

DIENTES DE NAVARINO CIRCUIT TREK

7 days Wilderness Trekking on the Isla Navarino - Tierra del Fuego | Chile

The “Dientes de Navarino Circuit” is a trekking experience at the edge of the world! This southernmost trekking route is a once-in-a-lifetime experience that will fascinate curious and experienced hikers.

On this pioneer-adventure in the mountains of Dientes de Navarino, you will land right in the middle of Tierra del Fuego’s mystic beauty. Hike through wet swampland and quaint forests of beech trees before you finally reach the sharp teeth, Los Dientes, of Navarino Island. These natural jewels are embedded in small blue-lustrous lagoons. Also hike through the southern end of the world to watch beavers building their dams, while resisting the extremely strong gusts of wind that indicate the closeness of Cape Horn.

Trip Highlights:

- Hike the southernmost trek at the edge of the world, the Dientes de Navarino Circuit on Isla Navarino
- Set up camp between rock pinnacles, alpine lakes & beaver dams
- Visit the charming fishing village Puerto Williams, the most southerly village in the world
- Fly over the legendary Strait of Magellan, Darwin mountain range and Beagle-Channel
- Enjoy a freshly caught king crab prepared by a local family

Insider Tip:

- Take a trip from Ushuaia to Martillo Island and learn more about see lions, dolphins and Magellan penguins

Trip Info:

Trip length: 7 days
Start/End of the trip: from / to Punta Arenas or Ushuaia
Group Size: min. 3 / max. 8 people
Departures: see set departures on our website or individual on request
(with the possibility to book other people on this trip)
Trip Style: wilderness trekking & camping

What’s included:

- **Local porters** for the expedition tents and all cooking equipment throughout all trekking days
- Guide: 4 guided hikes
 - Local English / Spanish speaking certified trekking guide
 - Local English/Spanish speaking certified assistant guide from 7 people
- Accommodation on the trek: 3 nights in high quality 2-person expedition tents
- Accommodation in Punta Arenas and Puerto Williams: 3 nights in guesthouse in double rooms with private bathroom
- Meals: 6 x breakfast, 4 x box lunch, 5 x dinner
- Transport: all private transfers as per the detailed itinerary
- Airport pick up & drop off
- Domestic flight Punta Arenas-Puerto Williams / Puerto Williams-Punta Arenas (alternative: boat ride from/to Ushuaia)
- Emergency equipment: including a first-aid kit and satellite phone

What’s excluded:

- International and domestic airfare and airport charges - except the flights to / from Puerto Williams
- Excess luggage fees
- Porter for personal belongings
- Meals and beverages not indicated on the itinerary
- Sleeping bag and camping mat
- Optional trips
- Tips, local payments
- Travel insurance is not included in this tour. Travel insurance is mandatory and must be purchased prior to the start of the trip.

Itinerary:

Important note: The itinerary described in the program is a planned itinerary or a guide. Changes or deviations of individual travel services from the contractually agreed content of the travel contract, which become necessary after conclusion of the contract and which were not brought about by MOSER Active against good faith, are permitted, provided that these are not significant and do not affect the overall design of the booked trip. MOSER Active will endeavor to offer an equivalent replacement. Additional costs that may arise due to changes to the tour itinerary are to be borne by the participant on site and will not be reimbursed by MOSER Active.

Day 1 – Arrival in Punta Arenas

After having arrived at the airport of Punta Arenas, private transfer to the guesthouse in Punta Arenas (without a guide). In the evening, you will have a short briefing with our guide for your tour on Tierra del Fuego. Spend the night in a guesthouse in double room with a private bathroom. (-/-/-)

Day 2 – Puerto Williams

In the morning you fly to Puerto Williams where you start your exciting adventure tour. Puerto Williams (2,300 inhabitants) is the southernmost settlement north of the Antarctic. In the afternoon you have time to explore the tiny fishing village on your own and to visit the interesting Martin Gusinde Museum, where you can learn a lot about the culture of the Yamana Indigenous. Overnight: Guesthouse in Puerto Williams in double room with a private bathroom. (B/-/D)

Day 3 – Dientes de Navarino Trek – Laguna Salto

Today you hike through a deep forest of beech trees and swampland uphill to Laguna Salto (480 m / 1,575 ft). You set up camp close to the gorgeous Laguna where you spend the night in tents. Overnight: in tents on campsite Laguna Salto. (B/BL/D)

Appr. walking time: 5-6 hours, walking distance: 9 km (5,6 miles), elevation gain of approx. 600 m (1,970 ft) ascent and 200 m (660 ft) descent.

Day 4 – Dientes de Navarino Trek – Laguna Escondida

Today you hike over the Paso Primero to the Mirador de los Dientes. You enjoy a picturesque view over the Dientes Mountain range with its blue lagoons. Afterwards, you hike further over terrain that might be partly snow covered to reach the Paso Australia (805 m / 2,640 ft). On your way you discover small lagoons and the sharp rising Dientes mountains until you arrive at your next campsite. Overnight: in tents on campsite Laguna Escondida. (B/BL/D)

Appr. walking time: 5 hours, walking distance: 9,5 km (5,9 miles), elevation gain of approx. 400 m (1,310 ft) ascent and descent.

Day 5 – Dientes de Navarino Trek – Laguna Martillo

Today you walk through the hidden and untouched valleys of Isla Navarino and cross the Paso Ventarron (696 m / 2,280 ft). Upon reaching the valley you can observe beaver marked forests and dams. If you are lucky, you may have the chance to observe them busy at work building structures around their habitat. Overnight: in tents on campsite Laguna Martillo. (B/BL/D)

Appr. walking time: 5 hours, walking distance: 8 km (5 miles), elevation gain of approx. 300 m (980 ft) ascent and descent.

Day 6 – Dientes de Navarino Trek – Paso Virginia – Puerto Williams

You hike uphill on a sometimes-muddy trail to Paso Virginia (829 m / 2,720 ft), the highest point of the Dientes de Navarino-Circuit. From up there you will enjoy spectacular views back to the rock spires of Monte Lindenmayer and also to Hoste Island and Ushuaia. Afterwards you descent to Laguna Guanacas and hike back to Puerto Williams, passing a dense Coigue forest and fire-cleared slopes until you reach Los Bronces. From there you have a private transfer back to your guesthouse in Puerto Williams followed by a farewell dinner. Overnight: Guesthouse in Puerto Williams in a cozy atmosphere in double room with a private bathroom. (B/BL/D)

Appr. walking time: 7-8 hours, walking distance: 15 km (9,3 miles), elevation gain of approx. 420 m (1,380 ft) ascent and 830 m (2,720 ft) descent.

Day 7 – Return flight to Punta Arenas or boat ride to Ushuaia

You fly back over the Darwin Mountain range to Punta Arenas and say goodbye to our local trekking-guide (*alternative: boat ride to Ushuaia, if available*). (B/-/-)

Trip Notes:

Excellent physical fitness and team spirit are necessary requirements for this tour. Moreover, you should be able to walk long distances (4 to 8 hours a day) on muddy, rocky and sometimes snowy trails carrying your own backpack of 50-60 liter (10-13 kg / 22–29 lbs). Your personal items, camping mat and sleeping bag as well as some meals for the trekking days have to be carried by yourself.

PORTERS CARRY THE EXPEDITION TENTS, ALL COOKING EQUIPMENT AND SET UP CAMP! NO EXTRA COSTS FOR PORTERS!

Special comfort like dining-/cooking-tent, showers and toilets should not be expected on Isla Navarino Trek. The luggage that is not required during the trek can be stored in the hotel in Punta Arenas and in the guesthouse in Puerto Williams.

Gear Checklist Dientes de Navarino Circuit:

Mandatory personal equipment to be brought along:

Well-worn, ankle-high, full leather trekking boots (NO mesh or Cordura trekking shoes, not even trail running shoes), preferably with a Goretex membrane, are mandatory on the Dientes de Navarino trekking tour, as are **knee-high gaiters and trekking poles**.

Our certified trekking guide will check the obligatory personal equipment of the participants in Puerto Williams and is authorized to exclude participants from the tour if they do not bring the necessary equipment for the trekking tour.

The safety of the participants and the smooth and successful running of the trekking tour is our top priority. Please also read our travel conditions in this regard!

Travel Documents

- Valid passport
- Airline tickets
- Vaccination cards
- Cash (USD) / credit card and/or debit card

Luggage

- Duffel bag for all the rest of your luggage, which you do not need during the trek (to leave locked at your guesthouse)
- Backpack of 50-60 liter (10-13 kg / 22 – 29 lbs) for the trek
- Rain cover for your backpack
- Passport pouch or money belt

Camping Gear

- Sleeping bag with compression stuff sack **minus 5 Grad/C comfort (minus 15 Grad/C extreme) (rated to approx. 20° Fahrenheit comfort)**
- Inflatable camping mat (e.g. Therm-A-Rest NeoAir)

Clothing

Bring a few lightweight, easily washable items - for using as layer clothing system "onion principle"

- Hiking pants, lightweight, synthetic and loose-fitting – quick dry
- Long sleeve shirts, synthetic or merino
- T-Shirts, synthetic or merino
- Breathable underwear, polypropylen or merino or similar
- Rain jacket, waterproof and breathable (Goretex, Sympatex etc.)
- Rain pants, waterproof and breathable, side-zip pants are highly recommended
- Windstopper fleece jacket
- Light Down or synthetic Jacket

Clothing Accessories

- Sun hat – Bandana – Scarf
- Hat (warm) - Beanie
- Gloves – Fleece

Footwear

- Hiking socks, blister-free
- **Mandatory: Well-worn, ankle-high, full leather trekking boots** (NO mesh or Cordura trekking shoes, not even trail running shoes), preferably with a Goretex membrane
- Sandals or flip-flop or Crocs
- **Mandatory: Gaiters, knee-high! We recommend Outdoor Research Crocodile GORE-TEX Gaiters or similar.**

Important

- **Trekking poles are mandatory**

Travel Accessories

- Water bottle – 500ml-750ml (throughout the treks you can refill water approx every two hours in the little creeks)
- Headlamp and batteries
- Sunglasses and retainer strap
- Sun blocker + 20 and lip balm
- Toiletry kit
- Trekking towel
- Hand sanitizer gel
- Personal prescription medication
- Watch with alarm or travel clock
- Ziploc with toilet paper

Optional equipment

- Camera, memory cards and batteries
- Thermos
- Spare contact lenses or glasses
- Ear plugs
- Several Ziploc plastic bags

Provided Gear by MOSER ACTIVE:

- Tents: roomy, high quality 2-person expedition-tents (to be used for 2 people); or Doite Himalaya (to be used for 1 person)
- Cooking equipment while camping
- First aid kit and satellite phone or VHF-equipment

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

MOSER ACTIVE Trekking Team