

Additional Information on Transportation from Buenos Aires to Mar del Plata

This document provides additional information on transportations from Buenos Aires to Mar del Plata and is intended to complement the general information note to be found at http://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-t/oth/13/01/T13010000080002PDFE.pdf.

There are two options to reach Mar del Plata from Buenos Aires.

1 PLANE – the plane service to Mar del Plata is provided by *Aerolineas Argentinas (AR)* with one or two planes a day. The flight time is very short, but it takes a while to get to the airport, go through security, etc. Planes leave from the domestic airport (aeroparque), which is about half an hour away from the center of Buenos Aires (off-peak times). You have the following options for travelling from Ezeiza airport to the Buenos Aires Aeroparque airport, from where there are domestic flights to the city of Mar del Plata:

Chauffeured cars (*remises*) and private taxis: The airport is served by a large number of taxis and *remises*, which can be found outside the arrivals hall. Approximate fare from Ezeiza to Aeroparque: \$ 145 (USD 38).

Minibuses: A more economical alternative, these leave Ezeiza airport every hour for the Aeroparque de Buenos Aires. Approximate fare from Ezeiza to Aeroparque: \$ 45 (USD 12).

2 BUS – As the distance between Buenos Aires and Mar del Plata is rather short (350km), the bus is a good alternative to the plane.

2.1 Buses that leaves directly from the airport:

The company [Manuel Tienda de León](#) provides bus services to Mar del Plata starting from the arrivals terminal of Ezeiza International Airport. The buses are rather small and can accommodate about 12 people. It is recommended for the passengers to get something to eat and drink before getting on the bus. The journey to Mar del Plata takes around 6 hours. As soon as you arrive in Mar del Plata you can take a taxi to go to your hotel.

2.2 Buses that leaves from TERMINAL DE ÓMNIBUS DE RETIRO:

Another way to get to Mar del Plata is to take a bus that leaves from *Terminal De Ómnibus Retiro*, which is near the center of Buenos Aires. When you arrive to Ezeiza airport in Buenos Aires you can take a taxi (the taxi desks are in the airport) to go to “Estación Terminal RETIRO” (Retiro bus station). There it is possible to find various bus companies that can take you to Mar del Plata (e.g. General Urquiza, Chevallier, El Condor, etc). As several companies provide bus services to Mar del Plata, one hour is the maximum estimated waiting time at Retiro bus station. No advance reservation is needed; you can book your bus in Buenos Aires upon arrival. Normally the buses are large, two-floor coaches with reclining seats and bathroom on board. In most cases there is the possibility to get something to drink and eat on board. There are three types of seats: semi-cama (basic), coche-cama (seat reclines comfortably), and suite (bed-style). The journey to Mar del Plata takes 5 hours. As soon as you arrive in Mar del Plata you can take a taxi to go to your hotel.

2.2.a Approximate costs of bus and taxi:

- Taxi From Ezeiza airport to RETIRO Bus station: local currency 100 - 150 (USD 27 – USD 40)
- Bus from Buenos Aires to Mar del Plata: “Coche cama” (special seat very comfortable) Local currency 100 (USD 27).
- Taxi from Mar del Plata bus station to hotel: local currency 15 (USD 4/5)

2.2.b Hotels in Buenos Aires

If you wish to spend a night in Buenos Aires before taking a bus to Mar del Plata, among others, you can use one of the following two options (subject to availability):

- 1- **Hotel de las Luces (***)** www.hoteldelasluces.com.ar Single/Double room USD 67 includes VAT and buffet breakfast. If you want to reserve you must send a fax (hotel booking form from the web site) to 54 11 43436776
- 2- **NH City & Tower (*****)** www.nh-hoteles.es Single/Double room USD 130 includes VAT and buffet breakfast. In this case if you want to reserve you must send a mail to the hotel with the booking form

In both cases the reservations must include a credit card number and you will receive a confirmation message once your reservation has been accepted by the hotel.

We request to inform the host on the reservations made to hotels in Buenos Aires, by sending an email to lcarranza@cnc.gov.ar using the form provided in the web site at http://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-t/oth/13/01/T13010000080002PDFE.pdf.
