



Best of South America

Santiago → Cusco

2025

19 Days | From \$17,995 AUD pp

Trip Code: IS19

INCLUSIONS

- Travel to Valparaiso for a guided discovery of the historic quarter and a funicular ride
- Sit down to a private tango demonstration before enjoying a selection of tapas
- Experience a stay within the Iguacu Falls National Park, Brazil
- Enjoy lunch and a Peruvian Paso horse show in Lima at a private hacienda
- Join Inca Rail's First Class Train to Machu Picchu with a gourmet Andean-inspired lunch on board
- 18 nights' luxury stays
- Luxury dining - a total of 32 meals
- Expert APT Tour Director and local guides

Trip Notes

- Itinerary, inclusions and pricing are subject to change
- Flights to and from South America are not included
- Atacama Desert extension (ISA4) available. Enquire for details
- Prices include transfers, meals, accommodation, portorage, all internal flights within South America as per itinerary (including airport taxes which are subject to change) and gratuities

MAP & ITINERARY



Signature Experiences

Designed Exclusively for APT guests

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

These once-in-a-lifetime moments allow you to experience an unforgettable world of exclusive moments, incredible cultures and charming surprises

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

Give your holiday a personal touch with a choice of included sightseeing or dining options

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Arrive Santiago

Welcome to Santiago. We'll meet and transfer you to your hotel. Tonight, join a welcome dinner.

Stay: Three Nights, The Singular Santiago

Daily: ● Dinner

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Santiago, Valparaiso

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Explore this World Heritage-listed city's historic quarter, before a funicular ride offering great views over Valparaiso.

Travel to the coastal city of Valparaiso, where you'll find colourful cliffside houses sloping down to the sea. Known to Chileans as the 'Jewel of the Pacific', the city is an eclectic, sometimes chaotic mix of art, culture and commerce. Enjoy a Signature Experience before relaxing over lunch at a local vineyard and then return to Santiago.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch

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Santiago

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

Perhaps savour traditional Chilean cuisine at the charming Bar Liguria or indulge in dinner at the modern Ambrosia Restaurant.

This morning you'll set off on a guided discovery of the vibrant Chilean capital, which is wedged between the snow-capped Andes Mountains and the Pacific Ocean. Enjoy an afternoon at your leisure before choosing where to dine this evening.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Santiago, Buenos Aires

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

In Buenos Aires, enjoy a taste of local culture with a tango demonstration and a selection of tapas.

Fly to Buenos Aires, Argentina's elegant capital. On arrival, we'll transfer you to your hotel in the city's prominent Recoleta district. Home to some of Argentina's wealthiest families, Recoleta is a leafy neighbourhood dotted with beautiful parks and grand mansions just north of the city centre.

Stay: Three Nights, Buenos Aires, Alvear Palace Hotel

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Buenos Aires



FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

Tonight, choose from three dining options: dinner and a tango show; dine in style at Alvear Grill; or sit down to a traditional Argentinian Asado experience.

Join a guided discovery of the city, which includes the Italian-influenced barrio La Boca, a neighbourhood known for its Latino vibe and brightly painted pedestrian streets. Explore the bohemian district of Palermo, filled with trendy eateries and galleries, before arriving at La Recoleta Cemetery. This is the resting place of Argentine notables such as the nation's former First Lady Eva Peron.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Buenos Aires



FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

Perhaps journey to the island of Tigre for a cruise along the waterways of the Parana Delta. Discover daily life within this maze of rainforest and tiny islands, which is also a haven for birdlife. Or you might like to explore the Parisian influence on Buenos Aires during a walking tour. Alternatively, join a fascinating tour of the iconic and majestic Teatro Colon, considered the world's leading opera house by acoustic finesse, and immerse yourself in the city's sophisticated high arts scene.

Design your day one of three ways with Freedom of Choice Touring.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Buenos Aires, Iguazu Falls



SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Stay within Brazil's Iguacu National Park for two nights, enjoying the property's unrivalled location.

This morning, fly to Iguazu Falls. This natural wonder straddles the Argentina-Brazil border. Arriving on the Argentinian side, set off on the Rainforest Ecological Train to a series of walkways and viewing points, including one to the 80-metre-deep Devil's Throat.

Stay: Two Nights, Iguazu Falls, Belmond Hotel das Cataratas

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Iguazu Falls

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Indulge in a cachaca tasting this evening at your hotel, which boasts one of the largest cachaca collections in Brazil. In celebration of Brazil's national spirit, well known as the key ingredient in the Caipirinha cocktail, a cachaca sommelier will lead you on a delightful journey of flavours.

FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

Get up close to the roaring cascades of Iguazu Falls on an included jet boat safari, or for a special bird's-eye-view, soar over the falls on a helicopter flight.

Spanning a width of some 2.7 kilometres, Iguazu Falls is made up of roughly 275 waterfalls waiting to be explored today. Soak up panoramic views of the falls with a leisurely walk between each of the viewing platforms. Later, Freedom of Choice Sightseeing ensures you'll see the falls from different perspectives. At the day's end, enjoy a quintessentially Brazilian Signature Experience at your hotel.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Rio De Janeiro

Begin your day with a visit to Parque das Aves bird park, where you'll see colourful native South American birds. Later, fly to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil's most visited and naturally blessed city, set between lush, forested mountains and sandy shores. On arrival, we'll meet and transfer you to the elegant art deco grandeur of your hotel opposite the golden sands of iconic Copacabana Beach.

Stay: Three Nights, Rio de Janeiro, Belmond Copacabana Palace

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Rio De Janeiro

See Rio de Janeiro from above with a visit to Corcovado, the mountain famed for its Christ the Redeemer statue, thought to be the world's largest art deco-style sculpture. From here, enjoy sweeping city views. Towards evening, board a cable car to the summit of Sugarloaf Mountain to toast the sunset and incredible views with a drink. Tonight, dine at a local restaurant on Brazil's famously delicious barbecue fare.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Rio De Janeiro



FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

This morning is set aside for you to sail the waters of Guanabara Bay aboard a schooner sailing ship. If you'd prefer to stay on dry land, perhaps join a colonial walking tour, where the legends woven through the city's narrow colonial-era streets are brought to life.

Today, join a Freedom of Choice Touring activity to experience more of Rio de Janeiro.

Daily : ● Breakfast

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Rio De Janeiro, Lima

After breakfast this morning, be transferred to the airport for your included flight to Lima, where we'll meet you and transfer you to your hotel. Savour a delicious lunch at Café del Museo before enjoying a visit to Larco Museum.

Stay: Two Nights, Country Club Lima Hotel

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch

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Lima



SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Pay a visit to a private hacienda to enjoy lunch and a Peruvian Paso horse show.

Discover the Peruvian capital's World Heritage-listed historic centre with a guide today. Afterwards, enjoy a Signature Experience at a private hacienda before visiting the ruins of Pachacamac.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch

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Lima, Sacred Valley

After breakfast today, we'll transfer you to the airport for your included flight to Cusco, the pre-Columbian Inca capital of Peru. From here, be transferred to your hotel before a visit to the working corn farm Hacienda Sarapampa, where you'll enjoy a delicious farm-to-table lunch.

Stay: Two Nights, Sacred Valley, Tambo del Inka, A Luxury Collection Resort & Spa

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch

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Sacred Valley, Maras, Moray

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Enjoy a traditional weaving demonstration which reveals how South America's colourful materials are created by hand.

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

See the glistening salt pools spill over the terraced slopes at the World Heritage-listed Salt Mines of Maras. Then, visit the circular Moray Inca terraces archaeological site.

Travel to Chinchero, a small village in the Sacred Valley tucked into the Andean highlands. Enjoy a special welcome from the local Misminay community followed by a Signature Experience, which demonstrates a craft passed down through generations. Continue exploring the Sacred Valley with a guide, including another Signature Experience exploring the stunning landscapes of the Salineras de Maras. Enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE

Board Inca Rail's First Class Train and travel through forested landscapes to the lost Inca citadel of Machu Picchu. Enjoy a gourmet Andean-inspired lunch on board while taking in the view.

Today is set aside for a remarkable journey to Machu Picchu as you board Inca Rail's First Class Train for your Signature Experience.

Stay: Machu Picchu, Sumaq Hotel

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner

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Machu Picchu, Cusco

This morning, you'll enjoy a full immersion into the natural setting and incredible heritage of Machu Picchu as you set off on a locally guided exploration of the lost city of the Incas, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. Later, board the 360° Machu Picchu Train for your return trip to the Sacred Valley. Here, transfer by coach to Cusco and settle into your hotel in the heart of this historic city.

Stay: Two Nights, Cusco, Palacio del Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Lunch

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Cusco



FREEDOM OF CHOICE™

Indulge in marvellous five-star Peruvian cuisine as you learn the ropes from the experts with a lunchtime cooking class at Rooftop Kitchen Cusco overlooking the city. Alternatively, set out for a visit to the beautiful Cusco Cathedral.

A guided discovery of Cusco takes you to Plaza de Armas, a square at the city's historic heart. You'll also visit the sacred site of Koricancha and the historic citadel Sacsayhuaman. This afternoon, delve into Peruvian culture on a Freedom of Choice experience. This evening, join a farewell dinner at MAP Cafe, located in the central courtyard of the Museum of Pre-Columbian Art.

Daily : ● Breakfast ● Dinner

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Depart Cusco

After breakfast, your South American adventure concludes with a transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

Daily : ● Breakfast