



TRIP CODE

CLTSPWA

DURATION

5 Days

LOCATIONS

Patagonia, Chile



INTRODUCTION

This tour is a suggested itinerary designed by our specialist team! Choose this itinerary or alter it to design your own Journey.

Enjoy the winter wonderland of Patagonia on this NEW adventurous multi-activity tour leading through the windswept Patagonian plains to the snow-capped peaks of Torres del Paine National Park. Scenic viewpoints in Punta Arenas and Puerto Natales, sea kayaking with dolphins, horseback riding and hiking to glacial icebergs in Torres del Paine all await on this winter adventure.

ITINERARY



DAY 1: Arrive in Punta Arenas, Chile

Upon arrival at Punta Arenas airport you will be met by a representative and driven to your hotel in the city. After a chance to leave your luggage and freshen up you'll be taken on an afternoon city tour to see the highlights of Punta Arenas including the central square and its monuments, the panoramic viewpoint at the top of Cross Hill and the famous cemetery. The evening is free for you do continue exploring at your own leisure or try the hotel's swimming pool with view over the Magellan Strait. Overnight in Punta Arenas.



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DAY 2: Kayaking at Seno Última Esperanza

Leaving at 7am you'll be driven to north of Punta Arenas to the Seno Última Esperanza that is a fjord and is located in Magallanes, Chile. The estimate terrain elevation above seal level is -9999 metres.



DAY 3: Puerto Natales

After breakfast you start the scenic journey to Puerto Natales, enjoying panoramic views of the Patagonian steppe and the wild animals roaming through the plains including Nandu (similar to ostrich) and guanacos (llama family). In the afternoon you go for a two hour horse ride around the area of Puerto Bories. This trip will give you the opportunity to ride through the beautiful scenery and get a different perspective of Patagonian countryside and surrounding mountain ranges. Please note this excursion is suitable for anyone with or without previous horse riding experience.





DAY 4: Torres del Paine National Park

Depart Puerto Natales for the majestic Torres del Paine, stopping en route at the prehistoric Milodon Cave and the small border town of Cerro Castillo. Continue to the Torres - 3 dominating granite peaks formed by the remains of glacial ice erosion. You will be driven along the shores of Nordenskjold and Pehoe lakes, passing guanaco herds and nandus, before stopping for a short walk to the beautiful Salto Grande waterfall with its cascading white water. In the afternoon continue westwards towards Lago Grey for an hour and a half walk to a viewpoint over the brilliantly blue icebergs which have floated down the lake from the glacier. The walk itself is stunning, a winter wonderland of Lenga forests, frosty leaves and glacial views. After this spectacular sight you begin the drive back to Puerto Natales.



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DAY 5: Depart Punta Arenas

After breakfast you'll check out of your hotel and be driven to the airport to catch your return flight. Adios Patagonia!



INCLUSIONS & DETAILS	
Accommodation	Standard
Inclusions	All transfers Tours as stated Accommodation and breakfast
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request
Notes	Contact us for more details
Price Dependent upon	Season and availability



SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu's "Pass it on" programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures' offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventures' internal processes are also structured to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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