



Steph's Quick Budget Fact Sheet

Argentina - Villaguay & surroundings

Quick Facts

- ✓ **Capital:** Buenos Aires
- ✓ **Language:** Spanish (Castellano)
- ✓ **Population:** ± 48,500
- ✓ **Sq km:** ± 67532
- ✓ **Currency:** Pesos (\$ARS)
- ✓ **Country code:** +54 (3455)
- ✓ **Visa:** Fore some countries, [check here!](#)
- ✓ **Alarm codes:** 911
- ✓ **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: Menem pres. '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: Rúa 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												
Autumn												
Winter												
Budget												

Altitude: 52m. Climate: CFA, temperate hot-summer climate.

Bucket List For Free

- ☺ Free museums: [Museo Histórico Municipal](#), [Museo Arqueológico Tierra de Minuanes](#).
- ☺ Sights: Centro de Convenciones Papa Francisco, skatepark, Aero Club.
- ☺ Parque Balneario Camping Municipal: picnic-time!
- ☺ Ecological farming: [Quinta La Suiza](#) (Mon-Sat).

Worth The Extra \$€¥

- 👉 Nature: [Parque Nacional El Palmar](#), Reserva Natural La Chinita.
- 👉 Themed tours about Belgian and Jewish colonialization: contact circuitobelgavillaguay@hotmail.com & (03455) 426080.

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Festivals

- ☼ Carnaval: Feb.
- ☼ Independence Day: 9-Jul.
- ☼ Fiesta Provincial de la Tradición: Nov

Sleep Cheap

- ❖ There's a free camping ground at Parque Balneario Camping Municipal, Carulla al Este.
- ❖ Go [Couchsurfing](#) or [house-sitting](#)! Also check [WorkAway](#). Paid work in hospitality is widely available.

Budget Bites

- ⌘ Supermarket: Día.
- ⌘ Cheap restaurants: Comedor La Morada (Vélez Sarssfield 192), Guanábana (San Martín 145).

Free-Riding?

- Everything within the centre of Villaguay is easily walkable.
- It's doable to bike in Villaguay, but bring your own bicycle.
- The bus terminal is located at L Herrera & Frías, which is [here](#).
- Hitch-hiking is possible, but there's always a risk. In order to pre-arrange a ride & share gas costs, try [Carpooler](#) or the Facebook-pages [Grativiajes](#) and [Camiones y Mochilas](#) (all in Spanish!).

Mama Said

- ☠ Tap water is drinkable, but if you just arrived in the country you are better off with filtered water.
- ☠ Watch your bag, buy a lock.

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.

Nights Best Spent

- ◆ Sala de Juegos IAFAS, Alem y Balcarce.
- ◆ Cine Teatro Emilio Berisso, San Martín 540.

Next?

- ➔ In Argentina: Santa Fe, Paraná, Colón, Corrientes, Rosario, Buenos Aires, Iguazú.
- ➔ International destinations close by: Uruguay, Paraguay.