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**Chile & Argentina: The Andes to Patagonia** Small Group Adventure

**Argentina**: Buenos Aires, Bariloche, El Calafate | **Chile**: Puerto Varas, Chiloé Island, Punta Arenas, Torres del Paine National Park

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18 days from **$6095**
Includes international airfare from San Francisco.
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17 days from **$4695**
Without international airfare

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**DEPARTURE DATE:** November 27, 2022

### It’s Included

- International airfare, airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges unless you choose to make your own air arrangements
- All land transportation and 3 internal flights
- Accommodations for 16 nights
- 34 meals—16 breakfasts, 10 lunches, and 8 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Lunch)
- 20 small group activities
- Explore in a small group of 8-16 travelers (average group size of 14)
- Services of a local O.A.T. Trip Experience Leader
- Gratuities for local guides, drivers, and luggage porters
- 5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next adventure—an average of $442

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Itinerary

DAY 1 • Depart U.S.
This evening, fly to Argentina on an overnight flight.

DAY 2 • Arrive Buenos Aires, Argentina
We arrive in Argentina’s capital this morning, where we meet our Trip Experience Leader and fellow travelers, including those who took the pre-trip extension to Chile: Santiago, Easter Island, for an orientation walk near our hotel. Dinner this evening is on your own.
Argenta Tower Hotel or similar

DAY 3 • Explore Buenos Aires • Tango lesson
This morning, we explore Buenos Aires’ bustling center, from the Plaza del Mayo to Avenido 9 de Julio. We’ll also stroll through the colorful La Boca artists’ district. Next, we’ll put on our dancing shoes for an included tango lesson. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant this evening.
B,D—Argenta Tower Hotel or similar

DAY 4 • Fly to Bariloche
After breakfast, we fly to Bariloche. Set along the banks of the 40-mile-long Lake Nahuel Huapi, Bariloche is known for its festive alpine feel. We’ll take an orientation walk near our hotel after we arrive.
B—Villa Huinid Hotel or similar

DAY 5 • Explore Bariloche • Campanario Hill chairlift ride • Craft brewery visit
Today we explore Bariloche. We’ll take a chairlift ride that gives us a panoramic view of the picturesque Lakes District and a hike at Brazo Tristeza along the shore of Lake Nahuel Huapi. Then, we’ll see how Bariloche’s home-grown ingredients are used to brew beer at a family-owned craft brewery as the father and son walk us through their brewing process. Later today, we’ll learn about Bariloche’s controversial history as a place where some German Nazis fled after World War II.
B,L,D—Villa Huinid Hotel or similar

DAY 6 • Mapuche conversation • Optional Limay River float • Horseback ride • Home-Hosted Dinner
This morning, we’ll meet a member of the Mapuche, an indigenous, agricultural people native to southern Chile and Argentina. Then, you may wish to join our optional raft excursion along the Limay River. In the afternoon, we’ll visit a local family in their home on the Patagonian steppe. We’ll learn about their way of life, and mount up for a horseback ride. We’ll be the family’s guests for a Home-Hosted Dinner.
B,D—Villa Huinid Hotel or similar

DAY 7 • Overland to Puerto Varas, Chile
Today, we cross the Andes—and the border—as we travel into Chile by motorcoach. We’ll arrive in Puerto Varas in the afternoon, check in to our hotel, and take a short orientation walk.
B,L—Radisson Puerto Varas or similar

DAY 8 • Explore Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park
This morning, we’ll enter Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park. We’ll take a walk near the Petrohue Falls, where clear blue chutes of water flow over the unique volcanic landscape. Then we have lunch with a fishermen who lives inside the park and his family. Back in Puerto Varas, dinner is on your own.
B,L—Radisson Puerto Varas or similar

DAY 9 • Chiloé Island • Explore Castro
This morning, we’ll take a ferry ride to Chiloe Island off Chile’s coast. Then, we’ll transfer overland to the island’s capital city Castro where we’ll check into our hotel and have lunch. After stopping at San Francisco Church—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—and catching a glimpse of the island’s iconic stilt houses, you’ll have a free afternoon in Castro.
B,L—Enjoy Chiloé Hotel or similar
DAY 10 • Castro • A Day in the Life of the Rilan community
This morning, we’ll experience A Day in the Life of the Rilan community on Chile’s Pacific Coast. We’ll visit a local school supported in part by the Grand Circle Foundation. We’ll also help families in the community prepare a traditional meal called a *curanto*, which we’ll share with them for lunch. Then we’ll enjoy a free afternoon in Castro.
B,L—Enjoy Chiloé Hotel or similar

DAY 11 • Puñihuil Wildlife Reserve • Fly to Punta Arenas
We’ll visit the Puñihuil Wildlife Reserve this morning after breakfast to spot wildlife such as sea otters and penguins, with lunch at a local restaurant to follow. This afternoon, take a ferry back to the mainland and fly to Punta Arenas.
B,L—Cabo de Hornos Hotel or similar

DAY 12 • Explore Punta Arenas
We’ll enjoy a full day today in Punta Arenas, a bustling port overlooking the Strait of Magellan. We’ll taking a walking tour of the town, visit the Nao Victoria Museum, and hear from a local who lived under the Pinochet dictatorship.
B,D—Cabo de Hornos Hotel or similar

DAY 13 • Overland to Torres del Paine National Park • Hike near Lago Grey
Today we travel to Torres del Paine, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Site. After checking in at our hotel, we can join an elective hike along the shores of Lago Grey, where gigantic blue icebergs rest against sandy beaches while the Grey Glacier stretches into the distance through the towering peaks of the surrounding mountains.

*Please note:* Travelers do not have to hike if they feel it may be too difficult.
B,L,D—Hotel Lago Grey or similar

DAY 14 • Explore Torres del Paine National Park

*VERY ACTIVE DAY* (we’ll be active from approximately 8:30am to 7pm, and have the opportunity to take two 2-3 hour hikes)
We’ll continue exploring the pristine environment of Torres del Paine today with a duo of included hikes that take us beneath the Paine Massif and to the Salto Grande waterfall. We’ll have a boxed lunch in the park, with views of the towering peaks of the surrounding mountains. Dinner tonight is at our hotel.
B,L,D—Hotel Lago Grey or similar

DAY 15 • Overland to El Calafate
Today, we transfer to El Calafate, Argentina, a town that serves as the gateway to Parque Nacional Los Glaciares. En route, we’ll enjoy views of the Patagonian steppes and make a stop for lunch.
B,L,D—Kau Yatun Hotel or similar

DAY 16 • Explore Los Glaciares National Park
This morning, we begin a full–day excursion to Los Glaciares National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. While there, we’ll discover Perito Moreno Glacier, towering nearly 200 feet above Lake Argentino. We’ll have a boxed lunch by Perito Moreno, then continue our explorations in the park before returning to El Calafate in the evening.
B,L—Kau Yatun Hotel or similar

DAY 17 • Fly to Buenos Aires
We’ll fly to Buenos Aires today, where you’ll have free time to absorb more of the culture, architecture, and character of this lively city before gathering for a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant.
B,D—Argenta Tower Hotel or similar

DAY 18 • Parana Delta tour • Return to U.S.
This morning, we’ll visit the famed Recoleta cemetery to visit renowned activist Eva Perón’s grave. Then we’ll take a river boat tour to discover life in the Parana Delta. This afternoon, transfer to the airport for your overnight flight home, or begin your post–trip extension to Buenos Aires and Iguassu Falls.
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Discover the rugged splendor of Chile & Argentina ...

Los Glaciares National Park
Located deep in the heart of Argentinean Patagonia, Los Glaciares National Park is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and an area of exceptional natural beauty. The park contains more than 50 large glaciers within its borders, fed by a massive ice cap second only in size to Antarctica. Its centerpiece is the Perito Moreno Glacier, a marvel towering nearly 200 feet above Lake Argentino. Our small group may be lucky enough to witness the glacier “calve”—a truly compelling sight that occurs when a chunk of ice shears off from the glacier, accompanied by a thunderous crack.

Chiloé Island
At low tide, it's possible to actually walk from the Chilean mainland to the island of Chiloé. But many years of separation from the mainland have fostered a mix of deep, rich traditions that differ from those found in the rest of the country, a unique blend of native Cunco, Chonos, and Mapuche cultures that haven't changed in many ways. We'll explore Chiloé and the surrounding islands like the locals do—aboard small boats that allow us an up-close view of the native wildlife, including Humboldt and Magellanic penguins (October to early March). We'll witness the island's historic wooden churches, recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and soak up the slower pace of life in the quaint town of Punihuil, where you'll find fishermen hauling nets of eels and crabs.

Bariloche & the Patagonia Lakes District
Founded in 1902, Bariloche—a flourishing city (and popular ski destination) with a festive German influence—is the heart of the Patagonia Lakes District. Surrounded by lakes and mountains, you can glimpse the snowcapped Andes above the peaks of shingled alpine rooftops on a chairlift ride high above the tree line, taking in the fresh air and breathtaking view of the green pastures and foothill lakes of Patagonia. We'll get a ground-level view into the local culture during a visit to a family-run brewery, where we'll learn how Bariloche’s land and culinary traditions come together and sample beers brewed with locally-grown ingredients.

2022 Departure Dates & Prices
Additional departure cities are available

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| AIR ADD-ON |
| San Francisco | $1400 |
| Los Angeles | $1500 |
| Sacramento | $1600 |

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