

The North America/South

The North America:

It all depends on what one wants to do. It is true that the North America offers a multitude of occupations. That one is for a stay entertainment, museums or nature, there will be necessarily a corner that we will crack.

The attraction parks: in the United States, it is without doubt the occupation the more magical. If you are in the family, it can only appeal to all members. It must be said that this is the first country in the world to be launched in the parks of monumental attraction with Disneyland in 1955 in Californie the South. A small council, appointment in Floride, in the vicinity of Orlando that is where you can find the best parks of attractions such as Disneyworld or SeaWorld. Between Adults, it is advisable to discover Las Vegas, the time of a weekend and to contemplate the casino hotels that have made its reputation.

The zoos: In Canada, there is a very pretty zoos very well maintained as that of Toronto. One can see there the natural environment of different continents. It is one of the most extensive in the world and it welcomes nearly 5 000 animals. The zoo de Calgary also offers a prehistoric park with reproductions of dinosaurs in actual size.

The natural sites: In Canada, it is absolutely necessary to discover the Niagara Falls. They are located at the border between the State of New York in the United States and the Province of Ontario in Canada. But we advise you to discover on the Canadian side. With the reflection of the lights on the water, the show is magical. It is possible to visit the night, to participate in a cruise on their waters or, better still, to sleep on the spot to enjoy the show all night.

Museums: the United States, we can start to the conquest of the museums and only do that the time of a stay, so they are many. Among the most interesting, we can quote: " Art Institute de Chicago ". There you can see the works of art of American artists but also French. The entry is paid, count approximately EUR 8 for an adult.

The cultural heritage: this would be incomplete To Do not quote you the very famous Mount Rushmore in the United States to discover absolutely, in the state of

South Dakota! This are the portraits of the four largest figures of the American policy: Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt and Lincoln carved on the Mount Rushmore.

Main events:

In Mexico, all 12 December we celebrate the Virgin of Guadalupe on the Forecourt of the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It is the occasion to discover the Mexico and its inhabitants. By contrast if you are allergic to the crowd, avoid this date because all the world is in the streets of Mexico City to make the feast.

In Canada, there are several festivals to discover such as the International Jazz Festival of Montreal which must be one of the most famous of the city. It takes place every year in the month of July and sees several thousands of artists fit on its scenes.

The festival "Just for Laughs" in Montreal at the Québec also deserves the detour. It takes place in the month of July of each year and represents the largest global event in this genre.

The corners where to sleep:

In North America and more specifically in the United States, there is everything and for all budgets. For small budgets, the campsite is a very practical solution without forgetting the very famous motels which present a quality report price very interesting.

For a luxury hotel, it is possible to find palaces but whose prices are exorbitant and can achieve the 300 EUR The night (we are talking about is the House and not on). Attention, for the cancellation, it is often necessary to take a few weeks in advance, otherwise the flow is still performed on your bank account.

The kitchen is good in North America:

The United States are often linked to brownies, cookies and pastries of this kind and that is not false! If you want to discover a gourmet side of this country, made the tour of the mythical cafés of the Route 66. This are true legends alive. We

recommend you a few cafes where you can eat and drink at very good prices and discover the American Culture:

- Dixie Truckers Home (McLean, Illinois): In addition to the side "fast food" typically American, this café offers a collection of objects of the Route 66.
- Baghdad Coffee (Newberry Springs, California) This is other than the coffee in the film which bears his name. It is located in the middle of the desert and truly deserves to be visited (even if you have not liked the film).

Good trip!

North America

North America is a continent bordered on the east by the Pacific Ocean and to the west by the Atlantic Ocean, to the north by the Arctic Ocean and to the south by the Central America. North America includes : the island of Groenland, Canada, the island of Vancouver, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, the island of Cape Breton to the IS, Ellesmere Island, Baffin Island, Victoria Island, Saint Pierre and Miquelon, the Aleutian Islands, the ,Alaska theBermudes, and Mexico . The main tourist areas in North America are: the vestiges and Mexican pyramids, Cancun and Cozumel, Florida, California and San Francisco, New York, the St. Lawrence, the Grands Lacs, the Grand Canyon, the natural parks of Yosemite and Yellowstone, Las Vegas, , Boston, Miami, the city of New York, Washington, the valley of death, the Colorado...and the inevitable Niagara Falls.

Visit of major national parks Americans.

The territory of the United States is immense and far from being uniform, the spectacular glaciers in Alaska in passing by the peaks of the Appalachian Mountains to the Great Lakes region, the United States know all the climates and all landscapes. The sites most exceptional are backed up by being classified as a national park. The most famous being without doubt the Yellowstone National Park, but it is far from being the only one, there is other 57. As the Grand Canyon, may be the most spectacular gorge in the world, the Sequoia National Park and the Yosemite National Park which include some of the largest trees in the world, and also the Glacier National Park, the Canyonlands National Park, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Niagara Falls...

Official website of the Tourism Office

American:http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/Travel_Tourism/State_Tourism.shtml

Travel through the North America

The North America it is before all the large spaces, of the cold Canadian extended to the desert of Arizona, of tropical coasts of Florida to the glaciers of the Alaska... Sacred of voyages in perspective!

In Canada, to Etats-Unis, the car reigns in Master: The rental is a very widespread practice, and remains affordable. In addition, in these two countries, gasoline is much cheaper than in the France, and most of the road axes are free. Traveling by car allows for more to venture into its way off the beaten track, by calling anywhere. The step to the motel is even become a myth for some...

For those who do not wish to spend hours square behind a steering wheel, or traveling to the economy, bus lines pass through the whole of the North America, such as the famous Grayhound, linking the cities between them. A few lines of railways promise unforgettable journeys, such as the trans-Canadian who links Montreal to... Vancouver!

For those who do not have all the time in front of them, the major cities of North America are all connected between them by many flights: It takes the plane in the United States or Canada as it takes the train in France... Indispensable for the very long distances If it does not have a few months of vacation for travel !

Circuits and routes in North America

The Canada, , Mexique and the United States you expect: large spaces, mythical cities, beaches, mountains, culture... you have the embarrassment of the choice for a circuit or stay in North America. In Canada, come and discover the Québec and its francophone culture special, large metropolises cultural await you also: Toronto, Vancouver, Montreal... but this is mainly the large spaces which make dream travellers. The Great Lakes between the United States and Canada await you with the Niagara Falls to proximity, the great North and its immense virgin spaces fact always dream, the Rocky Mountains to the west of the country are of impressive mountains and you can go to see the whales in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. In the United States, New York is a mythical city, you can also organize or from in stay organized in the Great American West (grand-canyon, Las Vegas, national parks, San Francisco, Las Vegas...), in Floride (MiamiTo Key-West), to Chicago, on the mythical route 66, Louisiana... . Also discover the United States outside of the beaten tourist track: discover the chic Boston, Go in the skin of a cow-boys at Texas, in the Nevada or the Colorado, or in the skin of a Red-Neck Discover the great cultivated areas of the Wyoming, of Kansas or of the Missouri... .

In Mexico, discover the colonial cities or the magnificent beaches and their clubs hotels filled with tourists from North America, go off the beaten track in the south and discover the magnificent landscapes and the Indians, or explore the archaeological sites Olmec and Maya.

The South America:

South America is surrounded by the Pacific Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, Central America and the Caribbean. Portuguese is the first language of the continent (50% of the POP in Brazil). The South America fact 18 million km² for nearly 400 million inhabitants.

The main tourist areas of South America are Brazil (Rio de Janeiro, Amazon, Ipanema, Salvador de Bahia, Sao Paulo, the Matto Grosso, Iguazu Falls), Argentina (Terre de Feu, Ushuaia, Bariloche, Peninsula Valdes, Buenos Aires, Rio Negro...), the Cordillera of the Andes, the Chili (Patagonia, Santiago de Chile, Valparaiso,..), the Pérou (cordillera, Arequipa, Cajamarca, Caraz, Cuzco, Huaraz, Iquitos, the Titicaca Lake, Lima, Monterrey, Nazca, Puno, Trujillo, ...), Guyana, the Venezuela, the Bolivie

Furthermore, the Amazon forest covers a large part of the territory.

Traveling in South America

The plane tickets for the South America are expensive in general, that is why it is generally leverages its flight in granting a duration of travel the longest possible, and this even if it is confined to the visit of a single country. For all South American destinations, two weeks appear to a minimum to predict. For backpackers who want to traverse the continent, many more obviously!

Many travel agencies offer formulas to stay at destination of the South America: the Pérou, l'Argentine or the Brésil are the main destinations of the continent, major tourist circuits are organized. These formulas are practices for which does not wish to have to adjust all the details of the trip to distance, in relying on professionals advised (choose well its agency!). They often allow you to make a maximum in a limited time.

The more adventurous depart independently to the discovery of the South America: for a month or a year, in one or multiple countries, train, car, bus or stop to the more backpackers, a journey that promises a memorable experience!

The indispensables of South America

All the countries of the South America are worth a look, each with its strengths, its landscapes, its cities, its historic heritage, its cultures...

Brazil, Argentina and Peru are certainly the many tourist destinations with the Europeans, but do not underestimate the potential of Chile, Bolivia, Ecuador, the Colombie, from Venezuela, Paraguay or even of the Uruguay. At the crossing, the Guyane is a Tom, a French department on the South American continent!

The larger cities of South America

- **Buenos Aires:** the city of the tango, the most cosmopolitan city of Argentina
- **Caracas:** One of the most cosmopolitan cities and modern in South America, there is a lot of theaters, shopping centers, museums and art galleries. -La Paz - the highest capital of the world.
- **São Paulo:** a sprawling megalopolis with many museums, events, restaurants, bars and other places of entertainment.
- **Lima:** a curious mixture of modernity and slums.
- **Montevideo:** the capital of Uruguay, a pleasant city located on the east shore of the Rio de la Plata
- **Rio de Janeiro:** Famous for its breathtaking landscapes, its culture of the beach and its annual carnival.
- **Santiago de Chile:** capital of Chile, with many museums, events, restaurants, bars and other places of entertainment.
- **Bogota:** it is the largest city of Colombia, both cultural epicenter and hub for this country, Bogota knows a global radiation.

Practical Info

Tips for Travellers

Allow time before to leave in South America: The plane tickets are expensive, the journey time long, and each destination is exciting announcement... better not to rush his trip!

All regions of South America are not safe for visitors: check before you choose your destination on the site of the ministère des Affaires étrangères, Topic Tips for Travellers, for an update of security conditions.

Identity card

Main Cities: Sao Paulo, Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, Bogota, Lima...

Population: Approximately 380 million inhabitants

Main languages: Spanish, Portuguese, English, Dutch, French, many Creoles

Circuits and routes in South America

Of the Colombie Cape Horn, South America is spread over a large part of the southern hemisphere. You will discover in South America of crops to hand, many archaeological sites, of exceptional natural sites, open spaces and magnificent coastline on the Pacific or the Atlantic, colonial cities but also of modern cities... . Each one has to choose the stay that suits him, there is something for all tastes in South America from the beach to the trek of High Mountain in passing by the cultural trips or the historic circuits... . Of the major countries to the particular culture await you for circuits discoveries rich in surprises and meetings. Let yourself be tempted by the Brésil : beach and sun, feasts and carnival, music, modern architecture Brasilia or elsewhere, jungle or Amazon River, Iguazu Falls, gigantic metropolises..., Brazil is a land of contrasts. The Argentine is a country to the appealing culture but it is especially its natural wealth which attract tourists: Patagonie, Terre de Feu, Ushuaia, Pampa, Cordillera of the Andes, Iguazu... , all these names make dream nature lovers grandiose. The Chile On more than 4000km long also attracts tourists thanks to its many natural resources: of the desert of Atacama in the north to Patagonia and the land of fire in the south passing by the Cordillera of the Andes, this is a multitude of different landscapes that you can discover in Chile. The Pérou also awaits you to discover the grandiose natural sites of the country but also on the traces of the incas with including the majestic site of the Machu Pichu. In the center of the continent you can also discover more small countries which offer natural sites grandiose and a particular culture: Bolivie, Uruguay, , , Paraguay and to the north you can discover the , Équateur the Venezuela and the Guyane (due to problems of security, it is not obvious to travel in Colombia).