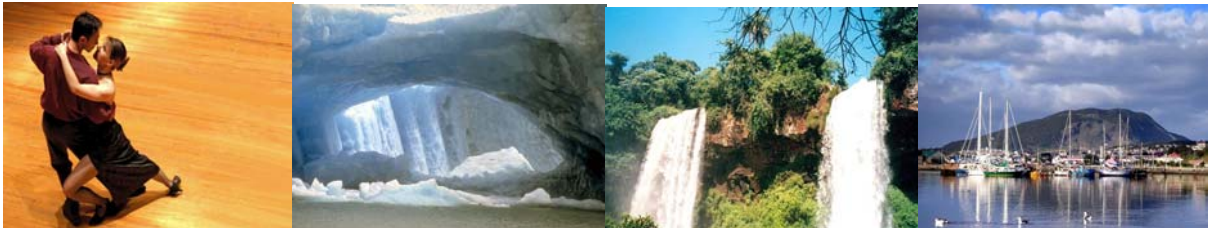


DIFFERENT POSSIBILITIES TO CHOOSE FROM WHEN GOING TO ARGENTINA

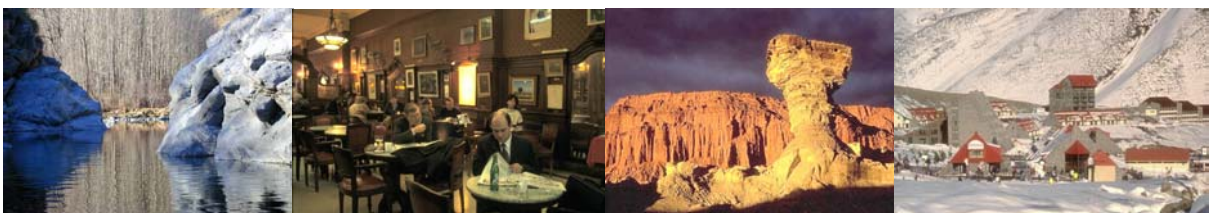


The Embassy of the Argentine Republic to New Zealand, located on 142 Lambton Quay, Level 14 desires to highlight the many different options there are available to you as a New Zealand citizen when choosing to go to Argentina.

All of these possibilities depend on; the purpose of your trip, the activities you wish to engage in while there, and the duration of your stay in our country.

Some of the choices are explained below because they are the most commonly used ones by young people, who are thinking about their first experience in a foreign country:

- 1) **Tourist visa:**
- 2) **Student exchange visa:**
- 3) **Cultural exchange visa:**
- 4) **Working Holiday visa:**



1) The first possibility is going **as a tourist:** this possibility allows a person to travel to Argentina for up to 90 days and is available to those holding a valid New Zealand passport. Anyone who wants to go as a tourist doesn't need a stamp in their passport or any other special authorisation, they can just fly directly to Argentina or by which ever means is the most convenient.

In this case, there's no Consular Fee and there are no special requirements.

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A 90 day visa will be stamped in the passport at the point of entry into Argentinean territory.

Every time a person leaves the country and re-enters, the immigration office will stamp a 90 day visa in the passport. However, if a person wants to extend this period for more than 90 days, they are able to do this before an immigration authority; yet, this can only be done once, for a period of 90 days or less.



2) Another possibility is with the **“student exchange visa”**: In August of 2006, the regulations regarding this kind of visa changed. An amendment (number 20.699/2006) set by Argentina’s Dirección de Migración (DNM), similar to the New Zealand Immigration Service, simplifies an applicant’s paperwork.

According to this amendment, it is not necessary for a person to complete any paperwork at a Consulate, hence no consular fee is involved.

Everyone is able to do all the paperwork in Buenos Aires or in any of the other main cities in Argentina before the DNM. The location of the different offices around the country can be found at: <http://www.mininterior.gov.ar/migraciones/delegaciones.asp>

In chapter II, article 6° of the above mentioned amendment, it states that the place or institution where someone intends to study has to:

- a) Register the enrolment with DNM
- b) Give the person a signed copy of your enrolment or registration
- c) Assist and advise the applicant with all of the paperwork and processes involved in Buenos Aires.

Article 7°, of the same amendment, states all of the documents that every person must have in order for the paperwork to be processed:

- 1) Confirmation of enrolment (see “b” above),
- 2) A Valid Passport,
- 3) A Birth certificate with the stamp/Apostille (your Ministry of Internal Affairs can do this – the cost is around \$40)
- 4) Those aged 16 and over must also have a Police Clearance certificate (also with the stamp/Apostille),
- 5) A Police Clearance from Argentina (that is why the place or institution where the applicant is going to study must help with this process - see “c” above)

6) Pay a fee to DNM for their services.

A potential applicant for this kind of visa will enter Argentina as a tourist and will then change his or her status once inside the country after all of the paperwork has been completed.



3) A third option is going on a **“cultural exchange visa”**: In August of 2006, the regulations regarding this kind of visa also changed. The new amendment is the same as in the case above (number 20.699/2006).

According to this, the paperwork must begin at a DNM office and be completed at a Consulate.

A detailed explanation of the above can be found in Title V, chapter I, article 31°, yet in order to be informed, it briefly states that the applicant needs to be a member of or work for an institution in Argentina that is registered with the DNM. This usually applies for: Rotary, AFS and Youth for Understanding, among others.

One of these institutions starts the paperwork at a DNM office in Argentina, which then sends notification of the approval of the application along with a permission of entrance into Argentina to the Consulate in the applicant’s country of origin. Here we stamp the visa in the passport.

Distance Procedure: Applicants who do not live in Wellington and decide to send their documents by mail must also cover the cost of the return of the documents once the process has been finalised.

The Consular Fee for this type of visa is around NZ \$40.00 and may vary depending exchange rates and this procedure takes no longer than 5 working days¹.

(The requirements to participate in this kind of interchange are almost exactly the same as those in the case of option 2).



¹ It depends on the number of applications.-

4) The fourth possibility is the **“Working Holiday visa”**: With this kind of Visa, a person is allowed to stay in Argentina for up to 6 months where, before the end of this period, he or she can extend this term twice, each for a period of another 90 days.

The Consular Fee for this visa is around NZ \$40.00 and takes no longer than 5 working days to be processed.

The requirements are as follows:

- 1) A formal letter stating that:
 - 1.1) The primary intention of the applicant is to holiday in Argentina with employment being an incidental rather than a primary reason for the visit.
 - 1.2) That the applicant is not accompanied by children.
 - 1.3) That he or she is aware that cannot work for more than 3 months for the same employer.
- 2) Be aged between 18 and 30 years, both inclusive, at the time of application.
- 3) Hold a valid New Zealand passport (the passport must still be valid for a least one month after the eventual departure from Argentina).
- 4) A valid return ticket or enough funds to purchase such a ticket (this can be proved through a photocopy of the bank balance).
- 5) To state and provide evidence that posses enough funds to support him/herself while in Argentina.
- 6) Have Medical Insurance which includes hospitalisation costs, that covers the duration of the stay in Argentina.
- 7) Along with the application, the applicant must include the following documents:
 - 7.1) Valid passport.
 - 7.2) 1 passport photo.
 - 7.3) A formal letter, as mentioned in ‘point 1’ above, signed before the Argentinean Consul in Wellington or a Notary Public or a Justice of the Peace.
 - 7.4) Copy of the return ticket or evidence of funds to purchase such a ticket.
 - 7.5) Evidence of sufficient funds for self support while in Argentina.
 - 7.6) A Medical Insurance Policy.

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As soon as you decide which of the above options is the most suitable for your trip, or in case you have any doubts, please do not hesitate to contact us immediately.

As exchange rates vary from month to month, you will need to consult the Consular Section (04-472-8330) to find out the corresponding prices in New Zealand dollars.

Consular fees can only be paid by Bank Cheques or through reputed travel agent cheques. Personal cheques are not accepted.

There are also many other options available for special cases. You can reach us at the following number: 04 472-8330

Or, send an e-mail to: Consulenzel@arg.org.nz or pmx@arg.org.nz

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