

ARGENTINA'S ALLURING HIGHLIGHTS

Escorted by Mike Yardley

15 Days/14 Nights

SEP 23 – OCT 09 2016



Tour highlights:

Exploring the historic, cultural and natural highlights of **Buenos Aires**, including a guided **bicycle excursion**, **Tango Show** and dinner, traditional **Gaucha Museum**, **Gaucha show** with BBQ lunch and traditional Argentine **cooking class**; **Salta** the capital of artisan crafts; **Safari to the Clouds** - top rated overnight excursion through cactus country and rugged mountains to 14,200 feet for fantastic views and photo opportunities; **Cafayate** and the ancient ruins of **Quilmes** and **wine tasting** in a local bodega; and the commanding **Iguazu Falls** from both the Argentina and Brazilian sides.



Mike Yardley is an award-winning broadcaster, mixing his twin passions for news and travel. Based in his hometown of Christchurch, Mike is a current affairs commentator/writer and widely syndicated travel columnist & correspondent on radio and in print. He is Newstalk ZB's travel correspondent, with a weekly slot on the Jack Tame Saturday Morning Show. His weekly travel page is published in a dozen APN regional newspapers.

Travel has been an abiding life-long passion for Mike and he counts Buenos Aires as one of his favourite cities in the world. European elegance with Latin zest. Plus, he warns that no picture can do justice to the awe inspiring spectacle of the Iguazu Falls.

Mike has travelled to 77 countries, worked on-board a Greek cruise ship, and in addition to his travel media work, has been an international tour group leader in recent years.

Mike is a tour host, exclusively for Innovative Travel, and he recently lead a 40-strong group to Gallipoli, for the ANZAC Day Centenary.

After 20 years as a front-line host on Newstalk ZB, Mike stepped down from the Canterbury Morning Show just before Christmas, after guiding Canterbury listeners through the horror, heartache and turmoil of the natural disaster. In 2012, he was honoured for his dedication to the job, winning multiple awards, including a Gold Medal for Best News Coverage at the New York Festivals, Talkback Host of the Year at the New Zealand Radio Awards, and an Earthquake Service Award from the Christchurch City Council.

September 2016

Fri 23 **Auckland - Buenos Aires** ✈️ 🚌

Depart Auckland on your Air New Zealand flight this evening.
Arrive Buenos Aires this afternoon.

Upon arrival of your Air New Zealand flight at Buenos Aires EZEIZA Ministro Pistarini International Airport, clear the Immigration & Customs formalities. The group, led by Mike Yardley, will be met by one of Sundance Spirit's professional fluent English speaking local tour guides directly outside the arrivals hall & ushered to an awaiting coach. It is a short journey to the city centre, during which your guide will provide an overview of the city. This is after all, South America's most cosmopolitan and vibrant capital city, with so many endearing features & fun activities that await you all.

Given that the aircraft is scheduled to land at 1500hrs, check-in is unlikely to be much before 1800hrs.



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Accommodation for **five (5) nights** at the:

 **INTERSUR RECOLETA Hotel 4* star**

Avenida Callao 1764
 Recoleta, Buenos Aires - Argentina
 Telephone: +54 (11) 5533-4000

Located in Recoleta on Callao Avenue, the architecture of the hotel with its classical facade, reflects the history of one of the most traditional areas of Buenos Aires. A hotel built to enjoy the city and some of its most representative aspects: its cuisine, its art, cultural events and lifestyle.

A structure that conveys the history of the city, reflected in the furnishing and décor of the hotel, in the combination of colours and materials, presenting the beauty and subtlety of the area.

Time to freshen up and change into casual attire before a welcome function hosted by Mike Yardley and Innovative Travel, with canapés and drinks in one of the hotel function rooms.

Sleep will come easily this evening as there is a fifteen (15) hour time difference between Buenos Aires & New Zealand - so at 2000hrs this evening here, it will be 1100hrs (tomorrow) in the morning in New Zealand.

Sat 24

Buenos Aires - city highlights



After breakfast please meet to undertake a formal detailed briefing on the overall itinerary to be given by one of our Argentinean tour partners management, who will answer all questions that may arise.

9.30am

Depart on a 5 hour Historic Buenos Aires sightseeing excursion. This excursion will take in the major Plazas (Plaza San Martin, Plaza 25 de Mayo where the Casa Rosada Presidential Palace is located.) Also the Cabildo, where many historic documents & proclamations were signed, Buenos Aires Cathedral where Pope Francis presided over Argentina`s catholic community and where the sarcophagus of General San Martin lies in state. Then Plaza Italia & Plaza Congreso where the Federal Government Senate & Congress resides. The excursion will also visit the Dinosaur museum (Argentina is littered with all manner of fossilized dinosaur bones as it was a haven for many species before they were wiped out) the National Art Gallery, the

Evita Exhibition, drive down Avenida 9 de Julio past the Obelisco, Teatro Colon (Pavarotti & Kiri & Dame Malvina Major all of whom have performed here made that same assessed critique) - then to La Boca and the colourful Caminito district. Then onto San Telmo (some walking here), through the barrios (neighbourhoods) of Montserrat and Palermo. Then onto Tigre which is at the confluence of the massive Rio Paraña and Rio de La Plata. Cruise for an hour passing by the many sand cay islands.



5pm

Return to the hotel. This evening is free to make your own arrangements for dinner, however there will be quality restaurant recommendations provided. (B)

Sun 25

Buenos Aires - morning guided bicycle excursion  

This morning's guided bicycle excursion with bikes, helmets and local guides will include the pathways around the wetland in Puerto Madero and also visit on board the historic mast sailing Frigate Sarmiento. There will be a guided walk in Recoleta and the famous cemetery where numerous Argentine Presidents, socialites, military & sports heroes are entombed, so too Evita, entombed in the family Duarte crypt.



At the conclusion of the guided bicycle excursion your time is at leisure for the remainder of the day. There are two artisan markets that are open and in full swing on Sunday's - one of these is set out in the Recoleta; the other which is more of an antique bric-a-brac market is in Plaza Dorago, San Telmo. This evening is free to make your own arrangements for dinner; however there will be quality restaurant recommendations provided. (B)

Mon 26

Buenos Aires - rural hinterland     

9.45am

Departing the hotel this morning. It is a 128km drive to the famous historic gaucho `capital` of San Antonio del Areco. There will be ample time to wander in the famous gaucho museum, before proceeding to Estancia El Ombu where tour party members are greeted with traditional empanadas (like Cornish pasties) given traditional farmland welcoming drinks, then a jaunting cart ride around the estancia. Estancia El Ombu offers a superb look into Argentine working rural life on a beef cattle farm.

Lunch will be included served in the traditional manner - a slowly cooked asado where all sorts of beef, lamb, pork & poultry meat cuts are simmered over white hot coals usually crucifix style, embellished with salads, baked potato & for anybody with the ability, a fabulous dessert platter.

There will also be traditional rural cultural entertainment, music song, folkloric dancing, drumming and of course the gauchos will display their horse riding skills.

5.30pm

Return to your hotel. (B,L)



Tue 27

Buenos Aires - traditional Argentine cooking class



After greeting the day, the first item of the morning is to engage in a hearty breakfast to set everybody up for the day ahead.

Today is at leisure until mid afternoon.



Later this afternoon you will indulge in a cooking class, where they will get to try your hand making typical Argentine pastries, empanadas & other culinary dishes which will be consumed for dinner. (B,D)

Wed 28

Buenos Aires - Salta ✈️ 🚌

After breakfast, check out of your rooms. Transfer to Aeroparque Jorge Newbery Airport (AEP) for your domestic flight to Salta (SLA).

Salta is located in the far NW corner of Argentina, less than 170km to the Bolivian border. It is considered to be the `capital` of artisan handicrafts, exquisite local `mountain` influenced cuisine, amazing historical significance and the gateway to the High Altiplano region.



Upon arrival you will be met by your local tour guide and transferred to the central district of the city of Salta to check-in to your accommodation.

Accommodation for **two (2) nights** will be at:



AMERIAN SALTA Hotel 4* star

Santa Fe 159, A4402EOC Salta, Argentina
Phone: +54 387 421-0693

Just a 10-minute walk from San Bernardo Convent and San Francisco Church and Convent. Alta Montana Archaeological Museum is 1 km away. This hotel has its own restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner where you'll find a selection of items to try. Go for a dip in the outdoor pool during your stay. A health club and a sauna are among the leisure facilities on offer. WiFi and high-speed (wired) Internet access is available.



Dinner is included this evening at the hotel. (B, D)

Thu 29
10.00am

Salta - guided walking excursion 

This morning after breakfast meet with your local guide to head out on an interpretive walking excursion to take in the major historical features of Salta City.

This walking excursion is not arduous and will be well paced to suit everybody. There are a number of glorious basilicas in Salta, the most famous of which, basilica San Francisco, is said to be the most photographed church in all of Argentina. It is ornately adorned in a painted colour scheme of gold and burgundy; the inside of the basilica is quiet and features several depictions of saints and martyrs. Possibly one of the more notable features is the main spire bell, which is no longer at the top of the belfry as it is deemed too unsafe if rung, the deep base tone omitted being said scientifically to pose a structural threat to the tower. Walk through Plaza de Armas and the local markets, a bustling hive of trading activity.



Then to what has to be the most intriguing `museum exhibition` in Argentina - the **Inca Children of Llullaillaco** or **Children of the Cold**. Discovered by Dr. Johan Reinhard & his archaeological team on 16 March 1999, and located at the pinnacle of Mount Llullaillaco, some 6739m high. Llullaillaco is a potentially active stratovolcano on the border of Argentina and Chile. It lies in the Puna de Atacama, a region of very high volcanic peaks on a plateau within the Atacama Desert, one of the driest places in the world. It is the fourth highest volcano in the world and the seventh highest mountain of the Andes. The burial of these three Inca royal children as sacrifices to the Gods, is believed to have taken place 500 years before. They are said to be the best preserved Inca mummies of all time. Entry to the exhibition is included & your guide will provide an in-depth insight into their life & their sacrificial death.

After the walking excursion is completed, you'll be escorted back to the hotel, where everybody will need to check out of their rooms. Remainder of the day at leisure, perhaps with recommendations from your guide for places to have a wonderful local restaurant lunch and have most of the afternoon at leisure.

As tomorrow requires a very early wake-up and start it is recommended that after dinner, tour party members retire to their rooms for a good night's sleep. Tomorrow is immense, bringing with it a kaleidoscope of scenic wonders up onto the Altiplano and into some sensationally scenic countryside.

Everybody **needs to pack a small backpack sized overnight bag**, with a change of clothes and toiletries as the tour party will be going on a one (1) night two (2) day excursion commencing in the morning, noting a return to the same hotel in Salta tomorrow evening, where you'll be reunited with your large luggage. (B)

Fri 30

Salta and the Safari to the Clouds



This morning's wake up will be at 0445hrs followed by a very early light breakfast (0515hrs), room check out and everybody's large suitcases will be stored safely with hotel concierge.

Safari de Los Nubes (Safari to the Clouds is rated as the best 2 day / 1 night excursion in Argentina.



Traveling in a huge Mercedes 4x4 overland vehicle called MOVITRACK, manned by a professional crew of three, two English speaking guides & a professional overland driver, the journey traverses from the verdant green river valley, up into cactus country (entire hillsides covered in 4-6m high cactus) climbing still higher to crest the savannah altiplano region at 12000` above sea level where you can literally see `forever` with volcanic cone peaks off into the distance. Weather-dependent, MOVITRACK offers sensational scenic viewing and photo opportunities as it has two cabins, one front, and the other aft with a crew kitchen in the middle. The crew will provide a detailed commentary of highlights and features of this region along the way.

In addition there will be ample opportunities for wayside stops before arriving to the small town of San Antonia de Los Cobres. From here onto the Salinas Grandes - the high altiplano salt lake which glistens ice white and extends virtually from horizon to horizon. Pause here, see how salt is farmed, go for a walk on the salt lake surface, before the MOVITRACK once again continues to climb the sealed highway to a point 14200` above sea level - the vistas from this `Condor`s eye` vantage point are extreme and even the best of photos don`t do these scenes justice. Then continuing on down the sealed highway traversing a series of zig-zag switchbacks, we will arrive to the valley floor and the famous artisan community of Purmamarca. The artisan craft market in the main plaza is as good as any artisan market anywhere in the country. Here the overnight stay will be at a glorious traditional hacienda styled lodge.

Accommodation for **one (1) night** will be at:



LA COMARCA PURMAMARCA POSADA 4* star

RN52, 4618 Purmamarca, Jujuy, Argentina
Phone: +54 388 490-8001

Featuring a heated swimming pool, a spa and a fitness centre, La Comarca offers rooms with free Wi-Fi and mountain views in Purmamarca. The city centre is 800 metres away. Bright and spacious, rooms at La Comarca are fitted with heating and parquet floors. Spa facilities include a sauna, a hot tub and a massage room. Guests can benefit from several beauty treatments, or relax by the heated pool. There is also a gift shop.



We have purposely left dining arrangements open as Purmamarca has numerous outstanding restaurants as well as La Comarca`s a la carte menu being superb. Without doubt the diversity of the day in combination with fresh air intake should make for a wonderful sleep recipe tonight. Tomorrow does not require an early start, but it heralds a whole new kaleidoscope of scenic wonders and historic places, so best everybody sleeps well.

(B, L)

Sat 01 Tilcara, Humahuaca, Jujuy and return to Salta

For the Safari de Los Nubes, you will be touring in a Mercedes Sprinter vehicle. After a hearty breakfast and room check out, board the vehicle for your first stop at the indigenous Indian pueblo of Tilcara, where the indigenous Kolla Indians attempted to halt the advancing Spanish conquistadors but failed. Tilcara is the major population centre of the Quebrada de Humahuaca and certainly heralded as the archaeological center of Argentina. It exhibits Spanish colonial architecture combined with local elements and pre-Columbian archaeology. The population today is mainly indigenous as is typical to northern Argentina, as very few European immigrants came this far and settled. Then on to the historic city of Humahuaca where in the early 1800`s many of the major battles against the Spanish for independence were fought.

The lunch stop is here and tour party members are free to make their own lunch choices as Humahuaca has a variety of good local restaurants that feature excellent traditional high altiplano wholesome cuisine. Your guide will undoubtedly make recommendations.

After lunch everybody has a good hour to wander the city, walk up to the huge monument to the battles which is at the top of the main plaza, before re-boarding the touring vehicle and heading back to Salta, via the capital of Jujuy Province - the city of Jujuy.



Arrive to Salta at approximately 1930hrs / 2000hrs you will be reunited with your suitcases and large luggage items as you check into the same Salta hotel where you stayed 2 nights ago. (B)

Accommodation for **one (1) night** will be at:



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Sun 02

Salta - Cafayate



At approximately 9.30 am there will be a private coach transfer that will take you on a scenic road journey passing through spectacular bluffs and canyon territory en-route some 168km to the south to the fascinating pueblo of Cafayate. This town is known for two strikingly different features:

- It's the gateway to the historic ruins of an indigenous Indian city called Quilmes that was once home to approx. 3000 residents. The Spanish Conquistadores ransacked Quilmes, rounded up most all of the inhabitants, tied them together & marched them to Buenos Aires - a journey that took almost 2 years. Only one in every 50 who departed Quilmes, survived.
- It has become known for the exquisite local wines coming from the various bodegas in the vicinity of Valle Calchaquies, especially the white Torrontes variety of grape which originated in France but had practically died out and been forgotten until it was revived here.

On arrival check in for accommodation for **one (1) night** at the wine estate:



PATIOS de CAFAYATE 4* star

National Highway No. 40 and National Highway No. 68 Cafayate Zip (4427)

Province of Salta, Argentina

Phone: +54 3868 422229

This afternoon after lunch you will be taken on a privately guided excursion to the Ruins of Quilmes, located in the Calchaquí Valley, in Provincia Tucumán. These are the best of the major Pre Columbian settlements in Argentina occupying some 30 hectares located close to Cerro Alto Rey.



The Quilmes city ruins were discovered by Lafone Quevedo, in 1888, however 9 years elapsed before they were explored in 1897 for the first time by the archeologist Juan Bautista Ambrosetti & restored by a team under Norberto Pelissero. This settlement was the home of Quilmes families, but it had a bloody history with the neighboring Calchaquí Indians. The Calchaqui Indians allied to fight with the Spanish, and the Quilmes indigenous tribe was defeated in the mid-XVII century.

The entire population of approximately 3000 people were forced to march on foot some 1200km to what is now a suburb of Buenos Aires city called barrio Quilmes. The ruins of Quilmes have been reconstructed in part as a National heritage site.

Returning to Patios de Cafayate late afternoon, guests are free to relax until dinner, which will be served here in the dining room. (B, D)

Mon 03

Cafayate local sights & wine tasting, to Salta & flight to Iguazu



This morning after a hearty breakfast, check out of Patios de Cafayate and undertake a short locally guided tour of the township, prior to having a professional wine tasting and lunch at one of Cafayate's premium bodega vineyards.

Following the lunch, head north to Salta Airport, for a domestic flight to Iguazu, located in the far NE quadrant of Argentina on the border with Brazil and Paraguay. An in-flight snack & beverage service will be available.

On arrival and after collecting your checked luggage you will be met by your local driver / guide and transferred directly to your accommodation in Puerto Iguazu, where we stay for three nights. The hotel is located at the confluence of the Iguazu and Paraña Rivers very close to the tri-border lookout. (B, L)

Accommodation for **three (3) nights** will be at:





Av. Tres Fronteras 780, N3370XAJ Puerto Iguazú Misiones, Misiones, Argentina
Phone: +54 3757 49-8200

Amérian Portal del Iguazu is located in a strategic point, only 100 meters from the Three Borders Landmark, which has the best view of the merging of the Iguazu and Parana Rivers. Amérian Portal del Iguazu Hotel has 102 rooms, 2 Bars, 2 Restaurants.

Tue 04
9.30am

Foz do Iguassu & Parque das Aves exotic wildlife exhibition



After breakfast, depart with your guide over the border to Brazil.

Please note: *NZ Passport holders do not require a pre-issued Brazil Tourist Visa - they receive a Brazil visa entry stamp in their passports as they enter & the guide will arrange the border control formalities.*

Once the group has cleared Argentine departure control & Brazil Immigration, they are off to Foz do Iguassu National park which is the Brazil side of Iguazu Falls. From here there will be a guided walking excursion - more of an easy stroll actually - along the river`s edge to a series of viewing platforms that are strategically set up at points to give the maximum panoramic vantage point views of the Argentine side of Iguazu, which you cannot get from the Argentine side itself. At the termination point in Foz do Iguassu National Park there is an elevated tower where from the top you get better overall views of both sides of Iguazu and as well, there`s one elevated walkway out across the mezzanine level of the river to a viewing platform that is at the edge, allowing views up and into the Garganta del Diablo (the Devil`s Throat) from a totally different perspective than the viewing platform on the Argentine side.



Following on from the Foz do Iguassu National Park walking trails, you will be taken to Parque das Aves just 100m outside the Foz do Iguassu Park entrance where the entry fee is pre-included. This is the largest and most extensive series of free-flight aviaries in the world & home to virtually every species of South American rainforest exotic birds. One section of the rainforest aviary is for exotic parrots, toucan, macaws, lorikeets, ground dwelling brilliant yellow & red pheasants, Cardinals and numerous other smaller birds.

Another one of the rainforest aviaries is dedicated to the twelve different species of South American hummingbirds; another has dozens of species of tropical butterflies and huge rainforest moths, yet another is for raptors - the Harpy eagles (largest eagle in South America) vultures and glorious owls.



There is an **'optional'** opportunity to get a birds-eye view of Iguazu Falls from a helicopter which operates from the Brazil side ... it`s a 12 minute flight (the cost is approx. USD150 currently) and is a brilliant excursion, highly recommended for those who wish to.

4pm

Back to the hotel in Puerto Iguazu, Argentina.

Free time.

This evening dinner is at a local restaurant, transfers included.

Do note that for any of the group who may wish to indulge in an after dinner stroll, it is perfectly safe in Puerto Iguazu. (B, D)

Wed 05

Iguazu Falls National Park guided outdoor soft adventures



Through with breakfast by 8 am, board the air-conditioned coach with the recommendation for `outdoor` safari casual clothing, a small day backpack to carry a strong sun screen, a towel, change of socks and tee shirt, lip balm and 1 litre bottle of water.

Arriving at the headquarters of Iguazu National Park we will be met by one of Iguazu Jungle Explorer`s English speaking guides and head off to undertake the 5 different outdoor soft adventure activities that Iguazu is famous for - the upper Iguazu walking trails; the 4x4 rainforest interpretive excursion which terminates 6km down river and a military style assault craft ride up the Iguazu River into the San Martin Valley. Then the lower walking trails, followed by the train that takes visitors 5km upstream to a concrete / steel walkway that extends out across the river to the point where a viewing platform is directly over the Devils` Throat, the main force of the Iguazu River thundering over a 90m chasm.



Lastly, a gentle float down the river in a rubber raft, to see the birds as they return to roost for the night, and the South American caiman (crocodiles) that inhabit the beaches on the islands in the river, terrapins and other rainforest creatures.

At the conclusion of the outdoor activities in the Iguazu National Park, you will be returned to your hotel. (B)

Thu 06 Iguazu - Buenos Aires & an evening of Tango

This morning after breakfast, check out of your room and with your luggage loaded and stored on the coach, it's off to Iguazu Airport (IGR) for a non-stop flight to Buenos Aires Jorge Newbery airport (AEP).

On arrival to Buenos Aires we will be met by one of Sundance Spirit's guides & transferred to the central city to check-in for a **one (1) final night** stay of this itinerary at:



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The afternoon is free so tour party members can engage in whatever they please. Please however note that everybody must be in the hotel lobby by 7.15 pm, dressed in smart casual attire as this evening they are off to what should be one of the absolute highlights of their Buenos Aires stay - an evening of fine dining, professional culture and tango.



7.45pm

This evening includes round-trip transfers from the hotel to the auditorium, a 3 course fine dining meal complemented by wonderful Argentine red and white wines, local beer, soft drinks, bottled water, prior to an exceptional expose´ of tango music performed by amazingly talented professional tango musicians, tango singers and some of the best finest tango dancers in the country.

This sensational and memorable evening concludes when you are returned to your hotel shortly after midnight. (B,D)

Fri 07 Buenos Aires - Auckland

This morning after enjoying a hearty breakfast in the hotel you have a free day in Buenos Aires for shopping and last minute souvenir buying.



Ideally we will do our best to negotiate in an effort to keep as many rooms available at the hotel as possible, until 1800hrs this evening.

Transfer to EZEIZA International Airport, to check in for the Air New Zealand flight NZ30 departing non-stop for Auckland.

8.30pm

Depart Buenos Aires.

This westbound trans-Pacific flight is scheduled to depart at 2359hrs on October 07th & crosses the International dateline en-route, therefore is scheduled to arrive into Auckland early morning of **October 09th**. (B & in-flight meals)

Sun 09

Auckland

5.30am

Welcome Home!

Itineraries are prepared as a guideline only. Some variations may apply due to prevailing local conditions in a country. Transfer times and flight schedules booked by Innovative Travel may be reconfirmed by the local operators upon arrival and are subject to change.

TOUR COSTS:

Costs NZD per person	Ex Auckland	Ex Christchurch or Wellington
Share twin	NZD10,995	NZD11,195
Business class upgrade Air NZ flights only	NZD6800	
Single supplement	On application	

TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- Tour escorted by Mike Yardley ex Auckland
- Economy class return airfares on Air New Zealand Auckland-Buenos Aires
- Economy class domestic flights Buenos Aires-Salta-Iguazu-Buenos Aires
- Meet and assist on arrival and departure
- All transfers airport - hotel return
- Transport in air-conditioned coaches
- Professional licensed tour driver
- English speaking guides
- Accommodation with private facilities - 4* hotels
- Sightseeing as specified
- Breakfasts (13), Lunches (3), Gala Dinner (1), Restaurant dinners (2), cooking class dinner (1)
- Safari to the Clouds includes lunch, snacks and drinks
- Entrance fees as specified
- Travel notes for Argentina

TOUR EXCLUSIONS:

- Personal Expenses
- Insurance (compulsory) - medical and personal liability
- Departure and airport taxes
- Late check out
- Porterage & tipping
- National Park entrance fees - have to be paid direct (Iguazu USD40 and Fox do Iguassu USD45 - currently & per park per adult - subject to increase without notice)
- Additional meals / sightseeing
- Hotel room service, mini-bar and in room entertainment
- Laundry service

NOTES:

Due to the interest in this unique tour, early registration is essential to secure your place.

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 is required upon registration. Full payment will be required by 20 July 2016. The signed registration form must be sent to The Innovative Travel Company along with the deposit. Registration is not guaranteed until acknowledgement is provided by the company. After registration cancellation fees apply. Refer to tour registration form for full information.

Share twin requests will be on request - if you are travelling on your own, but wish to share with another traveller.

Price may be subject to currency fluctuations/fuel surcharges/airline, hotel increases or local schedules. The tour price is based on a minimum of 18 participants and may be subject to an increase if minimum numbers are not reached.



Tipping

Please remember that tipping is an accepted practice throughout the world. In the majority of countries tipping acts as a supplement to a basic wage. It is however discretionary. If you believe you have received efficient service, then service should be rewarded. In order to assist you in determining a fair and reasonable tip Innovative Travel have provided guidelines in the comprehensive travel notes provided in your documentation. This will be pre-collected at the time of final invoice.



Sightseeing

All sightseeing tours require a moderate amount of walking around historical / cultural sites. A good level of fitness will ensure you get a maximum enjoyment from your visit. On some tours you may visit a handicraft shop where the locals will show how their crafts are made. There is no obligation to buy any products at any of these places.



Hotel check-in/out times are normally IN: 2pm/OUT: 12noon

The only way to guarantee an early check-in or late check-out is to pre-book the night before (early check-in) or night after (late check-out). Otherwise early check-in and late check-out are subject to availability when you are there.



Double Beds Please note- if requested- we have requested a double bedded room but cannot guarantee one will be available. Please ask on check-in to see what is available.



Non Smoking Rooms: As a policy Innovative Travel request non smoking rooms for all guests. These rooms are requested and are subject to availability.



On a lighter note

Please remember that religious beliefs, traditional customs and daily manners may differ from country to country, these may seem quite strange at first. These idiosyncrasies are part of what makes travelling a special experience. Please be patient if you think things are happening at a different pace than you are used to and respect the differences in culture.



Tour conditions, cancellation and amendment fees as per registration form.

Travel Advisory Information can change at any time and we suggest clients refer to The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Travel Trade Advisory website at www.safetravel.govt.nz prior to departure for the latest up to date information and general advice regarding the countries you are visiting.

REGISTRATION FORM for :

Argentina's Alluring Highlights with Mike Yardley 23 Sep-09 Oct 2016

CLIENT NAME Title Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss Age Smoker YES / NO DBL – one bed / Twin – two beds / Single		ACCOMPANYING PARTNER Title Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss Age Smoker YES / NO	
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Special requirements eg vegetarian....			
I would like to share twin room with _____ (if different from above) <input type="checkbox"/> I am not travelling with any other person, but would like to be matched up in a share twin/ if this is available. If a non-smoking is sharing with a smoker a NON-SMOKING room will be reserved. (Share twin is on request only) If for any reason whilst travelling you elect to have a single room (subject to availability) a single supplement will be charged, a change will be permitted only if a room is available.			
Medical conditions: If you are required to fill out a PRE EXISITING CONDITION form on your medical insurance policy or have any limitations on fitness, you must advise Innovative Travel at the time of reservation. All participants over 75 years old require a letter from their doctor to certify they are fit to travel. Tour programmes always including walking, therefore it is essential to be able to walk 3-4km unaided. If you have physical limitations please state..... Innovative Travel will only accept clients with physical limitations if they do not inhibit other travellers or have their own care giver travelling with them. Final acceptance is subject to the approval of Innovative Travels medical advisors.			
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SPECIAL TOUR CONDITIONS: The tour itinerary may change due to local conditions. Other conditions listed on full tour itinerary. The tour is subject to a minimum of 18 participants and the price may vary if less than 18 travelling. Costs are subject to currency fluctuations.			
I enclose NZD 500pp non-refundable registration/deposit. An interim deposit of \$1000pp is required by 20 January 2016. Final payment is due by 20 July 2016 Cancellation fees: Registration – 20 January 2016 -deposit: \$500 pp; 21 January-20 July 2016 \$1500pp; 21 July-departure 100%. Failure to pay on due dates may result in the cancellation of your tour.			
I accept the Tour Conditions of the Ancient Kingdoms Tour brochure and the special Anzac 2016 tour conditions specified on the full itinerary. I will take a full travel insurance cover prior to my departure and forward a copy.			
SIGNATURE _____		DATE _____	

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