

“Surveying towards Sustainable Development”



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URUGUAY

Location: in the Southern Cone of South America – neighboring countries: Brazil to the North and Northeast - Argentina to the West - the River Plate and Atlantic Ocean in the South and South East, with 300 km of golden beaches coastline.

Nice country of Latin America: Political stability, development and investment opportunities have enabled this.



ACCESS

BY AIR

Major airlines - American Airlines, Iberia, COPA, Lan, Pluna, Tam, Gol, TACA, Aerolineas Argentinas serve Montevideo International Airport (named Carrasco).

BY SEA

Ferries travel daily between Buenos Aires and Colonia (50' plus 2 hrs by bus to Montevideo bus terminal centrally located in town) . Direct port to port ferries run also daily between Buenos Aires and Montevideo (2hrs 45')



GENERAL INFORMATION

Population : 3.360.000 inhabitants.

Area : 176.212 km²

• **A SMALL SCALE COUNTRY** - no mountains and free of natural disasters

• **A WELL CONNECTED COUNTRY** – internet broad band (“one laptop per child” program and other facilities implemented for population)

• **A HEALTHY COUNTRY** - no special vaccinations required – no epidemics

• **MAIN HEADQUARTERS OF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:**

- Inter American Development Bank
- ALADI (Latin American Association for Integration)
- ICCA - America’s Office (International Conference and Congress Association)
- Ibero-American Postal Union and many others



GENERAL INFORMATION



- POLITICAL SYSTEM

Democratic political system with presidential and parliamentary elections every five years.

- **LANGUAGE :** Spanish being the official language, but English is widely spoken, being taught at schools as a second language.

- **OFFICIAL TIME:** GMT -4

- **ELECTRICITY:** CA 220 v 50 Hertz

- WEATHER IN NOVEMBER – SPRING SEASON

Temperature ranges between 15 C and 25 C

- **CREDIT CARDS** Visa, Mastercard, AMEX are accepted at most hotels, restaurants and shops.

OUR CULTURE

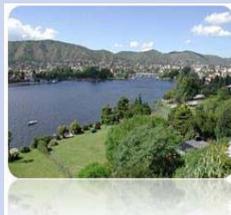
OUR MUSIC:

- TANGO
- CANDOMBE – AFRO-AMERICAN MUSIC
- FOLK MUSIC



PLACES TO VISIT

- **COLONIA** : First city founded in Uruguay by the Portuguese in 1630 and Declared of World Heritage by UNESCO in 1986, west of Montevideo and just one hour away from Buenos Aires by ferry.
- **PUNTA DEL ESTE**: main touristic resort in South America on the Atlantic coast to the east of Montevideo, on the Atlantic coastline.
- **FARMS**: typical farms featuring the gaucho style and farm production.



MONTEVIDEO



Montevideo - founded in 1724, our capital city, largest city with a population over 1,500,000 inhabitants over a natural bay.



MEETING VENUE

**Radisson Montevideo – Victoria Plaza Hotel – 5* hotel
Over the Plaza Independencia in downtown Montevideo**



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