

Chile & Argentina Private Tour

Please note that all of the itineraries listed in our web site are actual private tour itineraries we have prepared for clients over the past 12-18 months. By the very nature of what we do, each private tour itinerary is custom, exclusive and unique unto itself. Our over-riding goal is to create lifelong memories that you and your family will forever carry deep within your hearts.

Overview

When hiking a wide range of areas on the Patagonian Andes, it is easy to see how Torres del Paine still has hundreds of unnamed mountains, with many points inaccessible and unexplored. The features of Patagonia are remarkable: wild rivers, muddy rainforests, glaciated peaks, granted monoliths, and vast steppes. This is a place for reflection, deep solitude, and unforgettable outdoor activities.

We feel the splendid, stark wilderness of Chile’s Atacama Desert rightly deserves a place among the world’s notable natural wonders. Atacama’s unmatched beauty and colorful moonscape-like remoteness is truly spellbinding. In the backdrop of spectacular volcanoes rising 20,000 feet, Atacama (covering 54,000 sq. miles) stretches 600 miles from Peru’s southern border into northern Chile. Extraordinary full-day excursions here include the eerie, otherworldly Valley of the Moon, the Salt Flats of Tara, (featuring turquoise oasis’ with three types of flamingos living off the microscopic life), and the geysers of El Tatio.

<p>ARGENTINA Temperature Range Highs: Low 80’s Lows: High 60’s Area 2.8 Million SQ KM 1.1 Million SQ MILES Population 14.8 Million Language Spanish Capital Buenos Aires Currency Pesos</p>	<p>CHILE Temperature Range Highs: Mid 80’s Lows: Mid 50’s Area 272,045 SQ KM 105,037 SQ MILES Population 14.8 Million Language Spanish & indigenous languages Capital Quito Currency US Dollar</p>	<p>Day 1 Fly to Santiago Through our sister company, premium air provider TRAVNET, we may assist with your international airfare, as well as with mileage points conversion.</p> <p>Day 2 Arrive Santiago + Fly Santiago/Calama + Transfer Calama/Atacama</p> <p>Alto Atacama The only lodge in the San Pedro region completely enveloped by natural surroundings, Alto Atacama’s design was influenced by local village architecture and conceived to blend seamlessly into its environment. Alto’s</p>
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“Andescape” concept of decorative flora, its stable of friendly llamas and alpacas, fine local cuisine, and Leave No Trace-schooled guides, make this hotel worth the visit. Alto has 42 rooms, an award-winning spa, and six swimming pools!

Meals: Lunch & Dinner

Accommodations: Alto Atacama

Day 3 – 5

Atacama Desert Activities

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Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodations: Alto Atacama

Day 6

Drive Atacama/Calama + Fly Calama/Santiago

Upon arrival in Santiago, you will embark on a half-day Santiago private tour. It is one of the most modern cities on the continent, yet still retains a colonial influence with many beautiful, historical buildings and plazas. It is also a city surrounded by fertile wine-producing valleys and world-class ski resorts and is within an hour’s drive of the Pacific Ocean. Enjoy the fabulous museums, shops, and restaurants.

Singular Santiago

Our favorite luxury hotel in Santiago, this 5-star, 62-room hotel is located in the heart of downtown Santiago, nestled in the lively Lastarria neighborhood and adjacent to Cerro Santa Lucia Park. This green hotel seamlessly fits in the iconic, bohemian neighborhood of Lastarria, which epitomizes the youth and creativity of the people of Santiago. The Singular Santiago is a striking combination of the early 20th-century design of Santiago and neoclassical French architecture. The hotel is mere minutes away from the Museum of Visual Arts, the Museum of Fine Arts, and the Gabriela Mistral Cultural Center. Amenities include a rooftop bar with park views, a small outdoor pool, and a spa featuring a hot-tub, steam room, sauna, and gym. Perhaps the Singular’s biggest asset is its high-energy, engaging staff and outstanding service!

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodations: Singular Santiago

Day 7

Valparaiso + Casa Blanca Valley Private Tour

You will be met by your private guide and driver for a full-day private tour, beginning with a city tour of Valparaiso and continuing on to Casa Blanca Valley, before being returned to your hotel to rest for your flight tomorrow to Patagonia.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodations: Singular Santiago

Day 8

Fly Santiago/Puerto Natales + Transfer to Patagonia

Upon arrival in Puerto Natales, you will be privately transferred to Patagonia Camp or the Singular Patagonia

Patagonia Camp

Nestled on the shores of Lake Toro and facing the dramatic Torres del Paine massif, Patagonia Camp is committed to taking care of its beautiful Patagonian surroundings. This is why the Patagonia Camp is built in a

way that respects the environment as much as possible. Through non-invasive architecture, the property visually and structurally adapts to the landscape in the area. The camp is completely built atop wooden posts — the terraces around the yurts, the common areas, and the boardwalks all connect to the main hall. The camp maintains the existence and survival of the plants, bushes, and trees that have lived in the area for hundreds of years. One of our local guides feels the remote and picturesque location enables you to be totally immersed in nature, with daily group hikes to the surrounding areas. Limited to only 18 yurts, Patagonia Camp is in effect, a 5-star, luxury camp with good food and a noted collection of house wines.

Singular Patagonia

Though we prefer the Explora Patagonia's unique location as the only luxury lodge within the confines of Torres del Paine National Park, we consider the 5-star Singular Patagonia to be the highest quality property in all of Patagonia! An approximately 10-minute drive from the town of Puerto Natales, the Singular is built on the National Historic Landmark site of an early 20th-century meatpacking and refrigeration plant. When walking through the various areas of the 57-room property, you see how much the sites industrial equipment has been integrated within the striking, modern design of the hotel. We were most impressed with the Singular's 19-foot glass walls with picturesque views of the sea and mountain peaks. We feel the dining here is among the finest we have seen in all of South America: fresh breakfast buffet at Desayunador and lunch and dinner at El Asador for grilled meats and regional specialties. The homemade ice cream here is beyond delicious! Amenities include a spa, indoor/outdoor pool, and outdoor excursions with the Singular's well-traveled guides.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodations: Patagonia Camp Singular Patagonia

Day 9

Patagonia Camp or Singular Patagonia Activities

Today you may enjoy a full-day excursion exploring and hiking the Chilean Patagonia, including a four-hour boat ride on the lake surrounded by icebergs, before continuing on to Sal Grande where you will hike up Nordenskjold with views of the amazing Paine Massif.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodations: Patagonia Camp or Singular Patagonia

Day 10

Torres del Paine Excursion

You may begin your day by trekking the Ascencio Valley where, from above, you will see the Ascencio River. A boxed lunch will be provided. After lunch, you will continue to the forest of the native Lenga (Beech) trees until reaching the glacial moraine. From here it's a one-hour trek to the top. This trek is spectacular and you get to view the three pink, granite towers with their glacial lake below, that made the park famous.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodations: Patagonia Camp Singular Patagonia

Day 11

Drive Patagonia/El Calafate + El Calafate Excursion

El Calafate is a small tourist village placed on the southern coast of Lago Argentino and considered the gateway to Los Glaciares National Park. Here you will be able to see the Perito Moreno Glacier, considered the eighth wonder of the world and the spectacle of the national park.

Eolo Lodge

Eolo is a country lodge, comfortable, spacious, and somewhat similar to ancient Patagonian “estancias”. The lodge is a compound of 17 suites, all with panoramic views. Similar to the Patagonia Camp, Eolo offers a wonderful natural setting with no sacrifice in comfort and outdoor activities, including hiking, biking, and horseback riding. One can observe Lago Argentino towards the north, La Anita Valley towards the east, and the Torres del Paine and the Rico branch of the same lake towards the south. A client staying here mentioned the lamb she had here was the best anywhere in South America!

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Accommodations: Eolo Lodge

Day 12

Fly Argentina/Home

Meals: Breakfast

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