

Costanera Sur Ecological Reserve — Buenos Aires' 350-Hectare Urban Wetland & Wildlife Refuge

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Argentina

Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Reclaimed from Río de la Plata landfill and declared a nature reserve in 1986, Buenos Aires' 350-hectare Costanera Sur reserve now hosts 300+ bird species and 500+ native plant species, earning Ramsar and BirdLife Important Bird Area recognition in 2005.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	3/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	1/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

[City of Buenos Aires, Secretariat of Environment](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

[C40 Cities case study](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

[City of Buenos Aires — Costanera Sur Ecological Reserve](#) — accessed 2026-08-24

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