



THE SOUL OF THE PATAGONIA

The Chilean and Argentine Patagonia *plus Buenos Aires*

March 24 - April 9, 2024

PATAGONIA offers a rare opportunity to truly disconnect and immerse yourself in tranquility.

The vast open spaces and unspoiled natural beauty invite moments of reflection and peace. - Stargazing in the clear night skies is simply magical; it's like seeing the universe laid out just for you.

This place, straddling both Chile and Argentina, is truly a paradise for those seeking a deeper connection with nature and an unforgettable set of experiences.

Whether you're marveling at the stunning vistas, soaking in the serenity, or embarking on epic adventures, Patagonia promises a fantastic journey.

Buenos Aires - *There's an undeniable passion in this city*

Whether it's dancing tango, cheering at a fútbol game, or expressing opinions in vibrant street art and discussions. -

This spirit is contagious, creating a community that's as spirited as it is welcoming to travelers from every corner of the world.

Buenos Aires is truly an eclectic adventure waiting to be discovered, with every corner pulsing with life and art.



**March 24, Mon Santiago -
Punta Arenas - Torres del Paine
National Park. (Chile)**

Transfer to Torres del Paine National Park (4hrs). Box lunch

Fly to Santiago to connect with your flight to Punta Arenas

Here you will be met at the airport for a transfer to your hotel in Torres del Paine Park.

Start a beautiful scenic drive through the Chilean Patagonia

The Rio Serrano Hotel has a privileged location in front of the Torres del Paine and surrounded by a wonderful natural environment, providing the perfect combination of design, quality and comfort respecting the balance with its surroundings. The decoration of the Rio Serrano Hotel is cozy and warm with architectural lines that mix fineness and rustic elements. You will wake up with the famous 'Horns' in front of you

Rio Serrano Hotel - 3 nights
Includes: breakfast & lunch



March 25, Tues
Torres del Paine

Trekking the base of the Torres del Paine - Box Lunch

As we begin your trek, you'll enter a wonderland of diverse ecosystems, from lush forests to vast, open grasslands. Each step offers a new view, more breathtaking than the last. The Patagonian winds and challenging trails test your limits, but the landscape's beauty provides constant motivation. If the weather permits, we will be able to spot condors in one of the many nesting areas along the route.

Reaching the base of the Torres, you're greeted by a view that is absolutely awe-inspiring: the iconic granite spires rise dramatically against the sky, reflected in the glacial lake below. - It's a perfect spot to rest, take in the spectacular scenery, enjoy a picnic, and capture photos that will forever remind you of this incredible journey.

At Cordillera Paine with good weather conditions, it will be possible to have a first panoramic view of the whole mountain range of Torres del Paine, the southern extension of the Andes Mountain Range, and the imposing Sarmiento Lake.

After this break, we will head toward a site of great relevance, which is also one of the most impressive views, in front of the granite towers. The place described above corresponds to the viewpoint of Laguna Amarga, a favorite habitat of flamingos who frequently find the ideal conditions for feeding here.

The next viewpoints to visit are Lago Nordenskjöld, Mirador Salto Grande, Mirador Pehoé, Puente Weber, Rio Paine and Lago Grey.

Our last stop in front of Torres del Paine will be at the most imposing place, called Mirador Grey. From here it will be possible to observe the set of mountains that dominate the western area of the province, the immense Toro Lake, and if the weather conditions allow it, also a section of the Grey Glacier.

Includes: breakfast & box lunch

March 26, Wed Torres del Paine Trekking plus Grey Navigation

The is without a doubt, the best half-day hike in Torres del Paine National Park. Everyone can do this hike and the views of the mountains are just stunning.

After lunch at a local restaurant we will board a catamaran for to navigate through the lake. You'll be mesmerized by the sight of enormous icebergs floating silently in the vast blue expanse, each shimmering with hues of turquoise and blue twilight. - The icebergs range in size and shape, and watching them glimmer and melt under the Patagonian sun is like witnessing a serene dance of natural artistry.

Lago Grey is enveloped by the dramatic landscapes of Patagonia, with the rugged Andes as a backdrop and the pristine waters of the lake painting a postcard-perfect picture. - The lake is a part of the Southern Patagonian Ice Field, and its cool blue waters are dotted with mystical icebergs that have calved from the nearby Grey Glacier.

Includes: breakfast & box lunch

March 27, Thu Torres del Paine – Ea Nibepo Aike (Argentina) From the Chilean to the Argentine Patagonia

Driving through the stunning terrain of Patagonia from Chile to Argentina is an epic road trip that promises breathtaking vistas, unique cultural encounters, and a profound sense of adventure.

As you head towards the border, you'll pass through breathtakingly rugged terrain and remote estancias (ranches), offering a glimpse into life in this wild corner of the world.



Nibepo Aike keeps the essence of the old Patagonian estancias. Staying at an Argentine estancia is a perfect way to unplug and connect— not just with the stunning landscapes, but also with the roots of Argentine culture. Whether you're looking to relax, indulge in local delicacies, or dive into the life of a gaucho, an estancia offers an unforgettable experience.

Guests experience authentic Patagonian ranch life. The view of the Andes Mountains is breathtaking. Meanwhile, rural life goes on, and it is common to see men on horseback herding cattle and/or sheep and getting lost in the horizon.

Behind the house is the vegetable garden

where most of the vegetables consumed in the kitchen come from.

Estancia Nibepo Aike - 3 nights

Accommodations: Double Standard Room

Includes: breakfast, box lunch, & dinner



March 28, Fri

Ea Nibepo Aike

Trekking Adventure

Enjoy a full day at the Estancia Nibepo Aike. Today you will depart on a trekking adventure, including a picnic lunch at a privileged spot surrounded by nature, and in the afternoon, you can enjoy horseback riding.

Once the activity in the corrals is finished, the riders return to the Quincho where the lamb roast is ready to go to the table. In the meantime, life continues in the estancia, and it is common to see the gauchos passing by on horseback herding cattle and/or sheep and getting lost in the horizon.

Includes: breakfast, lunch, & dinner

March 29, Sat

Ea Nibepo Aike

Perito Moreno Glaciär

After a leisurely morning, when Patagonian tranquility is at its finest, we'll embark on an unforgettable journey to the crown jewel of Patagonia—Perito Moreno Glacier.

An Exclusive Approach

We'll start our adventure away from the typical hustle of tourists gathered around the busy walkways. Instead, we'll make a more intimate approach, traversing through an idyllic island that's home to wild cows, offering a serene glimpse into Patagonia's untouched beauty. From there, we'll board a small boat, our personal chariot across the serene waters, leading us to the commanding face of the magnificent glacier.

Afternoon Glacial Majesty

As we arrive at the iconic walkways in the afternoon, the crowds will have dissipated, leaving us with the glacier's spectacular expanse, almost entirely to ourselves. As the sun begins its descent, its rays dance across the ice, casting a brilliant glow—an ideal backdrop to witness the awe-inspiring calvings.



These mighty ice formations dramatically break away and plunge into the waters, and you'll gain an understanding of how the ice advances towards the majestic Peninsula Magallanes, sporadically creating the famed natural dam and rupture phenomenon.

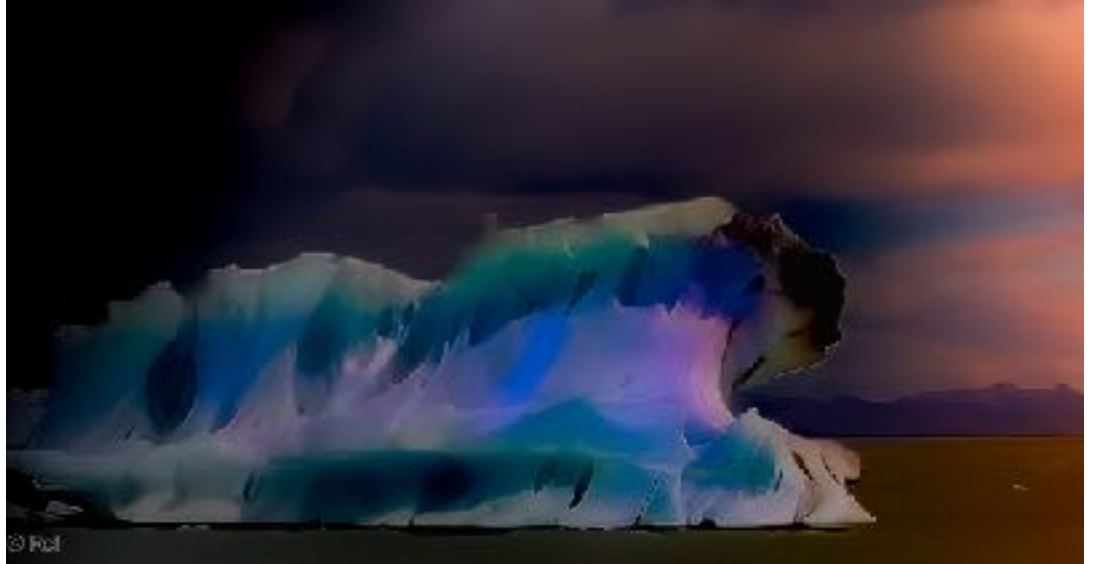
This tour not only offers breathtaking views but also invites you to feel the heartbeat of Patagonia's natural wonders. Let's cherish the quiet moments and unmatched beauty of this frozen titan—a memory that you will treasure long after your journey concludes.

Includes: breakfast, lunch, & dinner

March 30, Sun Ea Nibepo Aike - Ea Cristina

Car Transfer to Puerto Bandera and Navigation to Estancia Cristina

Enjoy a full day at Estancia Cristina. Enjoy the different activities offered by the Estancia, including 4x4 rides, trekking, and horseback rides.



Breathtaking Arrival:

- The adventure begins with a stunning boat ride across the turquoise waters of Lake Argentino, navigating through icebergs that float in the lake's chill embrace. Arriving at the estancia feels like stepping into another world, where time slows down and nature reigns supreme.

- A Journey Through History:

Estancia Cristina was founded in 1914 by Joseph Percival Masters, an Englishman who came to Patagonia with his wife in 1900. Having heard of the marvels of the Patagonian lands of Southern Argentina and in search of a promising future, he decided to embark with his wife to Buenos Aires, to later travel to Río Gallegos. They soon found employment and had two kids: Percival Herbert Masters in 1902 and Elinor Cristina Masters in 1904.

The Masters had for a long time heard about the territories situated near a great lake called Argentino, where there were fine lands for cattle raising waiting for adventurous pioneers. After saving some money, they started their journey from Río Gallegos to the west.

As time went by, Mr. Masters was able to acquire a small rescue boat from a shipwreck, which he used to transport all his belongings, including cattle, to a sheltered place in the southern bank of the North Channel Square Bay (Bahía Escuadra). The rough lake and winds prevented him from sailing with his tiny ship, so he recovered and rebuilt an old steam boat which he baptized "Cesar". It was in this way that he began transporting his possessions towards the Brazo Norte (North Channel) of the Lago Argentino, known currently as "Brazo Cristina". Mr. Masters named his home "Estancia Cristina" in honor of his little daughter. They lived in tents set near the lake for the first year. Needless to say, the first years were times of hard work, effort and restraint.

The estancia grew to up to 22,000 hectares of land surrounded by glaciers, snow peaks and lakes of great natural beauty. They had cattle, which then consisted of 27,000 sheep, 30 cows and some 50 horses. When Mr. and Mrs. Masters died, the estancia was handed down to Herbert, who was then married to Janet McDonald. Herbert died in 1984, leaving Janet to manage the property alone. Janet died in 1997.

Estancia Cristina - 1 night

Includes: breakfast, lunch, & dinner

March 31, Mon Ea Cristina - El Chalten

Enjoy your morning and lunch at Estancia Cristina.

In the afternoon, we will navigate back to Puerto Bandera for a car transfer to Chalten Camp

Ah, El Chaltén, the trekking capital of Argentina!

Nestled in the stunning Los Glaciares National Park in Patagonia, this charming village is an adventurer's paradise and a picturesque escape into nature. Here's why El Chaltén is a must-visit destination

Stunning Landscapes:

- The region is renowned for its dramatic scenery, featuring jagged peaks, sparkling lakes, and expansive glaciers. The stunning Fitz Roy massif often shrouded in clouds, stands as a majestic sentinel above the town. - Photographers and nature lovers will find a canvas of beauty, with vibrant sunrises painting the mountains in hues of pink and gold.

Charming Atmosphere:

- Despite its reputation as a trekking mecca, El Chaltén retains a laid-back and quaint village vibe. Friendly locals, cozy cafes, and rustic lodges create a welcoming atmosphere. - In the evenings, gather with fellow travelers to swap stories over a pint of craft beer at one of the town's inviting pubs

Chalten Camp - 3 nights

Accommodations: Premium Rooms

Includes: breakfast, lunch, & dinner

Chalten Camp offers an unparalleled glamping experience: views of the Fitz Roy Massif with comfortable lodging that's light on the land. Blending into the southern beechwood forest, each dome features panoramic "windows" facing the mountains.

April 01, Tues

El Chalten

River Floating & Lunch

Floating at Laguna Cóndor in El Chaltén is a serene and mesmerizing experience amidst the natural beauty of



Patagonia. This hidden gem offers solitude and stunning views, creating a sanctuary for relaxation and nature connection.

Upon arrival you will be instructed about the equipment and listen to a brief technical and safety talk.

The navigation starts at the Laguna Condor viewpoint. The section of the river that is navigated is characterized by its shallow depth and many meanders. We

will cross a beautiful Patagonian Andean Forest, and the Fitz Roy outlines its north face in the horizon. The navigation lasts approximately 1.5 hours, depending on the river flow and wind conditions.

Arriving at Estancia Bonanza, once dry and changed, we will have a succulent lunch with a spectacular view of Cerro Fitz Roy.

Includes: breakfast, lunch, & dinner

April 02, Wed

El Chalten

Rio Electrico, Trekking at Laguna de los Tres & Picnic

This is the main trekking trip in the area, and it is one of the most beautiful. It takes us to the foot of the mythical Fitz Roy.

Trekking to Laguna de los Tres via Río Eléctrico in El Chaltén is a thrilling adventure that brings you to some of the most stunning views of the Fitz Roy massif allowing trekkers to immerse themselves in the pristine beauty of Patagonia's wild landscapes.

A little before arriving, we will stop at a panoramic point with a view of the Fitz Roy. Then we will arrive at the trailhead, where the walking activity begins, and we will enter a forest of lengas and ñires, bordering the Rio Blanco River.

Continuing along this path, after only 1 hour of walking, you will arrive at the first viewpoint, with an



excellent view of the Piedras Blancas Glacier. After this stop, where you can take some pictures and receive information from the guide, after about 45 minutes, you will arrive at the Poicennot Camp, where there will surely be tents for trekkers of different nationalities.

Then, very close, you will cross the river by a small suspension bridge to get to the Base Camp “Rio Blanco”, which is only used by climbers. Here, there is also a log shelter set up by the National Parks, which is used for shelter in bad weather.

From this point, if you have more energy, the guide will take you to the Mirador de Laguna de los Tres. This spot is 420 meters uphill or 1 hour of trekking from Rio Blanco.

The view of the Fitz Roy Massif, the lagoon and its glaciers is spectacular. A few meters away, you can also discover a very good view of the Laguna Sucia.

Includes: breakfast, picnic lunch, & dinner

April 03, Thu El Chaltén - Buenos Aires

Transfer to El Calafate Airport & Flight to Buenos Aires

Tour Recoleta and visit Ateneo Bookstore

You will be transferred to the El Calafate Airport for your flight to Buenos Aires.

11:30am Depart El Calafate

2:30pm Arrive Buenos Aires

Exploring Recoleta and visiting the iconic Librería El Ateneo in Buenos Aires is a delightful cultural and architectural experience. These locations capture the elegance and intellectual spirit of the city, offering travelers a rich blend of history, art, and literature.

Once a grand theater, El Ateneo Grand Splendid has been reborn as one of the most beautiful bookstores in the world. Walking through its doors is like stepping into a universe where literature and history converge in grand style. - The bookstore retains much of the theatre's original splendor, including the ornate ceiling frescoes, theater boxes, and the grand stage now transformed into a vibrant café.

Recoleta Cemetery:

- Start your tour with a visit to the famous Recoleta Cemetery, a labyrinthine city of the dead, notable for its grand mausoleums and statues. It's the resting place of many of Argentina's most influential figures, including Eva Perón. - The architecture here is remarkable, featuring an intriguing mix of Art Deco, Art Nouveau, and classical styles that create a visual feast for visitors.



Elegant Streets and Parks:

- Wander through the tree-lined streets of Recoleta, where you can admire elegant old mansions that display the wealth and influence of Buenos Aires' 19th and early 20th century elite. - Don't miss Plaza Francia, especially on weekends when the area comes alive with a bustling artisan market and street performances.

Loi Suites, Executive room - 5 nights

Includes: breakfast

Ideally set the chic Loi Suites Recoleta Hotel enjoys a prime location in Buenos Aires' fashionable residential neighborhood of Recoleta.

Surrounded by magnificent mansions and buildings exhibiting a French architectural style, the hotel is positioned within easy reach of Argentina's famous La Recoleta Cemetery.

This premier hotel boasts a large indoor swimming pool area with a café, fitness center, jacuzzi, and sauna facilities.

April 04, Fri

Buenos Aires

Full day Tigre with lunch

Visiting Tigre is like stepping into a tranquil riverside escape, offering a refreshing contrast to the bustling energy of Buenos Aires. Situated only a short train ride north of the capital, Tigre is renowned for its lush waterways, charming markets, and leisurely boating opportunities.

Navigating the Delta:

- One of the best ways to experience Tigre is by exploring the Paraná Delta's labyrinth of rivers and streams. With your private boat you will have the chance to meander through the scenic waterways and discover quaint riverside homes and stunning natural beauty.

Puerto de Frutos:

- Engage with local culture at this bustling open-air market, where you can find anything from artisanal crafts and furniture to fresh produce and tasty regional foods. It's a perfect spot to pick up unique souvenirs and enjoy some local flavors. - Explore the vibrant atmosphere filled with colorful stalls, local music, and the dynamic bustle of vendors and visitors alike.

Includes: breakfast & lunch

April 05, Sat

Buenos Aires

Full day visit to an estancia in the Pampas

Rancho El Ombú is a delightful estancia experience that captures the essence of Argentine rural life and the spirit of the pampas. Located in the heart of Buenos Aires Province, this charming ranch offers visitors a chance to immerse themselves in the rich culture and traditions of gaucho life, set against the stunning backdrop of the Argentine countryside.

Authentic Gaucho Experience:

- Experience the daily life of Argentine gauchos as you learn about their traditions, skills, and the vital role they play in local culture. - Join in on a horseback riding excursion across the pampas, where you can explore the sweeping landscapes and perhaps even help with cattle herding or other ranch activities.

- Delicious Asado Feast:
- No visit to an Argentine estancia is complete without indulging in an asado, the traditional barbecue feast. Enjoy a sumptuous spread of perfectly grilled meats, fresh salads, and homemade breads. - The communal meal is often served outdoors, accompanied by a glass of Malbec and shared in the spirit of camaraderie and celebration.

Includes: breakfast & lunch

April 06, Sun Buenos Aires San Telmo Fair and La Boca - Evening Milonga

Exploring the San Telmo Fair and La Boca in Buenos Aires offers a vivid glimpse into the city's rich cultural tapestry and vibrant street life.

Both districts are brimming with history, art, and a unique charm that captures the essence of Buenos Aires.

The Heart of Buenos Aires' Oldest Barrio:

- San Telmo, one of the city's oldest neighborhoods, is known for its well-preserved colonial architecture, cobblestone streets, and bohemian spirit. - The area is alive with history and personality, making it a favorite spot for both locals and tourists.

Feria de San Telmo:

- The famous San Telmo Fair is held every Sunday, transforming the main street, Defensa, into a bustling market teeming with vendors. It's the perfect place to hunt for antiques, unique crafts, and quirky souvenirs. - Street performers, musicians, and tango dancers add an energetic and artistic atmosphere, making the entire area a vibrant hub of activity.

Caminito Street Museum:

- La Boca is famed for its Caminito alley—a vibrant street museum and traditional alleyway awash with cheerful colors and artistic flair. The vivid buildings and open-



air showcases by artists create a joyful kaleidoscope. - The area is rich with murals and sculptures depicting the tango and local culture, making it a photographer's dream

9:00pm Milonga

Visiting a milonga is an unforgettable way to experience the authentic culture of Buenos Aires. These social dance events are where the heart and soul of tango truly come alive, offering a glimpse into this passionate aspect of Argentine culture.

A milonga is a place where locals gather to dance tango, creating an atmosphere that's both vibrant and inviting. Whether you're a seasoned dancer or simply a spectator, witnessing tango in its traditional setting is mesmerizing. - The music, the intimacy of the dance, and the grace of the dancers all combine to create an experience that is uniquely Argentine.

Includes: breakfast

April 07, Mon Buenos Aires City tour and Colon Theater - Evening VIP Tango Show with wine tasting

Embarking on a city tour of Buenos Aires with a visit to the iconic Teatro Colón is a captivating journey through the cultural and architectural wonders of Argentina's vibrant capital.

Grand Opulence and History:

- Begin your tour at Teatro Colón, one of the most esteemed opera houses in the world. The theater, completed in 1908, stands as a testament to Buenos Aires' cultural sophistication and artistic heritage. - Its grand architecture blends styles such as Italian Renaissance, French Baroque, and Classical Greek, offering a visual splendor that's as captivating as the performances it hosts.

Guided Tour of the Theater:

- A guided tour provides insight into the history and architecture of this magnificent building. Explore areas like the Main Hall with its stunning dome, the opulent Golden Hall (Salon Dorado), and the breathtaking stage that has hosted renowned opera singers, ballet dancers, and musicians. - Learn about the theater's exceptional acoustics, its impressive design, and the fascinating stories of past performance

Historic Downtown:

- Begin your city exploration in Buenos Aires' historic center, the Microcentro. Discover landmarks like the Plaza de Mayo, home to the Presidential Palace (Casa Rosada), and see the Metropolitan Cathedral where Pope Francis once served. - Wander through the Avenida de Mayo with its impressive architecture that reflects the city's European influences.

8:00pm Tango Show

Enjoying a dinner and VIP tango show at El Querandí is a quintessential Buenos Aires experience, where the elegance of Argentine cuisine meets the passion of tango in one unforgettable evening.

Historic Setting:

- Located in San Telmo, El Querandí is housed in a beautifully restored 1920s building that exudes classic charm and vintage elegance. The ambiance perfectly sets the stage for an authentic tango experience, with its intimate setting and historical décor.

Gourmet Argentine Dinner:

- Your evening begins with a gourmet three-course meal showcasing the best of Argentine cuisine. Indulge in delicious starters such as empanadas or smoked Patagonian trout, followed by mouthwatering main courses like tender Argentine beef or fresh-caught fish. - Pair your meal with a selection of exceptional Argentine wines, and finish off with traditional desserts like flan or chocolate mousse that capture the sweet essence of local flavors



VIP Service:

- As a VIP guest, expect top-notch service that enhances the evening's enjoyment. With priority seating, you'll have an excellent view of the stage, ensuring a captivating experience as the tango show unfolds. - Enjoy the comfort and attention that comes with a VIP experience, making your night truly special.

Spellbinding Tango Show:

- After dinner, the lights dim and the stage comes alive with a spectacular tango performance. El Querandí is renowned for presenting a dynamic and authentic show that's both powerful and enchanting, featuring talented dancers, singers, and musicians who bring the story of tango to life. - The performance takes you on a journey through the history of tango, from its humble beginnings in the working-class neighborhoods to its status as a world-renowned expression of passion and culture.

Includes: breakfast & Dinner

April 08, Tue Buenos Aires - Homeward bound

You will be transferred to Ezeiza for your flight to return home

Includes: breakfast

~ End of our adventure ~

