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MEXICO & CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA EXPERTS

ARGENTINA AND CHILE

Jordan Harvey

Harvey's boutique agency, dreamed up on a dairy farm in Patagonia, now works with more than 500 travelers a year. His secret: in-touch experiences delivered via a deep network of local artists, chefs, architects, and photographers, many of them personal friends who help deliver unique experiences.

BEST FOR adventure, foodies
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ARGENTINA, CHILE, AND URUGUAY

Maita Barrenechea

For three decades, Barrenechea has planned trips for top execs and celebrities while also helping build the travel infrastructure throughout her region of expertise, coaxing ranchers to convert estancias into guesthouses and assisting locals in preparing their tours for higher-end clientele.

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BRAZIL

Martin Frankenberg

Frankenberg has a reputation for opening doors otherwise unavailable to travelers, whether that's securing VIP tickets to events or access to yachts on the Amazon, sailboats

in Paraty, and deep-in-the-jungle villas that work only with him.

BEST FOR luxury seekers
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Paul Irvine

Rather than relying on the usual international hotel brands, Irvine prefers to put clients up in private homes and apartments (which he ruthlessly vets) and smaller properties like the new Essenza Hotel, in Jericoacoara.

BEST FOR foodies, culture buffs
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CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

Emmanuel Burgio

A finance background lends Burgio an intimate understanding of the needs and demands of wealthy, time-strapped travelers, who come to him for bespoke trips that offer indulgent thrills like hydroplane flights to eco-lodges and private-estate stays in Peru's Sacred Valley.

BEST FOR adventure, luxury seekers
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Barkley Hickox

Hickox tailors hotels specifically to clients while keeping an eye out for off-the-radar pursuits, like fly-fishing in Chile's Puerto Varas region or hiking through Aisén, Patagonia, which she notes is more remote than Torres del Paine.

BEST FOR luxury and thrill seekers
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Beth Jenkins

Only 29, Jenkins is a tireless advocate for younger travelers, seeking out great rates at hotels and visiting destinations with specific clients in mind. Lately, she's excited about Colombia and the renewed interest in Guatemala's Mayan ruins.

BEST FOR millennials, families, couples, honeymooners
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CHILE

Brian Pearson

Pearson, who splits his time between Santiago and Massachusetts, is well versed in outdoor adventure in Chile—horseback rides with gauchos, boat charters across Lake Tagua Tagua, multi-sport tours in the Lake District—which makes him the go-to for those who want an authentic and adrenaline-filled experience.

BEST FOR sports, adventure
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COLOMBIA

Marc Beale

Five years spent exploring every inch of his adopted country helped Beale uncover travel secrets few other outfitters have tapped, like family-owned inns

in the lesser-known Tatacoa Desert and guided treks to San Agustín Archaeological Park.

BEST FOR adventure, foodies, families
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GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS

Brian Morgan

With a diverse portfolio of offerings, Morgan can arrange an island-hopping or science-focused cruise as well as land-based itineraries involving kayaking, volcano hikes, sashimi making, or coffee sampling on Santa Cruz and San Cristóbal islands. Morgan is also adept at creating add-ons to Galápagos trips, like exploring Chile's wine country.

BEST FOR cruises, adventure
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MEXICO

Zachary Rabinor

Having worked his way up the tour-operator ladder before founding Journey Mexico, Rabinor has countrywide connections that allow him to plan everything from low-key honeymoons to helicopter hiking expeditions—all of it seamless from start to finish.

BEST FOR adventure, luxury and thrill seekers
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SOUTH AMERICAN FOOD AND WINE

Liz Caskey

Consult this Santiago-based cookbook author and trained sommelier for hacienda stays in Chile's Colchagua Valley wine region, visits to artisan cheese makers outside Buenos Aires, or oyster harvests alongside fishermen in the Chiloe Archipelago. Caskey also has insider knowledge on the best new under-the-radar hotels and restaurants.

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