation then descent into the Brazilian side lookout, this provides magnificent photo opportunities and views. Overnight in Iguassu (Meals: B)

#### Day 8 - Iguassu Falls

After breakfast, visit the Argentina side of the falls taking a guided walking tour of this natural wonderland. You will see a, never to be forgotten, spectacle of 275 cataracts from different angles, walking through the raised platforms, getting near the Devil's Throat and its immense amount of water spilled, causing wetness to a large area around it. After lunch we tour the Itaipu Dam which is one of the world's largest hydroelectric power plants and a technological wonder. Stop at panoramic overlooks for photo opportunity. The spectacle of the spillway of the dam, with its huge flow of water is particularly impressive. Overnight in Iguassu (Meals: B)

#### Day 9 - Iguassu Falls - Rio De Janeiro

Transfer to airport to catch a flight for Rio de Janeiro. Upon arrival transfer to the hotel, check-in and enjoy lunch. Afternoon is at leisure, relax at the hotel. We will visit the Sugar Loaf, drive to "Praia Vermelha" (Red beach), to take the two stage car up to the top of Sugar Loaf, which grants the entrance to Rio's harbor and Guanabara Bay. The cable car holds 80 passengers and each of the two stages takes two minutes. The first stage is Morro da Urca & the second stage goes to the Sugar Loaf itself, the view is spectacular at sunset. Overnight in Rio (Meals: B)

#### Day 10 - Rio De Janeiro City Tour

After breakfast, enjoy a full day city tour of Rio. Ascend on Corcovado Mountain by train to visit one of the world's most famous landmarks, the gigantic statue of Christ, the Redeemer. Then proceed to Cascatinha, Tijuca Forest, to the top of Corcovado Mountain. Cidade Maravilhosa, "the marvelous city" as it is known to its residents and the rest of Brazil, is also the most beautiful city in the world. As a tropical resort, Rio offers miles of golden beaches, including, Ipanema and Copacabana, two of the most famous stretches of sand in the world. The tour continues with the visit to Metropolitan Cathedral, samba stadium and view of architectonic monuments of Rio. Overnight in Rio  
(Meals: B)

#### Day 11 - Rio de Janeiro

After breakfast, we will take a boat tour of Guanabara Bay, viewing the incredible "Wonder City" from its most famous bay, and has several islands such as the Governor's Island and Snakes Island. To the west, lies Rio de Janeiro, and facing east - the municipal district of Niteroi. Various sights and landmarks such as the neighborhoods of Botafogo, Flamengo, Urca, Sugar Loaf Mountain, Fort Sao Joao, Flagstone Island, Santa Cruz Fortress, Rio-Niteroi Bridge and more will be seen as we depart from the Marina da Gloria. Overnight in Rio (Meals: B)

#### Day 12 - Rio De Janeiro

Today we will check out from the hotel, transfer to airport and board the flight. Your memorable trip to South America ends here as you return back home. (Meals: B)