



# Steph's Quick Budget Fact Sheet

## Argentina - San Luis

### Quick Facts

- ✓ **Capital:** Buenos Aires
- ✓ **Language:** Spanish (with accent)
- ✓ **Population:** ± 224.000, citizens: *puntanos* (city located at part of Sierras Grandes known as Punta de los Venados)
- ✓ **Currency:** Argentinan Peso \$
- ✓ **Country code:** +54
- ✓ **Visa:** Fore some countries, [check](#)
- ✓ **Alarm codes:** 911
- ✓ **Vaccinations:** Hep-A / Typhoid / DTP

### History Recap Over 1 Drink

1594: San Luis founded by Luis Jufre de Loaysa y Meneses → abandoned → 1632: reestablished as "San Luis de Loyola Nueva Medina de Río Seco". 1806/1807: England attacks Argentina → 1810: Independence / battles of San Martín. 1860s: Golden Years. 1882: Great Western Railway reached San Luis on way to Chile. 1916: Radical Party, economic decrease. 1929: Military power. 1946: Perón (fascist), marries working-class actress Evita. 1955: Military power. 1960: city growth due to immigrants / light industry. 1973: Isabela Perón. 1976-83: Military power → El Proceso: kill left opposition = La Guerra Sucia (Dirty War), 10-30.000 died. 1983: Alfonsín. 1989: Menem. 1999: Rúa. 2001: Economic crisis → poverty. 2003: Kirchner, economic rise but inflation. 2007: Cristina Kirchner.

### Travel Seasons

|        | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Spring |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Summer |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Autumn |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Winter |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Wet    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Best   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Budget |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

### Bucket List For Free

- ☺ Free sightseeing: Casa de Gobierno, Iglesia de Santo Domingo, Plaza Pringles, Catedral de San Luis Potosi.
- ☺ [Museo Dora Ochoa de Masramon](#): Free expositions, Colón 508.
- ☺ Public transport brings you at Portrero de los Funes in 25 minutes. Take a stunning walk around the mountains, or hike to the waterfall Salto de la Moneda (paid park entrance).
- ☺ Take the public bus to El Trapiche.

### Worth The Extra \$€¥

- 👉 Sierra de las Quijadas: Impossible to leave San Luis without a visit! There are limited buses going there (and back), so try to get at least 5 people together and book a tour at one of the many travel agencies. Price-wise it works out the same. Guides obligated.

### Sleep Cheap

- ❖ Pupy's Hostel, +542664424841, Pringles 283.
- ❖ San Luis Hostel, +542652424188, Falucho 646.

## Festivals

⚙ Check [this link](#) for an overview of festivals and events in San Luis and the surroundings.

## Free-Riding?

■ Everything in small San Luis is walkable. On flip-flops.

■ The bus system is cheap, but very confusing. For the city buses you need a bus card, which is only for residents. You can ask to use their card and pay them back. At interregional you pay the driver.

■ Taxi's are relatively cheap. It's wise to use them upon arrival & departure and at night.

Tip: Download the city map on your phone with Google Maps and leave it open. You can track yourself on the map also without wifi.

## Budget Bites

⌘ Streetfood is very cheap. Empanadas are ±€0,80, fruit / bread €0,05 – 0,60 and take-out pizza €3,00 at time of writing.

⌘ Done with steak? Try excellent & affordable Mexican food at Maria Bonita, Illia 392.

⌘ Las Pircas, Pringles 1417.

## Nights Best Spent

◆ [Henry & Ford](#), Arturo Illia Falucho.

## Next?

→ In Argentina: Córdoba, Mendoza, San Juan.

→ International destinations closeby: Chile, Uruguay, (Paraguay, Bolivia, Brasil).

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