



ARGENTINA  
INVITATIONAL

Buenos Aires – Feb 25-Mar 4, 2012



INVITATION

Friends:

I have been to Argentina six times and on every instance, I have come back wondering why more North American's don't visit this fascinating destination in South America.

It is a little bit of Spain with some Italy and Germany sprinkled in, but with better weather and some of the best food and wine in our hemisphere. The golf clubs are quite impressive; some with spectacular clubhouses and polo clubs attached, and produce some world-class players on the PGA Tour.

But perhaps the best thing about visiting Argentina is this is one of those places where the US Dollar is still strong! The value is just superb, as evidenced by this Argentina Invitational tournament package. Where else can you get a tournament like this for under \$1000?

Last year one of our guests, Jerome Malinay of The Outpost Club, won the event and will return in 2012 to defend his title. Care to join our American contingent and help us bring home the trophy once again?

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## ITINERARY

**Saturday Feb 25<sup>th</sup>** (depart North America on an overnight flight)

**Day 1: Sunday Feb 26<sup>th</sup> - Arrival - Welcome Cocktail**

Arrival to EZE Intl Airport in Buenos Aires. Check-in at hotels. 7:00pm we'll have an outdoor welcome cocktail party in Recoleta, the fashionable downtown café area (venue TBD). Introduction of the players, review of the schedule, categories, rules, handicaps, tee-times, etc. Free evening at leisure.



**Day 2: Monday Feb 27<sup>th</sup> - Golf**

First golf round at Golf Club Argentino (caddies). Free evening at leisure.

**Day 3: Tuesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> - Golf**

Second golf round at Lagartos GC (caddies) or Nordelta GC (carts). Free evening at leisure.

**Day 4: Wednesday Feb 29<sup>th</sup> - Rest day**

Free day at leisure. We can arrange optional rounds of golf or perhaps you might want to just enjoy a free day in the city for shopping and sightseeing.

**Day 5: Thursday March 1<sup>st</sup> - Golf**

Third round at Olivos Golf Club (caddies). Free evening at leisure.



**Day 6: Friday March 2nd - Golf**

Final Round at Pilar Golf Club (caddies or GPS carts). Farewell dinner with Prize-Giving ceremony.



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### Day 7: Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Departures

Check-out by 12:00 pm for departures for most overnight flights. Daytime activities can be arranged for extra cost. Late checkout may be arranged based on availability.

Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup> – arrivals in USA for most overnight flights.



## WHAT IS INCLUDED

- 7days / 6 nights sharing a double occupancy room including taxes. The Tournament Partner Hotels are: Elevage 4\*(downtown), Etoile 4\* (Recoleta); Loi Suites 5\* (Recoleta); Alvear Palace 5\* Luxury (Recoleta).
- 4 golf rounds (Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri) including green fees and practice facilities
- Daily buffet breakfast
- Private transfers from your hotel to the golf courses
- Welcome Cocktail party with introduction to the event, review of the schedule, tournament categories, rules, etc.
- Farewell three courses dinner on Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30pm with Prize Ceremony, Gifts raffle & other prizes.
- Professional video and pictures of the event.





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### Not Included

- Air tickets to get to Buenos Aires (our air department can help you with flight arrangements!)
- Any activity or service not mentioned in the “included” list.
- Caddies available for \$30 per round, one caddy per person, or \$120 for the 4 rounds.
- Airport Transfers to/from hotel-EZE International Airport (we can arrange your taxi or for 4 or more person we can arrange a private group transfer for additional cost).
- Pull cart rental at \$10 USD per round.
- Options for Golf Cart in Pilar GC or Nordelta GC. (\$30 USD per person / one cart per pairing)

## THE GOLF COURSES



**The Olivos GC** is one of the best courses in the country and the region, as said by Angel Cabrera, Eduardo Romero and the Golf Digest Magazine, ranking it within the top 100 courses around the world, and in the best position of the three courses of our country. Here is played every year the Argentine Masters Tournament, being the winner international stars such as Payne Stewart, Bernard Langher, Gary Player, Vijay Singh and Craig Stadler. In fact, will host in November 2010 the World Amateur Golf Championship for the second time (first was in 1972). This 27 holes parkland (White / Red / Blue) of 6,705 yards from the blue tees was designed by Luther Koontz, who used to work with Alister Mackenzie (the Augusta National Architect). This parkland of big trees is laid out over a piece of land with lot of ramps and movement. Is one of those courses with no silly holes, where you have to careful on every shot. Tough par 4s with dog legs, a couple of hazards protecting approaches and tee shots, and deep bunkers like in the par 3 of the 17th can put you in trouble at any moment. The course maintenance is excellent all throughout the year, offering fast receiving greens of different sizes. The Argentine Open was played here many times, as well as the most important amateurs tournaments. All these put together explains why is considered locally a golf paradise.



**Nordelta GC** was built to host the most important local and international golf tournaments in the region, this challenging modern par 72 layout of 7.278 yards counts with all the typical characteristics of a Jack Nicklaus design. Waste hazards, big lagoons and multiple bunkers protecting the landing areas will require accurate shots and patience for achieving a decent score. From the four different tees (black, blue, white & red) golfers from all levels will have the possibility to recognize the strategic defenses of each of the eighteen holes. The modern greens of interesting size have smooth and at the same time “hard to read” movements. Although an ambitious forestation program has already started, the actual small size of the trees will make you feel like playing in a “links” golf course.



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**Pilar GC** is a 27-hole golf course situated in the north suburbs of Buenos Aires, about 50 minutes away from downtown. The 3 courses run around numerous lakes, wetlands, and ornamental grass outcroppings, presenting one of South America's truest and purest tests for golfers of all categories. The Championship course, Blue and White, it's a par 72 and 7123 yards long. It is an American style design with many slopes and water getting into play in most of the holes. The course is always presented in excellent maintenance conditions. The Club House facilities offer everything a golfer needs to enjoy a great experience. Pilar Golf Club hosted the most important amateur and professional tournaments of the country.



**Los Lagartos Country Club** was founded in 1969 with the purpose of uniting the family through sports disciplines. That year the golf course was inaugurated; it was built by the well-known Alberto and Emilio Serra, in the surroundings of the Burgueño and Pinazo streams, besides the Pan American Route which, in those years, it was only a project that would joint the towns of Del Viso and Pilar. From the very beginning, its 27 holes – of American style – had wide fairways and huge tees. The length of the fairways makes the presence of rough unnecessary. Said rough grows only when the course is prepared for great championships. Its bent-cross greens give a speed to the ball and a precision to the shot that is a pleasure to play on them. This 6,800 yards 72-Par course hosts one of the most important amateur championships in the world: The J.C. Tailhade International Championship. Trevor Immelman, Eduardo Molinari and Aaron Baddley and other great international players had played here.



**Golf Club Argentino** was the first golf club in the country created by Argentine natives, this club of more than one hundred years of history counts with a beautiful course, in the city of "Del Viso" 45 kilometers from downtown. Their original course was located just in the heart of Buenos Aires city, and when the local government bought the Railways Companies to the British, they expropriate the course from the club. That was in the fifties, when the members bought these big lands out of the city, and created what nowadays is one of the most ancient and traditional Country Clubs of Buenos Aires, the "Argentino Golf & CC". The course is a very beautiful 18 holes par 72 and 6,707 yards long. This British parkland, of small tricky greens is always presented in great shape from tee to green. Excellent grass on the greens provides speed. Strategic doglegs, water hazards, and very good located bunkers, will demand a lot of strategy to assure a good score, while enjoying the sights of this magnificent park of old big trees.



### Format

#### **Scoring Format: INDIVIDUAL STABLEFORD / FULL HANDICAP**

- The tournament will be an individual STABLEFORD for the four rounds.
- Played with 100% of the handicap.
- Net Par: 2pts / Net Birdie: 3pts / Net Eagle: 4 pts / Net Bogey: 1 pt.
- Net Double Bogeys or Others: NO POINTS. Once the ball has NO points, must be picked-up for the "speed of play"
- The four rounds will be considered to determine the winner.
- The winning score will be the lowest net for 72 holes.
- No mulligans or gimmies are permitted; all the balls must be holed.





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### The Rules

The Event will be governed by the rules of the R&A, the only exceptions being those areas where local rules apply. The on-site tournament referee will have final say on all matters relating to the rules and the scoring format. If due to the inclement weather one or more rounds are suspended, two complete golf rounds will be needed to determine a winner.

### Handicaps & Categories

Each player will need to prove through a printed or on-line certificate its handicap according to the corresponding Golf Association. The handicaps will be verified within a month in advance of the event. A maximum handicap of 36 is allowed. Those players who cannot demonstrate its official h/c will be able to play, but in the last tee-times and will not participate of the competition. Categories: 0-12, 13-18, 19-24, 25-36 are possible categories; however this may be adjusted once the list of players is complete. The idea is to have a similar number of participants in all categories making it fair. Tee Boxes: Each player will play from the corresponding tee-box at each particular course, according to its handicap.



### Groups & Tee Times

The courses will be closed on that day only for our event. The golfers will play in group of 4 players (that is 4 golfers per tee-time). Simultaneously teeing off will be used (shotgun format). In the case we have more than 100 golfers, two shotguns will be used. One early in the morning (8:00am to 12:30 pm), and a second one in the afternoon (13:30 to 18:00). In that part of the year sunset is at 8:30 pm. If a double shotgun per day is necessary, all players will play two times in the morning and two times in the afternoon giving the same chances to everybody.

## PRIZES



- Trophies for Tournament winners of each flight.
- FREE TRIP for winners to defend the title in 2012 including the land services of him and his room-mate.
- Daily prizes for the winners of each flight in each individual round, gifts from sponsors.
- 2nd & 3rd place prize gifts from our sponsors.
- All non-winners participate in a Drawing for other prizes and gifts!





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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Do I have to arrange my own international flight?** YES. Although WWG can assist you with quotations, the international flight is NOT included.

**Do I require a visa for ARGENTINA?** NO VISA is required to enter Argentina when you are on trips shorter than 90 days, for American countries, belonging to the European Community and South Africa. Anyway you can check all the countries in the following webpage [http://www.mrecic.gov.ar/portal/temas\\_consulares/visas.html](http://www.mrecic.gov.ar/portal/temas_consulares/visas.html).

**Which airport do I arrive?** You need to flight into EZEIZA (EZE), the Buenos Aires International Airport, located 35 kms from downtown about 45 minutes. There are no trains, subways or public buses from there.

**Are transfers to the airport included?** No, Transfers to and from the airport are not included. You can arrange a taxi on site, or we can arrange transfer in advance. We just need you to give your flight details in advance, and we can organize the transfers properly.

**Are transfers to the golf club included?** YES, private buses according to the schedule and tee-times will drive the golfers to the club and back to the hotel.

**Are we playing with caddies or carts?** A little bit of both. When Carts are not available at these golf courses, we suggest caddies. Each can be paid direct or in advance.

**Are the caddies included?** Caddies are not included in the price, however you can (and we suggest you do so) pre-book them. The cost of the caddy is \$30 us dollars per caddy, per round. We play one caddy per person, so the total cost for the four rounds will be 120 us dollars per golfer.

**Can I have single occupancy in the hotel?** YES. The informed price is for two people sharing a STANDARD room. However you can make your reservation for staying in single occupancy. The cost of this upgrade is informed as "single supplement" for the corresponding hotel.

**Are non-golfers welcome?** Yes non-golfers are welcome. For them the package is quoted as for "non-golfers". This package includes the same services except for the golf rounds, so both opening cocktail and closing prize-giving dinner is included for the non-golfers.

**When do I have to pay?** 50% of the land services at the confirmation/booking moment. Balance due (70% of the land services) must be paid by January 13<sup>th</sup>. Airfare due upon ticketing.

## For More Information & Booking:

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**PACKAGE PRICES US\$**

Land Services Included:

- 7 days / 6 nights including buffet breakfast & taxes at chosen hotel.
- 4 Golf Rounds including green fees, transfers and practice balls.
- Opening Cocktail Party & Closing Prize giving dinner with drinks included
- 72 holes stableford competition w/trophies, prizes & gifts
- Professional video/photo coverage.

4-star ELEVAGE Hotel (Downtown)

\$895 GOLFER sharing a standard room

\$690 NON-golfer sharing

\$1250 Single Room Golfer

*Pre or Post extra night: \$135 per room per night (inc/ breakfast & taxes)*

4-star ETOILE Hotel (Recoleta)

\$960 GOLFER sharing a double standard room

\$770 NON-golfer sharing

\$1350 single room Golfer

*Pre or Post extra night: \$195 per room per night (inc/ breakfast & taxes)*

5-star LOI SUITES RECOLETA Hotel (Recoleta)

\$1150 GOLFER sharing a DBL STD room

\$930 NON-golfer sharing

\$1695 single room Golfer

*Pre or Post extra night: \$195 per room per night (inc/ breakfast & taxes)*

5-star-Luxe ALVEAR PALACE Hotel (Recoleta)

\$2295 GOLFER sharing a DBL STD room

\$2095 NON-golfer sharing

\$3595 Single Supplement

*Pre or Post extra night: \$490 per room per night (inc/ breakfast & taxes)*

Upgraded rooms are available for additional cost.

<b>Sample RT Airfares (incl taxes - subject to change)</b>	<u>Economy</u>	<u>Business</u>
Miami to Buenos Aires (nonstop)	\$1227	\$3017
Houston to Buenos Aires (nonstop)	\$1075	\$2212
Los Angeles to Buenos Aires	\$1085	\$3378

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**S A M P L E   P A C K A G E   E X T E N S I O N S**

**Patagonia: Bariloche & Chapelco (5 nights, 4 golf rounds, 7 lakes road)**  
Experience the beautiful and unique Patagonia with excellent golf course



**Iguazu Falls & Jungle (2 nights)**

Visit one of the most astonishing water falls in the world, from both Argentinean & Brazilian side.



**Mar del Plata Golf Tour (4 nights, 3 rounds)**

Play the Argentine jewel of golf, the "Playa Grande" links course adjacent to the sea established in 1900.



**Mendoza Vineyards: (3 nights, 2 rounds, 1 wine tour)**

Visit one of the eight "Great Wine Capitals of the World" playing golf and tasting some of the best "Malbec" in the world at the vineyards.



**Rio do Janeiro (Brasil): (4 nights, 2 excursions)**

Combine the two most important cities of South America both excellent weather.





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## PATAGONIA INVITATIONAL - EXTENSION

### **Saturday March 5th: Arrivals to Buenos Aires and Opening Cocktail**

Introduction to the event, review of the schedule, categories, rules, Tee-times. Night in Buenos Aires.

### **Sunday March 6th: Flight AR1664 to Chapelco, Patagonia - 1st Golf Round**

Flight 9:00 – 11:20 to Chapelco, Check-in at Loi Suites Chapelco Golf Resort. After lunch, 1st Golf Round in Chapelco Golf Nicklaus' Design. Night in Chapelco.

### **Monday March 7th: 2nd Golf Round.**

2nd Golf Round in Chapelco Golf Nicklaus' Design. Night in Chapelco.

### **Tuesday March 8th: "7 lakes road" to Bariloche.**

Sightseeing guided transfers from Chapelco to Bariloche through the "7 Lakes Road". Arrival to hotel around 15:00. Free afternoon for leisure or practice round at LLao LLao Golf Course (not included). Night in Bariloche.



### **Wednesday March 9th : 3rd Golf Round**

Visit "panoramic spot" on the way to Arelauquen G&CC (buggies & trolleys). 3rd golf round at Arelauquen Golf Club. Night in Bariloche.

### **Thursday March 10th: 4th Golf Round - Closing Dinner**

Final golf rounds at LLao LLao Golf Course (buggies & trolleys). 20:30 Closing Prize Giving Dinner at local restaurant. Night in Bariloche.

### **Friday March 11th: Check-out. Flight back to BA / International Departures**

Flight AR2683 12:40 arriving to BA 14:45, in plenty of time for your return flight home to USA.



### **Price: TBD - Services Included in the price:**

- 7days / 6nights sharing DOUBLE STD room, including buffet breakfast and taxes.
- 4 golf rounds. Including: Green Fee, buggies (only in the two rounds at Chapelco), warm-up balls, private.
- Transfers IN-Out hotel-EZE international airport and transfers hotel-domestic airport in BA & Patagonia.
- "7 Lakes Road" private sightseeing transfer from Bariloche to Chapelco.
- Welcome Opening Cocktail on Saturday March 5th.
- Farewell prize-giving dinner at local restaurant (three courses w/soft and alc/drinks) on Thursday March 10th.
- Trophies, Prizes, Gifts raffle products from our sponsors.

### **Not Included**

- Air tickets to get to Buenos Aires.
- Golf Carts or trolleys in LLao LLao and Arelauquen.
- 480 USD Air ticket (BA-Patagonia): AEP-CPC / AEP-BRC.
- Any activity or service not mentioned in the "Included" list.

