



Ancient Places, Pathways & Routes **TO EXPLORE**

Extraordinary places exist throughout the strategic location of Northwest Argentina which passes through rugged canyons, lush river valleys and high mountain peaks. Encounters with gauchos, and the Andean mountain people whom still live deep in these places loaded with living history and in harmony with nature. These are some of the regions best kept secrets like these hidden ancestral spots and pathways that are not to miss.



PLACES TO VISIT
SALTEÑA EMPANADAS
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CALCHAQUI VALLEY WINERIES





Our favorite
PLACES TO VISIT



ALFARCITO, SALTA

Quebrada Del Toro

Dramatic scenery dotted with small Andean villages up to the higher altitudes. A quiet him for artisans, producers and tourists alike.

AMBLAYO, SALTA

22 families come together following ancestral traditions in making raw goat cheeses.

CARDON NATIONAL PARK, SALTA

Route 33

300-year-old Cardon cactuses in their true splendor stand tall over paths once known to the ancient Incan Empire.

CAVE PAINTINGS, SALTA

Guachipas

Salta's cave paintings in Guachipas reveal ancient tribes' daily life, ceremonies, warriors, and animals like suris, jaguars, birds and llamas.

DIQUE LA CIENEGA, JUJUY

La Cienega

Drive Route 9 through the windy dramatic tropical forest, or *yungas*, to the Cienega Dam and enjoy local fried fish soufflé along the lake.

EL VIEJO ALMACÉN, SALTA

Cachi

Once an old apothecary, now general store offering a range of local spices, digestive herbs, preserves, local cheeses and wines.

VALLE ENCANTADO, SALTA

Route 33

Pass through the lush, fertile high mountains of the Enchanted Valley and take sight of ancient cave drawings and enjoy condor watching. Continue on the ancient Incan pathway, called the Recta del Tin Tin that directly accesses the Cardon National Park.

IRUYA, SALTA

A magical time warped pueblo with 250 families that have maintained firm traditions for generations. Steep cobbled streets are woven into the mountains and bisected by surrounded rivers. Home of the kolla, or indigenous Andean people, stemming from the Incan Kollasuyo.

JAMES TURRELL MUSEUM, SALTA

Colomé, Salta

A sensorial experience of space, color, and perception in the high altitude of Colomé.

LA ULTIMA PULPERIA, SALTA

Cafayate

A trip back in time: since 1923. This almacén was once a trading spot for local goods which now sells local food staples and much more.

LAS CUEVAS DE ACSIBI, SALTA

Seclantás

Travel down ancient Incan road networks through beyond belief landscapes to caves that were once ritual sites for the Andean people. Caves with stunning formations formed over thousands of years leaving traces of ancient lakes, located within a private estancia.

PUCARÁ DE TILCARA, SALTA

Quebrada de Humahuaca

This pre-Incan settlement is a historical place that dates back over 900 years with outstanding views, now a fascinating archaeological site to discover.

PUENTE DE DIABLO, SALTA

La Poma

Wade within these natural lava caverns shaped by ancient volcanoes and now filled with Rio Calchaqui waters, full of stalactites and stalagmites.

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QUEBRADA DE LAS CONCHAS Y LAS FLECHAS

Calchaquí Valleys, Salta

The emblematic driving routes are filled with colored rock formations carved by the wind and sun. The mythical Route 40 frames the west side of the Valley.

QUEBRADA DE HUMAHUACA

Jujuy

Emblematic limestone mountains named Purmamarca & Hornocal which previously framed a caravan road for the Incan empire and an important link between Viceroyalty of Peru and that of La Plata.

SALINAS GRANDES

Salta & Jujuy Province

Infinite white salt flats & striking blue pools located at over 11,000 ft high.

SANTA ROSA DE TASTIL RUINS

Quebrada del Toro, Salta

Expansive, untouched pre-Incan ruins once a cosmopolitan city of its time with over 3000 Andean inhabitants who lived off quinoa, corn and llama.

TERMAS DE JORDAN

Jujuy

An ecological park containing natural thermal pools with mineral rich turquoise waters nestled deep in the Jujuy tropical forest.



Our favorite

EMPANADAS

in Salta City

EL BODEGÓN

Located in San Lorenzo, this cozy old-fashioned tavern offers homemade empanadas and a side selection of wines where you sit and choose your bottle right off the shelf. They also offer gluten-free empanadas with a variety of fillings.

EL BUEN GUSTO

A no frills locals' spot serving empanadas with the perfect *repulge* - an intricate dough braiding that seals the empanada.

DOÑA SALTA

Located in the heart of the city in front of the San Francisco church, this is an emblematic place to eat with gaucho-style decor. Our favorites are the charqui, cheese, or humita empanadas.

LA CRIOLLITA

A casual neighborhood vibe featuring caricatures of well-known Salteños that also serves a variety of regional dishes like locro & humitas.

LA TACITA

A tiny historical spot with the most traditional empanadas. Have patience as they are home-made in the moment while admiring the San Francisco church.

PATIO DE LA EMPANADA

Salta's year-round fair for empanadas - peruse from stall to stall to try a variety of the most authentic creations.



Our favorite

SPOTS IN SALTA CITY



MAAM MUSEUM

Museum of High Altitude Archaeology, home of the mummified noble children.

PLAZA 9 DE JULIO

The 1800's original plaza of Salta City.

SAN FRANCISCO CHURCH

The tallest church bell tower in all of the Americas.

TELEFERICO SAN BERNARDO

Downtown cable car with views of Lerma Valley.



Our favorite

PLACES TO DINE OUT

BAD BROTHERS

Cafayate, Salta

Andean bites paired with wine flights, menu designed by chef Walter Leal.

CASA DIAZ

Seclantás, Salta

Ancestral recipes using native ingredients.

EL BAQUEANO

Salta City, Salta

High above Salta city, warm elegant and also one of Latin America's top restaurants.

EL NUEVO PROGRESO

Tilcara, Jujuy

Award-winning chef offering seasonal, sustainable sensorial experiences culminating the best of Andean region.

FLOR DEL PAGO

Lozano, Jujuy

Chef, Daniel Hanson creates an exquisite menu with an Italian-Colonial fusion full of surprises in a modern way however, reminiscent of the past.

LA CASA MODERNA

Salta City, Salta

A broad selection of regional foods and picadas.

LA CASONA DEL MOLINO

Salta City, Salta

Live music peña combined with regional food not to miss.

MONTERREY

Quebrada de Humahuaca, Jujuy

Located inside Hotel Huacalera offering regional Andean cuisine crafted with ingredients cultivated nearby.

PACHA

Cafayate, Salta

Contemporary regional cuisine in the heart of Calchaqui Valley by chef Tomas Casado.

VIRAGOCHA

Salta City, Cachi & S.S. Jujuy

Regional Andean food with a relaxed casual atmosphere; various locations throughout the region.



Our favorites

CALCHAQUI VALLEY WINERIES

AMALAYA

Sustainably crafted, vibrant, fresh and contemporary wines from the high altitudes of Cafayate. Excellent valley views and a modern menu.

COLOMÉ WINERY, COLOMÉ

High altitude fine winemaking since 1831, grown with sustainable practices owned and operated by Swiss entrepreneurial Hess family and operated today by the second generation.

EL ESTEGO WINERY, CAFAYATE

A vineyard retreat with a modern winery, a Spanish colonial-style hotel and restaurant, established in 1892.

EL PORVENIR, CAFAYATE

Innovative yet standing true to the legacy of their ancestors, this distinguished winery has award-winning wines not to be missed.

PIATTELLI VINEYARDS, CAFAYATE

Beautiful setting with a hotel and restaurants blending North American owners with Argentine culture.

VIÑAS EN FLOR, CAFAYATE

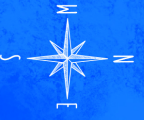
Cafayate's newest winery, with an Andean inspired contemporary menu.

YACOCUYA, CAFAYATE

Sitting high above Cafayate, this winery's name in Quechua means clear water. This winery has earned its position in the international market with many wines of distinction.

FINCA EL RECREO, CAFAYATE

An impressive site surrounded by the ultimate nature scene of mountains and vineyards framed by outstanding colonial architecture. Since 1870.



A biodiverse region with a rich variety of agricultural products reflected in the cuisine thanks to a wide range of climates, from arid high-mountain plains to lush subtropical.

Una región biodiversa con una rica variedad de productos agrícolas que se refleja en la gastronomía gracias a una amplia gama de climas que van desde la drida puna hasta las zonas subtropicales.

Our Andean
NORTHWEST ARGENTINA