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# Buenos Aires Argentina

BUENOS AIRES GUIDE IN ENGLISH



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# 1 THE CITY

## LOCATION

### BUENOS AIRES

Capital of the Argentine Republic is located on the River Plate coast

The Río de la Plata and the Riachuelo are the natural borders of the city on the east and south, respectively. The rest of the metropolitan perimeter is surrounded by the General Paz Avenue from north to west. This avenue provides a fast connection between the city and the Greater Buenos Aires, a densely populated area with important business and industrial activity.

## WEATHER

The climate of Buenos Aires is mild all year round. The mean annual temperature is 18° C (64.4° F), making extremely hot and cold days very infrequent. Thus, visitors can enjoy walking around the city in any season.

July is the coldest month. Although frosts are rare, a woollen coat, a jacket or an overcoat.

In summer, the weather is hot and humid.

Rains are more frequent in autumn and spring (from March to June and from September to December, respectively).

## SEASONS

Summer(December 21 to March 20)

Autumn (March 21 to June 20)

Winter (June 21 to September 20)

Spring (September 21 to December 20)

## CONVERSIONS

From °C to °F: multiply by 1.8 and add 32

From °F to °C: subtract 32 and multiply by 0.59

	+	/	-
january	35	28	20
february	30	25	19
march	25	21	17
april	22	17	13
may	19	14	10
june	15	11	7
july	14	10	5
august	16	11	6
sept	18	14	9
oct	22	17	13
nov	25	20	15
dec	29	25	18

## PORTEÑOS

Buenos Aires has always been an open-door city. Its inhabitants are called porteños, which makes reference to the fact that the city is a port. The inhabitant of the province of Buenos Aires is called bonaerense.

## LANGUAGE

The official language is Spanish. Something to note is the use of **vos** (you) instead of the Spanish **tú** for informal treatment, and the use of **che** to address a person. Most people involved in tourist activities speak English.



GLOSSARY

### Che

This is an informal expression used to call the attention of the interlocutor. It allows to call somebody without saying his/her name: "che, can you tell me what's the time?"

## RELIGION

Argentina recognizes the freedom of worship. The official religion is that of the Roman Catholic Church. There are also other places of public worship, such as the Jewish central synagogue, and the Mosque of Palermo neighborhood.

## SANITARY INFORMATION

Vaccination is neither obligatory nor necessary to visit Buenos Aires since the city is safe from the sanitary viewpoint. The public water supply is reliable. Public hospitals - available for tourists - offer a 24-hour emergency service, without charge. Argentine physicians are considered excellent professionals worldwide.

SAME, the ambulance emergency service is also for free. Call nº 107

## SAFETY

Buenos Aires is a safe city, but as in any other big city in the world, the tourist should take some precautions. For example, avoid leaving your purse or bag hanging from chairs in public places, as well as walking at night along poorly lit areas.



### TOURIST SEASON

You may visit the city all the year round. January (summer) is the most quiet month since many residents are on vacation, but the cultural offer is still abundant and varied.

If you stay for several days, you may combine city tours with visits to places around the city such as the Delta (of the Paraná river), estancias (ranch houses), or Martín García island.

### HOLIDAYS

Banks, businesses and some shops close on holidays, but most cinemas and theaters are open. Generally, companies offering city tours and excursions do not suspend their services.

If a holiday falls on Saturday or Sunday or between Tuesday and Friday, it is generally transferred to the next or previous Monday.

### HOURS

The time zone corresponds to GMT-3 and currently no change is made in the summer months.

Activity in Buenos Aires starts in the first hours of the day and extends until late at night.

### SHOPS

Shops are open Monday through Fridays, from 9 am to 8 pm, and Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm; however, shops located in important avenues are open on Saturday afternoon. In shopping centers, hours usually extend until 10 pm, including Saturdays and Sundays.

### BANKS

Banks open at 10 am and close at 3 pm (some banks extend their closing time to 4 pm). Cash extractions and other transactions may be made in ATMs, 24 hours a day.

### TELEPHONES CALLING FROM BUENOS AIRES

Buenos Aires has many public telephone booths.

Public phones operate with:

5, 10, 25, 50-cent and 1-peso coins

Phone cards that may be bought at any quiosco (sweet and tobacco stalls).

These phones support urban, national and international calls.

In addition to public phones, there are many

communications centers (locutorios and telecentros) offering telephone, fax and internet services.

For international calls, dial: 00 + country code + area code + local number.

### Telephones Calling To Buenos Aires

The country code for Argentina is 54, and the area code for Buenos Aires is 11.

For example, to call to 4555-5555 from outside the country, you should dial: 54-11-4555-5555.

### CURRENCY

The Argentine currency is the peso (\$). There are \$ 100, \$ 50, \$ 20, \$ 10, \$ 5 and \$ 2 notes, and 1, 0.50, 0.25, 0.10 and 0.05 cent coins.

The U.S. dollar is the most common foreign currency. Banks and casas de cambio (currency exchange offices), where you must present your passport, exchange foreign currency. Shops accept credit cards and dollars.

### RATE OF EXCHANGE

The exchange rate in Argentina is convenient for the foreign tourist.

The main banking area is located in the so-called "city". This area comprises the first five blocks (numbered 100 to 500) of San Martín, Reconquista, 25 de Mayo, Sarmiento, Presidente Juan Domingo Perón and Mitre streets.

The U.S. dollar is accepted in most shops, but it is convenient to exchange them for pesos in casas de cambio or banks.

### VAT

VAT in Argentina amounts to 21%.

### TAX FREE

At the airport, and on departure day, you may request to be refunded the Value Added Tax (VAT) paid for articles purchased in shops having a sign reading: TAX FREE. To that purpose, you should keep all invoices or tickets and fill out a form you may request at the Airport.

### ELECTRIC POWER

In Argentina is 220 volt, 50-cycle alternating current. Power outlets have 2 cylindrical holes or 2 flat holes with ground connection. It is convenient to bring an adaptor for these outlets to use your electric Devices without problems.



## 2 USEFUL TELEPHONES AND ADDRESS

If, during your visit, suffer some kind of abuse or discrimination:

### TOURIST POLICE STATION

Provides information in English, Italian, French, Portuguese and Ukrainian. Corrientes 436.  
turista@policiafederal.gov.ar  
☎ 4346 5748 / 0800 999 5000

### TOURIST OMBUDSMAN

communicate with the Tourist Ombudsman, phone number: 4302 7816. To contact personally, can go to Ave. Pedro de Mendoza 1835 ("Benito Quinquela Martín" Museum) in the neighborhood of La Boca. From Monday to Sunday, from 10 AM to 6 PM.

### EMERGENCY

The ambulance emergency service SAME, (free emergency ambulance service)  
Toll free call. 107  
The public water supply is reliable.  
Public hospitals - available for tourists offer a 24-hour emergency service, without charge.

### A BANK BRANCH FOR THE TOURIST

The Tourism Branch of the Banco Ciudad.  
Branch N° 53, Córdoba 675, Capital Federal.  
Dollar, Euro and Traveller Checks Purchase and Sale

**TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON THE CITY**  
**Go to City Tourist Information Centers (CIT).**

### AEROPARQUE JORGE NEWBERY

Address: Aerolíneas Argentinas airline central hall  
Neighborhoods: Palermo  
Hours: monday to sunday from 10 am to 5 pm.  
Staff from the Secretary of Tourism of the Nation will be here providing you information.

### AEROPARQUE INTERNACIONAL MINISTRO PISTARINI, ESPIGÓN INTERNACIONAL

Address: Ezeiza  
Neighborhood: Pcia. de Buenos Aires  
Hours: monday to friday from 10 am to 5 pm.

### FLORIDA

Address: Florida 100  
Neighborhoods: San Nicolás  
Hours: monday to friday from 1 pm to 6 pm; saturday from 10 am to 3 pm.

### PUERTO MADERO

Address: Alicia Moreau De Justo 200 Dique 4  
Neighborhoods: Puerto Madero  
☎ 4313 0187  
Hours: monday to sunday from 11 am to 6 pm.  
Information about Montevideo city (Uruguay) is also provided by this center.

### RECOLETA

Address: Quintana 596  
Neighborhoods: Recoleta  
Hours: monday, thursday, saturday and sunday from 11 am to 7 pm. Tuesday, wednesday and friday from 10:30 to 6:30 pm.

### RETIRO

Address: Av. Antártida Argentina (Bus terminal, shop 83)  
Neighborhoods: Retiro  
☎ 4311 0528  
Hours: monday to saturday from 7.30 am to 1 pm.

### SAN TELMO

Address: Defensa 1250  
Neighborhoods: San Telmo  
Hours: saturday and sunday from 10 am to 6 pm.

### TORRE MONUMENTAL

Address: square "Fuerza Aérea Argentina"  
Neighborhoods: Retiro  
Hours: Thursday to sunday from 12 am to 7 pm.

### TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON TOUR CIRCUITS WITHIN THE COUNTRY

There are three National Tourist Information Centers, depending from the National Secretariat of Tourism:

#### Av. Santa Fe 883, ground floor.

☎ (54 11) 4312 2232 / 5550 // 0800 555 0016.

#### Jorge Newbery airport, Costanera Norte

☎ (54 11) 4771 0104.

#### Ministro Pistarini International Airport, International terminal, Ezeiza, Province of Buenos Aires.

☎ (54 11) 4480 0224.



## CONSULATES AND EMBASSIES

Foreign tourists visiting Buenos Aires may contact the consulates and embassies of their countries of origin To solve any problem regarding their documentation and receive advice.

### Alemania

Villanueva 1055  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
☎ 4778 2500  
consulado@embajada-alemana.org.ar  
www.embajada-alemana.org.ar  
Monday to friday from 8.30 am to 11 am.

### Arabia Saudita

Alejandro María de Aguado 2881  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4802 3375 / 4303  
info@embajadasaudi.org  
www.embajadasaudi.org  
Monday to friday from 10 am to 3 pm.

### Australia

Villanueva 1400  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
☎ 4779 3500  
ausemba@satlink.com  
www.australia.org.ar  
Monday to Thursday from 8.30 am to 12.30 am;  
1.30 pm to 5.30 pm.

### Bolivia

Av. Corrientes 545, 2º  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
☎ 4394 1463  
embolivia-baires@sinectis.com.ar  
www.embajadebolivia.com-ar  
Monday to friday from 9.30 am to 5 pm.

### Brasil

Carlos Pellegrini 1363, 5º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4515 6500  
diversos@interprov.com.ar  
www.brasil.org.ar  
Monday to friday from 9 am to 1 pm.

### Canadá

Tagle 2828  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4808 1000  
bairs-webmail@tfait-maeci.gc.ca  
www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca  
Monday to Thursday from 2 pm to 4 pm.

### Chile

San Martín 439, 9º  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
☎ 4394 6582 / 6371  
cgbairar@consuladodechile.org.ar  
www.consuladodechile.org.ar  
Monday to friday from 9 am to 1 pm.

### China

Av. Crisólogo Larralde 5349  
Neighborhood: Villa Urquiza  
☎ 4541 5085  
embchinaargentina@hotmail.com

### Colombia

Av. Santa Fe 782, 1º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4312 5538 / 5446  
consulado@embajadacolombia.int.ar  
www.embajadacolombia.int.ar  
Monday to friday from 8.30 am to 2 pm.

### Corea del Sur

San Martín de Tours 2857  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4806 6796  
argentina@mofat.go.kr  
www.embcorea.org.ar  
Monday to friday from 9 am to 12 am.  
2.30 pm. to 4.30 pm.

### Costa Rica

Av. Santa Fe 1460, 3º  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4815 8159  
embarica@fibertel.com.ar  
Monday to friday from 10 am to 1 pm.

### Cuba

Virrey del Pino 1810  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
☎ 4782 9089 / 49 // 4783 2213  
consulado@embacuba.com.ar  
www.embacuba.com.ar  
Monday to friday from 9 am to 12 am.

### Ecuador

Quintana 585, 10º  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4804 6408  
consuldorbaiec@embecuador.com.ar  
Monday to friday from 9 am to 4 pm.

### El Salvador

Suipacha 1380, 2º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4325 0849 / 8588  
elsalvador@tournet.com.ar  
www.embajadaelsalvador.com.ar  
Monday to friday from 10 am to 2 pm.



#### **España**

Gral. Guido 1760  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4811 0070  
consulado.buenosaires@correo.mae.es  
www.mae.es/consulados/buenosaires  
Monday to friday from 8.30 am to 2 pm.

#### **Estados Unidos**

Av. Colombia 4300  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 5777 4533  
bue-publicopinion@state.gov  
http://buenosaires.usembassy.gov  
Monday to friday from 10 am to 12 am.

#### **Francia**

Av. Santa Fe 846, 3º and 4º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4312 2409  
consulat-france@consulatfrance.int.ar  
www.consulatfrance.int.ar  
Monday to friday from 9 am to 12 am.

#### **Guatemala**

Av. Santa Fe 830, 5º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4313 9160 / 9180  
embagua@ciudad.com.ar  
Monday to friday from 10 am to 1.30 pm.

#### **Honduras**

Av. Callao 1564, 2º  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4803 0077; 1769  
embajadahonduras@fibertel.com.ar  
Monday to friday from 10 am to 5 pm.

#### **Israel**

Av. de Mayo 701, 10º  
Neighborhood: Monserrat  
☎ 4338 2500  
israel@buenosaires.mfa.gov.il  
www.buenosaires.mfa.gov.il  
Monday to Thursday from 9 am to 5 pm; Friday from 9 am to 2.30 pm.

#### **Italia**

Marcelo T. de Alvear 1149  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4816 6132 al 36  
ambitalia@ambitalia-bsas.org.ar  
www.consitalia-bsas.org.ar  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 am to 11 am.

#### **Jamaica**

Rivadavia 829  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
☎ 4331 8787; 3159

#### **Japón**

Bouchard 547, 17º  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
☎ 4318 8200 / 8220  
www.ar.emb-japan.go.jp  
Monday to Friday from 9.15 am to 12.30 am;  
2.30 pm to 4.30 pm.

#### **México**

Arcos 1650  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
☎ 4789 8826 / 8827  
embamexarg@interlink.com.arf  
www.embamex.int.ar  
Monday to Friday from 10 am to 1 pm.

#### **Nigeria**

Juez Estrada 2746  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4799 7006 / 8090  
info@nigerianembassy-argentina.org  
www.nigerianembassy-argentina.org  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm.

#### **Países Bajos (Holanda)**

Olga Cosentini 831, 3º  
Neighborhood: Puerto Madero  
☎ 4338 0050  
bue-tcz@minbuza.nl  
www.embajadaholanda.int.ar  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to 12.30 am.

#### **Palestina**

Riobamba 981  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4816 6651  
embajador@palestina.int.ar / jerusalen@palestina.int.ar  
www.palestina.int.ar  
Monday to Friday from 10 am to 5 pm.

#### **Panamá**

Av. Santa Fe 1461, 5º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4813 8543  
informes@consuladodepanama.com.ar  
Monday to Friday from 8 am to 2 pm.

#### **Paraguay**

Av. Gral. Las Heras 2545  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4802 3826  
embapar@fibertel.com.ar  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to 2 pm.



#### **Perú**

Florida 165, 2º  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4334 0970 al 75  
comperbares@ciudad.com.ar  
www.consuladoperubaires.org  
Monday to Friday from 8 am to 1 pm.

#### **Polonia**

Alejandro María de Aguado 2870  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4801 0071  
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 2 pm to 3.30 pm.

#### **Portugal**

Maipú 942, 17º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4312 3524; 0187  
embpor@embajadaportugal.org.ar  
www.embajadaportugal.org.ar  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to 12 am.

#### **Reino Unido**

Dr. Luis Agote 2412  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4808 2200  
mailmasters@bares.fco.gov.uk  
www.britain.org.ar  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to 1 pm.

#### **Rusia**

Gral. Guido 1677  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4812 1794  
embrusia@arnet.com.ar  
www.argentina.mid.ru  
Monday to Friday from 10 am to 12 am;  
tuesday and Thursday from 5 pm to 7 pm.

#### **Siria**

Av. Callao 956  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
☎ 4813 2113 / 5438  
embajadasiria@speedy.com.ar  
Monday to Friday from 10 am to 1 pm.

#### **Suiza**

Av. Santa Fe 846, 10º  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4311 6491 al 95  
vertretung@bue.rep.admin.ch  
www.eda.admin.ch/buenosaires  
Monday to Friday from 9 am to 12 am.

#### **Unión Europea**

Ayacucho 1537  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4805 3759  
delegation-argentina@cec.eu.int  
www.delarg.cec.eu.int  
Monday to Thursday from 11 am to 1 pm;  
And 2 pm to 5 pm.

#### **Uruguay**

Ayacucho 1616  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4807 3041 / 40  
webmaster@embajadauruguay.com  
www.embajadadeluruguay.com.ar  
Monday to Friday from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm.

#### **Venezuela**

Virrey Loreto 2035  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
☎ 4785 2226  
embaven@fibertel.com.ar  
www.la-embajada.com.ar  
Monday to Friday from 9.30 am to 12.30 am.

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### 3 CIRCUITS



## 47 BARRIOS PORTEÑOS

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|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. NUÑEZ             | 25. ALMAGRO             |
| 2. SAAVEDRA          | 26. BOEDO               |
| 3. COGHLAN           | 27. PARQUE CHACABUCO    |
| 4. BELGRANO          | 28. CABALLITO           |
| 5. PALERMO           | 29. FLORES              |
| 6. COLEGIALES        | 30. VILLA GENERAL MITRE |
| 7. VILLA URQUIZA     | 31. VILLA SANTA RITA    |
| 8. VILLA PUEYRREDON  | 32. FLORESTA            |
| 9. VILLA DEVOTO      | 33. VELEZ SARSFIELD     |
| 10. VILLA DEL PARQUE | 34. MONTECASTRO         |
| 11. AGRONOMIA        | 35. VILLA REAL          |
| 12. VILLA ORTUZAR    | 36. VERSALLES           |
| 13. PATERNAL         | 37. LINIERS             |
| 14. CHACARITA        | 38. VILLA LURO          |
| 15. VILLA CRESPO     | 39. MATADEROS           |
| 16. RECOLETA         | 40. PARQUE AVELLANEDA   |
| 17. RETIRO           | 41. VILLA LUGANO        |
| 18. PUERTO MADERO    | 42. VILLA RIACHUELO     |
| 19. SAN NICOLAS      | 43. VILLA SOLDATI       |
| 20. MONTSERRAT       | 44. NUEVA POMPEYA       |
| 21. SAN TELMO        | 45. PARQUE PATRICIOS    |
| 22. CONSTITUCION     | 46. BARRACAS            |
| 23. SAN CRISTOBAL    | 47. LA BOCA             |
| 24. BALVANERA        |                         |

#### NEIGHBORHOODS PORTEÑOS

Buenos Aires neighborhoods are 47 according to municipal bylaws. However, Buenos Aires inhabitants consider more than 47 neighborhoods within the city; for example, they distinguish areas like Abasto, Congreso and Once as neighborhoods (but the three of them comprise the Balvanera neighborhood); Av. Corrientes and Centro (San Nicolás neighborhood); Primera Junta and Parque Centenario (Caballito neighborhood); Las Cañitas, Palermo Hollywood, Palermo Soho (Palermo neighborhood).

#### GUIDED TOURS

The guided tours offered by the City's Under secretariat of Tourism are free. Tourists walk around the city to view the architectonic, historic and commercial attractions of each neighborhood.

Guided Tours to the emblematic premises of the city The Metropolitan Cathedral, the House of Government, the Congress of the Nation. The Colón theatre, the Nacional Cervantes theatre and the San Martín theatre. Museums. The Zanjón de Granados in San Telmo neighborhood, the Recoleta cemetery and nightly guided visits to the Ecological Reservoir in Costanera Sur. Thematic circuits. San Ignacio church, its primitive cloister, and other outstanding religious premises of different credos.

Admission: free or 2 to 10 Argentine pesos.

MONTHLY  
SCHEDULE

TIME AND  
MEETING  
POINTS

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
circuits/guided](http://www.bue.gov.ar/circuits/guided)

#### BIOGRAPHICAL TOURS

The biographical tours organized by the Under secretariat of Tourism follow the steps of three famous inhabitants of the city: Carlos Gardel, Jorge Luis Borges, and Eva Perón.

They are made by bus, without charge, and last approximately 3 hours.

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[www.bue.gov.ar/  
circuits/biographics](http://www.bue.gov.ar/circuits/biographics)

A good option to visit Buenos Aires tourist areas is to walk around the city with the Self-guide Maps that offer 10 different circuits. [www.bue.gov.ar/recorridos/](http://www.bue.gov.ar/recorridos/) autoguiados

## MUST-SEE PLACES

### Obelisco

A symbol of Buenos Aires city, the Obelisk was built in May 1936 to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the first foundation of Buenos Aires.

Address: Av. Corrientes and Av. 9 de Julio

### Caminito

This is an open air street-museum that recreates the typical conventillos (housing projects) of the early La Boca neighborhood.

Every weekend, tango shows are offered by professional tango dancers and singers.

Crossroads of Garibaldi and Olavarría streets

### Cancha de Boca

This mythical stadium rises on Brandsen street when it intersects Del Valle Iberlucea street. It is one of the most popular soccer clubs in the country.

Founded in 1940, it was then popularly called "La Bombonera" (the candy jar). At the entrance hall, people can see and enjoy soccer-related murals painted by Benito Quinquela Martín and other painted by Pérez Celis.

Brandsen 805

Hours: Every day, from 10 am to 6 pm.

☎ 4309-4700 (extension 717)

### River Plate Stadium

This stadium is popularly known as "El Monumental", since it has been one of the first big stadiums in all South America.

It was inaugurated in 1938 with a capacity for 70,000 spectators. El Monumental is the official stadium of the Argentina National Selection.

It is also the venue for the main test-matches played by Los Pumas and historical concerts such as The Rolling Stones, U2, Amnesty International, Madonna, Guns'n Roses, Eric Clapton and Red Hot Chili peppers, among others. The Athletic River Plate Club was founded on May 25, 1901 in La Boca neighborhood. It was then when "La Banda Roja" (the red stripe) was created. Then, the club was moved to Palermo and then to Belgrano neighborhoods. River Plate has been granted 32 local awards and 5 international cups.

River Plate club offers first class facilities, an interactive museum of 3,500 square meters and a roofed immense swimming pool. More than 60 sport, social and cultural activities are practiced there.

Av. Figueroa Alcorta 7597 (at the intersection of Udaondo)

☎ 4789 1358

ccallejas@cariverplate.com.ar

www.cariverplate.com.ar

### Recoleta Cemetery

The Recoleta Cemetery is the oldest and most aristocratic cemetery in the city. Its almost 6 hectares (14,000 acres) include the tombs and mausoleums of Independence patriots, presidents of the Republic,

military people, scientists and artists. Among them, Eva Perón, Adolfo Bioy Casares and Facundo Quiroga. Junín 1760

Hours: Every day from 8 am to 6 pm.

Guided tours: Free, on the last Sunday of each month, at 2:30 pm.

☎ 4803-1594

### Botanical Garden

Inaugurated in 1908, the Botanical Garden was designed towards the end of the 19th. century by the French landscape designer Carlos Thays to help accomplish university studies and to classify botanical species.

Nowadays, the Garden occupies a surface of 69,772 square meters and comprises about 5,500 shrub species, arboreal species and herbaceous species spread around the whole space and sorted by place of origin, family and use; gardens of style; and five greenhouses

Av. Santa. Fe 3951 between Las Heras and Santa Fe avenues and República Árabe Siria street.

Hours: Monday through Sundays, from 8 am to 6 pm. Free admission.

☎ 4832-1552

### Manzana de las Luces

The set of buildings also presents tunnels built in the XVIII century to connect the Cabildo (government's cradle in the colonial period and currently a museum) and the Cathedral with the San Ignacio, San Francisco, Santo Domingo, San Juan, Del Salvador churches, the old Irish convent, the Capuchinas monastery, the Vice-queen's house, the Socorro de la Recoleta and other surrounding buildings.

Perú, Bolívar, Moreno, Alsina, Diagonal Sur streets

### Palermo

This park has more than 80 hectares full of aged forests.

Two artificial lakes border the vegetation. You can go through aquatic birds and plants by boat or water bike.

Additionally, you can enjoy many subspaces, like the "Poets Garden", the "Andalusian Yard" and the "Roses Garden" commonly known as El Rosedal with 15,000 rose bushes and plants of 1,189 different species.

Crossroads of Libertador and Sarmiento avenues

### Plaza Dorrego

On Sundays, in the streets surrounding the square, you can see different artistic tango and folklore shows in addition to plastic artists exhibitions. The market is in the heart of the traditional San Telmo neighborhood where many of its old big houses of the 19th. century were recycled to become antiques shops and first class restaurants.

Defensa and Humberto Primo San Telmo -

Hours: Sundays from 10 am to 5 pm

### **Puente de la Mujer**

The new pedestrian and pivoting bridge was built in Dock 3, in Puerto Madero neighborhood.

The plastic interpretation of the work is a couple dancing tango, where the white mast represents the man and the curved profile of the bridge is the woman. Dock 3 in Puerto Madero (between the vehicular bridges facing Macacha Güemes, Perón, Azucena Villaflor and Belgrano avenues)

### **Reserva Ecológica**

This is a green space of 360 hectares with some unique features.

The land was gained to the river by artificially refilling this area. As years went by, a wide variety of the typical River Plate flora and fauna started to grow up in this area. It has been officially declared as a "Natural Park and Reservoir Zone".

Av. Tristán Achaval Rodríguez 1550

MORE MUST-SEE  
PLACES OF THE CITY.  
DESCRIPTIONS  
IN SPANISH, ENGLISH  
AND PORTUGUESE.

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
circuits/must-see places](http://www.bue.gov.ar/circuits/must-see-places)

## 4 SERVICES

### ACCOMMODATION

Buenos Aires is ready to provide lodging to more than five million tourists each year. The main chains of three- and four-star hotels worldwide offer their services in the city. You may also choose one-, two- and three-star hotels. In addition, apart hotels and economical hostels for people expecting more affordable fees are included in this offer.

LODGING.  
SORTED BY STAR  
NUMBER AND  
NEIGHBORHOOD

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
services/accommodation](http://www.bue.gov.ar/services/accommodation)

### GASTRONOMY

In Buenos Aires you can enjoy food from different regions and several typical specialties. The city has specific areas where you can choose from a wide range of restaurants.

Costanera Norte and Puerto Madero districts are renowned because of their parrilladas (barbecues). Avenida de Mayo surroundings is the place to taste Spanish food. The most traditional pizzas can be found in Corrientes street. Plaza Cortázar, Palermo Hollywood, Recoleta and Las Cañitas neighborhoods offer gourmet specialties: elaborated, refined and exotic dishes.

RESTAURANTS

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
services/gastronomy](http://www.bue.gov.ar/services/gastronomy)

### Time to dinner

In Buenos Aires, people usually have dinner after 10 pm, and some restaurants are open until dawn. While in Paris, New York or London restaurants are crowded at about 8:30 pm, this generally happens in Buenos Aires after 11 pm.

Asking for the check at a restaurant  
People generally use the almost universal gesture of "writing" on the hand. Sometimes, and in some places, the waiter is called by saying "jefe" or "maestro".

### Tip

Tips are not required, and there is no fixed percentage. The amount will greatly depend on the quality of the attention and service received by the customer.

### GASTRONOMIC GUIDE

#### Beef

The top-notch quality of Argentine beef is known all over the world. Cow sweetbreads, small intestines and blood sausages are also delicious when enjoying the asado.

#### Asado

Barbecue. Beef and offal roasted over an open hearth. "Asado" is also the occasion in which this meal is prepared and served. Thus, you can frequently hear words such as: "I invite you to an asado".

#### Pejerrey

The pejerrey is actually criollo; it can only be found in the Argentine maritime coasts, or mountain or plain rivers.

#### Pastas

In addition, eating pasta is a tradition among Argentine families gathering for lunch on Sundays. Gnocchi on the 29th: On the 29th day of each month, it is a tradition to eat ñoquis (gnocchi) and put some money under the dish as a way of "attracting" more money.

#### Pizza

It is prepared al molde (baked in a pizza pan) or a la piedra (baked placing a stone, tile or similar in the oven floor); you may eat it with knife and fork or with the hand. Usually, the delicious triangle of pizza is eaten accompanied with fainá.

#### Sweet stuff

The vigilante is a traditional dessert a slice of cheese with a slice of jam (quince or sweet-potato jam). The dulce de leche ("milk jam" milk thickened by hours of simmering with a lot of sugar, pasty consistence and caramel-colored) is used as a filling for cakes and chocolates and as the main ingredient for ice creams, dessert sauces and candies. But usually it is spread on bread, with butter or alone, for breakfast or merienda (tea). You may even eat milk jam with a tablespoon.

#### Wines

The Argentine wines are renowned throughout the region, particularly the red ones. Alcoholic beverages are only sold to people over 18 in supermarkets or authorized shops.



GLOSSARY

#### Fainá

A very tasty, browned, thin mass made of chickpea flour served to accompany pizza

#### Mate

The characteristic infusion is the mate. It is prepared by pouring warm water into a gourd, also called mate that contains yerba mate. Some people add sugar, but most prefer "un amargo" (a mate without sugar).



## TRANSPORTATION

### ARRIVING AT THE CITY

#### AIRPORTS

Two airports serve the city:

##### Jorge Newbery Airport.

Tourists coming from the interior of the country or from bordering countries arrive at this airport located by the riverside, five minutes away from downtown.

Av. Rafael Obligado s/n

[www.aa2000.com.ar](http://www.aa2000.com.ar)

☎ (54 11) 4771 0104

##### Ezeiza International Airport.

Visitors from the rest of the world are welcomed at this airport located 15 minutes away from downtown through a highway. Offers taxi, remise, transfer and bus services 24 hours a day.

Av. Tte. Gral. Ricchieri s/n

[www.aa2000.com.ar](http://www.aa2000.com.ar)

☎ (54 11) 5480 6111

#### FLUVIAL

##### Boat Ferry

Buenos Aires is connected with the República Oriental del Uruguay through the river. Trips from Colonia and Montevideo are scheduled daily.

##### Buquebus

Av. Antártida Argentina 821

Neighborhoods: Puerto Madero

[atclientes@buquebus.com](mailto:atclientes@buquebus.com)

☎ (54 11) 4316 6500/50

[www.buquebus.com](http://www.buquebus.com)

##### Ferrylineas

Puerto Viamonte and Costanera

Neighborhoods: Puerto Madero

☎ (54 11) 4314 4580

[ventas@ferrylineas.com.ar](mailto:ventas@ferrylineas.com.ar)

#### RAILWAYS

If you want to visit areas outside the Capital such as the Delta or neighborhoods distant from downtown, the railways provide an affordable service. Several lines allow access to the center of the city.

##### (TBA) Línea D. F. Sarmiento

Terminal Station: Once

Bartolomé Mitre 2815

##### Ferrovías Línea General Belgrano

Terminal Station: Retiro

Av. de los Inmigrantes 1950

##### (TBA) Línea Gral. Bartolomé Mitre

Terminal Station: Retiro

J. M. Ramos Mejía 1302

##### (TMR) Línea Gral. Roca

Terminal Station: Constitución

General Hornos 11

##### (TMS) General San Martín

Terminal Station: Retiro

J. M. Ramos Mejía 1552

##### Metrovías Línea Gral. Urquiza

Terminal Station: F. Lacroze

Av. F. Lacroze and Av. Corrientes

##### Asociación Amigos del Tranvía

Thompson 510

Neighborhood: Caballito

☎ 4431 1073

[aatranvia@hotmail.com](mailto:aatranvia@hotmail.com)

[www.tranvia.org.ar](http://www.tranvia.org.ar)

##### Ferrobaires

☎ 4304 3165

[www.ferrobaires.gba.gov.ar](http://www.ferrobaires.gba.gov.ar)

##### Ferrovías

Av. Antártida Argentina 1430

Neighborhood: Retiro

☎ 4511 8833

[info@ferrovias.com.ar](mailto:info@ferrovias.com.ar)

[www.ferrovias.com.ar](http://www.ferrovias.com.ar)

##### Metropolitano

Gral. Hornos 11 3º piso

☎ 4018 0700 / 18 / 19 / 44

[eltren@metropolitano.com.ar](mailto:eltren@metropolitano.com.ar)

[www.metropolitano.com.ar](http://www.metropolitano.com.ar)

##### Metrovías

Av. Federico Lacroze 4191

Neighborhood: Chacarita

☎ 4959 6800 / 0800 555 1616

[info@metrovias.com.ar](mailto:info@metrovias.com.ar)

[www.metrovias.com.ar](http://www.metrovias.com.ar)

##### Tren de la Costa

Provincia de Buenos Aires

☎ 4732 6000

[www.trendelacosta.com.ar](http://www.trendelacosta.com.ar)

##### Trenes de Buenos Aires (TBA)

Ramos Mejía 1358

Neighborhood: Retiro

☎ 4317 4400

[prensa@tbanet.com.ar](mailto:prensa@tbanet.com.ar)

[www.tbanet.com.ar](http://www.tbanet.com.ar)



## BUSES

### **Retiro Bus Terminal:**

This is the main bus station. From this point, all bus lines start their long-distance services either inland and towards bordering countries.  
Address: Intersection of Av. Antártida Argentina and Av. Ramos Mejía.

### **Liniers Bus Terminal:**

Located at Liniers neighborhood.  
Address: Av. Gral Paz 10868 (between Ventura Bosch and Ibarrola).  
Bus services cover northwest and center of our country.

### **Trenes de Bs. As. (TBA) Línea D. F. Sarmiento**

Terminal Station: Once  
Bartolomé Mitre 2815

### **Ferrovías Línea general Belgrano**

Terminal Station: Retiro  
Av. de los Inmigrantes 1950

### **Trenes de Bs. As. (TBA) Línea General B. Mitre**

Terminal Station: Retiro  
J. M. Ramos Mejía 1302

### **Transportes Metropolitanos Roca (TMR)**

**Línea General Roca**  
Terminal Station: Constitución  
General Hornos 11

### **Transportes Metropolitanos (TMS)**

**General San Martín**  
Terminal Station: Retiro  
J. M. Ramos Mejía 1552

### **Metrovías Línea General Urquiza**

Terminal Station: Lacroze  
Av. F. Lacroze and Av. Corrientes

## MOVING AROUND THE CITY

Multiple means of transport allow you to travel around the city: five lines of subtes (the abbreviated name for subterráneo [subway]), more than one hundred lines of colectivos (name for "buses" in Buenos Aires) and interurban railways (or trains). Taxis and remises are very common means of transport because they are safer and more economical than in other cities. The bus (colectivo) is a fast and inexpensive means of transport to travel over the Capital. There are more than 180 lines going through the city and

providing connection with all districts in the Greater Buenos Aires.

The service is available at regular intervals. Sometimes, streets may be blocked in the downtown area due to traffic jams.

Hours: Bus service is available all day long but its frequency decreases after 12 am.

## TAXIS

They can be requested by phone or you may call them on the street. Radiotaxis (provided with radio systems) are considered safer. There is a great number of taxis in the city getting a taxi near the tourist areas is easy at any time of day or night.

Taxis can be easily recognized by their colors black and yellow taxis.

The taxi rate is in Argentine pesos, and is equivalent to US\$ 0,53 when the meter is actioned + US\$ 0,06 every 200 yards.

## REMISES

They are a sort of limo service that you request by phone to the numerous agencies spread out in the city. These cars are not identified with a special color.

## RENT A CAR

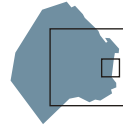
You must be above 21 years old, have driving license issued at least two years before, and a credit card limit authorized to cover rental and guarantee.

Garage or parking areas: you can rent a parking space by the fraction of an hour, a full hour or a day.



### SUBWAYS

This is the fastest and easiest way to reach your destination. The five subway lines (commonly known as "subtes") are connected with the main avenues and railway and bus stations, and converge upon downtown, the main tourist and hotel area.

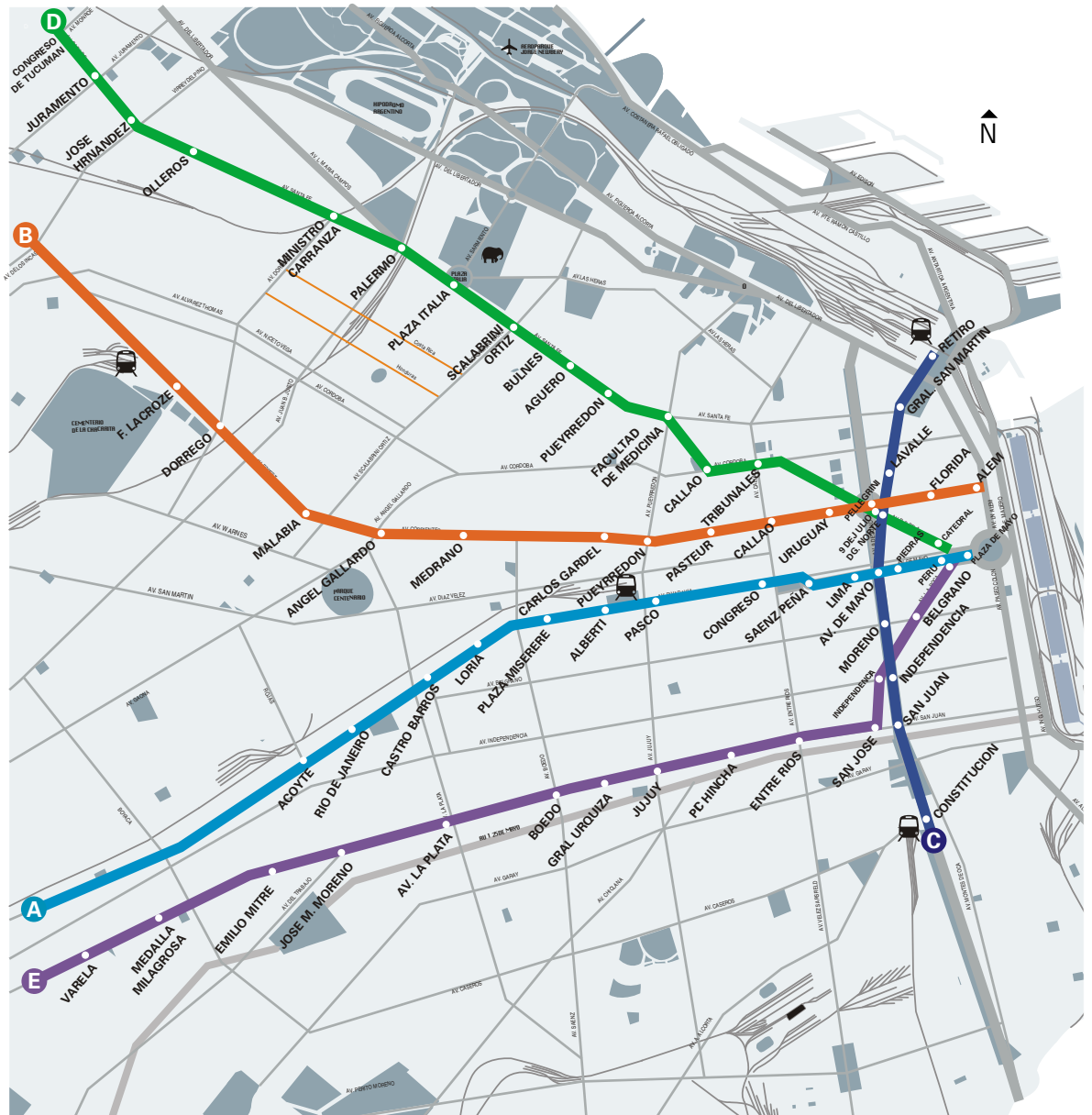


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SUBWAY LINES



RAILWAY STATION





## 5 ACTIVITIES

WHAT CAN  
YOU DO  
IN BUENOS  
AIRES CITY?

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
agenda](http://www.bue.gov.ar/agenda)

The [www.bue.gov.ar/agenda](http://www.bue.gov.ar/agenda) allows you to organize a program of activities according to your preferences, with detailed information of the shows.

ACTIVITIES  
FOR KIDS

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
activities/kids](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/kids)

### **Sarmiento Ship**

Address: Dock 3  
Neighborhood: Puerto Madero

Uruguay Ship  
Address: Dock 1  
Neighborhood: Puerto Madero  
4314 1090

### **'Puppets Street'**

Address: Avenida Caseros 1750  
Neighborhood: Parque Patricios  
4305 6653 / 4306 0301  
Free admission

### **'Japanese Garden'**

Address: Avenida Casares Adolfo Berro  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
4804 4922 / 9141  
Free guided tours on Saturdays and Sundays at 3 pm.

### **Museum of Natural Sciences 'Rivadavia'**

Address: Avenida Angel Gallardo 490  
Neighborhood: Almagro  
4982 1154

### **Museum for Kids**

Address: Avenida Corrientes 3247, (Level 2)  
Neighborhood: Abasto  
4861 2325

### **Museum of Puppets**

Address: Piedras 905  
Neighborhood: San Telmo  
4802 4785  
Free admission

### **Historic Museum of Waxworks**

Address: Dr. E. del Valle Iberlucea 1261  
Neighborhood: La Boca  
4301 1497 / 4303 0563

### **Participative Museum of Sciences**

Address: Junín 1930  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
4806 3456  
Admission: \$ 6

### **3 de Febrero Park**

Address: Intersection of Avenida Sarmiento  
and Avenida Libertador Neighborhood: Palermo

### **De la Costa Park**

Address: Vivanco 1509  
Neighborhood: Buenos Aires Province  
4002 6000  
Admission: Info given by TE  
[informes@parquedelacosta.com.ar](mailto:informes@parquedelacosta.com.ar)  
[www.parquedelacosta.com.ar](http://www.parquedelacosta.com.ar)  
Mondays to Sundays from 11 am to 7 pm.

### **Natural Park Costanera Sur**

Address: Avenida Dr. Tristán Achaval Rodríguez 1550  
Neighborhood: Puerto Madero  
4313 4275  
Free admission

### **Galileo Galilei Planetarium**

Address: Intersection of Avenida Sarmiento and  
Belisario Roldán Neighborhood: Palermo  
4771 6629  
[prensa@planetariogalilei.com.ar](mailto:prensa@planetariogalilei.com.ar)  
[www.planetario.gov.ar](http://www.planetario.gov.ar)

### **Ecologic Reservoir Costanera Sur**

Address: Av. Dr. Tristán Achaval

### **Colón Theatre**

Address: Cerrito 618 Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
4378 7100  
Admission: adults: \$5; kids younger than 10 years: \$2;  
kids younger than 5 years: free.

### **Tierra Santa (Holy Land)**

Address: Av. Costanera Rafael Obligado 5790  
Neighborhood: Nuñez  
4784 9551  
[info@tierrasanta-bsas.com.ar](mailto:info@tierrasanta-bsas.com.ar)  
[www.tierrasanta-bsas.com.ar](http://www.tierrasanta-bsas.com.ar)

### **Buenos Aires City Zoo**

Address: Intersection of Avenida General Las Heras  
and Sarmiento  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
(54 11) 4011 9900/99  
[zooservicios@cieargentina.com.ar](mailto:zooservicios@cieargentina.com.ar)





## TANGO

The tango is manifested in the lyrics - many of the words used in the tango come from lunfardo (porteños' slang); in the music - the bandoneón provided the music from the Río de la Plata with that melancholic and somewhat sullen sound that characterizes tango today;

The tango restaurants (tanguerías) offer different shows: tango with a sophisticated choreography in charge of professional dancers. Dinner included. Thousands of dancers and 3 million of fans. In Buenos Aires, Carlos Gardel learnt how to sing tango. In the ballrooms (milongas) everyday you can dance tango and learn tango dance. People dance while listening to recorded music or live orchestras. Tango classes last between one and two hours. It is ideal to take four or five lessons. From the first lesson, teachers train beginners in the mastering of the basic steps: eight simple movements that may be learned in a few hours.

### Tangodata

[www.tangodata.gov.ar](http://www.tangodata.gov.ar)

It provides a complete information about all tango-related activities: shows, courses, milongas, artists.

MAPS  
OF TANGUERÍAS  
AND MILONGAS



[www.bue.gov.ar/](http://www.bue.gov.ar/)

## ART

From the subtle brushstroke to the act of provocation Both Argentine masters and the representatives of the vanguard have their site in the porteño art circuit. In La Boca, you may visit the house of Quinquela Martín where his lively portraits of the port activity during the first part of the 20th century are exhibited. In Belgrano neighborhood, new art spaces may be found together with traditional places such as the Enrique Larreta Spanish Museum and the House Museum of Yrurtia. Finally, in Palermo neighborhood, there are some alternative circuits where you will find the vanguard in the plastic arts and the boldest design items. This neighborhood, called the porteños' Soho.

ART CIRCUIT  
GALLERIES  
THROUGHOUT  
BUENOS AIRES  
CITY

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
activities/culture/art-galleries](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/culture/art-galleries)

## MUSEUMS

There are a total of 129 museums, both private and public. Ten are administered by the Culture Secretariat of the City Government and preserve an important heritage.

### Museo de Arte Hispanoamericano Isaac Fernández Blanco

Suipacha 1422.  
☎ 4327 0272 / 0228  
info\_mifb@fibertel.com.ar

### Museo de Arte Moderno de Buenos Aires

Tue. to sat. and holidays., from 10 am to 8 pm; sun., from 11 am to 8 pm.  
Av. San Juan 350.  
☎ 4361 1121  
Mamba@xlnet.com.ar

### Museo de Artes Plásticas Eduardo Sívori

Tue. to fri., from 12 am to 8 pm; Sat., sun. and holidays., from 10 am to 8 pm.  
Av. Infanta Isabel 555, frente al puente del Rosedal, Parque Tres de Febrero.  
☎ 4774 9452 / 4772 5628  
info@museosivori.org.ar

### Museo de Esculturas Luis Perloti

Tue. to fri., from 11 am to 7 pm; Sat. sun. and holidays., from 10 am to 1 pm and 2 pm to 8 pm.  
Pujol 644.  
☎ 4431 2825 / 4433 3396  
museo\_perlotti@buenosaires.gov.ar



**Museo de la Ciudad**

Mon. to fri., from 11 am to 7 pm;  
Sun., from 3 pm to 7 pm.  
Alsina 412  
☎ 4343 2123 / 4331 9855  
museo\_de\_la\_ciudad@hotmail.com

**Museo del Cine Pablo Ducros Hicken**

tue. to fri., from 11 am to 7 pm;  
Sat and sun., from 11.30 am to 6.30 pm.  
Defensa 1220.  
☎ 4361 2462  
museodelcinedb@yahoo.com.ar

**Museo de Arte Popular José Hernández**

wed. to sun., from 1 pm to 7 pm.  
Av. del Libertador 2373.  
☎ 4802 7294 / 4803 2384  
info\_museohernandez@ciudad.com.ar

**Museo Histórico Cornelio de Saavedra**

tue. to fri., from 9 am to 6 pm; Sat. sun. and holidays,  
from 10 am to 8 pm.  
Crisólogo Larralde 6309.  
☎ 4572 0746 / 4574 1328

**Museo Casa Carlos Gardel**

mon., wed., thu. and fri., from 1 pm to 5 pm.  
Jean Jaurés 735.  
☎ 4964 2015 / 2071  
museocasacarlosgardel@yahoo.com.ar

**Museum of Latin American Art of Buenos Aires.**

**Costantini Collection (Malba)**  
Address: Figueroa Alcorta 3415  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
4808 6500  
Hours: Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 12 pm to  
7.30 pm; Wednesdays, from 12 pm to 9 pm; Saturdays  
and Sundays from 10 am to 7 pm. Tuesdays, closed.  
info@malba.org.ar

**National Historic Museum**

Address: Defensa 1600  
Neighborhood: San Telmo  
4307 4457 / 3157  
Hours: Tuesdays to Fridays from 11 am to 5 pm.  
Saturdays from 3 pm to 6 pm. Sundays and Holidays  
from 2 pm to 6 pm.  
Admission: \$ 1  
museohistoriconacional@hotmail.com

**Museum of Spanish Art 'Enrique Larreta'**

Address: Av. Juramento 2291 (C1428DNK)  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
4784 4040 / 4783 2640  
Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays  
from 2 pm to 8 pm. Saturdays and Sundays from 3 pm  
to 8 pm.  
Admission: General: \$3. Residents: \$1. Thursdays, free  
museolarreta@infovia.com.ar

**Museum of Fine Arts of La Boca 'Quinquela Martín'**

Address: Pedro de Mendoza 1835  
Neighborhood: La Boca  
4301 1080  
Hours: Tuesdays to Fridays, from 10 am to 5.30 pm;  
Saturdays and Sundays, from 11 am to 5 pm.  
Admission: \$ 1

**National Museum of Fine Arts**

Address: Av. del Libertador 1473  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
4803 8817  
Hours: Tuesdays to Fridays from 12:30 pm to 7.30 pm.  
Saturdays and Sundays from 9:30 am to 7.30 pm.  
Admission: free  
museodebellasartes@ciudad.com.ar

**Museum 'Evita'**

Address: Lafinur 2988 Neighborhood: Palermo  
4807 9433 // 4804 3168  
Hours: Tuesdays to Sundays and Holidays,  
from 2 pm to 7.30 pm  
Admission: \$2 (contribution payment)  
institutoevaperon@arnet.com.ar

**Museo Histórico Nacional**

Defensa 1600 Neighborhood: San Telmo  
F 4307 4457 / 3157  
Hours: tuesday to friday from 11 am to 5 pm; saturday  
from 3 pm to 6 pm.  
sunday and holidays from 2 pm to 6 pm.  
Admission: \$ 1  
museohistoriconacional@hotmail.com

**Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales Bernardino Rivadavia**

Av. Ángel Gallardo 490  
Neighborhood: Caballito  
F 4982 1154 / 4494  
Hours: Monday to sunday from 2 pm to 7 pm.  
Admission: \$ 2  
macn@musbr.secyt.gov.ar

**Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes**

Av. del Libertador 1473  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4803 8817  
Hours: tuesday to friday from 12.30 am to 7.30 pm.  
saturday and sunday from 9.30 am to 7.30 pm.  
Admission: Free  
museodebellasartes@ciudad.com.ar

ALL MUSEUMS  
ADDRESSES.  
HOW CAN YOU  
REACH?  
TIMETABLES

www.bue.gov.ar/  
activities/culture /museums



### MUSEUMS OF THE CITY

**www.museos.buenosaires.gov.ar**  
Page of the General Direction of Museums.  
Here, you can find information about the ten  
museums that depends from this Direction.  
English translation is also provided.

### THEATRES

The city offers The Colón Theatre (one of the most  
famous lyric rooms in the world)  
Classic plays, avant-garde productions, musical  
comedies, puppets for adults.

**Teatro Colón**  
Libertad 621  
Neighborhoods: San Nicolás  
☎ 4378 7100 / 4378 7132  
www.teatrocolon.org.ar

**Teatro Nacional Cervantes**  
Libertad 815  
Neighborhoods: Recoleta  
☎ 4816 4224 / 4815 8883

**Centro Cultural de la Cooperación**  
Av. Corrientes 1543  
Neighborhoods: San Nicolás  
☎ 4371 4705 / 5077 8077 / 50778000

The Complejo Teatral de Buenos Aires comprises f  
ive theaters run by the Culture Secretariat: San Martín,  
Alvear, Regio, de la Ribera and Sarmiento. Tickets  
may be purchased with Visa, Mastercard and  
Diners credit cards.

**Teatro General San Martín**  
Av. Corrientes 1530 (San Nicolás)  
☎ 0 800 333 5254  
www.teatrosanmartin.com.ar

**Teatro Alvear**  
Av. Corrientes 1659 (San Nicolás)  
☎ 4373 4245

**Teatro Regio**  
Av. Córdoba 6056  
Neighborhoods: Palermo  
☎ 4772 3350

**Teatro de la Ribera**  
Pedro de Mendoza 1821  
Neighborhoods: La Boca  
☎ 4302 9042

**Sarmiento**  
Av. Sarmiento 2715  
Neighborhoods: Palermo  
☎ 4808 9479

ALL THEATRES.  
ADDRESSES.  
HOW CAN  
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[www.bue.gov.ar/  
activities/culture /theaters](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/culture/theaters)

### CULTURAL CENTERS

Experimentation environments, site of theatre, motion  
pictures or dance cycles. Forums and round tables  
usually follow these cycles. Several cultural centers are  
spread throughout the city.

**Centro Cultural Recoleta**  
Junín 1930  
Neighborhoods: Recoleta  
☎ 4803 1040  
www.centroculturalrecoleta.org

**Centro Cultural San Martín**  
Sarmiento 1551  
Neighborhoods: San Cristóbal  
☎ 4374 1251/59  
ccgsm@buenosaires.gov.ar  
www.ccgsm.gov.ar

**Centro Cultural Borges**  
Viamonte 500  
Neighborhoods: Retiro  
☎ 5555 5359  
info@ccborges.org.ar  
www.ccborges.org.ar

**Centro Cultural Rector Ricardo Rojas**  
Av. Corrientes 2038  
Neighborhoods: Balvanera  
☎ 4954 5521 / 4954 5523  
rojas@rec.uba.ar  
www.rojas.uba.ar

**Centro Cultural Konex**  
Av. Córdoba 1235  
Neighborhoods: Retiro  
☎ 4816 0500  
info@fundacionkonex.org  
www.centroculturalkonex.org

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ALL CULTURAL  
CENTERS

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activities/culture/cultural centers](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/culture/cultural centers)



### **BUENOS AIRES FESTIVAL**

Festivals organized by the Secretary of Culture of Buenos Aires Government and private organizations are one of the main tourist attractions of this city. We can mention:

#### **Tango Festival**

February  
[www.festivaldetango.com.ar](http://www.festivaldetango.com.ar)

#### **International Festival of Independent Cinema of Buenos Aires (Bafici)**

April-May  
[www.bafici.gov.ar](http://www.bafici.gov.ar)

#### **Metropolitan Championship of Tango Salon**

May-June  
[www.tangodata.gov.ar](http://www.tangodata.gov.ar)

#### **Festival of Contemporaneous Dance**

Biannually organized. December.  
[www.buenosairesdanza.com.ar](http://www.buenosairesdanza.com.ar)

#### **Buenos Aires Jazz and other music**

May  
Festival with the best of our local jazz.  
[www.buenosaires.gov.ar/areas/cultura/musica](http://www.buenosaires.gov.ar/areas/cultura/musica)

#### **Percussion Festival of Buenos Aires**

August  
[www.buenosaires.gov.ar](http://www.buenosaires.gov.ar)

#### **Festival of the Light'**

August  
Open meetings of photography, exhibitions, conferences and debates.  
[www.encuentrosabiertos.com.ar](http://www.encuentrosabiertos.com.ar)

#### **International Festival of Buenos Aires**

September  
Festival of Scenic Arts: companies of theatre, dance, music and visual arts. [www.festivaldeteatro.gov.ar](http://www.festivaldeteatro.gov.ar)

#### **Worldwide Championship of Tango Dance**

September  
Argentine and International dancers will be competing to win the award to hte best tango dancer.  
[www.tangodata.gov.ar](http://www.tangodata.gov.ar)

#### **Marta Argerich Festival**

September  
Symphonic and chamber concerts, mega concerts and master classes.  
[www.musicargerich.org](http://www.musicargerich.org)

#### **Festival of Guitars**

October  
[www.festivaldeguitarras.com.ar](http://www.festivaldeguitarras.com.ar)

#### **Buenos Aires thinks... Festival**

October  
[www.buenosaires.gov.ar](http://www.buenosaires.gov.ar)

#### **Festival of Guitars from the whole World**

October  
[www.buenosaires.gov.ar](http://www.buenosaires.gov.ar)

#### **Buenos Aires Contemporaneous Dance Festival**

December  
[www.buenosaires.gov.ar/areas/cultura/festivales](http://www.buenosaires.gov.ar/areas/cultura/festivales)

#### **'Good Morning' Festival**

December  
Musicians, designers, cultural and gastronomic producers, and live shows.  
[www.festivalbuendia.com](http://www.festivalbuendia.com)

### **MUSIC**

There is a circuit for each musical style to enjoy the best performers.

#### **TANGO**

First, you may find tango in each neighborhood. The most traditional tango places are in San Telmo and Abasto.

#### **FOLCLORE**

The Argentine folklore is an important part of the cultural activity and may be enjoyed in peñas where you will find musical shows, classes and dancing, typical food and drinks.

#### **CLASSICAL MUSIC**

The classical music has its preferred site in the Colón theater.

☎ (54 11) 4378 7344 / Venta telefónica (5411) 4378 7315 / Fax (54 11) 4378 7305. Cerrito 618 - CP 1010

☎ (54 11) 4378 7100.

Its program is regularly updated in the theater's web site.: [www.teatrocolon.org.ar](http://www.teatrocolon.org.ar).

There are also cultural centers, churches and theaters that offer concerts by renowned orchestras.

#### **JAZZ**

Many bars and cafés present jazz shows. Those who love this music may make their circuit visiting the city's bars and jazz festival.

#### **ELECTRONIC MUSIC**

Buenos Aires also has raves of electronic music.

**ALL NOTABLE  
BARS**

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activities/culture/bars](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/culture/bars)

**BARS**

Some bars were officially declared as part of the cultural heritage of the City. Outstanding sites are those bars, billiards rooms and confiterías related to meaningful cultural events or activities, and also those that have a particular value due to their age, architectural design or local relevance.

Among the oldest bars, you may find Tortoni and 36 Billares in Avenida de Mayo; La Giralda and La Paz in Avenida Corrientes; the Británico bar in Parque Lezama; Las Violetas in the corner of Medrano and Rivadavia; La Biela in Recoleta neighborhood and La Academia in the corner of Callao and Corrientes.

**MOVIE THEATERS**

Movie theaters in Buenos Aires offer several screenings every day, which generally start by 1 pm and end by 11 pm. On Fridays and Saturdays, some theaters have a "late night" screening (trasnoche) as of 1 am. Argentine films have their own theaters: Tita Merello Complex (Suipacha 442); Gaumont (Rivadavia 1535) and some screenings in the Cosmos (Av. Corrientes 2046).

International movie releases are shown in the large theater complexes - generally in shopping malls and in theaters located in the neighborhoods.

Films d'auteur, the films screened off the commercial circuit and theme movie cycles are generally shown in cultural centers, foundations and movie clubs.

The Leopoldo Lugones auditorium in the San Martín Theater (Av. Corrientes 1430) offers film cycles with tickets at half the price of commercial theaters.

**BOOKSTORES**

Buenos Aires has a flourishing book industry, one of the most competitive in Latin America, owing to the amount of books published every year as well as to the quality of the publications. That is why Buenos Aires is one of the cities concentrating more bookstores.

**ALL BOOKSHOPS**

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
activities/culture/bookshops](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/culture/bookshops)

**NIGHTLIFE**

Concerts, festivals, theater, cinema, cafés. Milonga and tango houses. Pubs, discos and Bowling. Night activities in Buenos Aires are long lasting.

**BUENOS AIRES  
NIGHT**

[www.bue.gov.ar/  
activities/night](http://www.bue.gov.ar/activities/night)

## SPORTS

### Soccer

Argentina has 20 first division clubs, of which eight are located in Buenos Aires. The local soccer championship is ranked among the five most important events of this kind in the world. If you want to attend the first division championship matches, it is important to know that they are played between Friday and Sunday, both during the day and night. The fixture may be consulted in the official web site of the Argentine Soccer Association (AFA).

### Pato

The pato is practiced in Argentine since the beginning of the 17th century. In the year 1953, and considering its deep rooting in Argentine traditions, it was declared the National Sport.

The Argentine Pato Field, located 30 kilometers away from the city of Buenos Aires, is the place for competitions during the weekends, from March to October.

The most important competition the Argentine Open Championship - takes place during December.

#### Campo Argentino de Pato:

Ruta Nacional N° 8 and Calle Avellaneda  
Neighborhood: Campo de Mayo (Provincia de Buenos Aires)  
☎ 4664 9211

### Polo

Polo is the sport of the high classes. It is played at a very high speed on horses bred in La Pampa province. In November, the Polo Open Tournament presents the opposite situation to that of soccer: it is a refined, exclusive and sophisticated competition.

#### Campo Argentino de Polo

Av. Del Libertador and Dorrego  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4576 5600

### Horse races

This is a very popular sport. Horse races are held in Palermo race track, 15 minutes away from downtown; San Isidro located in Greater Buenos Aires, some 30 minutes away from the city; and La Plata, approximately 1 hour away.

#### Hipódromo Argentino de Palermo

Av. del Libertador 4101  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4778 2800  
gciacomercial@palermo.com.ar  
www.palermo.com.ar

#### Hipódromo de San Isidro

Provincia de Buenos Aires 504  
Neighborhood: San Isidro (Pcia. de Buenos Aires)  
☎ 4743 4011

#### Hipódromo de La Plata

Calle 44 and 116  
Neighborhood: La Plata (Pcia. de Buenos Aires)  
☎ 0221 423 1071 / 79  
intervencion@hplp.loteria.gba.gov.ar  
www.loteria.gba.gov.ar/hplp

### Tennis

In addition, the city is the site of one of the most significant South American contests - the Buenos Aires Open (in February) and each Davis Cup in which the Argentine team are locals.

#### Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis

Av. Olleros 1510  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4774 5679  
baltc@sion.com

### Golf

There are four golf courses where you may have private lessons, play freely or see competitions.

#### Golf Club Lagos de Palermo

Av. Ernesto Tornquist and Olleros  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4381 3003

#### Golf Club José Jurado

Av. Coronel Roca 5025  
Neighborhood: Villa Lugano  
☎ 4605 4706 / 0623  
golfjurado@ciudad.com.ar

#### Circulo Policía Federal

Av. Iugones and Av. General Paz  
☎ 4701 5500 / 4701 9613

#### Club Ciudad de Buenos Aires

Av. del libertador 7501  
Neighborhood: Núñez  
☎ 4703 0222 / 4703 1965

### Car races

The Municipal Car Race Track Oscar Alfredo Gálvez have different competitions on weekends.

#### Municipal Oscar Alfredo Gálvez.

Av. Pte. Julio A. Roca, Av. Gral. Paz  
Neighborhood: Villa Lugano  
☎ 4605 3333  
autodromo@speedy.com.ar

### BOX

Federación Argentina de Box  
Castro Barros 75  
Neighborhood: Almagro  
☎ 4981 2965 / 8615  
fabox@fibertel.com.ar  
www.fabox.com.ar

### Luna Park

Bouchard 465  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
☎ 4311 5100  
www.lunapark.com.ar

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ADDRESSES

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GLOSSARY

### Clásico

(Classic) A soccer match between two first division local clubs

### NATURE

#### Costanera norte

It is located along Av. Rafael Obligado. It has recreational complexes that offer varied gastronomy and, among other sports, tennis, swimming, golf, basketball, soccer, windsurf and sailing.

#### Costanera sur natural park, ecologic reservoir

Ideal to take a stroll in the open air, practice aerobics, ride on a bicycle or join a group for a night walk under the full moon.

Address: Tristán Achával 1550, between Viamonte and Brasil streets.

#### 3 de febrero park

Shady trees, sculptures, footpaths, gardens and a magnificent water body are part of its attractions. In addition, it has the Rosedal (rose garden), the Jardín de los Poetas (Poet's Garden) and the Patio Andaluz (Andalusian Patio).

#### City zoo

Address: Avenidas Las Heras and Avenida Sarmiento.  
www.zoobuenosaires.com.ar

#### Botanic garden

Extending over approximately 20 acres, this is one of the greenest areas of the city contrasting with the busy traffic of Plaza Italia.

Address: Av. Santa Fe and Las Heras.

#### Japanese garden

Plants, flowers, bridges and cascades. The beauty of oriental gardens.

Address: Av. Casares and Adolfo Berro.



## SHOPPING

The city has several shopping circuits, each offering different articles: antiques in San Telmo, books in Corrientes Avenue, leather items in Retiro neighborhood, souvenirs in La Boca. The avant-garde in objects, clothes and decorative elements is in Palermo Viejo neighborhood. These are circuits to buy clothes, shoes, accessories and gifts. There are also beauty parlors and art galleries.

### SHOPPING HOURS

Buenos Aires offers extended shopping hours. The main shopping malls where you may buy the most renowned national and international articles are open until 10 pm.

In Las Cañitas, Palermo Viejo, Palermo Hollywood, Barrio Norte and San Telmo, you may also shop until late at night: many shops close near midnight.

### Shopping Abasto

Av. Corrientes 3247  
Neighborhood: Almagro  
☎ 4959 3400  
informesbad@altopalermo.com.ar

### Alto Palermo

Arenales 3360  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4821 6030/6059  
Informesbad@altopalermo.com.ar

### Buenos Aires Design

Av. Pueyrredón 2501  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4806 1111  
informesbad@altopalermo.com.ar

### Caballito Shopping Center

Av. Rivadavia 5108  
Neighborhood: Caballito  
☎ 4903 8000  
administ\_caballito@ciudad.com.ar

### Del Parque Shopping

Nazarre 3175  
Neighborhood: Villa del Parque  
☎ 4505 8000  
delparqueshopping@delparqueshopping.com.ar

### Devoto Shopping

José Pedro Varela 4866  
Neighborhood: Villa Devoto  
☎ 4019 6000  
info@devotoshopping.com.ar

### Galerías Pacífico

Av. Córdoba and Florida  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4319 5118

### Jumbo Palermo Centro Comercial

Av. Int. Bullrich and Cerviño  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4778 8000

### Paseo Alcorta

Jerónimo Salguero 3172  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
☎ 4804 9666  
informesbad@altopalermo.com.ar

### Patio Bullrich

Av. del Libertador 750  
Neighborhood: Retiro  
☎ 4815 3501  
informesbad@altopalermo.com.ar

### Plaza Liniers Shopping Center

Ramón L. Falcón 7115  
Neighborhood: Liniers  
☎ 5611 7400  
info@plazaliniers-sc.com.ar

### Solar de la Abadía

Av. Luis María Campos 900  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
☎ 4778 5000

### Spinetto Shopping Center

Moreno 2301  
Neighborhood: Balvanera  
☎ 4954 3456

### Village Recoleta

Vicente López 2050  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
☎ 4800 0000  
villagerecoleta@village-cines.com.ar

INTERACTIVE  
MAP OF ALL  
SHOPPING AREAS  
LOCATED WITHIN  
BUENOS AIRES  
PLAN



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## FAIRS

To taste the real flavor of shopping in Buenos Aires, you should go to any of the many markets and fairs in the city. On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, artisans offer their articles in different parks and squares.

### **Feria de San Pedro Telmo**

Humberto 1° and Defensa. Dorrego square  
Neighborhood: San Telmo  
Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm.  
Specialties: antiques, objects and handicrafts.

### **Feria de Mataderos**

Lisandro de la Torre and Corrales  
Neighborhood: Mataderos  
Sunday from 11 am to 9 pm.  
Specialties: handicrafts, Argentine popular traditions

### **Feria del Pasaje Caminito**

Pasaje Caminito  
Neighborhood: La Boca  
Monday to Sunday from 10 am to 6 pm.  
Specialties: handicrafts, Argentine popular traditions

### **Feria Vuelta de Rocha**

Av. Pedro de Mendoza and Palos  
Neighborhood: La Boca  
Thursday to Sunday from 11 am to 8 pm.  
Specialties: handicrafts.

### **Feria Intendente Alvear**

Av. del Libertador and Av. Alvear  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 11 am to 8 pm.  
Specialties: metal, leather, plastic ceramics, fabrics, loom articles, among others

### **Feria de emprendedores pioneros Costanera Sur**

Ecologic Reservoir Entrance  
Av. Tristán Achaval  
Neighborhood: Puerto Madero  
Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 10 am to 7 pm.  
Specialties: handicrafts made of silver, fabrics, glass, wood, ceramics.

### **Paseo El Retiro**

Calabria between Dellepiane and Rosario Vera Peñalosa  
Neighborhood: Puerto Madero  
Saturday from 12 am to 10 pm; Sunday and holidays from 11 am to 10 pm.  
Specialties: handicrafts, antiques, philately, numismatics, second-hand books and magazines.

### **Feria de las Artes**

Defensa and Alsina. Plazoleta San Francisco  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
Friday from 12 am to 5 pm.

### **Feria de Plaza Lavalle**

Lavalle and Libertad  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
Specialties: second-hand books and magazines.  
Purchase, sale and exchange.

### **Feria Patio del Cabildo**

Bolívar 65  
Neighborhood: San Nicolás  
Thursday and Friday from 11 am to 6 pm.  
Specialties: handicrafts.

### **Feria Plaza M. Belgrano**

Juramento and Cuba  
Neighborhood: Belgrano  
Saturday, Sunday and holidays  
From 11 am to 8 pm.  
Specialties: metal, leather, plastic ceramics, fabrics, loom articles, among others

### **Feria del Mercado de las Luces.**

Perú 294  
Neighborhood: Monserrat  
4342 9930  
Hours: monday to friday, from 11 am to 7 pm.  
sunday from 1 pm to 7 pm.





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### **BUENOS AIRES, A CITY OF EVENTS AND BUSINESS**

The City of Buenos Aires is the cultural capital of South America and one of the most important and dynamic business points of the region. Buenos Aires is the venue of international expositions and world congresses comprising different industries and topics.

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#### **Expo Centers. Buenos Aires City Government.**

Av. Figueroa Alcorta y Av. Pueyrredón  
☎ 4323 9505 / 9502  
cdexpo@buenosaires.gov.ar

#### **Costa Salguero**

Av. Costanera Rafael Obligado s/n  
Neighborhood: Recoleta  
5093 8300  
nfo@ccs.com.ar  
www.ccs.com.ar

#### **La Rural**

Juncal 4431  
Neighborhood: Palermo  
4777 5500 / 02 / 62  
info@la-rural.com.ar  
www.la-rural.com



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Attachment. Where can you search more information?

The rest of [www.bue.gov.ar](http://www.bue.gov.ar) portal offers tourists much more data (in Spanish, English and Portuguese).

Information available on the site is divided into several sections: Circuits. Services. Activities. Shops.

Bue for you (options to 'experience' Buenos Aires in one day). Must-see places.

Self-guided tours (maps including tourist circuits that you can visit by foot with explanations for each attraction).

The architectural patrimony of the city. Guided tours to the main premises and churches, tango interactive maps, shopping areas, tourist attractions, shops. A city photo gallery.

Should you desire to contact the Undersecretary of Tourism, you can write to [infobue@buenosaires.gov.ar](mailto:infobue@buenosaires.gov.ar) or either call (54 11) 4114 5734.

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