



Land of Fire & Ice - Adventure in Chile

Led by Amazonia Expeditions owner, Dolly Beaver

November 17 - November 24, 2018

16 passenger limit

Nov 17 – Arrive Santiago, Chile

- Transfer from Airport to Santiago - Private service with English speaking guide
- ✓ 1 night Hotel Fundador, Superior room with American breakfast buffet

Nov 18 – Santiago to Torres del Paine

- Transfer from Santiago to Airport - Private service with English speaking guide
 - Fly to Punta Arenas
 - Transfer from Punta Arenas to Torres del Paine, stop to explore Milodon cave.
- ✓ 2 nights at Hotel del Paine, Standard room with breakfast



Guanaco



Nov 19 - Full Day excursion Torres del Paine National Park

After breakfast we will enter the park stopping to get a look at the scenic Serrano River, then cross the Grey River and head to the Grey Lake's beach, from where you can see the Grey Glacier in the distance. Then we head back to the administration center to get an introduction to the park.

We continue our trip through a forest zone following the path that this impressive glacier carved into the landscape long ago. Along the route witness blue icebergs which have broken off from the glacier and are now floating in the lake. Will make stops to see and photograph some of the wildlife of the park including: Guanacos, foxes (which are common and tame enough to get with 2-3 meters), Darwin's Rheas, colorful plovers, black-necked swans, and much more.

We continue our trip north until we arrive to the Paine River, which is the main tributary in the area and will guide us through the lake system in the National Park. Near there, the turquoise color of the Pehoé Lake will surprise us. After that, we will arrive to Pudeto shelter for a short walk for a wonderful view of the Paine central mountain range and hear the deafening sound of the Salto Grande waterfalls.

Next we will head to the Amarga Lagoon where (weather allowing) you can see the lake transform into an amazing mirror reflecting off the distant peaks. Next, we will find the Azul Lagoon where the water is a deep blue color. After the Azul lagoon begin the return to the hotel.

- Picnic lunch and entrance fee Torres del Paine National Park included
- Difficulty: Medium – Low. / Duration: 8 hrs.



**Torres del Paine
National Park**

Nov. 20 - Salto Grande – Horns Viewpoint

Departure from your Hotel toward the Lake Pehoé sector (Pudeto sector) where we will walk from the parking to the Salto Grande which has a height of 14 meters. Then we will follow the path that will take us to the Horns viewpoint in which we will appreciate the varied flora and fauna of the area (Orchids, Lady's Slipper Orchid, Palomita, Calceolaria, etc.) appreciate the view from the lookout are Paine Grande, the Horns, French Valley and Lago Nordenskjold. At the end of this excursion we will continue to Punta Arenas.



El "Salto Grande"

- Excursion Difficulty: Low. - Duration: 3/4 hrs.
- Transfer from Torres del Paine to Punta Arenas: 6 hours
- ✓ 1 night Hotel Finis Terrae - Standard room with American breakfast buffet

Nov. 21 – Magdalena Island

Travel by boat from Punta Arenas to Magdalena Island, nestled in the middle of the Strait of Magellan. To get there we will follow the same navigation route used by some of the most famed explorers in the world such as Sir Francis Drake and Charles Darwin. When we disembark on the island there will be a variety of avifauna waiting for us such as cormorants, sea gulls and one of the largest penguin colonies in Chile. Here the population of Magellanic Penguins is estimated to be more than 60,000 breeding pairs. After taking some pictures, we will follow a trail that will lead us to the light house of the island. From here we will have great panoramic views of the island and the surrounding areas. (This trip is subject to climatic conditions)

- Transfer from Punta Arenas to the Airport to fly to Puerto Montt (please book a flight after 15H30-16H00), where we will be met and transferred for 3 nights at the Cabañas del Lago Hotel
- B - can buy lunch at the cafeteria at the airport



Magellanic Penguin



Nov. 22 - Petrohue Waterfalls & Osorno volcano

On this delightful excursion we will head towards the Vicente Perez Rosales National Park. Along the way we will make a variety of small stops including: Mirador Los Riscos (a beautiful lookout point featuring the Osorno Volcano) and Mirador Onces Bellavista a very nice spot to observe wildlife. (This park is home to 30 plus species mammals and 80 plus species of birds)

Once inside the park we will pass a lagoon home to the famous Torrent Duck and then continue to the Petrohue River and the Petrohue Waterfalls. There we will take time to explore our surroundings to the fullest and take some beautiful pictures. Afterwards we will continue a little further up the path and arrive to the Todos Los Santos Lake where we will take a 30-minute boat ride across the emerald water. Subsequently we will then board our vehicle for a 40-minute drive to reach the famous Osorno Volcano. Once there we will take a small trek to a lookout point where we can admire from a distance the Llanquihue Lake and its surroundings. A few steps further we will reach the notable Burbuja Crater and a little further up the volcano we will be able to appreciate the Rojo Crater, both impressive and remarkable.

- ✓ Entrance fees (waterfalls), picnic lunch.

Nov. 23 - Alerce Andino National Park

Travel to the Alerce Andino National Park this park covers almost 40.000 ha and it is, therefore, the largest surviving Valdivian Rainforest. Most of the trees are native Alerce, one of the oldest trees in the world. We will explore the National Park by doing some easy hikes to get closer to these amazing giants, some of them of around 3,000-4,000 years old. Search for native fauna such as foxes, pudú (small Chilean deer) and the charming monito del monte (a cute little mouse opossum). In the late afternoon we will say goodbye to this wonder of nature to return to the hotel.



Osorno Volcano

- Picnic lunch
- Duration of Activity & Difficulty Level: 6 Hours/ medium

Nov. 24 - Transfer from Puerto Varas to airport to fly back to Santiago

- Private service with English speaking guide

End of services



Additional Information:

Cost Information:

Cost: USD \$2990 per person

Single supplement \$700

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Included:

- ✓ Private Transfers & Excursions with English speaking guide
- ✓ 01 overnight in Santiago 02 overnights in Torres del Paine, 1 night in Punta Arenas & 03 overnights in Puerto Varas
- ✓ All breakfasts
- ✓ All entrance fees of the places mentioned in the above program.
- ✓ 01 Box Lunch on Day 3 on Day 06 & on Day 07
- ✓ 01 bottle of water 500cc per day, per person

Not Included:

- o Flights, airport and taxes
 - o Early check in
 - o Late check out
 - o Private expenses
 - o Anything not listed in the above program
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Travel Insurance:

We suggest the purchase of a Trip Insurance policy. To purchase travel insurance use this link:

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Atacama Extension

DAY 1: CALAMA - SAN PEDRO AND THE MOON & DEATH VALLEY

After arriving at the airport you will be transported to the town of San Pedro de Atacama. This colorful village is located 2.440 m / 8.000 ft. above sea level in the middle of a green oasis. Later that day, in the afternoon you will adventure out to the mystifying Death & Moon valleys boasting incredible stone and sand formations. There at sunset you will have the opportunity to view the beautiful fading light over the vast landscapes.

DAY 2: SAN PEDRO, ARCHEAOLOGICAL TOUR TOCONAO AND THE ATACAMA SALT LAKE

After breakfast you will explore the town of San Pedro de Atacama – the center of a Paleolithic civilization that built impressive rock fortresses on the nearby mountains encircling the green valley. From there you will take brief drive to reach the 3000 year old pre-Columbian village of Tulo. The archaeological remains that can be viewed here constitute the oldest evidence of human settlement of the valley. After your visit you will then continue the morning tour to the Pukara de Quitor a fortress, which has seen many battles. In the afternoon you will visit Toconao: a village where white volcanic stone sculptures are made by locals. Afterwards you will continue on to the Atacama Salt Lake; an inland sea formed millions of year ago and an impressive sight dominated by rock formations and crystalized salt. (B, L)

DAY 3: EL TATIO AND MACHUCA

Before dawn break you will depart from San Pedro and head north to the famous El Tatio Geysers; a geothermal field flanked by soaring peaks. El Tatio is situated at 4.300 m / 14.108 ft. above sea level on the Altiplano. It is the highest geothermal field in the world and boasts spectacular scenery. Make sure to bring warm clothes as temperatures at this altitude are considerably low this early in the morning. At dawn you will observe powerful spurts of steam that shoot out from various geyser blowholes and steaming ponds that are encrusted with brilliant salt crystals reflecting the metal-blue sky. After this nice visit to El Tatio you will drive to the village of Machuca known as the resting place for llama caravans that traveled the Inca Highway. Afterwards you will return to San Pedro de Atacama to enjoy the afternoon at leisure. (B)

DAY 4: SAN PEDRO - CALAMA

After breakfast, a transfer will take you to the airport to board your departure flight. (B)

Includes:

- 3 overnights with breakfast
- Meals according itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch).
- Regular Premium transfers and excursions (max 10 paxs) with english speaking guide, or private ones
- Entrance fees.

Please note:

- On day 3 due to high altitude and early departure the recommendation is to have a light dinner the night before and no alcohol. Low t° could reach up to -15°C/5°F bring warm clothing, sun cream, sun glasses, bathing suit and towels.

- Itinerary is subject to change depending on arrival and flight times of Day 1.

Pucon Extension

Day 1 – bus from Puerto Varas to Pucon transfer to Hotel Landhaus San Sebastian

Day 2 - Half day Geometricas Hot Springs (private)

Breakfast, then a transfer will pick us up at our hotel to take us to the amazing hot springs known as Geometric, nestled 90 kms Southwest of Pucón (about an hour and a half by car). 16 kms away from this hot springs we will find the picturesque town of Coñaripe which almost disappeared with the last eruption of the Villarrica volcano. Due to their architecture and original design, the Geometric Hot Springs have taken over several magazines and newspapers. We will find 17 thermal pools to relax with temperatures ranging between 36° and 50° C. After soaking in these delicious waters we can have a snack at a small cafeteria while admiring the spectacular scenery that surrounds us. (1/2 day) B

Day 3 - Half Day Volcanic Caves, private

Breakfast, then we will experience an incredible adventure when visiting the volcanic caves of the Villarrica Volcano, one of the most active volcanoes in South America. These caverns originated millions of years ago after a colossal eruption. Once inside the caves we will walk a medium difficulty path while observing the geological formations and compositions of its walls and ceilings. Outside the caves, we will be able to see a deep canyon that was formed by an avalanche of lahar (a mix of pyroclastic material and snow) that took place many years ago. We will also have the chance to walk on a hanging bridge from where we will clearly distinguish the different layers on the ground created by the many eruptions of the volcano. After this exciting experience, we will call it a day.

Day 4 – Transfer to Temuco airport after breakfast

Or can do this full day hike instead of one of the ½ day tours:

Full Day Huerquehue National Park, private

Today's excursion will lead us into the Huerquehue National Park, located only 35 km from Pucón. Founded in 1967, this is one of the oldest protected areas of Chile and covers around 12,500 hectares. Several hundred years ago, this area was home to important trade routes, which is why the park was dubbed "Place of Messengers" in the indigenous Mapudungun language. Nowadays hikers can enjoy scenic landscapes, millennial forests, lakes, lagoons and various waterfalls. This excursion will take us along the main path of the park, the "Los Lagos Trail", where we can spot a wide diversity of fauna and flora. After many breathtaking moments and appreciating our surroundings rich in history we will call it a day. (FD) (BL)

Notes

Private service with English speaking guide, entrance fees and box lunch.

Not included: activity insurance.

* Duration of transfers: 2 hours

* Duration of Activity & Difficulty Level: 6 hours & Moderate

* Equipment & Gear included: n/a

* What to bring? Trekking shoes, rain jacket, sun protection (sunglasses & hat) and water bottle