



### **JOURNEY OVERVIEW**

Your vacation in Buenos Aires and Jose Ignacio, Uruguay combines the cultural experience of cosmopolitan-city sightseeing with the serenity of an exclusive beach destination. Begin your private tour by exploring the highlights of Buenos Aires, from the sophisticated Recoleta neighborhood, to charming San Telmo and trendy Palermo. After experiencing everything this dynamic city has to offer, you will take a short flight to Uruguay, where your tailor-made tour will continue in the upscale fishing village of Jose Ignacio. Enjoy a sunset horseback ride followed by a barbecue dinner before spending the following day biking on local roads or canoeing in peaceful coastal lagoons. Then, venture inland during a day trip to the village of Garzón. After a private tasting at a local bodega, hike on tranquil country roads towards the town's main square, where you will arrive at Francis Mallman's sophisticated restaurant in time for lunch. Of course, during your luxury vacation in Jose Ignacio, there will also be ample time to relax at the area's white-sand beaches, while the adventurous may opt for a private kitesurfing lesson. In the evenings, browse the village's elegant galleries and boutiques before a delicious dinner at a gourmet restaurant.

#### A Taste of Blue Parallel's Insider Access

- Exclusive access to Buenos Aires' iconic opera house
- Private polo lessons with professional players
- Private wine and cheese tasting at an exclusive estate
- Horseback ride to a private BBQ in a moonlit forest prepared by a personal che

#### **The Discovery**

- Buenos Aires
- José Ignacio

#### The Adventure

- Polo
- Horseback riding
- Fishing
- Kite-surfing
- Mountain biking

**Duration** When to go?

7 Days JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC







# **PHOTOGRAPHY**





## **PRIVATE TOUR BUENOS AIRES & JOSE IGNACIO**

Please note this private Argentina & Uruguay tour is an example, as all of our luxury journeys are custom-made. You will find below a summary

Please contact us to start planning your custom-made private adventure of a lifetime.

#### **Buenos Aires (2 nights)**

Upon arrival in the cosmopolitan city of Buenos Aires, your personal host will take you by private transfer to your 5-star hotel of choice. On the first day of your luxury Argentina tour, with your expert guide, you will discover the chic neighborhood of Recoleta home to the world-renowned Recoleta cemetery. In the evening, dine at an authentic "parilla" to savor some of the world's best steak and malbec wine.

Begin the following day with a private tour of the magnificent Teatro Colón (with exclusive access to the theater's backstage studios and dressing rooms). Visit the Plaza de Mayo with your private guide before continuing to the cobblestone streets of San Telmo with its artisans and antique shops. Alternatively, we can also organize a private biking tour through the gorgeous parks of the Palermo neighborhood, a personal shopper for insider access to the high-end Argentine shopping scene, or even a private tango lesson with a professional dancer. Following dinner, we will take you to the best tango show in town to watch this iconic dance firsthand.

#### José Ignacio (4 nights)

After a 50-minute flight to Punta del Este, Uruguay, you will be greeted by your host and taken by private transfer to your accommodation near José Ignacio. This small village is a sophisticated retreat for families seeking a tranquil escape. You will stay at one of three luxury properties, all part of the celebrated Vik collection: Bahía Vik, Playa Vik, or Estancia Vik. On your first evening, enjoy a horseback riding excursion across lagoons, over the sandy dunes of the coast, passing a fisherman's village, and finally through a secluded forest to arrive at a private BBQ for you and your party to enjoy under the stars.

The following day, you will be taken to a special bodega for a tasting of some of Uruguay's best wines and olive oils. From there, hike through the region's rolling green hills and expansive ranchlands before arriving at the sleepy village of Garzón, a picturesque settlement with a tiny population. The acclaimed chef Francis Mallmann chose to establish his small yet elegant restaurant in Garzón and here you can savor a taste of Uruguay's traditional roots.

To begin the next day, enjoy a biking excursion through the beautiful Uruguayan countryside before arriving at a lagoon by a large private estate. Savor a delicious private BBQ lunch, featuring the local catch on the grill, prepared especially for you by a personal chef and assistant. Following lunch, enjoy the option to go canoeing on the lagoon and enjoy the grasslands around the property.

The following morning, visit the long white sand beaches at La Brava beach with a private beach set up. In the afternoon, enjoy shopping in the surrounding villages, such as La Barra and Manantiales, to browse the boutiques and galleries of local designers according to your interests. From there, stop to enjoy the notable artwork of the Fundacion Pablo Atchugarry before continuing to a private estate for a special wine and cheese tasting session in the kitchen with the chef and sommelier.

On the last day of your luxury trip to Uruguay, drive to the airport to catch your connection for your international flight home.



### **ABOUT BLUE PARALLEL**

### Blue Parallel is a bespoke luxury travel boutique.



Our mission is to take discerning, time-constrained travelers to the most spectacular natural and cultural wonders of Latin America, the Mediterranean, and the Polar Regions.



We create private, tailor-made journeys that focus on UNESCO World Heritage Sites, insider access experiences, and extraordinary outdoor adventures.



Since launching in 2003, we have become the go-to service for luxury travelers searching for top-of-the-line experiential journeys. We have been selected as an A-list Top Travel Advisor by Travel + Leisure every year since 2009, and are proudly part of the leading luxury travel network Virtuoso and their Ultraluxe Community (a by-invitation-only membership for the industry's most exclusive services and providers). We have hosted numerous eminent travelers since our inception and are frequently featured in prestigious international publications.



Blue Parallel journeys feature breathtaking outdoor adventures led by expert guides or accomplished athletes. Scuba diving in the Belize Reef, biking through Berber villages in the Atlas Mountains, ice-trekking on the Perito Moreno Glacier, dog sledding in Lapland, rafting on the Pacuare River in Costa Rica, and hiking the fjords of Norway are only a few examples of the extraordinary outdoor adventures we incorporate in our tailor-made itineraries. We take great satisfaction in designing custom-made adventures of a lifetime.



At Blue Parallel, we open doors to unique opportunities that match our travelers' interests. Our team travels year-round, seeking out the most intriguing insider experiences. Over the years, we have developed invaluable relationships with esteemed scholars, acclaimed artists, Olympic athletes, renowned chefs, directors of historical and natural landmarks, as well as with local leaders in politics and business, to name just a few examples.



Privacy has always been a top priority in all aspects of a Blue Parallel journey. Exclusive accommodations range from remote, fully-serviced villas in Iceland, a lighthouse on a private island in Norway, or a luxury private camp in the Sahara Desert. Examples of private custom experiences include an after-hours tour of the Alhambra in Andalucia, chartering a luxury yacht in the Galapagos Islands, or taking a private train ride to Machu Picchu. We can provide all these ultimate exclusive experiences and more so that our travelers can have the option to enjoy some of the world's most spectacular sights without the crowds.



Blue Parallel travelers are assigned a dedicated team comprised of:

- A personal travel expert
- A personal host in each destination
- Expert on-site guides and scholars
- Behind-the-scenes logistical experts to monitor every step of the journey
  We are on call for our travelers 24-hours a day during their trip, ensuring a smooth and stress-free experience. Whatever happens, our team is one step ahead, and we provide the flexibility to change the program during the journey, if need be.

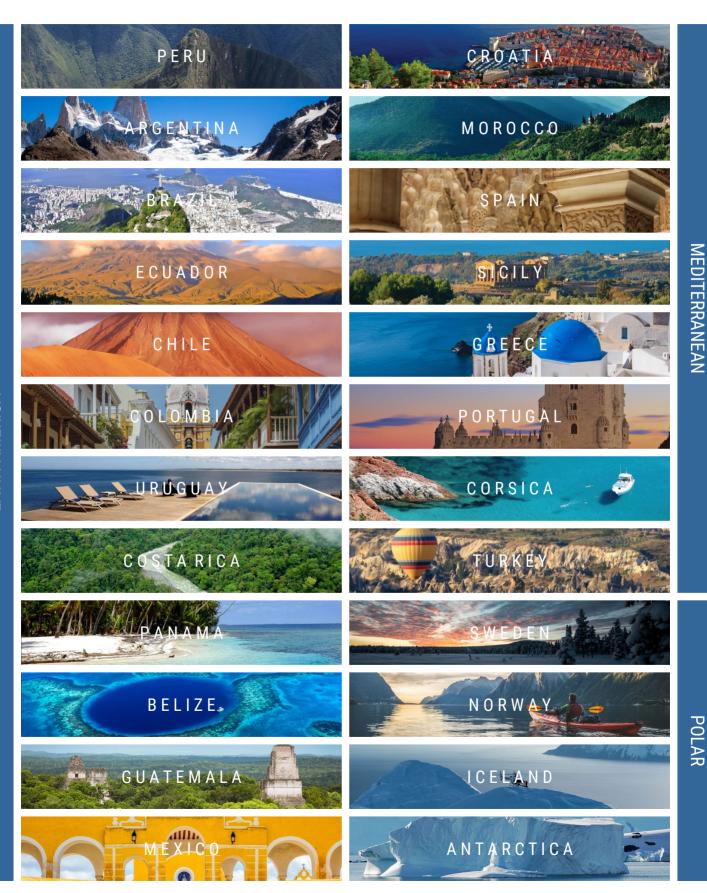
#### **CERTAINTY IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD**

Blue Parallel's expertise and our obsession with details offer certainty in an uncertain world. We have almost 2 decades of experience handling unforeseen circumstances, and the recent pandemic has only increased the significant value of having our dedicated teams offer limitless support to our travelers before, during, and after their journeys.

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### **BLUE PARALLEL IN THE MEDIA**

Bloomberg CENTURION **Traveler** 

elite*traveler* Forbes DEPARTURES

FOOD&WINE

LUXURY

Robb Report

TRAVEL+ VOGUE

### START PLANNING

We are experts in creating inspiring tailor-made itineraries. We will take your vision, try to enhance it, and then make your dream trip a reality. You can call us at 1-301-263-6670 Monday-Friday | 9 AM -5PM ET, or send us an email to info@blueparallel.com.

#### How it all works

### Contact us

Give us a call or send us an email in order to connect with one of our expert travel advisors.

### **Initial Consultation**

We will ask you questions about your dream trip, make recommendations, and answer any questions you may have.

# **Summary Itinerary Outline**

We will check availability for your preferred travel dates with our favorite accommodations and then provide you with a recommended summary trip outline.

# **Detailed Itinerary Proposal**

Upon your approval of the summary outline, we will make tentative reservations and create a detailed custom-made itinerary with pricing documentation for your review.

# **Booking Procedures**

If you would like Blue Parallel to secure your itinerary, we will email you our booking procedures and kindly request a deposit payment.

#### **Pre-Trip Support** 6

Closer to your travel dates, we will mail you a personalized travel package to ensure you are fully prepared for your journey.

# **During the Trip**

While you are traveling, our team will be available to assist you with anything you may need at any time.

# **Post-Trip Debrief**

After your journey, we would kindly ask to schedule a "debriefing call" to hear your feedback. Alternatively, you could fill in an online survey.

We will do our very best to surpass your expectations every step of the way. Most of our travelers are repeat travelers - we take great pride in forging long-term relationships with our savvy guests.