

## International Basketball Tour 2024 Itinerary Arizona Christian University Women's Basketball Spain – Barcelona

### Travel dates:

August 17-25, 2024

### Itinerary:

- August 17 Departure from Phoenix airport.
- August 18 Arrival Barcelona airport. Transfer to your accommodation.
- August 19 Bus or boat tour Tossa de Mar: visit the beautiful old fishing town made famous in the 1950's by Ava Gardner and James Mason in the film Pandora and the Flying Dutchman. Evening game vs. a local team.
- August 20 Visit Barcelona by bus, covering the Bullring, the Gaudi buildings, Casa Batlló and the Pedrera, Plaza Francesc Masia, the Nou Camp - home of FC Barcelona, followed by Gaudi's unfinished Sagrada Familia Cathedral and lastly Parque Guell.
- August 21 Visit the city of Girona. Sightseeing possibilities include St. Mary's Cathedral, built between the 11th and 17th centuries, Passeig de la Muralla, Monastery of Saint Pere de Galligants and Chapel of Sant Nicolau, the Arab Baths, Cases de l'Onyar, etc. Evening game vs. a local team.
- August 22 Visit the sacred mountain-top monastery of Montserrat with its breathtaking views.
- August 23 Free day in Barcelona visiting the places the bus cannot reach. Drop off and pick up point in the central Plaza Catalunya. Recommended are the: Ramblas with its human statues and street artists, Palau de la Musica, Barrio Gotico with its maze of narrow streets, Plaza Real, Cathedral. Evening game vs. a local team.
- August 24 More sightseeing in Barcelona. Visit Montjuic, a prominent hill overlooking Barcelona with amazing views of the city and visit the Olympic facilities.
- August 25 Transfer to Barcelona airport and return flight.

\*The above itinerary is a provisional/suggested itinerary and can/will change depending on your group's specific wishes, the final game schedule for your team(s) and any pro game visit(s) incorporated for your group. Sightseeing admission fees are not included in the prices but can be added and pre-booked based on your group's specific wishes. Consult us for more information.



Wartburg College



Camp Nou



University of Mary



La Sagrada Familia

**Tour price estimate per person\*:**

Number of people traveling	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39
Participant prices	\$3,400	\$3,196	\$3,065	\$2,950

\* Prices are based on contracted airline group fares for 2023. We can confirm pricing approx. 10-11 months prior to departure date, when airlines publish group flights and fares for 2024.

**Price inclusions:**

- Round trip airfare, including airport taxes and fuel surcharges. Prices are always subject to availability of flights and fares at time of booking.
- Accommodation and meals as specified in this proposal – see below.
- Ground transportation – see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program – see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant – see below.

**Sport program included:**

We will arrange three friendly games per team.

**Accommodation and meals included:**

4-star Hotel accommodation in the Costa Brava region in a seaside town like Santa Susanna, Calella, etc.

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- The accommodation is situated near the town center and/or beach. The distance to Barcelona is approx. 30-35 miles.
- Accommodation in rooms for 3 people (3 beds or a double bed and twin bed typically) and all rooms have a private bathroom, TV, phone, Wi-Fi access and air conditioning.
- The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge, reception and often a swimming pool.
- Double rooms (2 people per room) are available as well at a supplement of \$15.00 per person per night.

**Ground transportation included:**

During your entire stay a private bus will be available exclusively for your group 9-10 hours a day.

**Local guide services included:**

A local tour assistant will be assigned to be exclusively with your group full time each day during your stay in each destination to provide you with any assistance when necessary and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed.

## **Options available (not included in prices)**

### **Sport program options:**

- We can arrange tickets to pro basketball or soccer games, subject to availability. Ticket costs will depend on the specific game, but usually ticket costs range from approx. \$75-\$150 per person.
- A 2-hour practice session with your own coaching staff – costs approx. \$300.00 per 2 hours.

### **Accommodation option Barcelona:**

On request, we can accommodate the group in a 3/4-star hotel in Barcelona, close to the city center while in Spain instead. The hotel is within walking distance of a train station and not far from the Sagrada Familia. All rooms have private facilities/bathroom, satellite TV, phone and climate control. The hotel has a bar, lounge, workout room and small outdoor pool. The supplemental cost for this hotel option is approx. \$40.00 - \$60.00 per person per night (to be confirmed – depends on time of the year).

### **Travel insurance option:**

Your participants have the option to purchase accident, illness and trip cancellation/interruption insurance, including a Cancel for Any Reason Coverage (CFAR) – more information about this insurance is included on your team website page.

### **Not included in prices:**

- Beverages (soda) with meals.
- Gratuities for representatives and bus drivers.
- Admission fees to attractions.
- Single rooms in hotels. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night on top of the double room supplements outlined in the accommodation description.

## International Basketball Tour 2024 Itinerary

### Arizona Christian University Women's Basketball

### Argentina – Buenos Aires

#### Travel dates:

August 17-25, 2024

#### Itinerary:

- August 17 Departure from Phoenix Airport.
- August 18 Arrival Buenos Aires Airport. Transfer to your accommodations. After check-in we'll offer the group a walking tour to explore the area around your hotel as well as a light training session.
- August 19 Guided bus tour of Buenos Aires. Located in a relatively compact area near the old colonial heart of the city, the Plaza de Mayo that was established in 1580, the main sites include the Pink, Colon Theater, Government Palace and the world's widest avenue – la 9 de Julio – with its Obelisco monument. Late afternoon community service project. Evening game vs. a local team.
- August 20 Day trip to La Boca. The city's historical Little Italy where El Caminito, a historical pedestrian zone is located. Afternoon visit the Boca Juniors Football Stadium as well as the museum, popularly known as La Bombonera (the Chocolate Box). From outside, the stadium seems to be part of the scale model exhibited in the museum depicting this famous neighborhood. Everything is intertwined and indivisible: not only is La Bombonera a part of a neighborhood which witnessed its creation but it also defines its identity. It was on this port suburb that football and Argentina were born. For the evening we recommend attending a Tango Show (extra cost for this Tango show is approx. \$100.00 per person and it includes dinner, wine, tango class and the show); the dance originated in lower-class districts of Buenos Aires and the music was derived from the fusion of various forms of music from Europe. The first association of Tango with the music and dance is recorded circa 1890's.
- August 21 Morning walking tour to Calle Florida and La Galleria Pacafico: shopping at Calle Florida with live performing artists in the streets, later time for shopping at Galerias Pacifico artistic Mall. Shopping areas in Buenos Aires are the best places for people watching and traditional crafts and food. Afternoon community service project. Evening game vs. a local team.
- August 22 Take a walking tour through the Puerto Madero District. From its refurbished red brick buildings and port cranes to its modern skyscrapers and luxurious apartment buildings, Puerto Madero is the perfect combination of old and new. The Río de la Plata river provides a quiet, relaxing atmosphere that contrasts with the hustle and bustle of heavy traffic just blocks away.
- August 23 Walking tour to the beautiful Recoleta Neighborhood, known for its squares, parks, cafés and galleries. You may also visit the astonishing Recoleta cemetery where the famous Eva Duarte de Peron, most known as "Evita" is buried. Eva was deemed "Spiritual Leader of the Nation" and was a major contributor to women's and low-income rights in Argentina. She was a former actress and married Juan Peron who became president, which is where much of her influence began.

Another option for this day is to spend a day in Buenos Aires to explore the city, do your shopping, etc. This option is included in the tour costs. A very nice option is a walking tour to the San Telmo Neighborhood. This is a cool, colonial district with a beautiful antique fair market. You may see performing street artist dancing tango, music bands, etc. During weekend is very lively and crowded. There are some footages on the video from this neighborhood.

Evening game vs. a local team.

August 24 Morning available to do your final shopping. Afternoon transfer to Buenos Aires Airport and return flight.

August 25 Return back home.

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Mid Mo



Plaza de Mayo



Ithaca College



Buenos Aires Bridge

**Tour price estimate per person\*:**

Number of people traveling	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
Participant prices	\$2,884	\$2,871	\$2,789	\$2,734	\$2,693	\$2,666

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**Price inclusions:**

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- Ground transportation – see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program – see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant – see below.

**Sport program included:**

We will arrange 3 games. After the games meals/snacks with opposition will be provided.

**Accommodation and meals included:**

Four-star hotel accommodation - daily breakfast and dinner is included. The hotel is centrally located in Buenos Aires, an 8-minute walk from the grand Teatro Colón. Includes accommodation in rooms for 2-3 people per room with private bathroom, free Wi-Fi, cable TV and minibar. The hotel offers its own restaurant as well as business center and gym.

**Ground transportation included:**

We have included all mentioned transportation as well as airport transfers. Many of the tours we offer are walking tours.

**Local guide services included:**

A local tour assistant will be assigned to be exclusively with your group full time each day during your stay in each destination to provide you with any assistance when necessary, and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed.

**Options available (not included in prices)**

**Sport program and excursion options:**

- A visit to a pro basketball or soccer game. Admission fee not included. Please calculate between US\$65.00 - US\$150.00 per person depending on the game. Some so called premium games might be more expensive.
- Practice session with your own coaches – Approx. US\$45.00 per person including transportation to and from the gym.
- Tango Show - US\$120.00 per person including dinner, wine, tango class and the show.
- Gauchos Tour - US\$70.00 per person including food and transportation.

**Travel insurance option:**

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