

Palermo

Neighborhood Top Five

1 Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires (p129)

Checking out the contemporary artwork at this modern glassy museum where you can commune with Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo.

2 Parque 3 de Febrero (p130)

Cycling, jogging and rollerblading around the

lakes or just walking along the paths at this attractive park.

3 Restaurants (p136)

Eating your way around Palermo's fabulous restaurants, such as La Mar Cebicheria.

4 Museo Evita (p131)

Getting the scoop on Argentina's iconic former first lady

at the museum housed in an elegant mansion.

5 Shopping (p142)

Riffling through designer clothing boutiques such as Blackmamba and browsing the homewares stores in Palermo Viejo.



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Lonely Planet's Top Tip

Grab a bike and make use of the kilometers of protected bike paths along Palermo's green parks. It's a great way to see the area's many spread-out sites while breathing in some fresh air and getting exercise. The bike paths also exist within Palermo Soho and Hollywood. Bike rentals are available at a few bike-touring companies and on nice weekends near Av de la Infanta Isabel and Av Pedro Montt. Or sign up to use the yellow city bikes for free!



Best Museums

- ➔ Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires (p129)
- ➔ Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes (p131)
- ➔ Museo Nacional de Arte Decorativo (p131)
- ➔ Museo Evita (p131)
- ➔ Museo Xul Solar (p131)

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Best Places to Eat

- ➔ La Carnicería (p136)
- ➔ La Mar Cebichería (p136)
- ➔ Proper (p136)
- ➔ Las Pizarras (p134)
- ➔ Sunae Asian Cantina (p136)

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Best Places to Shop

- ➔ Elementos Argentinos (p142)
- ➔ Blackmamba (p142)
- ➔ Humawaca (p142)
- ➔ Bosque (p142)

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Explore: Palermo

Most of Palermo's museums are located near its green parks. They're spread out over this large neighborhood, so give yourself plenty of time to see them. Museo Evita, Museo Nacional de Arte Decorativo and Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires (MALBA) all have pleasant cafe-restaurants with outdoor areas.

Palermo Viejo is roughly bounded by Santa Fe, Scalabrini Ortiz, Córdoba and Dorrego. It's further divided into Palermo Hollywood (north of the train tracks) and Palermo Soho (south of the tracks), both full of old buildings, leafy sidewalks and cobbled streets. These areas have some of BA's best restaurants, along with plenty of bars and nightclubs; Plaza Serrano has dozens of sidewalk tables and attracts a young crowd on weekends.

Buenos Aires' most famous fashion designers have opened up dozens of boutiques here, and there are many designer housewares stores and other themed shops. It's not the cheapest place to shop, but likely the most fun – wear comfortable shoes as you'll be walking a lot.

The more low-key area immediately south of Scalabrini Ortiz is home to a crop of hip new restaurants and bars; keep an eye on what's new in this emerging neighborhood hot spot.

Further north is Las Cañitas; it occupies a wedge of blocks close to the polo grounds. It's mostly a residential area on the border with Belgrano and named after the fields of sugar cane that used to grow here. Just a few blocks long, it's densely packed with eateries, bars, cafes and even a club or two.

Local Life

➔ **Hangouts** On sunny weekends Palermo's residents flock to Parque 3 de Febrero (known locally as the *bosques*). Don't forget to bring your *mate*, yerba tea and thermos of hot water.

➔ **Dog walking** To catch a glimpse of BA's famous dog walkers and their charges, head to Parque Las Heras, at the corner of Avs Las Heras and Coronel Díaz. The best time to see them is late morning during the week.

➔ **Nightlife** *Porteños* (residents of Buenos Aires) wait until after midnight to congregate at bars, and after 2am to head out to the clubs.

Getting There & Away

➔ **Bus** Take buses 29, 59, 64 and 152 from the Microcentro to Plaza Italia; bus 39 from Congreso to Palermo Viejo; bus 111 from the Microcentro to Palermo Viejo.

➔ **Subte** Línea D runs through Palermo along Av Santa Fe.