SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE IGUAZU FALLS, ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL

LOCATION: The falls of the Iguazu River (Iguaçu, on the Brazilian side) are located virtually at the triple junction of Argentina, Brazil, and Paraguay. The falls are actually shared by the first two, but are just across the river from the town of Ciudad del Este, in Paraguay. Elevations are about 600 feet above sea level in the towns of Puerto Iguazu (Argentina), Foz do Iguaçu (Brazil), and Ciudad del Este (Paraguay).

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	13:33	12:59	12:16	11:31	10:53	10:34	10:42	11:14	11:56	12:41	13:21	13:43
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:52	5:19	4:55	4:47	4:42	4:28	5:11	4:10	4:05	5:08	6:41	7:04
AREA OF BLUE SKY	45%	45%	49%	53%	52%	46%	52%	49%	42%	45%	52%	50%
LOW FOR MONTH	62°	62°	56°	47°	41°	35°	37°	37°	43°	48°	53°	58°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	69°	70°	67°	62°	56°	52°	51°	53°	56°	60°	64°	67°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	90°	89°	87°	82°	76°	72°	73°	76°	79°	83°	86°	89°
HIGH FOR MONTH	98°	96°	95°	92°	87°	84°	85°	89°	92°	97°	97°	98°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	55%	48%	36%	11%	1%	0 %	0 %	5%	9%	24%	33%	43%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	54%	54%	55%	56%	58%	62%	56%	55%	53%	53%	52%	50%
DRY DAYS	71%	70%	78%	75%	76%	75%	78%	77%	72%	71%	71%	74%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	78%	77%	83%	80%	80%	82%	86%	8 4 %	81%	79%	78%	80%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	1.06	1.04	0.97	0.97	0.82	0.72	0.47	0.56	0.80	1.08	0.98	0.94
SNOWY DAYS	0 %	0%	0 %	0%	0%	0%	0%	0 %	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	9%	8 %	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	7%	9%	10%	9%
FOGGY DAYS	9%	13%	16%	23%	26%	33%	32%	30%	24%	16%	12%	13%

COMMENTS: The falls area has a sub-tropical two-season year. Below-freezing temperatures do not occur, and precipitation is abundant in all months. The high-sun season is the wetter of the two, and extends from October through April. The days are somewhat longer, sunnier, warmer, and wetter--but not by much. The low-sun season has somewhat shorter, cloudier, cooler, and drier days--but, again, not by much. In actuality, the weather on any given day could just as easily occur on any month in the year. This summary describes the upland areas around the falls area. The falls themselves create their own climate at their verge and for some distance downstream. Within the mists generated by the falls, air temperatures are pretty much the same as water temperatures, both day and night. In addition, of course, water droplets are everywhere. Make up your mind in advance that you are going to come away wet, and you won't be surprised. During cooler weather, have a warm dry change of clothing ready.