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## 18 Days Itinerary

# Jake Porter's Argentinian Adventure

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**Day 1** Flight from Houston to Buenos Aires (10 hr, 5 min) +1

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Loi Suites Esmeralda - Buenos Aires, Argentina (PRE-TOUR) (3 Nights)

**Day 5** Patagonia Hiking: G Adventures (9 Days)

**Day 13** Loi Suites Esmeralda - Buenos Aires, Argentina (POST-TOUR) (4 Nights)

**Day 17** Transfer  
Flight from Buenos Aires to Houston (10 hr, 30 min) +1

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Rules and regulations are changing on a daily basis. While Boutique Travel Advisors is doing our best to stay attuned to the requirements for travel to your travel destinations, the traveler is responsible for knowing and following the travel protocols.

Travelers are responsible for scheduling all Covid-19 related testing and completing all paperwork to allow for entry into the country of travel and also for the return to the US.

### ***Flight Preparation:***

Boutique Travel Advisors highly recommends that you check your flight for any changes at least 48 hours prior to departure and that you check in before arrival to the airport when possible. We recommend that you arrive at the airport **3 hours before your international flights** and at least **2 hours before flying domestically**.

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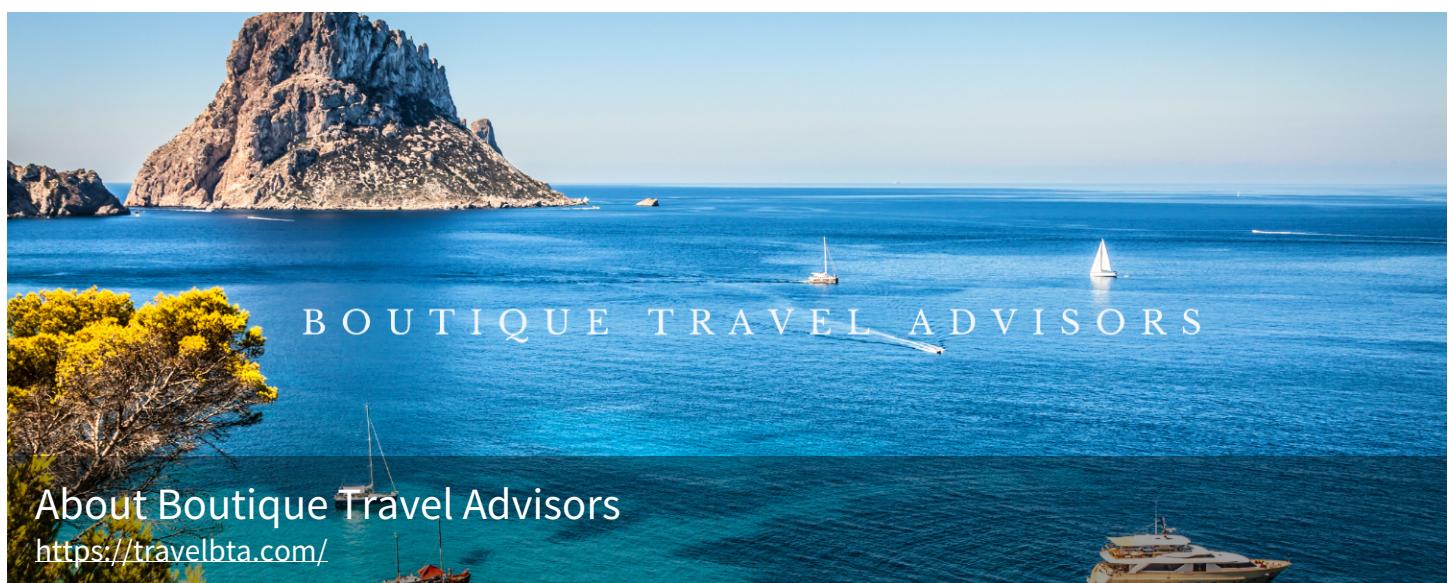
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About Boutique Travel Advisors  
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At Boutique Travel Advisors, we believe luxury travel goes beyond welcome chocolates on pillows & first-class seats. Luxury travel can be subjective. To us, the definition of luxury travel embodies having the privilege to explore & experience the infinitely possible wonderments the world has to offer when we decide to mindfully venture outside of our comfort zone in our home environment.

From booking bespoke safaris in South Africa, serenely scenic river cruises through France's waterways, to private wine (+ pasta) tastings on the Amalfi Coast... BTA strives to curate each personalized itinerary with credible expertise, dedicated service & the whole-hearted intention for each traveler to exceed their travel goals and expectations while on the adventure of a lifetime.

Your BTA travel itinerary is more than a document of scheduled flights, tours, and dinner reservations. It is the motherboard, the holy grail, the backbone of a transformational journey that turns your individual, subjective experiences into heart-warming, thought-provoking, jaw-dropping, life-changing memories that are worthy of being cherished for a lifetime.

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## Tipping Recommendation in Buenos Aires, Argentina

\*Tipping is customary in Argentina but purely discretionary. Tips should only be offered in the case of good service and the amount should reflect the level of service received. As a general rule we recommend that drivers are tipped US\$5-10 per person per day and local guides are tipped US\$10-20 per person per day. Taxi drivers are not normally tipped although it is customary to leave the change when it's small amount. Tipping is customary in most restaurants, but it's not obligatory. In general, you should tip about 10% of the bill.

We recommend bringing USD in cash for the Argentinean portion of this tour as it is easier than using a credit card or withdrawing ARS from an ATM. USD currency is accepted in travel agencies for booking optional activities.

### Day 1

## Houston, George Bush Intercontinental Airport to Buenos Aires, Ministro Pistarini Airport *United Airlines (UA)*

UA Carrier/Flight	IAH •	+1 EZE •	10 hr, 5 min Duration
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## Day 2



### Transfer · Ezeiza to Hotel

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7:00 AM

Departure

#### Payment

\$35

#### Notes

Private transfer EZE to Hotel

Time: 06:49AM

Flight Number: Copa Airlines CM367

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**Loi Suites Esmeralda - Buenos Aires, Argentina (PRE-  
TOUR)**

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2:00 PM

11:00 AM

3 Nights

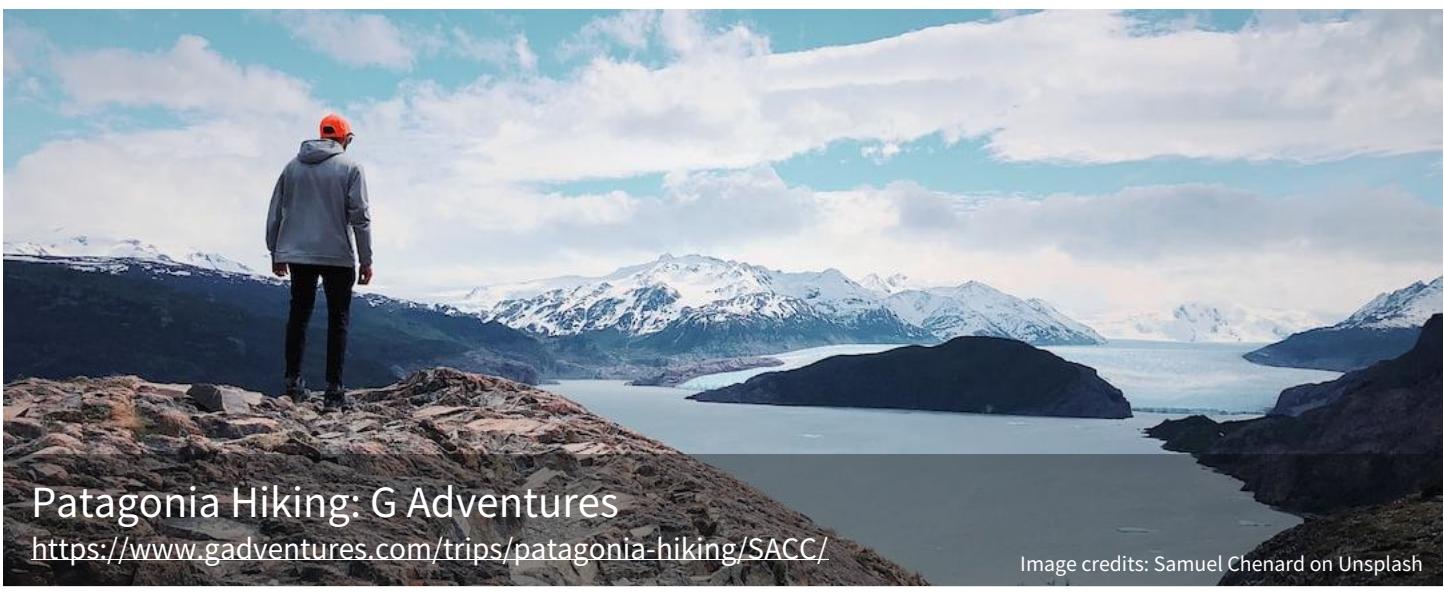
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Downtown Hotel convenient to the commercial & financial districts as well as tourist attractions.

#### Price

\$180

### Day 5



### Patagonia Hiking: G Adventures

<https://www.gadventures.com/trips/patagonia-hiking/SACC/>

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**9 Days**

Duration

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- **Day 1 Buenos Aires**

As there are no planned activities until an evening welcome meeting, check into the hotel and enjoy the city. Opt to visit the districts of La Boca, Recoleta, and San Telmo or catch a tango show.

Booking pre or post trip accommodation is highly recommended to fully experience this vibrant city.

#### Welcome Meeting - Meet Your CEO and Group activity

*1h*

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.

#### Loi Suites Esmeralda Hotel (*or similar*) accommodation

*Hotel*

#### Optional Activities

##### Buenos Aires Bike Tour

*Buenos Aires*

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Meeting place: Carlos Pellegrini 1233

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- **Day 2 Buenos Aires/El Chaltén**

Fly south to the province of Santa Cruz and the town of El Calafate before transferring overland to El Chaltén. Often referred to as the trekking capital of Argentina, El Chaltén is the gateway to Cerro Fitz Roy and Cerro Torres, two of the most beautiful peaks in Patagonia.

Enjoy free time to warm up for the upcoming trek, opt to take a short hike to a nearby lookout or explore around town.

#### **Meals included:** Breakfast

The luggage restrictions for all Aerolineas Argentinas flights are 15kg for checked baggage and 8kg for carry-ons. No organic food is allowed as Patagonia is a protected area. Bags will be checked upon arrival in El Calafate.

#### **Plane transport**

*Buenos Aires / El Calafate, 3h30m*

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Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

#### **Private Vehicle transport**

*El Calafate / El Chaltén, 3h-3h30m*

Climb aboard, grab a seat, and enjoy the ride on our private G Adventures transportation.

#### **Free time activity**

*Afternoon*

Head out into the national park and start exploring beautiful Patagonia.

#### **Fitz Roy Inn (*or similar*) accommodation**

*Hotel*

- **Day 3 El Chaltén**

Climb into a double kayak for a gentle paddle along the Río de las Vueltas, inside Los Glaciares National Park. Get ready for breathtaking views of Fitz Roy mountain if the skies are clear.

#### **Meals included:** Breakfast

#### **Kayak in Río de las Vueltas activity**

*El Chaltén, 4h*

Hop on a bus to Condor Lagoon area, about 40 min away, and get ready for the adventure. Guides will provide all the necessary equipment for the kayak and once everyone is ready, they will do a safety talk. First the group will practice the movements in Condor Lagoon and then continue to Río de las Vueltas for about 6 km. During the journey, passengers will have the opportunity to see Fitz Roy mountain peaks from the river and amazing views of the National Park if the weather allows it. Head back to Chaltén by bus for a free afternoon.

#### **Fitz Roy Inn (*or similar*) accommodation**

*Hotel*

- Day 4 El Chaltén

Laguna de los Tres is the most popular trek in El Chaltén and for good reason. On a clear day, the view of Cerro Fitz Roy and the sparkling teal lake below are spectacular. The gradual start to the trek provides time to appreciate the stunning landscape and ease into the challenging trekking ahead. Although the 400m (1,312 ft) incline to reach the lake is taxing, the reward is well worth the effort.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Los Glaciares National Park Guided Hike activity**

*El Chaltén, 10h*

Enjoy a full day of hiking in Los Glaciares National Park. See granite pinnacles spiraling upward from the third largest ice field on earth. Hike to Laguna de los Tres to fully appreciate majestic Cerro Fitz Roy/Chaltén (3,441m/11,290 ft) one of the most famous and popular viewpoints of the mountain.

Distance travelled: 24km/15 miles.

Duration: 10 hours.

Elevation gain: 1040m (3412 ft.)

Terrain: some portions of the trail can be quite steep with loose rocks, boulders, and soil.

**Fitz Roy Inn (*or similar*) accommodation**

*Hotel*

- Day 5 El Chaltén/El Calafate

Explore one of El Chaltén's many trekking routes. Opt to explore the Laguna Torre trail to spot the dramatic Cerro Torre, hike to Laguna Capri or head up to the Condor Mirador to enjoy great views of the town. Afterwards, head to the quaint little town of El

Calafate, and opt for a hearty dinner to refuel.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Free time activity**

Explore the region by foot and hike one of the many trails around El Chaltén.

**Private Vehicle transport**

*El Chaltén El Calafate, 3h-3h30m*

Climb aboard, grab a seat, and enjoy the ride on our private G Adventures transportation.

**Hosteria Posta Sur (*or similar*) accommodation**

*Hotel*

**Optional Activities**

**Cerro Torre Hike to El Chaltén**

*El Chaltén*

Hike through the Cerro Torre Valley (Los Glaciares National Park; grade: easy to moderate) to Torre Lake and Glacier for a close view, weather permitting, of the awesome spires that make up Cerro Torre (3,102m/10,178 ft) and its neighbours. A treacherous cap of ice known to climbers as "the mushroom" tops this slender needle of granite. Stop by the lake for some relaxation upon your return.

**Condor and Eagle Lookout**

*El Chaltén*

Also known as Mirador de los Cóndores y Mirador de las Águilas. It's one of the shortest hiking options in the area, enjoy a lighter hike to a viewpoint often overflowed by condors with spectacular panoramic views of the town and the mountains.

Detour to another viewpoint to admire the Viedma lake and the steppe.

Distance: 6km

Duration: 1-2 hrs

**Chorrillo del Salto Hike**

*El Chaltén*

Enjoy an easy hike to see a waterfall hidden in National Park Los Glaciares. Trek around native forest alongside amazing views of de las Vueltas River.

Distance travelled: 7km

Time: 3 hours

- Day 6 El Calafate

Argentino Lake, discovered in 1873, is the southernmost of the four water sheets produced by the Pleistocene Glaciation. With its fjords and fingers it covers 1,505km<sup>2</sup> (935 mi<sup>2</sup>), and is considered one of the most breathtaking lakes in the world. The Perito Moreno Glacier is an imposing river of ice, 2.7km (1.7 mi) wide by 55m (180 ft) high, which descends from the continental ice field to the Canal de los Tempanos.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Perito Moreno Glacier Tour activity**

*Perito Moreno Glacier*

Get out there and explore the natural wonder that is the Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the world's few "advancing" glaciers. Head to the southern end of Los Glaciares National Park, where Moreno's 60m (197 ft) wall of ice sporadically chokes off the narrow "Canal de los Tempanos" (Iceberg Channel) creating a natural ice dam, which eventually explodes in a dynamic display of force.

Please note this tour does not include walking on top of the glacier.

**Hosteria Posta Sur (or similar) accommodation**

*Hotel*

**Optional Activities**

**Perito Moreno Glacier Boat**

*Perito Moreno Glacier El Calafate*

Get a closer look at the sheer magnitude of the impressive Perito Moreno Glacier. Head out on the glacial lake for spectacular views of the south wall. Keep your camera at the ready, this won't be an experience you'll soon forget, but you'll want to capture it just in case.

- Day 7 El Calafate

Home to the immense Perito Moreno Glacier, the gaucho inspired cozy town of El Calafate is the perfect base for exploring the nearby glaciers. Los Glaciares National Park, the most renowned in Argentina, was created in 1973 to preserve this vast glacial area encompassing the Upsala Glacier and the incredible Onelli Bay. Opt to take navigation to see other glaciers in the region or go horseback riding in the Patagonian steppe.

The main strip of this tiny town is lined with small wooden shops, browse for souvenirs, chocolates, or stop in one of the restaurants for a rest.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Free time activity**

*Full Day*

Enjoy free time to explore town and the surrounding area.

**Hosteria Posta Sur (or similar) accommodation**

*Hotel*

**Optional Activities**

**Laguna Nimez**

*El Calafate*

Visit Laguna Nimez Reserve, a bird sanctuary protecting prime avian habitat. Spot flamingos, upland geese, silvery grebe, red-gartered coots and many other species found in the area.

- Day 8 El Calafate/Buenos Aires

Fly to the capital city of Argentina, Buenos Aires, the city of Tango! Enjoy a drink in one of the many sidewalk cafes and restaurants, or pre book an evening Tango experience! You'll soon begin to understand the contemplative Argentine way of life. Get together for one last meal—and a final bottle of wine. This will be your last chance to try Argentina's succulent bife and parrilladas, so dig in and enjoy!

**Meals included:** Breakfast

**Free time activity**

Take a city tour, visit La Boca or people watch from a trendy café.

**Plane transport**

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**Loi Suites Esmeralda Hotel (*or similar*) accommodation  
Hotel**

#### Optional Activities

##### **Tango Dinner Show - CONFIRMED!**

*Buenos Aires*

Discover the passion of tango. Watch the pros step and slide around the dance floor while you dine on a traditional Argentine dinner. Get lost in the music, savour the sensuality, and see why this traditional dance continues to ignite the senses of locals and visitors alike.

##### **Day 9 Buenos Aires**

Depart at any time.

**Meals included:** Breakfast

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2:00 PM

Check In

11:00 AM

Check Out

4 Nights

Duration

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#### Price

\$240

## Day 17



### Transfer

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#### Payment

~\$50-60

#### Notes

Private transfer Hotel to Airport

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# Buenos Aires, Ministro Pistarini Airport to Houston, George Bush Intercontinental Airport

*United Airlines (UA)*

UA Carrier/Flight	EZE •	+1 IAH •	10 hr, 30 min Duration
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