

EcoAdventures' Optional Argentina Extensions

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Mendoza, two hours by plane from Buenos Aires, is the heart of Argentina's wine country, where European settlers introduced the ancient craft of winemaking in the 19th century. Mendoza is a city of parks and tree-lined streets, sidewalk cafes and many wine bars and restaurants. Nestled at the feet of the Andes, it is also a center for active tourism, offering world-class hiking, biking and river rafting, just a short driving distance from Mendoza. Mendoza has a semi-arid climate. The winters (June-Sept) are cold (mid-30s to low 60s F), and then a burst of spring (Oct-Nov) heralds the warm summer with cool nights and warm days, tempered by the proximity to the Andes. Mendoza averages less than ten inches of rain per year, and agriculture relies on irrigation.



Rafting on the Mendoza River

Mendoza, Argentina

3 Days/2 Nights

Hotel Selection

Rates Per Person†	3-Day Tour			Extra Nights		
	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl
Reina Victoria Hotel	\$299	559	269	\$79	150	65
Park Hyatt - Standard	\$589	1154	n/a	\$225	449	n/a
Park Hyatt - Andes View King	\$669	1315	n/a	\$265	530	n/a
Lares de Chacras - Classic	\$400	799	445	\$115	228	109
Lares de Chacras - Special	\$425	835	475	\$125	245	125
Finca Adalgisa - Stone House or Old House	\$425	835	475	\$125	245	125
Finca Adalgisa - Stone House 2nd Floor	\$665	1075	n/a	\$245	367	n/a

Rates include: Two nights accommodations in hotel of choice, round-trip airport transfers via private car/van with guide, and a half-day motorcoach Mendoza City Tour.

Rates are not valid for Easter Week or Christmas/New Year Week. Airfares NOT INCLUDED.

†Rates subject to change without notice.

Suggested Optional Mendoza Day Tours†

Half-Day Villavicencio Tour (WED/FRI/SAT only)	\$75
Half-Day Wine Cellars & Dam Tour	75
Full-Day Atuel Canyon Tour with lunch (THU/SUN only)	125
Full-Day High Mountains Tour with lunch	110
One-way scenic motorcoach Mendoza/Santiago or v/v (6 hours)	75

Note: Rates quoted for optional tours are via motorcoach, require a minimum of two passengers, and operate from Mendoza hotels only. Winery tours are all quoted via private car/van with a private guide, and prices are available upon request. The price basis two people averages \$250 per person for a full-day tour with 2-3 tastings and lunch included.

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Vineyards

Mendoza is home to more than a thousand wineries. Here are a couple of the most important to visit:

Catena Zapata

Dr. Nicolas Catena, a Columbia University-trained economist and associate of Robert Mondavi, is widely credited with bringing Argentine wines to the world. His vineyards produce some of South America's most highly decorated wines, including the Nicolas



Catena Zapata and the well-priced Los Alamos, now hugely popular in the U.S. Catena Zapata has one of the most recognizable vineyards in all Mendoza, a replica of a Mayan Temple called La Pirámide.

Zuccardi Family

The Zuccardi vineyard offers one of the most impressive tours in Mendoza, which concludes with a mouth-watering asado in a glass-covered patio and open-aired veranda nestled deep inside the vineyard. Each course of the lunch features a different Zuccardi blend; don't make afternoon plans.



Chacras de Coria

Chacras de Coria is a small, fashionable town 15 km south of Mendoza, tucked into the foothills of the Andes and in the heart of the wine country. Chacras is renowned for its particular microclimate, with its cool mountain air, green vineyards and ranches, and purple mountains. Every Sunday afternoon you can find crafts and antiques in the town square, also musicians and puppeteers every

week, to entertain visitors. The village is full of gastronomic delights, with boutique restaurants and wine bars.

Lares de Chacras

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Lares de Chacras is a boutique hotel founded by the Day family, who started working on their dream in 2004. The Day family has lived for generations in Chacras de Coria, and the most important thing for the Day family is that guests feel at home. The country style house reflects the art of combining Andean stone with typical desert wood, bringing out a natural, simple and modern look. The minute any guest walks in, they see a hand-made window showing the view of a wine cellar covered in stone and logs beams - the perfect



atmosphere for tasting the best wines from Mendoza. There are wide log beams in every room, showing good taste and warmth in the country décor. The natural environment is seen through all windows and doors, a typical view for Chacras de Coria, the galleries, park, swimming pool and hot tub.



Finca Adalgisa

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Finca Adalgisa was converted to a hotel in 2001 when Gabriela Furlotti and Cuqui, her mother, decided to save a vineyard and buildings and restore them in order to welcome guests to this special place. With a delightfully rural character in the quiet location of Chacras de Coria, this splendid 'finca' has two hectares of Malbeck grapes that were originally planted in 1916. Guests may observe the winemaking process and enjoy tasting the fruits of their

labor. The heart of the 'finca' is the restaurant and wine cave, and the outstanding, friendly service is its soul.

Iguazu Falls, Argentina

2 Days/1 Night from \$259†

Rates Per Person†	2-Day Tour			Extra Nights		
Sheraton International	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl
MAY, JUN, AUG, SEP 2010						
Jungle View	\$259	499	220	\$199	395	170
Falls View Room	\$315	615	260	\$255	510	210
OCT 2009-FEB 28, 2010, APR, JUL 2010	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl	Dbl	Sgl	Tpl
Jungle View	\$325	535	280	\$265	530	230
Falls View Room	\$399	789	325	\$339	675	275



Rates include: Round-trip airport transfers and a half-day self-guided tour of the Argentine side of the falls including the Devil's Throat excursion. Rates are not valid for Easter Week or Christmas/New Year Week. National Park Fees and Airfares NOT INCLUDED.

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