



PATAGONIA: THE LAST WILDERNESS - A LUXURY SMALL GROUP JOURNEY (2024)

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Latin America, Argentina, Chile



10 days from AU\$19,955 pp



18 Guests

Journey Overview

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Journey Highlights

- Sail on an exclusively chartered boat through the Beagle Channel, and stand amid a lively colony of Magellanic penguin on a rarely visited island, while staying in Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world
- Visit a working Patagonian ranch, observing authentic skills such as herding and shearing, and enjoy hiking and horseback riding through magnificent vistas
- Explore the unspoiled Patagonian forest on a guided hike, sail Argentino Lake and view the Perito Moreno Glacier from a choice of picturesque vantage points
- Roam through iconic Torres del Paine National Park to experience the otherworldly beauty of its jagged peaks, pristine forests and turquoise lakes
- Explore wild Patagonia by horseback, on foot or by boat, as you tailor your stay at The Singular Patagonia



Itinerary

Days 1: Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina

Arrive in Buenos Aires, Argentina's vibrant capital, and transfer to your hotel. Relax or explore the neighbourhood on your own before gathering for a welcome dinner served family style.

Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires | Meals: D

Day 2: Buenos Aires | Colonial Capital

Explore Buenos Aires in the company of your expert Resident Tour Director. Visit the Plaza de Mayo, pass through the San Telmo neighbourhood, continue to La Boca and walk along Caminito Street. After a light lunch, fly south to Ushuaia, set in magnificent Tierra del Fuego at the remote tip of South America. Tonight, enjoy dinner at the hotel, with a view of the city and Beagle Channel.

Arakur Ushuaia | Meals: BLD

Day 3: Ushuaia | Walking Among Magellanic Penguins

Drive to Estancia Harberton, the oldest *estancia* (farm) in Tierra del Fuego and an Argentine National Historical Monument. Embark on a private cruise to Martillo Island to walk among a teeming rookery of Magellanic penguin before continuing to Gable Island, in the middle of the Beagle Channel, for lunch. Relax and embrace the solitude of its remote, primal landscape, where wind, waves and birds make the only sounds. Later, cruise back to the estancia, and return to your hotel for dinner.

Arakur Ushuaia | Meals: BLD

Day 4: El Calafate | Gateway to the Glaciers

Fly to El Calafate to experience Patagonian rural life in this rustic town with well-kept gardens and pretty homes. Later this afternoon, experience over 100 years of history during a visit to an authentic ranch. Watch sheep shearing and herding, and hike or Ride Like a Local on horseback along the pristine banks of Argentino Lake. Admire the stunning Patagonian landscapes during a relaxing Scenic Sundowner; dine tonight on lamb grilled the traditional Patagonian way.

Hotel Posada Los Alamos | Meals: BD

Day 5: El Calafate | An Astonishing, Icy Spectacle

Start the day cruising to Argentino Lake's Seno Mayo, stopping along the way for an interpretive walk in the Andean Patagonian forest and getting up close to limestone rock formations and majestic landscapes. Continue to Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the few remaining advancing glaciers in the world. Hike at your own pace and ability along the seven walkways located at different heights and distances from the glacier, taking in magnificent views of the glacier's northern and southern faces. Return to your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure.

Hotel Posada Los Alamos | Meals: BL

Day 6: Puerto Natales, Chile | Trekking, Hiking & Biking

Journey to Puerto Natales, where, after a late lunch, you will enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Opened in 1940 and honoured as a National Heritage site, the Singular Patagonia was once a cold-storage plant. Today it features an industrial museum on site and offers a wide range of expeditions and activities, such as horseback riding, trekking and mountain biking. Choose your preferred mode of exploration and experience this incredible location on your own terms.

The Singular Patagonia | Meals: BLD

Day 7: Puerto Natales | Torres del Paine National Park

Today, discover the magnificent wilderness of Torres del Paine National Park, again selecting from available activities — with opportunities to explore fjords, mountains, glaciers, forests and ranches — all with varying grades of difficulty and duration. This park was created by tectonic movements; its rugged landscapes were sculpted during the ice ages, and the motion of glaciers has continued to reshape them. A UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, the park is renowned for its otherworldly landscape of granite spires, ice and deserted pampas. See firsthand the serrated ridges and spires of the Torres del Paine mountains. Watch closely as you scan the peaks and you might pick out a soaring Andean condor riding an updraft. Later, unwind in your room or marvel at the Patagonian night sky, awash with countless pinpoints of starlight.

The Singular Patagonia | Meals: BLD

Day 8: Puerto Natales | Design Your Day

Today, enjoy one of these **Design Your Day** activities.

- **Cruise the Patagonian Fjords to Two Glaciers** (weather permitting), witnessing their majesty and power up close.
- **Ride Horseback at Puerto Consuelo**, the first ranch in the region, and roam through the surrounding landscapes.
- **Trek to Condor Lookout on Mount Benitez**, viewing rock paintings en route and watching condors in flight.

Additional activity options are also available. Tonight, join your Resident Tour Director and fellow guests for a private, interactive Chef's Table experience, assisting a chef as he prepares barbecue and explains his distinctive preparation for this traditional meal, savouring the result for dinner.

The Singular Patagonia | Meals: BLD

Day 9: Santiago | Chile's Cosmopolitan Capital

After a leisurely morning, fly to Chile's capital, Santiago, a vibrant city set against the backdrop of the Andes that sits some 610 metres above sea level in Chile's Central Valley and is surrounded by a ring of spectacular mountain peaks. Your hotel is strategically located in Santiago's most prestigious and refined neighbourhood, El Golf.

The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: BD

Day 10: Depart Santiago

Explore Santiago during a morning tour of city highlights, including the Palacio de La Moneda (presidential palace) and the Plaza de Armas, with its impressive Metropolitan Cathedral and Central Post Office. Ride by cable car up San Cristóbal Hill to behold the stunning statue of the Virgin Mary and take in expansive views of Santiago. Relax this afternoon, with late access to your room, before transferring to the airport for your departing flight.

The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago | Meals: B

Journey Details

Internal air included: Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/El Calafate; Punta Arenas/Santiago

This journey contains some active elements.

Minimum age is 10 years.

First group event: dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: end of sightseeing at 1:00 p.m. on Day 10.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Included with every Luxury Small Group Journey

- English-Speaking Resident Tour Director and Local Guides
- Hand-Selected Luxury Accommodations
- Airport Meet and Greet with Private Transfers
- Travelling Bell Boy Luggage Handling
- Breakfast in Bed on Select Days
- Full Breakfast Daily; Select Lunches and Dinners
- Your Choice of Activity on Design Your Day
- Traveller's Valet Laundry Service
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and All Gratuities Except Resident Tour Director
- 24/7 A&K On-Call Support
- Guaranteed Departures with Just Two Guests

Customise this Journey

Talk to one of our expert Journey Designers or your travel agent about booking this tour as a private journey for your own small group with family or friends. Or, if you would prefer to travel privately, find out more about creating the perfect bespoke Tailor-Made Journey based on this itinerary.

Map



Extensions



Easter Island Post-Tour
Extension - A Luxury Small
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See Details

Accommodation

Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires



The Four Seasons brand is synonymous with style and service. Situated in the heart of the exclusive La Recoleta district, this hotel is within easy reach of the city's cultural attractions. From the outside you will be wowed by the hotel's blending of a contemporary tower and early 20th-century, French-style mansion. In the tower, warm, comfortable rooms feature leather upholstered headboards and dark mahogany furnishings. Suites in La Mansión offer either French country décor, with high ceilings, antiques and Toile de Jouy wallpaper, or a more contemporary look.

Preferred Rooms and Suites on the seventh and eighth floors of the tower enjoy complimentary access to The Library, an exclusive lounge on the seventh floor that provides a selection of international newspapers and magazines, and complimentary Internet access.

Another highlight is Pony Line, a chic bar. Inspired by the sport of kings, Pony Line brings to life the casual chic of La Dolfina polo lifestyle. Balancing urban sophistication with the carefree elegance of polo in leathers and other fabrics, riding motifs, art by Alejandro Moy, and rugged yet refined elements such as pergamino-clad trunks that act as cocktail tables, the mood at Pony Line is lively and fun.

Why we like it

- Four Seasons Hotel Buenos Aires offers 116 spacious guest rooms and 49 suites, including seven one-of-a-kind suites in the adjacent Belle Époque-style mansion
- The hotel is located in the heart of the city in stylish La Recoleta district
- Dine on premium beef and impeccable seasonal vegetables in a dramatic airy setting at Elena, or savour delicious bites and equally delicious wine, cocktails and artisanal beers at the casual chic Pony Line
- The Spa at Four Seasons offers a full range of massages and spa treatments based on the Germaine de Capuccini natural product line
- An outdoor, Roman-style pool is located in the hotel gardens

Arakur Ushuaia, Patagonia



If you've made it to an end of the world, then you need a special hotel to celebrate. The Arakur Ushuaia Hotel is ideally located to let you enjoy both the town of Ushuaia, as well as the wonderful scenery and landscapes at this unique destination.

The hotel is only a half-hour walk from the Beagle Channel but also offers very quick access to the hills and forests for hiking and exploring. Situated in the popular Museum district, you are only three kilometres from the Naval Hospital and centre of the town. Jump on the free shuttle bus to ensure that you experience Ushuaia's steep streets as well as tourist shopping opportunities. From here you can also try your hand at some water sports including sailing, kayaking and scuba diving.

At the hotel, you can relax in complete comfort with views that stretch over the Andes whether you are in one of the communal areas or the outdoor heated pool. There's plenty to keep you active such as the fitness centre, a golf course, indoor swimming pool and table tennis. If you're feeling lucky, try your hand in the on-site casino and then retire to the bar for some evening musical entertainment and international cuisine at the restaurant.

Each bedroom has views over the Beagle Channel and North Valley and is decorated to a high standard and modern design. With a flat-screen TV, safe, stereo system and soundproof windows, you have everything you need.

Why we like it

- Stunning surrounding views
- This resort places a strong emphasis on protecting the environment and local areas

- The outdoor heated pool overlooks Ushuaia and the snow-capped mountains
- Enjoy days of excellent nearby hiking trails to really embrace the region
- Hop on the convenient shuttle bus service to the city for a bit more hustle and bustle.

Hotel Posada Los Alamos



At Hotel Posada Los Álamos you will discover the ideal environment to make your stay in El Calafate unforgettable. The hotel is situated in the heart of El Calafate, close to Argentino Lake. Featuring two restaurants, spa facilities, an indoor pool and golf course.

Each room has been especially designed for you to enjoy every single moment of your stay at its fullest. The rooms are cosy with an exclusive view overlooking the organic gardens and the mountains beyond.

With a phenomenal breakfast buffet every morning which offers a choice of American, Argentinean or Patagonian food. La Posta Restaurant serves an a la carte menu of international and regional specialties, including Patagonian lamb. The hotel also features two bars.

Los Alamos provides a full range of modern spa facilities and an indoor pool with ceiling-to-floor windows. The hotel has its own small 18-hole par 3 golf course, fitness centre and can arrange trips including horse riding and exploring the Moreno Glacier.

Why we like it:

- Offering excellent breakfast with plenty of choices across a large buffet
- Posada Los Alamos is very well situated, only 3 blocks off the main street of Avenida del Libertador, a 5-minute walk
- Features an 18-hole golf course on the property

The Singular Patagonia

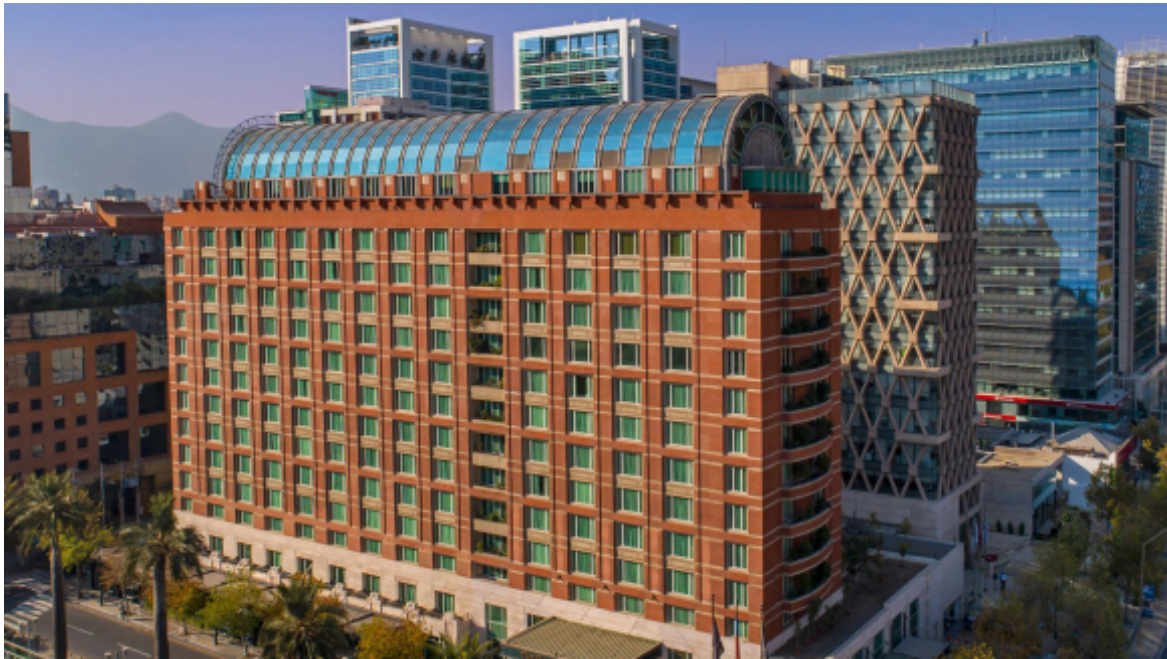


This unusual luxury hotel is actually an historic frigorifico (cold storage plant) from the days of Patagonia's thriving sheep trade - the hotel's acclaimed restaurant, bar and museum are housed in the historic land mark Puerto Bories, a former post-Victorian cold-storage plant built in 1915 and declared a National Monument in 1996. There are 57 spacious guestrooms with fjord views, a lovely spa. The original industrial architecture of the building has been preserved while contrasting state of the art technology and design delivers a sleek modern touch. The hotel maximises the surrounding landscape with gardens overlooking the fjords and spectacular views. Over 20 different expeditions are offered from adrenaline pumping adventure to sedate nature experiences.

Why we like it

- This uber-cool hotel is set on the shores of the fjord 'Last Hope' just outside the pretty town of Puerto Natales and near the Torres del Paine National Park.
- The building now combines a museum within a slick design hotel. A totally unique Patagonian experience.
- All rooms are very spacious and have large floor to ceiling windows looking over the coastline
- The huge dining room and bar area deserves a long evenings attention! Top quality food cooked in an open kitchen and a fabulously eclectic bar area with a warm and friendly vibe and an extensive wine list
- Great excursions into the park by boat, bike, horse or foot!

The Ritz-Carlton Santiago



Located in the refined neighbourhood of El Golf, the Ritz-Carlton Santiago is the first Ritz-Carlton in South America and is an impressive one. Rooms are very spacious and sumptuously decorated. There are ample opportunities for wining and dining both within the hotel and in the immediate surrounds. Upper floors have spectacular views of the Andes and additional facilities include a glass-roofed spa and wellness centre with an indoor lap pool, modern fitness centre and menu of massage, facial and body treatments.

Dates & Pricing

Prices are in AUD, per person, based on double occupancy

Dec 6, 2024 - Dec 15, 2024

Price	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
AU\$19,955 pp	AU\$4,300	Included	Call for Availability

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