Tour Itinerary

Latin America / Uruguay

Uruguay Bike Tour
South America’s Golden Riviera
• Spend the afternoon tasting wines at Uruguay's best bodegas—plus a wine-paired asado lunch at our friend's boutique winery
• Visit the capital city of Montevideo to explore its markets and music scene
• Take a tango lesson surrounded by the outdoor artworks at Fundación Pablo Atchugarry Sculpture Park
• Bike to a private cooking class in the protected natural reserve of Laguna Garzón
Arrival Details

Airport City: Buenos Aires, Argentina
Pick-Up Location: Colonia del Sacramento at the Buquebus Ferry Terminal
Pick-Up Time: 10:00 am

Departure Details

Airport City: Punta del Este, Uruguay
Drop-Off Location: Punta del Este Airport
Drop-Off Time: 12:00 pm

NOTE: DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

Emergency Assistance

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or emergency@duvine.com.

Travelers Take Note

To show you all our favorite parts of Uruguay, this tour includes transfers on multiple occasions. We like to think of it as an opportunity to see more of the country en route to your next ride.

A very limited number of e-bikes are available on this tour. Requests will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.
Tour By Day

**DAY 1**  Welcome to Uruguay!

Your guides will greet you in Colonia de Sacramento following a ferry transfer from Buenos Aires, then it's off to the Historic Quarter. Meet our local historian who leads us through the narrow cobblestoned streets and recounts how this World Heritage Site kept changing hands from crown to crown. We’ll make our way towards the Portón de Campo to enjoy a light lunch by the city’s gate and drawbridge, followed by a bike fitting and safety briefing. Our first ride heads towards Anchorena Park, and we'll enjoy panoramic views of the broad Uruguayan countryside as we pedal our mountain bikes along quiet country roads. This afternoon, transfer by van to the hotel and spend the rest of your day relaxing by the pool or exploring the beautiful grounds. Dinner is served at the hotel's restaurant as the brilliant sun sets over the Río de la Plata.

**Meals:** Lunch / Dinner  
**Destinations:** Colonia del Sacramento, Carmelo  
**Accomplished:** 20 miles / 31 km, elevation gain: 430 feet / 131 meters  
**Accommodation:** Carmelo Resort & Spa

**DAY 2**  Vineyards of Uruguay to Playa Cere

Today’s ride takes us through the quaint settlement of Punta Gorda and on to Bodega Cordano, one of the oldest vineyards in Uruguay. We're treated to a selection of their varietals and a tour of the property before we continue towards our friend Bernardo’s boutique winery, El Legado, for lunch. Sample the flavors of a typical Uruguayan *asado*, including various meats and savory dishes, then take off through the streets of Carmelo to Playa Sere. We’ll loop back to our hotel via an easy tree-lined road and rest up for an elegant evening. Tonight, transfer to Puerto Camacho for a private cruise on the Río de la Plata, sip sunset cocktails as we sail towards Punta Gorda, and dock at a secluded marina to enjoy an intimate dinner.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destinations:** Carmelo, Punta Gorda  
**Accomplished:** 31 miles / 50 km, elevation gain: 499 feet / 152 meters  
**Accommodation:** Carmelo Resort & Spa

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**DAY 3  Rio Plata to the Gold Coast**

This morning our transfer brings us to the capital city of Montevideo. We’ll make our way through the historic Ciudad Vieja, the oldest part of the city, arriving at the vibrant Mercado del Puerto. Stop for a typical *parrilla* lunch at this waterfront market while taking in the energy, sights, and smells. After lunch, we set our sights on the Barrio Sur, a neighborhood known for hosting Carnival. Meet Lobo Nuñez, a renowned Afro-Uruguayan drum luthier and legendary percussionist within the Uruguayan Candombe music scene. Inspired by his rhythm, we visit the Museo del Carnaval and try our hand at a percussion workshop. After feeling the beat, hop back on the bike for a coastline ride along La Rambla, an avenue that separates Montevideo from the shores of the Atlantic. Tonight, join us for dinner at one of the trendiest restaurants in Montevideo.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destinations:** Montevideo  
**Accomplished:** 12 miles / 18 km, elevation gain: 171 feet / 52 meters  
**Accommodation:** Sofitel Montevideo

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**DAY 4  Punta del Este and Atchugarry Sculpture Park**

Our day starts with a drive to the amazing Casapueblo museum, a bright-white, honeycomb-shaped structure perched on a cliff over the Atlantic. The museum is the starting point for our ride through Punta del Este, which leads us by small seaside villages and arrives to the Fundación Pablo Atchugarry Sculpture Park. Your guides will prepare a picnic lunch beneath the trees and in the midst of the outdoor sculptures and art installations. We exchange one art form for another at this afternoon’s tango lesson—grab your partner and learn the basics of Uruguay’s most popular, passionate dance. Keep your body moving back on the bike as we cycle along the shimmering shoreline past unspoiled beaches, colorful *chacras maritimas* beach shacks, and the raw landscape of the *campo*. Enjoy a well-deserved beachside cocktail before venturing into the coastal plains to our next hotel. Tonight we dine beneath the stars at the estancia’s own restaurant.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destinations:** José Ignacio, Manantiales, Punta del Este  
**Accomplished:** 37 miles / 59 km, elevation gain: 656 feet / 200 meters  
**Accommodation:** Estancia Vik or Bahia Vik

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**DAY 5  
Ride to Garzón: Little Uruguayan Tuscany**

Today we’ll bike on local trails known only to the villagers of Pueblo Garzón, founded in 1892 by Fermin de León. Visit the main square and old train station of this charming town where time seems to have stopped centuries ago, then take a break in the van as we transfer to Bodega Garzón. After a tour of the property’s olive groves and vineyards, sit down to an indulgent wine and olive oil tasting that leads into a lunch overlooking the rolling vine-covered hills. Spend the afternoon back at our beachfront hotel before we reconvene for a seaside meal to remember at La Huella.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destinations:** José Ignacio, Garzón  
**Accomplished:** 20 miles / 32 km, elevation gain: 482 feet / 147 meters  
**Accommodation:** Estancia Vik or Bahia Vik

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**DAY 6  
Laguna Garzón to José Ignacio**

Get ready to be awed by the protected area of Laguna Garzón, where the departments of Maldonado and Rocha converge. We will ride between the ocean and the west arm of the lagoon to reach to a natural reserve and discover a secluded spot within the forest. For lunch, try your hand at cooking regional dishes the traditional way: with fire! The afternoon’s golden hour will find us pedaling along the coast with the crashing waves of the Atlantic at our side all the way back to the hotel. Tonight is a very special farewell dinner that celebrates our week.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner  
**Destinations:** José Ignacio  
**Accomplished:** 17 miles / 27 km, elevation gain: 407 feet / 124 meters  
**Accommodation:** Estancia Vik or Bahia Vik

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Adios to Uruguay

After breakfast on the terrace, wake up with a morning dip in the pool, play a game of tennis, or pay a final visit to the lagoon. Your guides will then transfer you to the Punta del Este Airport as you head on to your next destination.

Meals: Breakfast