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1- Activity 1 : Read the text (lea el texto)

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San Juan (Argentina)

This small provincial capital is the second-city of wine production in Argentina . San Juan is a low- key town that makes a great jumping-off point for scenic national and provincial parks like El Leoncito and Ischigualasto. Of course it also draws visitors to its many wine bodegas just outside the reaches of town.

Unlike many historic spots in Argentina, San Juan is rather modern for a colonial town because most of the original city was destroyed in a 1944 earthquake. San Juan is a place to take it easy, explore local landscapes, and sip on a variety of wines.

Let's explore the **best things to do in San Juan:**



1. Plaza 25 de Mayo

Source: Sebastian / Flickr

The main plaza of the city and “Kilometer 0” of the San Juan Province, this square is great for relaxing, people watching, and meeting up with friends.

With tall palm trees and a fountain in the center, it's a typical Argentine city square, though the main church is a modern-day affair rather than a century-old cathedral.

You'll find statues of Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, the former president of Argentina who was born here, and Fray Justo Santa María, a bishop and statesman who fought for Argentina's independence.



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There are a few cafes, restaurants, and bars around the edges of the plaza for a coffee or beer, and at night the square and its trees are beautifully illuminated.

2.Casa Natal de Sarmiento



Source: Ministerio de Cultura de la Nación Argentina /

Flickr Casa Natal De Sarmiento

Birthplace of the 19th-century Argentine president Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, this home is a National Historic Monument dedicated to the educator of the Americas.

Seemingly ahead of his time, Sarmiento is known for his intellectualism and work fighting for public education, including women's right to an education.

This house is a testament to his life, background, and efforts to improve himself through writing and accepting positions as a civil servant.

Visitors can see the room where Sarmiento was born, his bedroom, one of his desks, and a dinner set used during his term as president from 1868 to 1874. You can view many of his writings and original manuscripts here, and opt for a guided tour to learn more.

3.Parque de Mayo



Parque De Mayo

This is the perfect place to chill within the city, with lots of green space, a lake, a fountain, and a few monuments along some walking trails.

There's also a children's playground and the fine arts museum, convention center, and auditorium just nearby.

Occasionally you'll see street performers or bands that set up shop in the park and locals having mate (the hot herbal Argentine drink of choice) in the grass.

On Sundays, there's a lively artisanal fair in the park where you can find vendors selling handicrafts along with food carts and kiosks selling quick bites.

Feed the ducks or the many colorful fish in the lake, do a little exercise, or have a picnic here surrounded by a bit of nature.

4.Difunta Correa



Source: Maximiliano Dobladez / Flickr

Difunta Correa

One of the more peculiar attractions in the area, this shrine receives so many pilgrims each year that stalls have popped up next to it selling souvenirs and freshly cooked food.

Located in the village of Vallecita, this sanctuary is dedicated to the mythical figure of Deolinda Correa, an Argentine woman who is said to have lived in the 1800s.

After her husband was forcibly recruited by the army, she followed their path through the desert and perished on a hill with her baby still suckling at her chest.

Some shepherds found her body, rescued her baby, and buried her there.

Her spirit is said to have kept the shepherds from losing their flocks and saved a famous gaucho from losing his cattle.

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Now many local people ask for protection from Correa and bring offerings to the site of her grave as thanks.

Along with a statue of her dying body, you can visit the shrine to see the numerous offerings deposited there at makeshift chapels, like license plates (of the car's she's protected), models of houses, and baby carriages.

2. Write a heading for the text (escribe un título al texto)

3. Answer question from the text (responde a las preguntas del texto)

a. Is Plaza 25 de mayo the main square in San Juan Province?

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b. What thing can visitors see in Casa de Sarmiento?

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c. Is there a river crossing the Parque de mayo? What do you do there?

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d. What happened to Deolinda Antonia Correa before becoming a myth?

4- Answer about you (responde a cerca de ti)

a. Which places do you know of San Juan?

b. What is your favourite place in San Juan?

c. When was the last time you went there?

d. Can you recommend to tourists three places in San Juan to visit? Where are they? Why are they

interesting?

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