Monday, February 4, guided tour

Leandro N. Alem Ave.



This avenue which runs parallel to the increasingly distant river leads to the Plaza de Mayo. Its name gives tribute to the founder of one of the two major political parties in the country, the Radical Civic Union. Known in the past as the Paseo de

Julio, it served as a hub for the first skyscrapers of the city. In the 70's, its first blocks showed the concentration of the first skyscrapers in the "curtain-wall" style (Catalinas area). Some of its towers vaguely evoke the Seagram Building by Mies van der Rohe and Philip Johnson in Manhattan.





ENGLISH GEORGIAN STYLE

English Tower

1916

Ing. Ambrose Poynter (English)

- IMPORTED ENTIRELY FROM ENGLAND
 GIFT OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE FOR
- THE CENTENNIAL
- SUFFERD MANY NATIONALIST ATTEMPTS
- MUSEUM AND CLOCK OF HIGH PATRIMONIAL VALUE





BRUTALISM

Sheraton Hotel

1971

Arch. Sánchez Elia, Peralta Ramos

- FIRST HOTEL WITH HIGH TECHNOLOGY
- REVALUED THE ZONE AND STARTED THE NEW TASTE FOR TOWERS
- MOLDED CONCRETE AND GLASS
- TAKEN BY MONTONEROS AS POPULAR HOSPITAL





RATIONALISM

Alas Building

1951

National Administration

- 42 FLATSAND 132 M. HIGHEST IN ARGENTINA UNTIL 1996
- HOUSINGS AND OFFICES OF THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE
- ORTHODOX AND COLD RATIONALISM.

Other monuments:

- COMEGA BUILDING
- LA NACÍON BUILDING
- BUENOS AIRES'STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
- POST AND MAIL BUILDING



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INDUSTRIAL ARCHITECTURE

Retiro Station (Railroad Mitre)

1915

Arch. Eustace Lauriston (English)

- IMPORTED ENTIRELY FROM ENGLAND FOR THE ENGLISH RAILROAD COMPANY
- IRON AND GLASS(INFLUENCED BY THE FRENCH ING. EIFFEL)
- TRHEE STATIONS (THE OLDEST THE BEST)



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INTERNATIONAL ARCH.

Catalinas Area

1970

Differents Architects

- FIRS TOWERS IN COURTIN WALL STYLE (MIES VAN DER ROHE)
- STYLE REVALUATED BY CÉSAR PELLI IN THE "90





MONUMENTALISM

Department Of War

1942

Argentine Army Engineers

- PERIOD OF POLITICAL MILITARY PREDOMINANCE
- FRENCH ACADEMICISM IN COLOSSAL
- MILITARY GENERAL STAFF BUILDING