



Glaciers of Patagonia

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The Offer

Striking mountains, bright blue icebergs breaking off from glaciers and golden grasslands (pampas) that are home to unique wildlife make Patagonia a special place to visit: travel to the end of the world to experience a destination that is unfamiliar, unparalleled and exceptional.

Start your trip in Santiago. The capital of Chile is nestled next to the Andes Mountains and offers old-fashioned neighbourhoods where Spanish Colonial influences mix with indigenous flavours, boasting unique flavours and welcoming culture.

Fly into quaint Puerto Natales, the hub for those exploring the famed Torres del Paine National Park, in Chile's Patagonia region. Some of its most iconic sites are the three granite towers from which the park takes its name and the horn-shaped peaks called Cuernos del Paine. You may see condors, rheas, pumas, guanacos, red foxes and other Patagonian wildlife. Next head to Argentina by land to El Calafate village, home to the massive Perito Moreno Glacier, whose ever-shifting icy landscape is one of the most visited glaciers in the world. Standing before its 70-m high electric blue face and watching 100-tonne blocks of ice crumble and crash into the waters below is humbling. The Perito Moreno

Glacier is more than 30 km long and 5 km wide at the face. From Perito Moreno, cross the Boca del Diablo to the Upsala Canal and navigate between large icebergs that emerge from the front of the Upsala Glacier.

For those looking for a more exhilarating experience, optional tours will add to the adventure: from a safari boat in Argentino Lake, a Nativo Experience in lakes and caves near El Calafate, or choose to add a trek to the Las Torres Base viewpoint to a day tour to explore El Chalten, this package offers opportunities for everyone to tailor their time in Patagonia.

From El Calafate, fly to Buenos Aires for a half-day city tour and an Argentine Experience involving wine, steak, empanadas, sweets, and Mate tea. Enjoy a tango dinner and show and spend time getting to know this fantastic city before flying back home.

Want more? Add a 7-day extension and discover the best of the Inca empire with time in Cusco, Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu, with day trekking available for those wanting to elevate their Inca adventure. Also, expand your stay in South America by taking up Arrive Early or Stay Behind packages.

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Itinerary 1 - Patagonia Adventure

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Walking Distance: Approximately 300 metres (most of the walking of this tour is done at Grey Lake sector)

Walking Difficulty: Low

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Continuing on the Torres del Paine through the Laguna Amarga section, on route you can observe the beautiful landscape featuring lagoons and mountain ranges including the Nordenskjold and Pehoé Lakes. Keep an eye out for guanacos, which is a non-domesticated alpaca, and rheas which is similar to an African ostrich and are native to the area. Stop at Salto Grande waterfall, the largest waterfall in the Torres del Paine, before continuing to the Pehoé section for a buffet lunch, consisting of soup, salad, main course, dessert and natural juice. After lunch the tour continues towards the Grey Glacier sector, where there will be a stop of approximately 45 minutes to enjoy some soft trekking between a Lenga forest and getting to see some icebergs over the Grey Lake. On the return trip, leave the park through Laguna Amarga or Serrano sector. Red foxes and condors usually accompany the beautiful panoramic views of the Paine massif.

Arrival back in Puerto Natales is expected around 19:00.

Alternative Activity: Full-Day Trekking to Las Torres Base

Tour Duration: 13 hours

Departure Time: 06.30

Return Time: 20:00

Hiking Distance: 19 kilometres over 7-8 hours round trip

Elevation: 950 metres

Difficulty: Medium-High

Equipment Provided: Hiking poles included

Recommended Packing List:

- Lightweight warm clothing (recommended wearing in layers)
- Good trekking boots
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm
- Sunglasses
- Small backpack for personal items
- Water bottle (to be refilled en route with spring water)

Torres del Paine National Park, in Chilean Patagonia, is known for its spectacular hiking trails, but the most iconic hike is to Mirador las Torres, a lookout at the base of the park's three distinctive granite peaks. Known as Torres del Paine, or the "blue towers", these rocky peaks overlook a dazzling turquoise lake nestled in a mountainous valley. Leave Puerto Natales and head north towards the Torres del Paine National Park. There is a 2-hour trip to reach the starting point of the hike, on the way keep a look out for guanacos, grey foxes, rheas, flamingos and condors. First, your guide will give a short presentation, and then you will begin with a gentle trek on the trail that will take you to an old bridge that crosses the Asencio River. Walking through dense beech forests, stop to admire various waterfalls and hanging glaciers. After about 3 hours, start to ascend a steep moraine towards the highest observation point at 900 m above sea level. Here you will be rewarded with a close-up view of massive granite towers (2,850m high) and the milky-green lake at the base. This is a truly memorable sight, well worth the hike and this unforgettable moment will last many years in the future. Here enjoy a boxed lunch and rest before returning on the same trail until reaching the starting point.





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Please note:

- *To participate in this activity, you must select the alternative activity at checkout.*
- *Reaching the tower's base lookout point depends on the physical conditions of the participants and current weather conditions. No refunds will be given in the event that a participant is not able to reach the lookout point due to the aforementioned reasons.*
- *The end time of this activity could be modified due to weather conditions.*
- *This activity is not suitable for people who are pregnant, under 14 years old, have respiratory or circulatory problems, knee conditions or spine conditions or ailments.*

Overnight: Vendaval Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 6 Puerto Natales Free Day

Today, you can take the opportunity to rest up and discover Puerto Natales and its surroundings, or alternatively, you can choose an optional tour.

Optional Tour: Sailing Balmaceda & Serrano Glaciers

Total Duration: 10-12 hours

Available From: 1 September to 30 April

In the morning, you will be transferred from the hotel to the pier in Puerto Bories, where you will board the boat and set sail toward the Balmaceda and Serrano Glaciers. On the journey, you'll witness beautiful mountains, waterfalls, ranches and Patagonian bird life. Passing by the Balmaceda glacier and

stopping at a small pier to begin a gentle hike through the lush forest of Coigües and Ñirres to the foot of the Serrano glacier. Afterwards, board the boat in preparation for the return trip to Puerto Natales. On the way, you will enjoy a whisky aperitif with ancient glacier ice before stopping at Perales Tourist Farm for lunch. Here, enjoy a traditional-style lunch of grilled lamb with boiled potatoes (including grilled chicken), a glass of wine or soft drink, salad, and dessert (vegetarian option available). Afterwards, continue sailing to Puerto Bories, where you will disembark and be transferred back to the hotel. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Vendaval Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Puerto Natales, Chile - El Calafate, Argentina

Today, drive approximately 5 hours to El Calafate. El Calafate is a town near the edge of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field in the Argentine province of Santa Cruz. It's mainly known as the gateway to Los Glaciares National Park, home to the massive Perito Moreno Glacier, whose ever-shifting icy landscape is one of the most visited glaciers in the world. The name is derived from a little bush with yellow flowers and dark blue berries that are very common in Patagonia.

Once you arrive at the hotel, you can choose to enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure or participate in an optional tour.

Optional Tour: Nativo Experience Lakes & Caves

Total Duration: 3 hours (18:00 to 21:00)



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The Argentino Lake is the third biggest lake in South America. Surrounded by mountains and fed by giant glaciers, this lake astonishes local and foreign visitors with its immensity and special colour. It was exactly this light blue colour, the mountains covered in white and the light blue sky that motivated Francisco P. Moreno to name it "Argentino". This is a 3-hour tour that offers an anthropological and historical approach to the passage of man in the El Calafate area, rediscovering the experiences of the first expeditions ventured into the unknown by the Santa Cruz River. The tour focuses on the history of the early explorers' contact with the Tehuelches (native Indians), crossing cliffs overlooking the lake on 4x4 vehicles and marvelling at views of the environment. Enjoy dinner inside a cave while enjoying a unique experience in a totally natural setting. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Dinner Menu:

- *Homemade soup*
- *Lamb stew with vegetables on country bread*
- *Chocolate mousse*
- *Wine, water or juice*

Please note: A vegetarian menu is available.

Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 El Calafate - Perito Moreno Glacier, Los Glaciares National Park

Total Duration: 8 hours

Walking Distance: The catwalks are divided into 3 circuits. Guests can stop, rest and agree on a meeting point, a tour does not necessarily mean walking the entire balcony's path.

- *Central Balconies: 600 metres (including 1st balcony, 2nd balcony and Northern balcony)*
- *Lower Balcony: 1,100 metres (including Lower balcony)*
- *Coast's Balcony: 1.117 metres (from the parking area up to the Northern balcony)*

Walking Difficulty: Easy, stairs involved but gentle slopes.

Recommended Packing List: Warm clothes, raincoat jacket, waterproof trousers, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves, hat and backpack.

Today you are heading to Perito Moreno Glacier in the Los Glaciares National Park. On the way you will be treated to a history of the Argentino Lake on the right and its shallowest part, Redonda Bay (Rounded Bay), populated by a large variety of birds, like black-necked swans, flamingos, steamer ducks, coots and Magellan geese surrounded by yellow fields of "coirones", a typical grass in Patagonia. Continuing on you will be treated to the timberline formed by "high deciduous beech" trees, white oak trees, "low deciduous beech" trees and some cinnamon trees. Flowers of several colours can be appreciated too, the "fire bush", which stands out the most due to its deep red colour. All of them are typical Andean-Patagonian Forest species.

Perito Moreno Glacier is one of the most famous and awe-inspiring of Argentina's natural wonders. Standing before its 70-metre-high electric blue face and watching 100-tonne blocks





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of ice crumble and crash into the waters below is truly humbling. The Perito Moreno Glacier is over 30 kilometres in length and 5 kilometres wide at the face.

Scattered with boardwalks and viewing platforms along the glacier perimeter, you'll get close enough to the action to hear ruptures of ice collapsing into the water. Whilst there are many glaciers in Argentina, Perito Moreno Glacier is by far the most spectacular and unique. The route of the visit will be closely related to weather conditions and participants' willingness and physical conditions; the available time to walk through and visit the catwalks is 1 to 3 hours. The excursion is usually organised as a full-day program. The visit makes it possible to have different viewpoints of the glacier and enough time for lunch (boxed lunch provided).

Box lunch menu choices will be asked to be picked at least 3 days in advance.

Optional Tour: Safari Boat at Perito Moreno Glacier

This tour is a voyage of one hour by the Rico branch of Argentino Lake in order to appreciate the majestic south wall of the Perito Moreno Glacier. This glacier ice wall is about 60 metres high and 100 metres below lake level. The boat comes about 200m from where the glacier touches the Magallanes Peninsula and then goes at length (about 3km) south allowing you to enjoy the landslides that occur daily and the magical beauty of its seracs, cracks and intense blue. This service is carried out with the boat Yagan, with a capacity for 110 passengers. Boarding takes place

at the port on the Bay "Under the Shadow", about 7 kilometres before the glacier viewpoint. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 9 Todo Glaciares

Total Duration: 9 hours

Walking Difficulty: Low

Recommended Packing List: Warm clothes, raincoat jacket, waterproof trousers, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves, hat and backpack.

On this full-day tour, you will have the opportunity to get up close to two of the most significant glaciers: Upsala and Spegazzini. In addition, you will see the most spectacular Patagonian scenery. From the hotel, head to Puerto Bandera Port where you'll board the boat, travelling up the North Arm of Lake Argentino. Cross the Boca del Diablo to the Upsala Canal and navigate between large icebergs that emerge from the front of the Upsala Glacier. Sail through the Spegazzini Channel and moments later, enjoy the first view of the Dry Glacier. Continue sailing to the front of the Spegazzini Glacier to contemplate the Heim Sur and Peineta glaciers.

Disembark in The Spegazzini Base to begin walking through from the forest path to the Spegazzini Refuge. Stop for some viewpoints overlooking the entire Bay of Los Glaciares. In the refuge, you can stop for a sit-down lunch (additional charge), visit the shop or just contemplate the landscape.



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For those who like to walk, they can take the mountain path. This tour is of medium difficulty trekking through a wooded road, with natural viewpoints, full of incredible views that end at the landing point. The forest trail covers 300 metres from the point of disembarking up to the Spegazzini Shelter. During this walk, there will be stops in different stations (glaciology - history - flora and fauna) and have access to different viewpoints. This is an easy path, which offers no complexity. A boxed lunch will be provided as part of this day tour.

Afterwards, you will be returned to the hotel to enjoy the evening at leisure. The itinerary is liable to change according to weather and sailing conditions for the day.

Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 10 El Calafate Free Day

Today you will have the day at leisure to explore the small, vibrant town of El Calafate. Alternatively you can choose to participate in an optional tour.

Optional Tour: El Chalten Full Day Tour

Tour Duration: 13 hours (the distance from El Calafate to El Chalten is 3 hours each way).

Pick-up Time: Approximately 07:30

Walking Distance: A guided hike to the Mirador de los Cóndores, (approximately 1.5 - 2 hours) and Chorrillo del Salto (approximately 1.5 - 2 hours)

Walking Difficulty: These are considered easy walks.

Recommended Packing List: Warm clothes, raincoat jacket, waterproof trousers, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves, hat and backpack.

Embark on an adventure early in the morning and head towards the legendary Route 40. This route skirts the Argentino Lake, crosses the Santa Cruz and La Leona Rivers and arrives, after 1.15 hours at the Parador La Leona (almost a museum of Route 40). Later, you'll continue along Lake Viedma, having the Andes in the background and, before reaching El Chalten, you'll stop to enjoy the beautiful views of the Viedma Lake and Glacier, and the Andes in the background with the emblematic Mount Fitz Roy and Mount Torre.

After 3 hours and 220 kilometres travelled, you will arrive at the mountain village of El Chalten. Your day starts with a guided hike to the Mirador de los Cóndores, a scenic viewpoint that offers a perfect introduction to the area's majestic surroundings. Then, a break to enjoy a tasty packed lunch—essential fuel for the second half of the day. In the afternoon, the trail leads to Chorrillo del Salto, a hidden waterfall framed by forest and mountains, leaving visitors with an unforgettable image to take home.

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Meals included: Breakfast



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Day 11 El Calafate - Buenos Aires

Today at the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the airport in preparation for your flight to Buenos Aires. Once arrived, you will be met by your tour representative and transferred to the hotel.

In the evening, at approximately 18:30, you will be picked up from the hotel and transferred to Aljibe Tango for a 3-course dinner and tango show. Aljibe Tango Show is located in the heart of the San Telmo neighbourhood, in a fully-restored historic barn. This tango venue is a classic site celebrating Buenos Aires' culture and customs. The interiors, which preserve the history of the building, are the ideal setting for a unique show with artists on stage: two tango orchestras, a set of folk music, dancers and singers. After the show, you will be returned to the hotel.

Overnight: NH Buenos Aires 9 de Julio Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Dinner

Day 12 Buenos Aires City Tour

Today embark on a city tour of Buenos Aires. Discover the beauty and magic of Buenos Aires as you visit the most important highlights of the spectacular city. Let yourself be seduced by its busy and beautiful streets, full of tango sounds and soccer passion, a unique mixture that turns your stay into an exceptional urban adventure.

You'll first stop at Plaza de Mayo, an important foundational site for the countries' political past, surrounded by emblematic buildings. Here you will learn the history of the area before visiting one of the oldest residential neighbourhoods, San Telmo,

with its cobblestoned streets, antique shops and picturesque buildings. Experience the history of tango in the neighbourhood of La Boca, one of the city's most authentic and charming neighbourhoods, as you walk along Caminito Street. Visit the Pink House (the Presidential Palace), the Cabildo (the original town hall), and the Neoclassical-style Metropolitan Cathedral, the final home of Argentina's founding father, José de San Martín. After the city tour, you will return to the hotel where you can enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

This evening, enjoy The Argentine Experience: Over the course of 4 hours, you will learn about the Argentina culture, taste fantastic local dishes, drink exceptional wine and mingle with fellow travellers from around the world. Sit back, enjoy a mouthwatering meal and learn how to prepare some of the key ingredients. Wine, steak, empanadas, sweets, and Mate tea, all in one unforgettable culinary extravaganza in Buenos Aires. A unique dinner party concept that will teach you the fundamentals of what being an Argentine is all about. Learn how to close your own empanada using the "repulgue" technique, how to order steak your way in Spanish, how to prepare your own "Mate" tea, learning also typical words, phrases and a wide range of gestures.

The evening will get off to a spectacular start with an "empanada" making class. Learn how to make this staple ingredient of Argentine cuisine, competing at the end of the challenge, with a prize for the best "empanada". Then you will sit back and enjoy the rest of the groups creations, along with grilled provoleta cheese and sliced chorizo sausage with chimichurri. Afterward, you will move onto the main course; a mouthwatering Argentine steak! While enjoying your meal, a sommelier will



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teach you about another key Argentine element, Malbec wine. For dessert, you will learn how to make an "alfajor" with "dulce de leche"; Argentina's national sweet. Of course, no alfajores or any sweet in Argentina is complete without a Mate! You will learn how to prepare it yourself and will sit back, sipping mate and of course, make around, the same way as Argentinians do every time they gather. This experience starts at 18:15, finishes around 22.30 and is the perfect send off for your evening in South America.

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Meals included: Breakfast; Dinner

Day 13 Buenos Aires, Argentina - Australia (or New Zealand)

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Day 14 In Transit

Day 15 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)



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which is notable for the discovery in 1895 of skin, bones and other parts of a ground sloth called *Mylodon darwini*, from which the cave takes its name.

Continuing on the Torres del Paine through the Laguna Amarga section, on route you can observe the beautiful landscape featuring lagoons and mountain ranges including the Nordenskjöld and Pehoé Lakes. Keep an eye out for guanacos, which is a non-domesticated alpaca, and rheas which is similar to an African ostrich and are native to the area. Stop at Salto Grande waterfall, the largest waterfall in the Torres del Paine, before continuing to the Pehoé section for a buffet lunch, consisting of soup, salad, main course, dessert and natural juice. After lunch the tour continues towards the Grey Glacier sector, where there will be a stop of approximately 45 minutes to enjoy some soft trekking between a Lenga forest and getting to see some icebergs over the Grey Lake. On the return trip, leave the park through Laguna Amarga or Serrano sector. Red foxes and condors usually accompany the beautiful panoramic views of the Paine massif.

Arrival back in Puerto Natales is expected around 19:00.

Alternative Activity: Full-Day Trekking to Las Torres Base

Tour Duration: 13 hours

Departure Time: 06.30

Return Time: 20:00

Hiking Distance: 19 kilometres over 7-8 hours round trip

Elevation: 950 metres

Difficulty: Medium-High

Equipment Provided: Hiking poles included

Recommended Packing List:

- Lightweight warm clothing (recommended wearing in layers)
- Good trekking boots
- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Lip balm
- Sunglasses
- Small backpack for personal items
- Water bottle (to be refilled en route with spring water)

Torres del Paine National Park, in Chilean Patagonia, is known for its spectacular hiking trails, but the most iconic hike is to Mirador las Torres, a lookout at the base of the park's three distinctive granite peaks. Known as Torres del Paine, or the "blue towers", these rocky peaks overlook a dazzling turquoise lake nestled in a mountainous valley. Leave Puerto Natales and head north towards the Torres del Paine National Park. There is a 2-hour trip to reach the starting point of the hike, on the way keep a look out for guanacos, grey foxes, rheas, flamingos and condors. First, your guide will give a short presentation, and then you will begin with a gentle trek on the trail that will take you to an old bridge that crosses the Asencio River. Walking through dense beech forests, stop to admire various waterfalls and hanging glaciers. After about 3 hours, start to ascend a steep moraine towards the highest observation point at 900 m above sea level. Here you will be rewarded with a close-up view of massive granite towers (2,850m high) and the milky-green lake at the base. This is a truly





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memorable sight, well worth the hike and this unforgettable moment will last many years in the future. Here enjoy a boxed lunch and rest before returning on the same trail until reaching the starting point.

Please note:

- To participate in this activity, you must select the alternative activity at checkout.
- Reaching the tower's base lookout point depends on the physical conditions of the participants and current weather conditions. No refunds will be given in the event that a participant is not able to reach the lookout point due to the aforementioned reasons.
- The end time of this activity could be modified due to weather conditions.
- This activity is not suitable for people who are pregnant, under 14 years old, have respiratory or circulatory problems, knee conditions or spine conditions or ailments.

Overnight: Vendaval Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 6 Puerto Natales Free Day

Today you can take the opportunity to rest up and discover Puerto Natales and its surrounds or alternatively you can choose an optional tour.

Optional Tour: Sailing Balmaceda & Serrano Glaciers

Total Duration: 10-12 hours

Available From: 1 September to 30 April

In the morning, you will be transferred from the hotel to the pier in Puerto Bories, where you will board the boat and set sail toward the Balmaceda and Serrano Glaciers. On the journey, you'll witness beautiful mountains, waterfalls, ranches and Patagonian bird life. Passing by the Balmaceda glacier and stopping at a small pier to begin a gentle hike through the lush forest of Coigües and Ñirres to the foot of the Serrano glacier. Afterwards, board the boat in preparation for the return trip to Puerto Natales. On the way, you will enjoy a whisky aperitif with ancient glacier ice before stopping at Perales Tourist Farm for lunch. Here, enjoy a traditional-style lunch of grilled lamb with boiled potatoes (including grilled chicken), a glass of wine or soft drink, salad, and dessert (vegetarian option available). Afterwards, continue sailing to Puerto Bories, where you will disembark and be transferred back to the hotel. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Vendaval Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 7 Puerto Natales, Chile - El Calafate, Argentina

Today, drive approximately 5 hours to El Calafate. El Calafate is a town near the edge of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field in the Argentine province of Santa Cruz. It's mainly known as the gateway to Los Glaciares National Park, home to the massive Perito Moreno Glacier, whose ever-shifting icy landscape is one of the most visited glaciers in the world. The name is derived from a little bush with yellow flowers and dark blue berries that are very common in Patagonia.





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Once you arrive at the hotel, you can choose to enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure or participate in an optional tour.

Optional Tour: Nativo Experience: Lakes and Caves

Total Duration: 3 hours (18:00 to 21:00)

The Argentino Lake is the third biggest lake in South America. Surrounded by mountains and fed by giant glaciers, this lake astonishes local and foreign visitors with its immensity and special colour. It was exactly this light blue colour, the mountains covered in white and the light blue sky that motivated Francisco P. Moreno to name it "Argentino". This is a 3-hour tour that offers an anthropological and historical approach to the passage of man in the El Calafate area, rediscovering the experiences of the first expeditions ventured into the unknown by the Santa Cruz River. The tour focuses on the history of the early explorers' contact with the Tehuelches (native Indians), crossing cliffs overlooking the lake on 4x4 vehicles and marvelling at views of the environment. Enjoy dinner inside a cave while enjoying a unique experience in a totally natural setting. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Dinner Menu:

- *Homemade soup*
- *Lamb stew with vegetables on country bread*
- *Chocolate mousse*
- *Wine, water or juice*

Please note: A vegetarian menu is available.

Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 El Calafate - Perito Moreno Glacier, Los Glaciares National Park

Total Duration: 8 hours

Walking Distance: The catwalks are divided into 3 circuits. Guests can stop, rest and agree on a meeting point, a tour does not necessarily mean walking the entire balcony's path.

- *Central Balconies: 600 metres (including 1st balcony, 2nd balcony and Northern balcony)*
- *Lower Balcony: 1,100 metres (including Lower balcony)*
- *Coast's Balcony: 1.117 metres (from the parking area up to the Northern balcony)*

Walking Difficulty: Easy, stairs involved but gentle slopes.

Recommended Packing List: Warm clothes, raincoat jacket, waterproof trousers, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves, hat and backpack.

Today you are heading to Perito Moreno Glacier in the Los Glaciares National Park. On the way you will be treated to a history of the Argentino Lake on the right and its shallowest part, Redonda Bay (Rounded Bay), populated by a large variety of birds, like black-necked swans, flamingos, steamer ducks, coots and Magellan geese surrounded by yellow fields of "coirones", a typical grass in Patagonia. Continuing on you will be treated to the timberline formed by "high deciduous beech" trees, white oak trees, "low deciduous beech" trees and some cinnamon trees. Flowers of several colours can be appreciated too, the "fire bush", which stands out the most due to its deep red colour. All of them are typical Andean-Patagonian Forest species.



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Perito Moreno Glacier is one of the most famous and awe-inspiring of Argentina's natural wonders. Standing before its 70-metre-high electric blue face and watching 100-tonne blocks of ice crumble and crash into the waters below is truly humbling. The Perito Moreno Glacier is over 30 kilometres in length and 5 kilometres wide at the face.

Scattered with boardwalks and viewing platforms along the glacier perimeter, you'll get close enough to the action to hear ruptures of ice collapsing into the water. Whilst there are many glaciers in Argentina, Perito Moreno Glacier is by far the most spectacular and unique. The route of the visit will be closely related to weather conditions and participants' willingness and physical conditions; the available time to walk through and visit the catwalks is 1 to 3 hours. The excursion is usually organised as a full-day program. The visit makes it possible to have different viewpoints of the glacier and enough time for lunch (boxed lunch provided).

Box lunch menu choices will be asked to be picked at least 3 days in advance.

Optional Tour: Safari Boat at Perito Moreno Glacier

This tour is a voyage of one hour by the Rico branch of Argentino Lake in order to appreciate the majestic south wall of the Perito Moreno Glacier. This glacier ice wall is about 60 metres high and 100 metres below lake level. The boat comes about 200m from where the glacier touches the Magallanes Peninsula and then goes at length (about 3km) south allowing you to enjoy the landslides that occur daily and the magical beauty of its seracs, cracks and intense blue. This service is carried out with the boat

Yagan, with a capacity for 110 passengers. Boarding takes place at the port on the Bay "Under the Shadow", about 7 kilometres before the glacier viewpoint. Please see current pricing in Important Information.

Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 9 Todo Glaciares

Total Duration: 9 hours

Walking Difficulty: Low

Recommended Packing List: Warm clothes, raincoat jacket, waterproof trousers, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves, hat and backpack.

On this full-day tour, you will have the opportunity to get up close to two of the most significant glaciers: Upsala and Spegazzini. In addition, you will see the most spectacular Patagonian scenery. From the hotel, head to Puerto Bandera Port where you'll board the boat, travelling up the North Arm of Lake Argentino. Cross the Boca del Diablo to the Upsala Canal and navigate between large icebergs that emerge from the front of the Upsala Glacier. Sail through the Spegazzini Channel and moments later, enjoy the first view of the Dry Glacier. Continue sailing to the front of the Spegazzini Glacier to contemplate the Heim Sur and Peineta glaciers.



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Disembark in The Spegazzini Base to begin walking through from the forest path to the Spegazzini Refuge. Stop for some viewpoints overlooking the entire Bay of Los Glaciers. In the refuge, you can stop for a sit-down lunch (additional charge), visit the shop or just contemplate the landscape.

For those who like to walk, they can take the mountain path. This tour is of medium difficulty trekking through a wooded road, with natural viewpoints, full of incredible views that end at the landing point. The forest trail covers 300 metres from the point of disembarking up to the Spegazzini Shelter. During this walk, there will be stops in different stations (glaciology - history - flora and fauna) and have access to different viewpoints. This is an easy path, which offers no complexity. A boxed lunch will be provided as part of this day tour.

Afterwards, you will be returned to the hotel to enjoy the evening at leisure. The itinerary is liable to change according to weather and sailing conditions for the day.

Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 10 El Calafate Free Day

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Optional Tour: El Chalten Full Day Tour

Tour Duration: 13 hours (the distance from El Calafate to El Chalten is 3 hours each way).

Pick-up Time: Approximately 07:30

Walking Distance: A guided hike to the Mirador de los Cóndores, (approximately 1.5 - 2 hours) and Chorrillo del Salto (approximately 1.5 - 2 hours)

Walking Difficulty: These are considered easy walks.

Recommended Packing List: Warm clothes, raincoat jacket, waterproof trousers, hiking boots, sunglasses, sunscreen, gloves, hat and backpack.

Embark on an adventure early in the morning and head towards the legendary Route 40. This route skirts the Argentino Lake, crosses the Santa Cruz and La Leona Rivers and arrives, after 1.15 hours at the Parador La Leona (almost a museum of Route 40). Later, you'll continue along Lake Viedma, having the Andes in the background and, before reaching El Chalten, you'll stop to enjoy the beautiful views of the Viedma Lake and Glacier, and the Andes in the background with the emblematic Mount Fitz Roy and Mount Torre.

After 3 hours and 220 kilometres travelled, you will arrive at the mountain village of El Chalten. Your day starts with a guided hike to the Mirador de los Cóndores, a scenic viewpoint that offers a perfect introduction to the area's majestic surroundings. Then, a break to enjoy a tasty packed lunch—essential fuel for the second half of the day. In the afternoon, the trail leads to Chorrillo del Salto, a hidden waterfall framed by forest and mountains, leaving visitors with an unforgettable image to take home.



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Overnight: Mirador del Lago or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 11 El Calafate - Buenos Aires

Today at the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the airport in preparation for your flight to Buenos Aires. Once arrived, you will be met by your tour representative and transferred to the hotel.

In the evening, at approximately 18:30, you will be picked up from the hotel and transferred to Aljibe Tango for a 3-course dinner and tango show. Aljibe Tango Show is located in the heart of the San Telmo neighbourhood, in a fully-restored historic barn. This tango venue is a classic site celebrating Buenos Aires' culture and customs. The interiors, which preserve the history of the building, are the ideal setting for a unique show with artists on stage: two tango orchestras, a set of folk music, dancers and singers. After the show, you will be returned to the hotel.

Overnight: NH Buenos Aires 9 de Julio Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Dinner

Day 12 Buenos Aires City Tour

Today embark on a city tour of Buenos Aires. Discover the beauty and magic of Buenos Aires as you visit the most important highlights of the spectacular city. Let yourself be seduced by its busy and beautiful streets, full of tango sounds and soccer passion, a unique mixture that turns your stay into an exceptional urban adventure.

You'll first stop at Plaza de Mayo, an important foundational site for the countries' political past, surrounded by emblematic buildings. Here you will learn the history of the area before visiting one of the oldest residential neighbourhoods, San Telmo, with its cobblestoned streets, antique shops and picturesque buildings. Experience the history of tango in the neighbourhood of La Boca, one of the city's most authentic and charming neighbourhoods, as you walk along Caminito Street. Visit the Pink House (the Presidential Palace), the Cabildo (the original town hall), and the Neoclassical-style Metropolitan Cathedral, the final home of Argentina's founding father, José de San Martín. After the city tour, you will return to the hotel where you can enjoy the afternoon at leisure.

This evening, enjoy The Argentine Experience: Over the course of 4 hours, you will learn about the Argentina culture, taste fantastic local dishes, drink exceptional wine and mingle with fellow travellers from around the world. Sit back, enjoy a mouthwatering meal and learn how to prepare some of the key ingredients. Wine, steak, empanadas, sweets, and Mate tea, all in one unforgettable culinary extravaganza in Buenos Aires. A unique dinner party concept that will teach you the fundamentals of what being an Argentine is all about. Learn how to close your own empanada using the "repulgue" technique, how to order steak your way in Spanish, how to prepare your own "Mate" tea, learning also typical words, phrases and a wide range of gestures.

The evening will get off to a spectacular start with an "empanada" making class. Learn how to make this staple ingredient of Argentine cuisine, competing at the end of the challenge, with a prize for the best "empanada". Then you will sit





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back and enjoy the rest of the groups creations, along with grilled provoleta cheese and sliced chorizo sausage with chimichurri. Afterward, you will move onto the main course; a mouthwatering Argentine steak! While enjoying your meal, a sommelier will teach you about another key Argentine element, Malbec wine. For dessert, you will learn how to make an "alfajor" with "dulce de leche"; Argentina's national sweet. Of course, no alfajores or any sweet in Argentina is complete without a Mate! You will learn how to prepare it yourself and will sit back, sipping mate and of course, make around, the same way as Argentinians do every time they gather. This experience starts at 18:15, finishes around 22.30 and is the perfect send off for your evening in South America.

Overnight: NH Buenos Aires 9 de Julio Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Dinner

Day 13 Buenos Aires - Lima, Peru

Today, at the appropriate time, you will be transferred to the airport in preparation for your flight to Lima, Peru. Upon arrival at the airport, you will be met by a tour representative who will transfer you to your hotel where you can enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Jose Antonio Hotel or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 14 Lima - Cusco - Sacred Valley

Today you will be picked up from the hotel and transferred to the airport for your flight to Cusco! Upon arrival, your guide will take you to the Sacred Valley and visit Chinchero on the way.

Admire the beautiful panoramas en route to the sacred valley as you drive through rugged mountainous ranges and small unique villages. You'll experience and witness an authentic Peruvian demonstration of the ancient Andean tradition of textile-making from naturally dyed handwoven alpaca wool and interact with the locals.

The remainder of the day will be at your leisure when you arrive at your hotel.

Overnight: Hotel Augusto Urubamba or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 15 Sacred Valley Full Day Tour

After breakfast, around 08:00, you will be picked up from the hotel on a full-day excursion to Maras, Moray and Ollantaytambo; one of Peru's oldest archeological sites.

You'll explore Moray ruins first, to view the large amphitheatre-like agricultural terraces overlooking the Sacred Valley, once used as an experimental, botanical farm by the Incas over 500 years ago.

Next you'll head to Maras; home to more than 3,000 salt pools carved into the mountainside, which were used by the Incas and possibly pre-Inca civilizations, to catch highly salt water as it emerges from the natural springs in the mountains. Maras is known for these ancient salt mines where they have been harvesting the finest pink salt for over 500 years and are still being used today. You'll be amazed as you learn of the salt harvesting process!



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After a lunch break to a local restaurant (not included), you'll reach the final stop of your tour to the wonderful Inca town and the archaeological site of Ollantaytambo. Once the royal estate of the Inca emperor Pachacuti, you'll spend some time here exploring these magnificent ruins and visiting the amazing Temple of the Sun. Marvel at the perfectly carved and polished structures built by master Inca stonemasons and the fine example of agricultural construction and hydro-engineering Ollantaytambo has to offer. Walking towards the town square, we will have great views of the ruins above us, as well as the Inca granaries and warehouses built into the surrounding mountain slopes.

After the day of exploring, you'll have the remainder of your day at your own leisure once transferred back to your hotel.

Overnight: Hotel Augusto Urubamba or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 16 Sacred Valley - Aguas Calientes

Today you will check out of your accommodation and from here you can select your itinerary for the day. Please select one option, this is included in the package price.

Option 1: Visit Pisac Market & Ruins

This morning you will be transferred to Inca Pachacutec, which is divided into 2 zones; the Residential Zone and the Ceremonial Zone, where the Incas worshipped their Sun God. Next, you will be able to appreciate an Inca cemetery (Takanamarka) where the tombs were looted and now they are empty. Continuing on, visit the ancient Inca canals. Then visit Pisac Pueblo to see the

traditional market where you will find different items such as silverware, crafts, and textiles. Afterwards, transfer to the Ollantaytambo train station to board the scenic Expedition Train to Aguas Calientes. Once you arrive in Aguas Calientes you will head to the hotel accommodation and check in. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Option 2: Inca Trail Day Trek

The day begins with a transfer to the train station, where you will board the expedition train for a scenic journey to a point known as Kilometer 104, this is the starting point for our short Inca trek. From here, we have a walk of about four hours up to the Inca site of Wiñay Wayna ('Forever Young'), at about 2,680 meters (8,792 feet) above sea level. Wiñay Wayna is an impressive Inca ruin built into a steep hillside overlooking the Urubamba River. It consists of an upper and lower section of housing or storage, connected by an Inca staircase and a cascade of water channels and fountains. Almost the entire hillside above and below the structures is covered by beautiful Inca agricultural terraces. As well as being an agricultural centre, Wiñay Wayna was also a religious or ceremonial site. After exploring Wiñay Wayna, continue the trek all the way to Inti Punku (the Sun Gate). From the Sun Gate, have your first, dramatic view of Machu Picchu. It is believed that Inti Punku was once the main entrance to Machu Picchu. The site was dedicated to Inti, the Inca sun god, and was positioned on a ridge near Machu Picchu at just the right location to allow the rising sun to pass through the gate each year on the summer solstice. Continue the trek down towards Machu Picchu, moving tantalisingly close to the famous citadel. But before you



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reach Machu Picchu, take a side path off the trail and head down to Aguas Calientes, leaving the exploration of Machu for the following day, when you'll have more time to explore.

Maximum Altitude: 2,700 m

Minimum Altitude: 2,100 m

Approximate Walking Time: 5-6 hours

Walking Distance - 10 kilometres

Aguas Calientes is the gateway to Machu Picchu, sitting in a deep gorge at the foot of the mountain on which Machu Picchu stands. It is a beautiful town that mixes traditional life with a huge tourist infrastructure, with a multitude of markets, souvenir shops, hotels and restaurants. It's also largely pedestrianised, making it a fun place to explore on foot. Aguas Calientes is surrounded by jungle-covered mountains and cliffs, and the Urubamba River flows right by the town.

Overnight: Hotel Hatun Inti Boutique Machupicchu or similar

Meals included: Breakfast; Lunch

Day 17 Machu Picchu - Cusco

Today is an early start, at approximately 05.30 be picked up and board the bus to the citadel of Machu Picchu. You will have time for an early breakfast before being picked up this morning.

Pass through the gates into the Machu Picchu archaeological site. Here you'll be guided on a two-hour tour to the most famous and most spectacular parts of the extensive archaeological complex. These include the House of the Guardian, Intihuatana, Temple of the Sun, Sacred Plaza and other key locations. As you walk

around, have spectacular views across the agricultural terraces of Machu Picchu and across to the surrounding mountains and plunging gorges.

Once you have finished your tour of Machu Picchu, take the bus back down to Aguas Calientes where you can relax and have lunch (not included) before boarding the train back to Poroy and Cusco. Upon arrival at the station, a tour representative will be waiting for you to take you back to the hotel in Cusco.

Overnight: Costa del Sol Ramada or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 18 Cusco City Tour

Today you will enjoy a guided tour of beautiful Cusco. First head to the wonderful Koricancha, next door to Santo Domingo Church. The Koricancha was the most sacred and most important temple in the Incan Empire. Its walls were covered with gold, and life-size statues of plants and animals – all made of pure gold and silver. Sadly, this wealth was stripped out by the Spanish conquistadors.

Next head to Cusco Cathedral, located on the Plaza de Armas. Built between 1560 and 1654 on top of the foundations of an existing Inca temple, this spectacular cathedral houses many works of art by the Cusco School of painters, and its main altar and pulpit are covered in gold and silver relief work.

The next stop is the imposing Incan fortress of Sacsayhuaman, which sits on a hill above Cusco. See some of the finest examples of Inca stonework and construction, including massive rocks that were carefully cut and perfectly fitted together to form the walls.

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From here you can enjoy beautiful panoramic views of Cusco. After exploring Sacsayhuaman, head up the hill to the Tambomachay Archeological Complex. The exact purpose of this site is unknown, but it may have functioned, at least in part, as an Incan spa.

After the tour, you will be returned to the hotel where you will enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Costa del Sol Ramada or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 19 Cusco Free Day

After breakfast, enjoy a free day to explore Cusco at your own leisure. The capital city of the Incan Empire is now the undisputed archaeological capital of the Americas, as well as the continent's oldest continuously inhabited city.

Overnight: Costa del Sol Ramada or similar

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 20 Cusco, Peru - Australia (or New Zealand)

After breakfast, at the appropriate time, you will be transferred to Cusco Airport for your flights back home!

Meals included: Breakfast; In-Flight

Day 21 In Transit

Sit back, relax and reminisce on the memories created over the past weeks on your trip through ancient Inca Peru.

Day 22 Arrive Australia (or New Zealand)

Once arrived back in Australia (or New Zealand), please make your own travel arrangements.



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- Travel through the unique landscapes of Patagonia on a small group tour
- Marvel at the beauty of azure-coloured lakes and mountainous glaciers
- Immerse yourself in the cultural and avant-garde city of Santiago, Chile
- Sample traditional Chilean food and quintessential pisco on a Santiago city tour
- Explore the trails in the iconic Torres del Paine National Park
- Spend 3 nights in the port city of Puerto Natales, the gateway to Torres del Paine National Park
- Be amazed by the massive Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the most visited glaciers in the world
- Experience the thunderous rupture of ice falling from glaciers
- Uncover the magic and beauty of Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Spend 3 nights in El Calafate, gateway to Los Glaciares National Park
- Witness the wildlife including flamingos, guanacos, pumas, rheas and condors
- Visit Lake Argentino, a UNESCO World Heritage site and Argentina's largest freshwater lake
- Admire the Salto Grande Waterfall, the largest in the Torres del Paine National Park
- Enjoy leisure days in Santiago, Puerto Natales and El Calafate to soak in the rich history

FLIGHTS

- Return international full-service flights (economy class), departure city surcharges may apply
- 2 internal flights (economy class) from Santiago to Puerto Natales, and

El Calafate to Buenos Aires

ACCOMMODATION

12 nights of 3 and 4-star accommodation

DINING

- Enjoy 18 meals including daily breakfast and a 3-course dinner with a tango show
- Take part in an unforgettable Argentine Experience empanada and alfajor cooking class

ESSENTIALS

- English-speaking tour guides
- National park fees
- Airline taxes and surcharges

TRANSPORT

Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles

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- Return airport transfers
- Please note: Extra charges may apply, see the Important Info section and checkout cart for fees and details



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HIGHLIGHTS

- All the highlights from the Standard Itinerary, plus:
Discover the best of the Incan empire with time in Cusco, Sacred Valley and Machu Picchu
- Choose your itinerary on Day 16, Inca Trail Day Trek or Pisac Market and Ruins tour
- Enjoy a guided tour through the former capital of the Great Inca Empire, Cusco
- Visit the mist-shrouded ruins of Machu Picchu
- Marvel at more than 3000 salt pools carved into the mountainside in Maras
- Explore the amphitheatre-like agricultural terraces overlooking the Sacred Valley in Moray
- Visit the ruins in Ollantaytambo, the royal estate of the Inca emperor Pachacuti
- See the sacred precinct, Temple of the Sun, where the Incas gave offerings
- Discover the Incas irrigation system, through an intricate network of canals

FLIGHTS

- Return international full-service flights (economy class), departure city surcharges may apply
- Four internal flights (economy class) from Santiago to Puerto Natales, El Calafate to Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires to Lima, and Lima to Cusco

ACCOMMODATION

- 19 nights of 3 and 4-star accommodation

DINING

- Enjoy 26 meals including daily breakfast
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ESSENTIALS

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- Train and bus tickets included

TRANSPORT

- Transportation by private air-conditioned vehicles

TRANSFERS

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On purchasing this Travel Offer, you are bound by the [General Terms and Conditions](#) and the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: All countries and territories have different entry requirements in relation to vaccinations, quarantine/isolation periods and travel restrictions. Due to the evolving nature, we would ask all of our customers to monitor, meet and adhere to the specific requirements of their intended destination(s) in the lead-up to and immediately before travel, as well as any requirements post-travel upon their return.

Our Policies

Cancellation & Refund Policy

By placing a booking with us, you acknowledge the following important information:

- **we act as your booking agent:** TripADeal is a booking services provider, and curates the Travel Offers available on our website. We act as your booking agent, and we receive payment for the Booking Services as part of the booking price, however, we do not provide any of the

Travel Services (flights, accommodation, tours or other products or services) included in your booking – the Travel Services are provided by a number of third party Travel Suppliers.

- **each booking is unique:** our Travel Offers are made up of a variety of different components and are, during the booking process, uniquely tailored to suit your requirements, for example, departure dates and ports, flight and room upgrades, tour inclusions, etc.
- **changes/modifications to your booking may not be possible:** once your booking has been made, changes or modifications may not be possible, and where possible, may incur a fee. It is important to ensure that the information you provide during the booking process is accurate and up to date, and that you read the Travel Offer carefully before placing your order.
- **Travel Offers are a package:** our Travel Offers have been curated into package offerings and must be used as a package – individual components cannot be used independently of the full package offering.
- **our Travel Offers are generally non-refundable:** in order to provide great value Travel Offers, we work with a variety of Travel Suppliers to find the best deals – this often means the Travel Suppliers' offerings are non-refundable to ensure the best price. We recommend that you obtain travel insurance as soon as you make a booking with us.

To read more about our Cancellation and Refund Policy, please click [here](#).

General Terms & Conditions

By placing your booking with us, you acknowledge and agree to our [Terms & Conditions](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Cancellation Policy](#).

Offer Essentials

This travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 21st April 2026. This travel offer is priced per person based on a twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies.

- Itinerary 1: \$2,000
- Itinerary 2: \$2,600

Please note: Accommodation for single customers who are travelling on a tour or cruise package may be in a single room, depending on availability.

Departure Dates & Surcharges

See checkout for live dates and availability.

Flights

Departure Cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Auckland, *Brisbane, *Adelaide or ^Perth

Departure City Surcharges

- Brisbane & Adelaide: \$200 per person
- Perth: \$400 per person

International Full-Service Airline(s)

- Cabin Class: Economy Class

Please note: We cannot accommodate one-way flights. Travellers must take all included flights within the package, and any flights intentionally forfeited will result in later flights being subject to cancellation.

Missed Flights

If you fail to arrive for your outbound flight, you risk all flight and land arrangements in your destination being automatically cancelled by the airlines and land operator, respectively. Additional fees may apply to reinstate these services. If you will miss your flight for whatever reason, please contact us as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Arrive Early & Stay Behind Options

Fly out and return home up to 60 days pre and post your tour dates.

Arrive Early

Santiago, Chile - From \$400 per person, subject to availability.

Stay Behind

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Buenos Aires, Argentina - From \$300 per person, subject to availability (Itinerary 1 only).

Santiago, Chile - From \$400 per person, subject to availability. (only available for purchases over the phone).

Cusco, Peru - From \$300 per person, subject to availability (Itinerary 2 only).

Please note:

- **Exclusions:**

This fee does not include extra nights' accommodation, meals or airport transfers.

- **Internal Flights:**

If you select to Arrive Early or Stay Behind in a city other than the one where the tour starts or ends, the package will include an internal flight to your destination. If you wish to forfeit this flight, please advise our friendly team at the time of purchase. Please note that the cost does not change when you choose to forfeit your connecting flight.

- **Cancellations & Changes:**

Flight booking changes or cancellations after air tickets have been issued are not guaranteed and may incur additional fees and fare difference, subject to the airline cancellation and change policies. Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

- **High-Season:**

A high-season Arrive Early or Stay Behind can be purchased for an additional charge, subject to availability. For pricing, please refer to the cart.

- **+ 60 days:**

You can fly out up to 60 days before your package's start date, and/or return home 60 days after your package's end date. Should you wish to fly out or return home for more than 60 days from the tour, please contact us to request availability. Additional costs may apply.

- **Estimated dates:**

Your estimated departure, return, and arrival dates are all subject to availability and may vary. The confirmed schedule for all flights will be provided when you receive your flight tickets.

- **High season surcharges apply to flights departing between the below date ranges:**

16 June 2025 - 20 July 2025
15 September 2025 - 12 October 2025
1 December 2025 - 31 January 2026
3 April 2026 - 20 April 2026
26 June 2026 - 17 July 2026
18 September 2026 - 9 October 2026
12 December 2026 - 26 January 2027

- **Stopover Packages**

Not available.

- **Flight Class Upgrades**

Business Class: For pricing, please refer to the payment cart at checkout.

Please note:

- *Flight upgrades are subject to availability and pricing changes (if we cannot fulfil your request, the upgrade cost will be refunded).*
- *On any upgrade purchase, short-haul flights and domestic flight sectors are not guaranteed, subject to aircraft configuration.*

Accommodation

Accommodation Used

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Santiago, Chile: Pullman Santiago El Bosque or similar
- El, Calafate, Argentina: Mirador del Lago Hotel or similar
- Buenos Aires, Argentina: Hotel NH Buenos Aires 9 de Julio or similar

3-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Puerto Natales, Chile: Hotel Vendaval or similar

Extension Package

4-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Lima: Jose Antonio Hotel or similar
- Cusco: Costa del Sol Ramada or similar

3-Star Properties (Self-Rated)

- Sacred Valley: Hotel Augusto Urubamba or similar
- Aguas Calientes: Hotel Hatun Inti Boutique Machu Picchu or similar

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type and are subject to availability based on seasonality. In the instance a property is not available, a similar standard of accommodation will be provided. Properties will be confirmed and included in your travel pack, which you will receive 4-6 weeks before travel.

Extra Nights

Not available at check-out.

Please note: If you are interested in booking additional nights of accommodation pre or post-tour, please wait until you receive your travel documentation approximately 4-6 weeks before departure for the confirmed list of hotels. If booking your own additional accommodation directly with the hotel, please be aware that you may be required to change rooms at the start/end of your tour.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 people

Child Policy

- No child discounts. The full price applies to all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for children 14 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

Triple Share

Not available

Bedding Configuration

Twin or Double bedding (subject to availability).

General Information

Minimum group size 14, maximum group size 20 per vehicle.

Please note: A small group tour is defined as a tour with no more than 20 travellers per vehicle.

Optional Tours/Activities

- Day 3: Maipo Valley Wine Tour - \$290 AUD per person

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- Day 6: Sailing Balmaceda & Serrano Glaciers - \$590 AUD per person
- Day 7: Nativo Experience Lakes & Caves - \$250 AUD per person
- Day 8: Safari Boat at Perito Moreno Glacier - \$160 AUD per person
- Day 10: El Chalten Full Day Tour - \$300 AUD per person

Please note:

- *Prices are based per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions.*
- *The optional tours listed above must be purchased on checkout or over the phone before submitting your passenger information form (subject to availability).*
- *Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.*

Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements
- Domestic transfers and flights not stated in the deal offer
- Meals/beverages not stated in the deal offer
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance
- Any costs associated with an interruption to your tour as a result of an airline schedule change or cancellation
- Mandatory city tax

Other Important Information

TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on the history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction where they are guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves it at the end of the tour; they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides at each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village and offer information on the place visited on the bus. However, they are not required to have specific art, architecture, or historical knowledge. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and, if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

Patagonia

October - April

The weather in Patagonia is mostly mild, between lows of 4°C (39.2°F) and highs of 18°C (64.4°F). In their summer months (December to February), this is the height of their growth season, so you will definitely see landscapes full of greenery. There will be warmer days and cool nights and potentially strong winds and rains. This is generally the peak tourist season. Argentina can be hot and humid during their summer months with potential rains. You can expect temperatures in Argentina to range from 19°C to 30°C. Southern Chile experiences temperatures of 12°C to 25°C. The general rainy season in Patagonia is during the months of April and May, during the autumn and potentially from November to January, with less intensity. Rainy season in Chile ranges from May to August with averages of 72-90mm of rain per month, whilst in Argentina it ranges from October to March with averages of 100mm of rain per month.

Cusco, Peru

Cusco has a subtropical highland climate due to its elevation (3500m above sea level). It is generally dry and temperate, with two defined seasons. The dry season lasts from May to August, with abundant sunshine and occasional nighttime freezes. July is the coldest month with an average of 9.7°C. The wet season lasts from December to March, with night frost less common. November averages 13.3°C. Temperatures usually range from 0.2°C to 20.9°C.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points

We do not arrange seat selection. It is essential to highlight that some airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the airline directly with seating allocation requirements and/or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you can do this directly with the airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity

Customers must provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase or no later than 90 days before the departure date. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of the booking. Customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred in this instance.

COACH TOUR

Meals

For meals not included, the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify us of any dietary requests/requirements.

Please note: We will do our best to meet your requests/requirements; however, we cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage

You will be responsible for all your

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personal belongings whilst on tour. You must carry your own luggage from the vehicle to the hotel room and back to the vehicle. The driver will assist with the uploading and unloading of bags from the vehicle.

OTHER

Mobility

If you require wheelchair access please contact our friendly sales and service team to inquire on your behalf.

Fitness Level Required

A leisurely to moderate level of fitness will be required. Moderate level of fitness is described as involving more physical activity, including biking, longer day hikes or extended walking and standing, low-altitude treks, and water-based activities such as canoeing or low-grade kayaking. Guests using any walking aid other than a walking stick would be advised to reconsider as surfaces may be uneven.

Please note: If you have any concerns, please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

High Altitude Illness

Altitude illness occurs when there is a lack of oxygen in the air at high altitudes. Altitude illness will affect some travellers, with no apparent regard to age, gender or physical condition. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

Please note: Inoculations may be required to enter the country visited, along with re-entry into Australia after your visit. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure.

Yellow Fever

A valid international certificate of vaccination against Yellow Fever is required in many countries. You may need to present this on arrival at the airport or border crossing. Some countries will refuse entry if you are unable to present your certificate. It's also common for your home

country to request a Yellow Fever certificate upon arrival. You must check with your doctor well before leaving home about the Yellow Fever requirements for the countries you'll be visiting.

Gratuities/Tipping

Land

Gratuities (tips) are not included for the services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip is \$10-15 USD per person per day. This covers the guide/leader and the driver and will be collected on tour.

Please note: Tipping for services provided is always a matter of personal discretion; however, please be aware that many locals consider tipping part of their normal remuneration, and they may approach you for payment; there's no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing

Please note: If entry to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary, where possible, may be adjusted, or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all your receipts. Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader. Please refer to our [Terms and Conditions](#) regarding shopping for further information.

Visas

New Zealand (Transiting)

If you do not hold an Australian passport you may be required to obtain a transit

visa. Some flight routes make a stop in New Zealand and you may be required to obtain a transit visa to board your flight. It is the passengers' sole responsibility to seek advice on the correct visa and take appropriate action to ensure they have the correct visa prior to departure. Failure to do so may result in denied boarding and or refusal of entry to the country by the local authorities and immigration department. We strongly advise you to carefully review your flight tickets and then contact your respective consulate or a visa agency to confirm the necessary visa regulations and acceptable forms of personal identification for your transit.

Chile

To enter Chile, Australian citizens must obtain a valid visa before arrival. With this visa, you can enter Chile for up to 90 days for recreational, sports, health, study, business, family or other similar purposes. If you are transiting via Chile, you will still need to apply for a visa if the transit time is over 8 hours and you need to pass the immigration point. Entry and exit conditions can change at short notice. Contact the Embassy or Consulate of Chile for details about visas, currency, customs and quarantine rules.

See [E-visa para Australia](#) (in Spanish) for visa requirements and the link to the application form. Visa applications can be lodged online directly on the Online website (Spanish). You can choose between English and Spanish. Once you've submitted your application, it will be reviewed by the Chilean Consulate you selected in the application. The validity period of your tourist visa is likely to be based on the travel dates you defined in your application form. Make sure you consider this when selecting from the visa options. Visas must be lodged through the SAC CIUDADANOS portal only <https://tramites.minrel.gov.cl/>.

Argentina

As a tourist, you can stay for up to 90 days without a visa, but you'll need:

- A return or onward ticket
- A valid passport

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- **Travel/medical insurance**

Please Note: Effective immediately, all international travellers to Argentina must hold valid travel insurance with medical coverage.

This insurance may be requested and verified upon arrival in the country.

Argentina's public healthcare system will no longer provide free medical services to foreign nationals. It is therefore essential that you obtain appropriate insurance before your departure.

Peru

Australian tourists don't need a visa. You can get a permit to stay for up to 3 months when you arrive. If you overstay your permit, you'll have to pay a fine before leaving the country. In other situations, you'll need to apply for a visa through an embassy or consulate of Peru. Entry and exit conditions can change at short notice. You can contact the nearest embassy or consulate of Peru for the latest details. They'll tell you about visas, currency, customs and other travel requirements.

Important:

- *Please start arranging your visa three weeks before departure to account for any delays due to consulate operating hours.*
- *Visa rules may have changed since Covid-19. Some countries and airlines may require you to obtain an additional visa before arrival. Please check with the nearest embassy, consulate or immigration department of the destination you're entering.*

Please note:

- *Passengers who are not Australian citizens must also check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.*
- *It is also important to note that some areas of employment, such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations, may have additional restrictions in applying for visas. This may, in turn, affect the type of application required.*

Travel Insurance

Embarking on your next trip is exciting, and while you hope the unexpected does not happen, it is best to be prepared. We strongly recommend you take out travel insurance when making your booking. Whether it's a potential medical emergency, a flight cancellation, a delayed suitcase, or an unforeseen event, it's important to ensure you're adequately protected. For more information or advice visit <https://www.tripadeal.com.au/travel-insurance>

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Voluntary Changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- Changes - \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

If the incorrect name has been provided, charges of \$100 AUD per booking and any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

Supplier Fees

In the event the tour package you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the tour due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event we are unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof, this cost is

passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee.