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1 GENERAL INFORMATION



Spirited **Argentina**, with its clamouring capital, vast pampas, rolling wine regions and snowy peaks, is a land bursting with adventure. It's a place where the clichés hold true football is essentially a religion, the beef is phenomenal and there's little point even thinking about starting a proper night out before midnight. Its natural wonders range from Andean plateaux and Patagonian glaciers to subtropical waterfalls and wildlife-rich wetlands. There's an awful lot to love.

➤ **Buenos Aires** might sit at the very edge of the country, gazing out across the Rio de la Plata, but it's very much Argentina's centrepiece. The city of *Evita* and *Maradona*, its tango halls, *parillas* (grill restaurants) and feisty *porteños* (BA residents) provide a gutsy introduction to the country. In the high-end neighbourhoods of *Recoleta* and ➤ **Palermo** you'll find designer boutiques and trendy eateries, while historic *San Telmo* offers antique stalls, old-world cafés and an abundance of live music.

In the north, scorched mountains and otherworldly rock formations characterise the *Salta* region, where Spanish and *Gaucha* traditions combine and Argentina's famous white wines flourish. Further west, in the *Mendoza* region, the grapes are red and the foothills of the *Andes* offer skiing, while down south, in *Patagonia*, you'll find an astonishing spread of expansive lakes,

jagged peaks and mile upon empty mile of open space. Elsewhere, try walking in the glistening *Lake District*, whale-watching off the coast at *Puerto Madryn*, meeting baby penguins in *Punta Tombo* or exploring the Jesuit chapels and farmhouses of *Córdoba*. Another of the country's majestic natural beauties is the mighty *Iguazu Falls*, bordering Argentina and

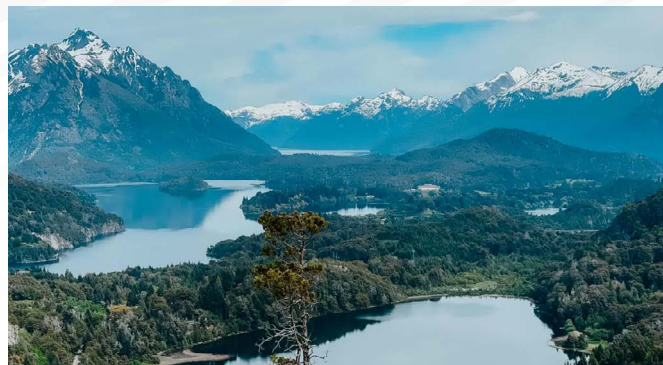
➤ **Brazil**.

Despite living through a dark military dictatorship and a spectacularly devastating economic crisis, Argentines still have a vivacious and infectious lust for life. And from its subtropical top to its icy tip, it remains a mesmerising country.

Neuquén is a province of Argentina, located in the west of the country, at the northern end of *Patagonia*. It borders *Mendoza* Province to the north, *Rio Negro* Province to the southeast, and *Chile* to the west. It also meets *La Pampa* Province at its northeast corner.

San Carlos de Bariloche is a picturesque city located in northern Patagonia, Argentina, about 1,600 km southwest of Buenos Aires. Set along the shores of Lake Nahuel Huapi and surrounded by the Andes Mountains, Bariloche is often referred to as the “Gateway to Patagonia.” Known for its breathtaking natural scenery and outdoor adventures, the city offers a unique blend of mountain landscapes, crystal-clear lakes and vibrant local culture.

LOCAL TIME IS UTC/GMT -3



2 KEY FACTS

- **AREA** 2,780,400 sq km (1,073,518 sq miles)
- **POPULATION** 46 003 734 (UN Estimate 2025)
- **POPULATION DENSITY** 16.57 per sq km
- **CAPITAL** Buenos Aires
- **GOVERNMENT** Federal Republic
- **HEAD OF STATE** President Javier Milei since 2023
- **ELECTRICITY** 220 volts AC, 50Hz

Plug fittings in older buildings are of the two-pin round type, but most new buildings use the V-shaped twin with earth pin. Travellers should bring a world travel adaptor.

3 USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Argentina Country Code

+54

Ambulance

107

Civil Defence

105

Police

101/911/449-4188/494-121

Firemen

100

Tourist Police

0800-999-5000/ 0800-999-2838

Civil Defence

103

Municipal Tourism Secretary

494-124

AIRPORT

- **International Airport Teniente Luis Candelaria, Bariloche**
(80 km)

+54 2944 40 5016

TAXI

Different number online

+54 9 294 494-2522

AIRLINE COMPANIES

Aerolineas Argentinas

0-810-222-86527

Customer Service

1-800-333-0276

LAN

0810 9999 526

CAR RENTAL

➤ **SIXT Bariloche Airport BRC**

+54 294 452-1539

➤ **Europcar Bariloche Airport BRC**

+54 294 489-2228

➤ **Hertz Bariloche Airport BRC**

+54 294 442-3457

4 HEALTH AND SAFETY

HOSPITALS

DR RAMON CARRILLO REGIONAL HOSPITAL

Address **Francisco Pascasio Moreno 601,
R8400 San Carlos de Bariloche, Río Negro, Argentina**
Tel **+54 294 442-6100**

SANATORIO SAN CARLOS

Address **Av. Exequiel Bustillo 1000,
R8400 San Carlos de Bariloche, Río Negro, Argentina**
Tel **+54 294 440-9800**

HOSPITAL PRIVADO REGIONAL DEL SUR

Address **20 de Febrero 598,
R8400 San Carlos de Bariloche, Río Negro, Argentina**
Tel **+54 294 452-5000**

PHARMACIES IN BARILOCHE

Address **Onelli 631**
Tel **+54 294 443-5156**

Address **Francisco Pascasio Moreno 59**
Tel **+54 294 416-2121**

Address **Francisco Pascasio Moreno 246**
Tel **+54 9 294 458-8254**

VACCINE RECOMMENDATIONS

DISEASE	RECOMMENDATION	WHEN TO SEE A DOCTOR
➤ Typhoid	Vaccination recommended	10 days before travel
➤ Hepatitis A	Vaccination recommended	2 weeks before travel
➤ Diphtheria	Vaccination recommended	3 months before travel
➤ Hepatitis B	Vaccination sometimes recommended	at least 2 months before travel
➤ Rabies	Vaccination sometimes recommended**	1 month before travel
➤ Yellow fever	Vaccination recommended for endemic areas - get expert advice. No certificate required.	10 days before travel
➤ Malaria	Not required*	

* Argentina is a low risk area for malaria and instances are limited to northern lowlands in the Jujuy, Salta, Corrientes and Misiones provinces. Protection against mosquito bites should be enough, but chloroquine can be used as an extra precautionary measure.

** Recommended if visiting jungle or remote rural areas. If bitten, seek medical advice without delay. Recommendations that are marked "Vaccination sometimes recommended" should be considered as "Vaccination strongly recommended" if a person is travelling frequently or spending extended time in that country, or if a person's occupation or planned activities could put them at higher risk. It is important to get expert advice.

All travellers are advised to ensure that tetanus and polio vaccinations are kept up to date.

Recommendations do change from time to time and it is important to discuss your personal requirements with your doctor.

Medical insurance is highly recommended as there are no reciprocal health agreements. Medical facilities are generally of a high standard in **Buenos Aires**, though of varying quality outside the capital. Immediate cash payment is often expected by doctors. To call an ambulance dial 107.

Many medicines that require a prescription in North America and Europe can be bought over the pharmacy counter in Argentina, although they may be known under a different name here. If you require a regular medication, bring the packaging into the pharmacy with you to show the pharmacist.

OTHER RISKS

Tap water is generally considered safe in main cities and towns, especially in Buenos Aires, but otherwise bottled water is recommended. If bottled water is unavailable then boil water for over a minute before drinking.

Dengue fever, carried by mosquitoes, is present but not common. Leishmaniasis, a skin disease spread by sandflies, is a low risk. Both can be avoided with sensible precautionary measures such as using mosquito nets and insect repellent in lowland and jungle areas. From around March to October time, Argentine haemorrhagic fever – a viral disease caused by Junin virus – can be picked up in the pampas. It is transmitted by the corn mouse, by either by breathing in dust contaminated with droppings or by contact with the creature.

5 VISA AND PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS

PASSPORTS

To enter Argentina, a valid passport is required by all nationals referred to in the chart below. The passport must be valid for the duration of your stay.

VISAS

	PASSPORT REQUIRED	RETURN TICKET REQUIRED	VISA REQUIRED
Australian	Yes	Yes	No
British	Yes	Yes	No
Canadian	Yes	Yes	No/1
Other EU	Yes	Yes	No/1
USA	Yes	Yes	No

A visa for Argentina is not required by nationals referred to in the chart above for either business or tourism for stays of up to 90 days except:

Canadian nationals and nationals of some EU countries (Austria, Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia and Spain) who require a visa if they intend to travel for business purposes only.

Nationals not referred to in the chart above are advised to contact the embassy to check visa requirements.

RECIPROCITY FEES

Travellers from the USA, Canada and Australia entering Argentina via any port of entry are required to pay a fee online before travelling and they must show proof of payment on arrival. You are able to pay this on the

Provincia NET website. The reciprocity fee is waived for travellers who are in transit for less than 12 hours, have an onward connecting flight and do not leave the international area of the airport (do not pass through immigration).

TYPES AND COST

Reciprocity fees for

- **US CITIZENS US\$160** This fee covers unlimited entries to Argentina for 10 years.
- **CANADIANS US\$92** The fee allows multiple entries for one year from the date of issue.
- **AUSTRALIANS US\$100** The fee allows multiple entries until one month before the traveller's passport expires.

For nationals requiring a tourist visa, the cost is **£30**.

VALIDITY

Tourist visa 90 days.

Passengers staying for less than six hours within the airport waiting for connecting international flights do not need to go through immigration control or apply for visas.

APPLICATION TO

Consulate (or consular section at embassy).

WORKING DAYS

Nationals requiring visas are advised to apply at least two months in advance of their trip.

ENTRY WITH CHILDREN

Single parents/adults travelling alone with children should be aware that Argentina requires evidence that both parents have given permission for the child to enter/leave the country.

6 EMBASSIES INFORMATION IN ARGENTINA

In Argentina there are **240 foreign embassies and consulates**.

Visit **HERE** ➔ <https://embassy.goabroad.com> you will be able to find the embassy you require in alphabetical order.

7 CURRENCY AND BANK INFORMATION FOR ARGENTINA

CURRENCY INFORMATION

Peso (ARS; symbol AR\$) = 100 centavos.

Peso notes are in denominations of AR\$100, 50, 20, 10, 5 and 2. Coins are in denominations of AR\$5, 2 and 1, and in 50, 25, 10, 5 and 1 centavos.

US Dollars are accepted in some hotels and tourist centres.

Prices in US Dollars are typically marked with US\$ to avoid confusion, but sometimes both peso and dollar prices are both preceded by just \$, so check if unsure.

€1 = AR\$ 1650.25

£1 = AR\$ 1892.26

US\$1 = AR\$ 1393.49

CREDIT CARDS

Most major credit cards are accepted, but not as widely as in the US or Europe; even some major hotels do not have credit card facilities.

ATM

ATMs are available in most cities and have options in English, but it is still best to carry alternative forms of payment as daily withdrawal limits are low and machines don't always work. During national holidays ATMs can run out so it is wise to withdraw in advance.

Foreign tourists who are not resident in Argentina can no longer pay for tourism-related services (air tickets, bus travel, hotel rooms, all-inclusive tours etc) in Pesos. These services must be paid for with foreign credit and bank cards, money transfers (in foreign currencies) from abroad, in cash with foreign money (eg US Dollars) or with cheques from foreign accounts.

TRAVELLERS CHEQUES

It is advised to bring traveller's cheques in US Dollars; these can be exchanged at banks, bureaux de change and some hotels. However, it is often difficult to exchange these in the smaller towns.

BANKING HOURS

Mon-Fri 1000-1500.

CURRENCY RESTRICTION

Visitors to Argentina can import up to US\$ 10,000 or its equivalent without having to declare. The export of foreign currency for amounts higher than US\$ 10,000 or its equivalent in other currencies is prohibited. Minors aged between 16 and 21 years old can exit Argentina with a maximum of US\$2,000 or its equivalent in other currencies, and minors under 16 years old with a maximum amount of US\$ 1,000 or its equivalent in other currencies.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Foreign currencies can be exchanged in banks and authorised cambios (bureaux de change), which are available in all major cities. Visitors should be aware that due to the instability of the peso, there is a large 'blue' market for dollars, which provides a much more favourable exchange rate of exchange. Whilst it is illegal to exchange currency in from these unauthorised money lenders, the practice is so common so as to make the black market rate the de facto rate.

DUTY FREE

The following goods may be imported into Argentina by travellers over 16 years of age without incurring customs duty:

- **US\$300** in personal or new goods if arriving by air, plus an additional **US\$300** of goods purchased in duty-free shops upon arrival.
- **US\$150** in personal or new goods if arriving by land or waterway, plus an additional **US\$150** of goods purchased in duty-free shops upon arrival.

Travellers under 16 may import half these amounts.

You should declare upon arrival items that might not be considered part of normal luggage (such as expensive camera equipment or musical instruments) and show the declaration on departure. A licence is required for firearms and ammunition for hunting purposes. You must declare gold.

BANNED IMPORTS

Firearms (unless under licence from the National Arms Registry), explosives, flammables, narcotics, and goods considered a risk to health or safety.

8 FOOD AND DRINKS IN ARGENTINA

Argentina serves up an exceptional standard of food, although choices can often be restricted to meat, pasta and pizza. Buenos Aires, however, offers a wide selection of culinary genres, with Japanese, Thai and Asian-fusion food becoming increasingly popular. Vegetarians may struggle to find extensive veggie options, but most restaurants do serve vegetables and salads. Outside Buenos Aires, however, vegetarians may be faced with quite limited choices.

Wherever you are in the country, meat is the name of the game here, and if you fancy broadening your carnivorous horizons, then there is a weird and wonderful array of meat treats to get stuck into. The traditional Argentine parrilla (grill) is the very heart and soul of Argentina's cuisine. Don't forget to liberally douse your chosen meats in delicious chimichurri – a sauce made from finely chopped parsley and oregano, garlic, olive oil and vinegar. Those after an authentic and reliably delicious meat experience in Buenos Aires, try El Trapiche in Palermo, and Desnivel in San Telmo.

For breakfast, head to a traditional confitería (café) and sample a few medialunas (small, croissant-like pastries) and a strong café con leche. In cities, fashionable resto-bars (restaurant-bars) are taking hold, offering more contemporary takes on traditional Argentine cuisine, and all manner of lunch options. A strong Italian

influence means quality ice cream is also popular. In the evening, Argentines dine late – 21:00 is considered early – and the feasts are typically massive.

Argentina's wines have flooded the international market in recent years, and are famed for their quality and value. Try a light pinot noir from Patagonia or an inky and smooth Malbec, and don't miss Argentina's celebrated white, the aromatic Torrontés.

If you're baffled by the choice of meat cuts most waiters in parrillas are more than happy to advise on what to start with and how much per person – even if you have limited Spanish.



SPECIALITIES

Bife de ancho (rib eye steak).

Bife de chorizo (sirloin steak).

Bife de lomo (fillet steak).

Empanadas (little pasties typically stuffed with meat, vegetable or cheese).

Parrillada (mixed grill which might include morcilla - blood sausage).

Alfajores (shortbread-type biscuits sandwiched with dulce de leche - a caramelised milk sauce).



TIPPING

Around 15% is acceptable in restaurants as well as bars (unless you were dissatisfied) which waiting staff rely on to survive.

REGIONAL DRINKS

Yerba mate (tea-like drink).

Quilmes is the national brand of lager.

Malbec wine.

DRINKING AGE

The legal age for drinking alcohol in a bar/cafe is 18.

9 RESTAURANTS

San Carlos de Bariloche is known as one of Patagonia's top culinary destinations. Shaped by European influences and local traditions, the city offers traditional Argentine dishes such as grilled meats and fresh lake trout, alongside international cuisine including Italian and German-inspired meals — making it a vibrant spot for food lovers year-round.

ALTO EL FUEGO STEAKHOUSE, Barbeque

Address **Calle 20 de Febrero 451,**
San Carlos de Bariloche R8400 Argentina
Tel **+54 294 415-1409**

L'ITALIANO TRATTORIA – CALLE ESPAÑA ITALIAN, Mediterranean

Address **Calle Espana 590,**
San Carlos de Bariloche R8400 Argentina
Tel **+54 294 442-1596**



STAG INTERNATIONAL, Fusion

Address **Hua Huan 7549 Sobre La Costa Del Lago Nahuel**
Huapi, San Carlos de Bariloche R8400 Argentina
Tel **+54 294 480-5144**

REFUGIO VIEJO ARGENTINEAN

Address **Av. Bustillo 868, San Carlos de Bariloche**
R8400 Argentina
Tel **+54 294 467-9545**

RESTAURANT PUNTO PANORAMICO INTERNATIONAL, Bar

Address Ruta Provincial 77, Cto. Chico 300, 8400 Km 23,
San Carlos de Bariloche R8400 Argentina
Tel +54 294 434-7127

QUIVEN PATAGONIA HOUSE KITCHEN ARGENTINEAN

Address Avenida Exequiel Bustillo 19688,
San Carlos de Bariloche R8400 Argentina
Tel +54 9 2945 90-2046

EXPERIENCIA PATACON BY LUCHO REMIRO ARGENTINEAN, GRILL

Address Ruta, Antiguo Camino Llao Llao Km 6,900,
San Carlos de Bariloche R8400 Argentina
Tel +54 294 444-2898



10 TRAVELING AROUND ARGENTINA

BY AIR

Argentina is huge, making air travel the most practical way to get around. However, airlines in Argentina operate a two-tier pricing structure, which means that foreign travellers pay twice, or even three times as much as locals.

➔ **Aerolíneas Argentinas** serves many domestic destinations from its key hubs in Buenos Aires, Cordoba and Bariloche.

ROAD CONDITIONS

A 4x4 is recommended if venturing too far outside rural areas. When driving in cities keep windows closed and doors locked, especially when stopping at junctions. Major roads are generally in good condition, although rural roads, composed of packed dirt, can become impassable after rain. The 'A' roads are the autopistas (motorways) and those labelled 'R' are rutas (roads) - tolls exist on all main roads.

The Automóvil Club Argentino - ACA (Tel 0800 777 2894 in Argentina; www.aca.org.ar) offers breakdown cover and reciprocal benefits for members of motoring organisations in other countries.

REGULATIONS

The maximum speed limit on motorways is 130 kph (80 mph), 80 kph (50 mph) on one-lane roads, while the speed limit in built-up areas varies (40-60 kph/25-37 mph). The wearing of seat belts is compulsory.

CAR HIRE

Visitors aged 21 or over may hire a car in Argentina. Car hire is available in most towns and cities, and many international companies operate out of Buenos Aires and main tourist destinations.

11 RESERVATIONS

➔ **SEL - Sport & Events Logistics S.r.l.** is the Official Carrier and Travel Agency of the FIM Motocross World Championship, for any reservation or information request you may contact your reference person in SEL:

STEFANO VIERO, TEAM LEADER

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Mobile +39 348 2324353

12 TRACK INFORMATION



RACE TRACK

Name Bariloche MX Race Track
Address Predio PITBA. Address: Ruta Nacional 40, KM 2043 – San Carlos de Bariloche, Río Negro
GPS coordinates -41.14638066786612, -71.21694784857671
[▶ Link to the map](#)
Website www.mxgpargentina.com

ORGANIZER

Name +Eventos
Phone +54 0351 4872010
Email info@maseventos.com.ar
Website www.maseventos.com.ar

LOCAL PRESS OFFICER

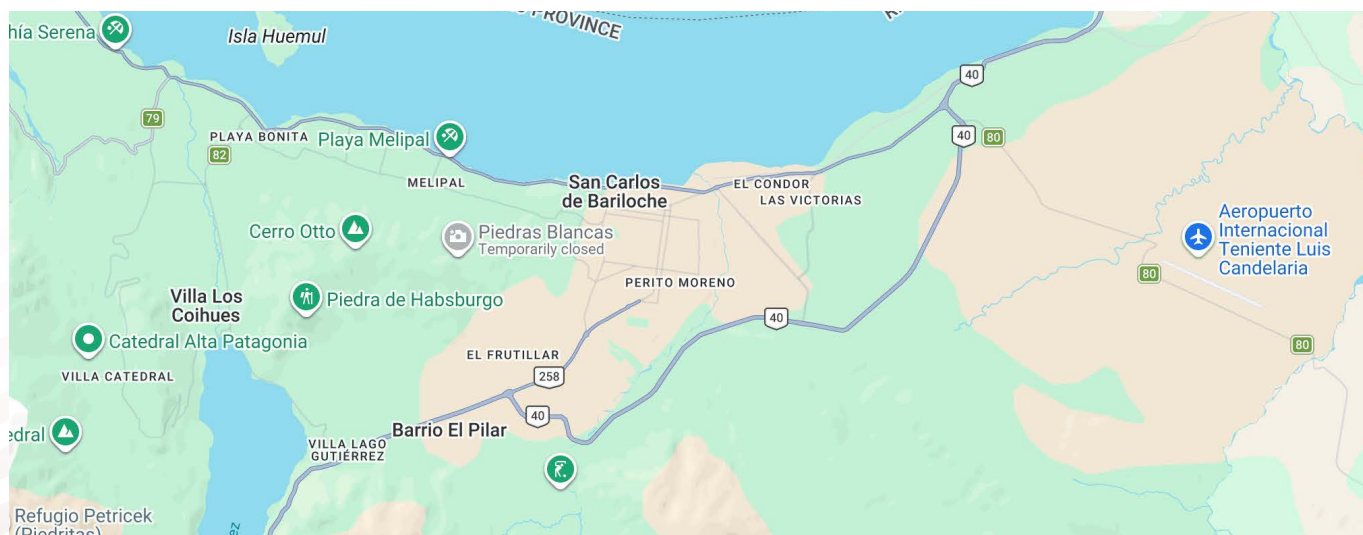
Name Belén Otero
Email prensa@maseventos.com.ar

NATIONAL FEDERATION

Name CAMOD
Website www.camod.com.ar

AIRPORTS

Airport Name Aeropuerto Internacional Teniente Luis Candelaria (BCR)
Distance from Track 10 km
Website www.aeropuertos.net/aeropuertointernacional-teniente-luis-candelaria



13 ANNEX A

REFERENCES

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- www.sel.it
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- www.worldpopulationstatistics.com
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- www.wikipedia.org
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- google.com