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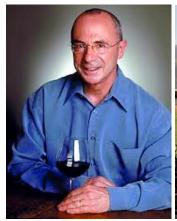
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"WINE & FOOD HIGHLIGHTS OF CHILE & ARGENTINA"

February 16 -27, 2018 (12 Days)

Join us on this Pauwels exclusive tour with acclaimed wine judge and writer Tony Aspler, CM. This tour, as harvest begins in Chile and Argentina, features curated visits and tastings at top wine estates, dining in acclaimed restaurants, and stays in boutique hotels. This trip is designed to get "off the beaten path" and explore hidden treasures. An experience not to be missed!

This exclusive tour is limited to 22 people.





Our host, Tony Aspler, CM; the winery at Montes in the Colchagua Valley

Our long-time partner Tony Aspler, will be one of our tour leaders for this program. He has been writing, judging and educating about wine for over 30 years. He was the wine columnist for *The Toronto Star* for 21 years and has authored eighteen books on wine and food. Tony's articles have appeared in the *Wine Spectator*, *Decanter*, *Meininger's Wine Business International and Tidings*.

Tony is also the creator of the annual Ontario Wine Awards competition, an honorary governor of Cuvée and a director of the Independent Wine & Spirit Trust. In December 2007, Tony was awarded the Order of Canada.

Working with Tony, we have created this exclusive itinerary to Chile and Argentina. This tour is sure to delight as we explore this wonderful part of the world with visits to acclaimed wineries and restaurants, stays in boutique hotels, and a chance for you to unwind as well.

Tour price: \$6,995.00 per person from Toronto, including airfare and taxes, and based on double occupancy. "Land only" price (no airfare) \$5,545.00. Single traveler supplement: \$1275.00.

Deduct \$200.00 for payment by cheque.

PLANNED ITINERARY

Day 1 – Friday, February 16:

We have a late evening departure from Toronto International Airport on Air Canada's direct flight to Santiago, Chile.

Day 2 – Saturday, February 17:

Santiago to Colchagua Valley

We arrive in Santiago around 12:30PM. We'll be met on arrival by our Chilean Tour Leader who will accompany us, throughout our coach journey to the Colchagua Valley, which is located in the heart of the Chilean wine country. We will have a late afternoon check-in to our boutique hotel, the excellent Hotel Santa Cruz Plaza for the next three nights. Colchagua means "the place of small lakes," and the valley that bears this name has a wealth of culture and traditions. Once part of the Incan Empire, it later became a popular spot among Chile's elite. We will have free time to settle in before our welcome dinner.

Hotel Santa Cruz Plaza http://www.hotelsantacruzplaza.cl/

Days 3 and 4 – Sunday, February 18 and Monday, February 19:

Colchagua Valley

Over the next two days, we will explore the wine, food and culture around the historic city of Santa Cruz and the Colchagua Valley. We will have visits and tastings with a range of producers, with special visits curated by Tony. Our tour includes visits to the exceptional wineries of Montes, Mont Gras, and Lapostelle Clos Apalta, all known for their excellent wines. We also plan to visit the Colchagua Museum, with its impressive archeological collection and pavilions on Chilean history one day.



Mont Gras Winery at dusk; Maipo Valley Vineyards

Day 5 – Tuesday, February 20:

Colchagua Valley to Santiago

This morning, after a leisurely breakfast, we will make our way back to Santiago. We plan to stop along the way at Torres Winery for a guided tasting and lunch. Afterwards we will depart for our boutique hotel-Hotel Cumbres Lastarria, located in a dynamic part of Santiago. This will be our home for the next three nights.

Hotel Cumbres Lastarria http://www.cumbreslastarria.com/default-en.html

Days 6 and 7 – Wednesday, February 21 and Thursday, February 22: Santiago

Over the next two days, we will have the chance to explore the excitement of Santiago, including its markets, history and restaurants. In Santiago – home to over six million people - ancient traditions coexist with 21st century life in each neighborhood. We will have some guided explorations, and free time to explore on your own. We also plan to visit with a winery known by Tony near Santiago, and will cap it off with a wonderful dinner at one of the top restaurants in Latin America!



Santiago (image courtesy of Victor San Martin); Catena Zapata, Mendoza

Day 8 – Friday, February 23:

Santiago to Mendoza, Argentina

This morning we will make our way from Santiago – with short flight crossing the awesome Andes – for the renowned wine region of Mendoza, Argentina. Under the leadership of visionary vintners, Mendoza has become the South American home of the Malbec grape as well as excellent producers of varietals such as Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. We will check into the Park Hyatt Mendoza, a historic hotel and our home for the next three nights.

Park Hyatt Mendoza http://mendoza.park.hyatt.com/en/hotel/home.html

Days 9 and 10 – Saturday, February 24 and Sunday, February 25: Mendoza

Over the next two days, we will explore the wine, food and culture around this exciting region, accompanied by our Argentinian guide. We will enjoy more visits and tastings with a range of producers, with plans to visit the Bodega complex at Clos de Los Siete (where 4 bodegas contribute a part of the production from each to make and blend the shared wine "Clos de los Siete". The rest goes into the wines of their own respective ranges: Monteviejo, Cuvelier los Andes, DiamAndes and Bodega Rolland). We also plan to visit Bodega Catena Zapata along with other wineries, and have the chance for you to explore Mendoza on your own free time.

Days 11 and 12 – Monday, February 26 and Tuesday, February 27: Mendoza to Toronto

After breakfast (and 9 days of excellent food and wine) we will have a transfer to the Mendoza airport for our short flight to Santiago and our early evening departure to Toronto. We land in Toronto at approximately 5:30 AM.

Included in the price:

- Return airfare from Toronto to Santiago and Santiago to Mendoza, airport taxes and security fees;
- **Please note airfares are based on 2017 pricing and will be updated once the 2018 space is available**
- Accommodation (based on double occupancy) in first-class hotels; the single supplement is \$1275, but please note that only a limited number of single rooms are available, so book yours early;
- Sightseeing, visits, and wine tastings as shown in the itinerary;
- Transportation by deluxe coach;
- Breakfast daily and a <u>minimum</u> combination of eight lunches and/or dinners, some (but not all) with wine included:
- Porterage of one suitcase per person;
- A gratuity for the coach driver.

Not included:

- Wine, beer, mineral water and similar beverages with dinners, though some meals will include wine;
- All items of a personal nature;
- Argentina reciprocity tax \$92 USD. The tax needs to be paid online before arriving in Argentina.
- Travel Insurance, please contact office for rates.

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure the departure of your choice. A deposit of \$750.00 is required at the time of registration. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and application form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed application form.

REFUND OF UNUSED ARRANGEMENTS:

Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on group participation, no refund can be made for any tour accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken. If cancellation occurs while the tour is in progress, no refund can be made for the tour portion not taken. We strongly suggest that to allow for any unexpected contingencies, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

Refund of deposit is made if cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. more than 90 days prior of the departure date of the tour less a \$500.00 non refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellation received in writing 90 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply:

90 days to 46 days before departure: 25% of tour cost 45 to 31 days before departure: 50% of tour cost Within 30 days prior to departure: 100% of tour cost

RESPONSIBILITY:

Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. reserves the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary as outlined. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable. Any savings realized by these changes will be passed on to the passengers, any resultant expenses shall be borne by the passenger. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. acts only as an agent in securing hotel, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotel, transportation and other travel services are provided to tour members subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally. The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. also reserves the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour, in which case equitable refund will be made at the discretion of the tour operators.

AIR TRANSPORTATION:

Transatlantic economy flight by scheduled IATA carrier(s), based on an economy class group fare. All fares are subject to specific rules and regulations, to changes and to government approval. Deviations from the group flights are possible but subject to higher rates. Pauwels Travel will research any request for date or routing changes at the time they are requested. Should any individual rate be less than the group fare plus airline and administrative fees, the lower rate will be offered to the tour participant. Individual airfares are subject to immediate ticketing and the fare plus taxes must be paid at the time the ticket is issued by the participant requesting the change. Should the group airfare be the lowest available rate, an administrative fee of \$50.00 plus any airline charges will apply.

APPLICATION FORM

Please book	seat(s) on the '	Wine & Food Highlights of Chile and Argentina" from February 16-27, 2018.
Enclosed is my/o	our deposit of _	(\$750 per person, <i>plus</i> insurance premium if taken.)

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Deposit and insurance premium, if taken, are due with registration. You will be invoiced for an interim payment of \$1,500 and the balance owing approximately 45 days prior to departure.

WE REQUIRE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (INFORMATION PAGES ONLY) VALID 6 MONTHS AFTER TOUR DATE TO BE SENT IN WITH YOUR APPLICATION FORM AT TIME OF REGISTRATION.

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