

Steph's Quick Budget Fact Sheet

Argentína - Los Antíguos (Períto Moreno)

Quick Facts

✓ Capital: Buenos Aires

✓ Language: Spanish (Castellano)

✓ Population: ± 3,400

✓ Currency: Pesos (\$ARS)

✓ Country code: +54 (963)

√ Visa: Fore some countries, <u>check here!</u>

✓ Alarm codes: 911 (general), 101 (police), 100 (fire), 107 (hospital), 103 (civil defence).

✓ Vaccinations: Hep-A / Hep-B / Typhoid / Yellow fever / DTP / Rabies / Dengue & Malaria prevention.



History Recap Over 1 Drink

16th century: Start Spanish colonization. 1776: Spanish Viceroyalty of River Plate. 1810: Viceroy overthrown → War of Independence: '16. '61: Forming of united country (after Battle of Pavon). '80: Start of liberal ec. & immigration policies: income & population growth. 1916: Yrigoyen pres. → min.wage. '39: Ec. downturn caused by Great Depression, armed forces in power. '43: Nationalist army seizes power. '45: Arg declares war on Japan & Germany. '46: Peron pres., wife Evita: labor relations. '49: New constitution: Jail for government opponents, independent media suppressed. '55: Military coup, Peron into exile. '66: Gen. Ongania power. '73: Peron again pres. > '74: dies, new wife Isabel succeeds him. '76: Armed forces seize power → Guerra Sucia (Dirty War) 1000s of left-wing sympathizers killed, babies abducted from mothers. '82: Start Falklands (Malvinas) War, Arg occupies British island, 2 months later UK re-takes it. '83: Alfonsin pres., Dirty War criminals charged. Inflation over 900%. '89: Menempres. '90: Diplomatic relations with UK restored, but remains claim Falklands (Falklanders want to remain UK). '92: Peso \$. Bomb Israeli embassy kills 29. '94: Bomb in Jewish center: 86 killed. '99: Rua pres. 2000-01: Strikes & protests. Banks shut down. '02: ending parity US\$. \$800m debt. '03: Kirchner pres. '03: debt-deal. '07: Kirchner's wife pres. '15: Macri pres.

Travel Seasons

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Spring												
Summer		driest										
Autumn					wettest							
Winter												
Budget												

Altitude: 218m. Climate: Mediterranean (Csb), lots of wind.

Bucket List For Free

- © Enjoy Lago Buenos Aires in every way possible: hiking, mountain biking, water sports etc.
- © Eat fresh cherries at the 'chacra's'.
- © Look-out points: Mirador del Valle, Mirador Río Jeinimeni, Mirador Uendeunk & Muelle Viejo.
- © Nature: Reserva Natural Urbana Laguna de los Juncos, Monte Zeballos, <u>Parque Nacional Patagonia</u>.
- © Go to Chile for a day (Chile Chico).

Worth The Extra \$€¥

Cueva de los Manos

Sleep Cheap

- Go <u>Couchsurfing</u> or <u>house-sitting</u>! Also check <u>WorkAway</u>. Paid work in hospitality is widely available, try Viva El Viento.
- AirBnB has some cheap options here, but the annoying thing about this website is that you always have to reserve in advance and wait on a confirmation.

Festivals

- ☼ Fesival de la Cereza: Jan.
- Cereza Rock: Jan-Feb.
- Lago Buenos Aires Festival: Oct.

Budget Bites

- **署** Supermarket: Supermercado Sur & smaller kiosks.
- 署 Go vegan: You'll have to cook.

Mama Said

- Tap water is drinkable, but if you just arrived in the country you are better off with filtered water.
- Before going on long hikes, inform someone about your route and estimated return time.
- Don't destroy nature, always walk on the indicated paths. Take your trash home. Don't make a fire in the woods. Fishing means killing (or hurting) local fauna, is that really necessary?
- Per 2016 there's only 1 bank in town. Might be worth checking in advance if your international bank pass works at this ATM.

Free-Riding?

- Everything within the centre of Los Antiguos is easily walkable. To go to the mountains alternative transport is recommended.
- It's recommendable to rent a bike in Los Antiguos and explore the environment.
- There's no public transport in town, the only way is to take a remis (arranged taxi).
- Buses are quite expensive. They got to Chile Chico and in the direction of Perito Moreno / El Calafate / El Chaltén (with combination) / Comodoro Rivadavia / Bariloche. There's no bus terminal, buses leave from the bus offices. Minibuses leave from the center.
- Closest airport: Aeropuerto Perito Moreno (PMQ).
- Hitch-hiking is possible and very common here. In order to prearrange a ride & share gas costs for long routes, try <u>Carpoolear</u> or the Facebook-pages <u>Grativiajes</u> and <u>Camiones y Mochilas</u> (all in Spanish!).

Tip: Download the Triposo Argentina app for offline maps, landmark descriptions & more, or load Google Maps when you have Wi-Fi and leave it open, you will still be able to use it offline.

Next?

- → In Argentina: Esquel, El Bolson, Bariloche, El Chaltén, El Calafate.
- → International destinations close by: Chile, (Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, Brazil).

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