



PATAGONIA SOFT ADVENTURE

12 days hiking trip

Explore on relaxing daily hikes through the most beautiful national parks the natural miracles and mountain world of Patagonia.

On a visit of the famous Perito Moreno Glacier and a boat ride to the deep blue-shining Grey Glacier you will learn more about these impressive icemasses of the southern hemisphere.

Enjoy in a cozy atmosphere the culinary delights and exquisite wines of Patagonia, or go for a Whiskey, served on thousand-year-old ice from the glacier. Ride together with the local gauchos through the wind branded Pampa and enjoy a typical lamb barbecue on one of the Patagonian estancias (sheep farm).

Trip Highlights

- Try a Lamb barbecue on a cozy Patagonian Estancia
- Torres del Paine National Park: Granite needles - Patagonian Icefield - Grey Glacier
- Hike to the rock spire of the mystic Cerro Torre and the legendary Monte Fitz Roy
- Enjoy tasty Argentinian steaks & Malbec red wine
- Admire the huge Perito Moreno Glacier in Los Glaciares National Park during a boat ride
- Observe the local wildlife: guanacos, condors and ñandus
- Endless Patagonian "Pampa" and proud gauchos

Insider Tip

- Before dinner, take a pisco sour, the Chilean national drink

Trip Info

Length of the journey: 12 days
Season: from October to April
Start/End of journey: from/to Punta Arenas
Group Size: min. 2 – max. 12 persons
Departures: individual on request

What is included?

- Accommodation: 11 nights in selected Hotels / Hosterias in double rooms with private bathroom
- Meals: 11 x breakfast, 9 x lunch/lunchbox, and 8 x dinner
- Guide:
 - local bilingual english/spanish speaking guide Torres del Paine (Day 2 - 5),
 - local bilingual english/spanish speaking guide El Chaltén (Day 8 and 9) and during the excursion to the Perito Moreno Glacier (Day 10)
- Transport: all public and private transfers as per detailed itinerary
- Boat ride / Catamaran Grey Lake
- Boat ride across the Argentino Lake
- Entry Fees/Admission: to all National Parks as well as to the Penguin-colony

Not included

- Not appointed meals and beverages
- Single supplement
- Optional trips
- Tips/gratuity, Local payments
- Flight costs and airport charges
- Excess luggage nor excess luggage fees
- Travel insurance package



Itinerary

Day 1

After having arrived at the airport of Punta Arenas you visit the famous Penguin-colony on Seno Otway where you watch the Magellan Penguins in their natural habitat (private transfer, without a guide). Subsequently you take a refreshment-break before you move on to Puerto Natales. After having arrived Puerto Natales you meet our trekking-guide for a short briefing of the next days. After a delicious welcome dinner you will stay one night in a hotel in Puerto Natales. (-/-/D)

Day 2

In the early morning you will drive with a private transfer through the wind branded Pampa observing the typical birds and animals of this fantastic region. Having arrived at your estancia, you will have time to gain an insight into the authentic ranch life of the patagonian gauchos. Choose a horseback riding or just enjoy the breathtaking view onto the fantastic mountain range while drinking a „Pisco Sour“. Overnight stay in a cozy guest ranch (estancia). (B/L/D)

Day 3

Today you will drive to the Torres del Paine National Park, passing by the astonishing waterfalls “Cascadas del Paine”. After arriving the park you will hike to get a first rate view on the no. 1 highlight: The famous Torres Towers. At first it leads you up to the Ascencio-valley where you take a break at the Refugio Chileno next to the lovely Ascencio River. After 2 more hours and a tough ascent you are rewarded for your efforts: You will stand in front of the impressive needles with a green lagoon lying to your feet. Enjoy a delicious dinner and a glass of excellent Chilean red wine, while sitting nearby an open fire. (Hiking time Trek viewpoint Las Torres approx. 8 hours, difference in elevation approx. 750 meters). Overnight stay in the Hosteria Las Torres. (B/L/D)

Day 4

This morning a transfer will bring you to the thunderous waterfall Salto Grande. Afterwards you walk to the „Los Cuernos“ lookout. After a leisurely lunch a beautiful walk leads you to the viewpoint „Mirador Condor“. After an ascent of 250 meters you gain an unforgettable panoramic view over the complete Torres-del-Paine massif. Hiking time viewpoint „Condor“ 2 hours; hiking time lookout „Los Cuernos“ 2 hours. Overnight stay in the spectacular situated Hosteria Pehoe. (B/L/D)

Day 5

Today you will cross the Grey Lake by boat until you reach the imposing ice walls of the blue-shining Grey Glacier. With a bit of luck you might even experience giant blocks of ice thundering into the lake. Don't miss a Whiskey, served on thousand-year-old ice from the glacier. After that amazing boat trip you will leave Torres del Paine National Park and drive back to Puerto Natales. Overnight in a hotel. (B/L/-)

Day 6

Transfer in a regular bus through the wind branded Pampa to El Calafate in Argentina (without a guide). In the afternoon you will have some time to go shopping or to try the famous Argentine steaks. Overnight stay in a hotel. (B/L/-)

Day 7

Today you are heading to El Chaltén with a regular bus, taking a break at the Estancia La Leona (without a guide). El Chaltén is a lovely village in the mountains that will be your starting point for the next days. In the afternoon you have time to discover this idyllic place by on your own or to do a short hike to the viewpoints „Condores & Aguilas“ or to the Chorillo del Salto. In the evening you will meet your trekking-guide for the next two days. You spend the night in a cozy hosteria. (B/-/-)

Day 8

A 6-hours guided walk leads you to Laguna Torre where you have a great view to the impressive Cerro Torre (3,102m) with its glaciers. The elevation is 250 m. Overnight in a cozy hosteria. (B/L/D)

Day 9

Today you walk through Magellan forest of Southern beech trees to Piedras Blancas Glacier always having picturesque views on the Fitz Roy massif (3,405m) from different angles. After visiting the beautifully located Capri Lagoon you will hike back to the mountain village Chalten. (Hiking time approx. 5-6 hours, difference in elevation approx. 500 meters for descent). Fit and experienced hikers can take the side trip option and hike uphill to the Lagoon de los Tres (additional hiking time approx. 2 hours). Overnight stay in a cozy hosteria. (B/L/D)

Day 10

Today, you take a regular bus back to El Calafate (without a guide). In the afternoon you visit the incomparable Perito Moreno Glacier in the Los Glaciers National park that is part of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field (with a guide). If you are lucky you will watch the Glacier calving. Furthermore you will take a boat ride over the Argentino Lake along the imposing ice walls of the glacier (appr. 1 hour). Overnight stay in a hotel. (B/L/D)



Day 11

You travel from Argentina back to Puerto Natales / Chile on a regular bus (without a guide). You can use the afternoon to explore the small town at the Ultima Esperanza Fjord. After a delicious farewell-dinner you stay in a hotel. (B/L/D)

Day 12

Private Transfer from Puerto Natales to the airport of Punta Arenas (without a guide). (B/-/-)

Trip Profile

Intermediate level for beginners: Day tours that will challenge you moderately. You should be sure on ascending and descending paths and master differences in elevation of about 750m per day carrying your own backpack (25l to 35l).

If you have any questions referring our tours, please don't hesitate to get in touch!

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