



THE ADVENTURE OF ARGENTINA

PUERTO MADRYN - USHUAIA - EL CALAFATE - BARILOCHE -BUENOS AIRES

TRIP ITINERARY

DAY 01 | COUNTRY OF ORIGIN - BUENOS AIRES

Departure in the international night flight. Night on board.

DAY 02 | BUENOS AIRES - TRELEW - PUERTO MADRYN

Regular transfer service to the Airport to board the Flight. Reception and regular transfer to the hotel.

DAY 03 | PUERTO MADRYN

We start Early in the morning towards Peninsula Valdes Protected Natural Area. After one hour drive we will arrive at Puerto Piramides, where we will go on a regular boat trip (optional not include) to see whales from June to beginning of December and sea lions and cormorants from January to March. We will stay in Puerto Piramides two hours for lunch time.

After that, we continue to Punta Cantor in Caleta Valdés (Valdés Inlet). We are shown geological formations there and elephant seals. Then we go back to the Ameghino Isthmus, with its interesting interpretation centre.

On the way we have good chances of coming across wild land fauna such as guanacos, rheas, foxes, maras (Patagonian hare), armadillos and, skunks. Finally, we return to the city of Puerto Madryn at sunset.

DAY 04 | PUERTO MADRYN

Full-day trip to El Pedral Penguin Colony, a true experience with magallan penguins. At this point you will meet the Punta Ninfas lighthouse and discover the Patagonian gastronomy by tasting an excellent "cordero patagónico" roasted "a la estaca" way. You will also admire the big extensions of the Patagonian landscape over the sea. Residency "El Pedral", a place that inspires love! www.reservaelpedral.com

DAY 05 | PUERTO MADRYN - TRELEW - USHUAIA

Regular transfer service to the Airport to board the Flight. Reception and regular transfer to the hotel.

DAY 06 | USHUAIA

In the morning, National Park & Nature tour. We will start the adventure at your hotel where you will board a 4x4 vehicle. The first stop will be Lapataia viewpoint inside the National Park, we will go on trekking to complete the last kilometers of the Ruta Nacional No. 3. When arriving to Lapataia Bay we will come across to a perfect place for bird sighting. The trip continues along the beaver walkside to get to one of the dikes naturally built by this regional specie, where you will appreciate the impact that this sort of "structures" have on environment. Following a path that enters deeply into the forest, you get to the peatlands, made up of a great pile of moss and humus material that have a great capacity for water storage. In the southern part of the park, we can find the Lake Acigami (Lake Roca), a place not be missed, so that you can admire the scenario drawn by the Andes Mountains (Cordillera de los Andes) as background, while you enjoy having a snack. The trip finishes at the Ensenada Bay, where the most southern sub post-office is located.

Note: During the winter months (April to October) the trekking circuit does not take place, tours are only made in 4x4 vehicles.

The End of the World Train can also be made optionally.

During the evening, you will navigate through the Beagle Channel to the Sea lions' Island and reach the Les Eclaireirs Lighthouse (known as the Lighthouse at the end of the world). This trek starts at the touristic local quay, point where the ship sets sail to go through the vast Ushuaia Bay until arriving at the Beagle Channel. It is in this point that you can navigate around the Bird Island -where you can appreciate birdlife in this region by watching species such as skuas, albatrosses, steamer duck, cauquenes, Kelp Gulls and grey gulls- and the Sea Lion's island, where you can find the southern sea lions and southern fur seals. When you reach Les Eclaireirs Lighthouse (The illuminators, in French), you will see colonies of Imperial Cormorants and Rock Cormorants. Along the trip, the guide will not only mention the main features of each of the species spotted, but he will also explain how important that maritime passage was for the development of the city. In the trip back to the city, the view of the mountain range surrounding Ushuaia is superb, along with the splendid nature surrounding it. In is a trip of great historical significance and landscape design.

DAY 07 | USHUAIA

Full day excursion with picnic lunch Lagos Off Road in 4 x 4. After breakfast, with the first rays of morning sun, we will venture into a full day Safari, Defender vehicles (4x4) with lunch included. The crossing will allow us to connect in a different way with the most recondite landscapes of the island of Tierra del Fuego. Along dirt paths and bypassing streams, we will reach the imposing coast of Lake Fagnano, where we can take a moment to contemplate this extraordinary place and its particular energy. From there, vehicles will begin to travel difficult roads (off-road) offering views of unparalleled beauty. Then we will start a trek through the forest to the Escondido Lake, where there is a mountain refuge. When crossing the coast we will observe the community of beavers, their constructions and reservoirs, creating a habitat to house their family. In this wonderful environment, we will enjoy a barbecue in the best Argentine style, accompanied with Malbec wine, and the opportunity to relax, share talks and replenish energy. After lunch, whoever wants it, will be able to navigate, in canoe, the calm waters of the Escondido Lake and explore the amazing landscape.

Optional to replace the excursion with "EXPERIENCIA PESCA DE CENTOLLA": An unforgettable day in a picturesque village by the sea. You will feel part of the people sailing, fishing your own spider crab and cooking it in a family house, learning the culinary secrets to prepare it in the Patagonian style.

DAY 08 | USHUAIA - EL CALAFATE

Regular transfer service to the Airport to board the Flight. Reception and regular transfer to the hotel.

DAY 09 | EL CALAFATE

Regular and full-day trip to the Perito Moreno Glacier walkways, "Nautical Safari" navigation included. We pick you up at the hotel, and after driving for 80km we will arrive at the National Park Los Glaciares, declared "World Heritage" by the UNESCO, since a vast area of continental ice field is preserved. The glaciers Moreno, Onelli, Agassi and Upsala are fed by this ice field. The Perito Moreno, being the most breathtaking glacier, flows over the Lago Argentino and adopts a wide spectrum of colors from white to turquoise. The terminus of the Perito Moreno Glacier is 5 Km wide, with an average height of 70 m above the lake level. We start our ramble at the Viewpoint, coming down through the walkways opposite to the glacier. The vastness of the landscape can be observed and the sound of the constant ruptures. An amazing spectacle that cannot be missed! We will continue the trip taking the "Nautical Safari", navigating through the Brazo Rico (southern arm) of the Lago Argentino. The trip lasts approximately one hour and gives tourists the possibility to "live" the glacier from a closest sight. Once we are just in front of the terminus, the ship will stop for some minutes to appreciate its beauty and vastness.

DAY 10 | EL CALAFATE

Excursion sailing the Argentino Lake full day "Gourmet Glacier Experience", on the María Turquesa cruise. The Patagonian Ice Field is, after Antarctica, the largest ice sheet on the planet. Its glaciers originate at only 1500 m.s. of altitude and descend until 200 m.s.n.m., which allows a unique access and visualization in the world. This tour goes through some places of this Patagonian landscape, navigating with the highest comfort and with a gourmet gastronomy designed especially for a memorable experience. After boarding, at La Soledad Private Port (60 km from Calafate), navigation departs from the Argentino Lake, heading for the glaciers: Seco Glacier, Heim Glacier, Spegazzini Glacier, the highest in the National Park.

Disembarkation at Puesto de Las Vacas, to make an interesting walk. The route continues navigating the Upsalla Glacier Channels and the Perito Moreno Glacier. Lunch on board. In the afternoon, return to the Hotel of El Calafate.

DAY 11 | EL CALAFATE - BARILOCHE

Regular transfer service to the Airport to board the Flight. Reception and regular transfer to the hotel.

DAY 12 | BARILOCHE

Half-day tour to "Circuito Chico", including ascent to the Campanario Mountain (Cerro Campanario). The trip starts at the hotel where you are staying, going along a sinuous road with picturesque landscapes. When you reach at the foot of the Cerro Campanario, you will start the ascent to the top -1050 meters high- on a chairlift, from where you will appreciate one of the most wonderful views of the region, full of lakes and lagoons that offer a wide palette of colours -ranging from emerald green to deep blue, typical flora and fauna, iced peaks and the view of San Carlos de Bariloche. The excursion continues in the Llao-Llao Peninsula, where the Chapel San Eduardo, an architectural local treasure, and the Pañuelo Port (Puerto Pañuelo). From that point, after going through the Angostura Bridge (over the river of the same name), you get to the Punto Panorámico, final location of this trip. Journey back to town.

DAY 13 | BARILOCHE

Full-day excursion to the Tronador Mountain. This trip will allow you to visit one of the most beautiful areas within the Nahuel Huapi National Park: you will see forests, lakes, beaches, mountains and waterfalls. You will also go on a sightseeing tour to the highest peak in the area, the Tronador Mountain -3,478 meters above sea level-, natural boundary between Argentina and Chile. Apart from enjoying a breathtaking scenery, you will be in presence of uncommon natural phenomenon, such as the Ventisquero Negro, a glacier starting on the immaculate white top of the Tronador summit. At this point, the Manso River is born, a typical water stream, coming down from the highest mountain top towards the Pacific Ocean, coping with height differences along it by creating rapids and waterfalls.

DAY 14 | BARILOCHE - BUENOS AIRES

Regular transfer service to the Airport to board the Flight with destination to Buenos Aires. Reception and regular transfer to the hotel.

DAY 15 | BUENOS AIRES

Half-day tour of the City of Buenos Aires, where you can learn about our history and enjoy the architectural legacy left by our ancestors, such as: Plaza de Mayo, the typical neighborhood of La Boca, formerly the natural port of the city, where at the end of the 19th century a thriving and growing Italian community began to settle with a preponderance of origin Genovés, "Caminito", street declared Museum, with its colorful houses; get to San Telmo, the oldest sector of the city, and pass almost without realizing, to Puerto Madero, the youngest neighborhood where there are many international restaurants. Following the route you will reach Recoleta, for several decades the most prestigious neighborhood that is distinguished by the old buildings that are presented as a summary of the European architecture of the last century, and for their intense life given by neighbors and tourists who walk through its glamorous streets. Here you can visit the distinguished cemetery of great architectural value. The circuit ends in the neighborhood of Palermo, highly valued for its green spaces that form the lungs of Buenos Aires. At the end, return to the Hotel.

At night, the finishing touch will be a Dinner Tango Show, which is the best option for experiencing TANGO. The icing of the cake will be the orchestra led by renowned conductors and musicians, professional dancers and praiseworthy singers who live up to Buenos Aires reputation as capital city of Tango. Dinner includes appetizer, starters, main course, dessert and drinks.

DAY 16 | BUENOS AIRES

Day off. We recommend a half-day trip to Tigre's delta, where you can discover Buenos Aires' landscapes from the Río de la Plata. Starting from the hotel you will go to San Isidro, an important district of great historical and architectural value. Once in the delta you will pick a boat, which will help you discover the islands life. Throughout the trip you will also found nautical clubs, on the river bank of the Río Luján, astonishing houses and mansions located on the ravine and a magnificent sight of Del Plata estuary, San Isidro's Cathedral, the Puerto de Olivos, the "Monumental" (River Plate stadium) and the University City of Buenos Aires.

DAY 17 | BUENOS AIRES - COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Transfer service to the Airport to board the international Flight back home.