



**Join Napa Valley Wine Academy for an world-class 7 day/6 night educational trip exploring the wines, wine regions and culture of Mendoza, Argentina.**

**Breathtaking scenery, colorful culture and dynamic wines await you in the heart of Argentina's wine country. Experiences include sunset tastings overlooking the Andes Mountains as well as tours of the Uco Valley (one of the most important wine-growing areas in the country), Mendoza City, and the beautiful and historic wineries of Luján de Cuyo. As you journey through 13 wineries and approximately 80 types of wines, you'll gain a deeper understanding of what makes this important New World region so unique. Learn the history of Argentina's premiere wine regions and meet the important influencers who are driving it forward.**

**Our study trips are virtually all-inclusive. We have taken the stress out of planning a trip on your own so that you can sit back, enjoy your trip and focus 100% on learning about Argentina and its glorious wine.**

**You will taste a large number of wines on our visits to producers and over meals. Improve your wine tasting skills by tasting with our guides and wine producers themselves.**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- A journey through 13 of Argentina's most prestigious wineries.
  - Approximately 80 types of wines.
  - 5 gourmet lunches and 3 gourmet dinners.
  - Workshop with EAS (Escuela Argentina de Sommeliers) food and wine tasting.
  - Mendoza city tour with professional Argentinian tour guides.
  - Recepción in Casa La Galeana gardens with live music (Argentine folklore).
- ...and much more

# ARGENTINA STUDY TRIP ITINERARY 2022

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## TUESDAY, OCT 4

- Transportation from International Airport El Plumerillo to Casa La Galeana & Casa Lopez.
- Welcome Dinner and Tasting - Ing. Jose "Pepe" Galante, the Argentinian father of modern winemaking (Catena Zapata - Salentein), will present his family project "Puramun Wines" with traditional live music with local folklore musicians.

## WEDNESDAY, OCT 5

- Day trip to two of the most important wineries in Maipu county, and Alto Agrelo (Lujan de Cuyo).
- Alto Cedro / Alandes - Tour and tasting with Karim Mussi (owner and winemaker). He is also a consultant for many other wineries in Argentina and one of the most important names in the wine industry today.
- Casa Vigil / El Enemigo - Tour, tasting and a 7-course lunch in this winery, personal project of Alejandro Vigil, one of the most renowned oenologists in Argentina today. He's also Catena Zapata's director of enology.
- Rosell Boher - Tour and sparkling wine tasting. They won first place at the 2019 and 2020 "World Best Vineyards", category "Wine Tourism Restaurants". Also well known as one of the best sparkling wine producers in Argentina.

## THURSDAY, OCT 6

- Day trip to Uco Valley. More than 900 wineries and 145 thousand hectares of vineyards explain why this is the most important wine-growing area in the country.
- Monteviejo - Located at the foot of the Andes Mountains, in the heart of Valle de Uco, one of the main wine-growing areas in Argentina. It's 120 km from Mendoza City, within the group of properties of Clos de los Siete (founded by Michel Rolland).
- Zuccardi / Piedra Infinita - They won first place at the 2019 and 2020 "World Best Vineyards" contest. Tour, tasting, and 5-course lunch. Its wines, architecture landscapes, and avant-garde practices make it an extraordinary winery.
- Piedra Negra - Biodynamic winery located in "Los Chacayes", famous terroir, that belongs to the prestigious François Lurton family. This private tasting will allow you to taste some varietals of the Gran Lurton white from the cask, and uncork the incredible icon wine of the winery: 'Chacayes'.

## FRIDAY, OCT 7

- Workshop day at the first and most important sommelier school in Argentina, followed by a relaxed lunch. Mendoza's City tour, a combination of colonial architecture and modernism. Famous for its irrigation system and its thousands of trees. Also known as forest city.

## **FRIDAY, OCT 7 (continued)**

- E.A.S, Escuela Argentina de Sommeliers - Workshop and tasting, with educational resources, giving the student knowledge about wine history and geography of one of the great countries of the new world of wine. Presented by E.A.S. Argentina and CETT-UB Barcelona certified sommeliers. Tastings will be designed to travel all along Argentina, from the province of Salta to Río Negro, combined with typical foods preparations of each place.
- Fuente y Fonda - Homemade food lunch at this cozy Argentinian restaurant with a grandmother's kitchen style.
- Mendoza City Tour - Downtown, foundational area and history, main squares, Cerro de la Gloria and San Martin Park.
- Time to relax before a 5-course dinner at Clos De Chacras - this traditional boutique family winery located in a 1921 building. Just 5 minutes away from the hotel.

## **SATURDAY, OCT 8**

- Day trip to 2 of the most important wineries in Uco Valley. A 90-minute drive from the hotel will take us to this area where some of the best Argentinian wines are made.
- Salentein - Tour and tasting. Located at 1,300 meters above sea level, and right at the vineyard's center. This multi-awarded winery has a wine cellar nine meters underground. Altogether, these level house's 5,000 small oak French barrels, of 225 liters each
- Andeluna - Tour, tasting and a 5-course lunch at this 1,300 meters above sea level winery.
- Otaviano - Intimate tour and sunset tasting at this sustainable boutique winery. Live DJ set on the terrace overlooking the Andes Mountains.

## **SUNDAY, OCT 9**

- On our last day after a full week of experiences, we are going to visit our neighbors. Beautiful and historic wineries in Luján de Cuyo, Tierra del Malbec.
- Cavas de Weinert - Tour and tasting. Built in 1890 by the Spanish immigrant Ramón Otero and founded in 1975 by the German-born Brazilian, Don Bernardo Weinert.
- Altavista - Tour tasting and Picnic in this historic building built in 1899. In 2003, it was restored respecting its traditional architecture and including the latest wine-making technologies. It is one of the oldest producing wineries in Mendoza, and it's just 2 minutes away from the hotel.
- Lagarde - Tour and 7-course dinner. With the first vine planted in 1897, Lagarde is one of the oldest wineries in the Mendoza region with Malbec vines over 100 years old.

## **MONDAY, OCT 10**

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- Check Out and Departures including transportation from the hotels to International Airport El Plumerillo.

THIS TRIP IS LIMITED TO TWELVE (12) TRAVELLERS

**Cost: \$3,999\*\***

**Save \$250 if you register by November 30th**

**TRIP FEES INCLUDE:**

- 6 nights deluxe accommodations in Mendoza, Argentina at Casa La Galeana.
- A journey through 13 wineries during the spring season.
- Approximately 80 types of wines
- All breakfasts
- 5 gourmet lunches
- 3 gourmet dinners
- Transportation from airport to hotel, and from hotel to wineries
- Workshop with food and wine tasting
- Mendoza city tour with professional Argentinian tour guides
- Recepción in Casa La Galeana gardens with live music (Argentine folklore).

**NOT INCLUDED** -International travel arrangements to and from International Airport El Plumerillo (MDZ)

**\*\*There is a US \$599 supplement if you are traveling by yourself. This cost is to cover the cost of single-room occupancy at the hotel.**

Payment 1: Deposit at booking: \$1,500

Payment 2: 90 days from start: \$2,000

Payment 3: 60 days from start: \$499 (plus single supplement if applicable)

**\*IMPORTANT** this itinerary subject to change: every effort is made to keep the itinerary as close as possible to what appears above; however, the final itinerary and wineries/ winemakers included may vary due to wine producer schedules, availability, and factors beyond our control. The wine producers visited during this trip will all be of the highest quality.

**Are you ready to join us in Argentina for the wine tour of a lifetime?**

Fill out registration form and we will contact you for payment information and confirmation of your seat on the Mendoza, Argentina 2022 Wine Education Abroad Tour!

**SECURE YOUR SPOT NOW!**