



Patagonian Chile and Argentina



Buenos Aires at night

This Patagonian Chile and Argentina Tour guides you to these countries with a visit to the most amazing sites in Patagonia: Torres Del Paine and Perito Moreno Glacier. You will fly south to Punta Arenas and Puerto Natales to visit the Torres del Paine National Park. From here you will cross the border by road to Calafate and visit the Perito Moreno and Upsala glaciers and Estancia Cristina. This tour includes begins in Santiago and concludes in Buenos Aires.

This tour includes airfare allowance from London (UK), on non-holiday dates. You do not need to fly via London; Yampu will fly you the most direct way to your city of destination. Depending on your travel dates and proximity of travel, we will quote you the most economical surcharge from your city or country of origin.

Pricing

Occupancy Type	3-star	4-star	5-star
Double	£ 3402	£ 4156	£ 4588
Single	£ 4442	£ 5007	£ 5660



Santiago



Perito Moreno

Itinerary

Day 1

Take overnight flight to Santiago.

Day 2

Reception at Santiago airport and transfer to your selected hotel in the heart of the city.

Afternoon city tour of Santiago. We will pick you up from your hotel to explore the historic and modern sights of Santiago de Chile. We will start our tour at the Alameda Bernardo O'Higgins, Santiago's main avenue, visiting La Moneda, the Government Palace, where we will explain to you the historical and actual meaning of this place. We will enjoy a walk through the pedestrian streets of Huerfanos and Ahumada, where the main commercial activity of the city is concentrated. We will then visit the famous Plaza de Armas, the main square of the city, which is surrounded by the Metropolitan Cathedral and other historical buildings such as the City Hall and the Post Office, both dating from colonial times. Next we head to Santa Lucia Hill, the hill upon which the Spanish founded Santiago in 1541. It is a lone steep rock, with many plants and an antique building rising steeply from the city below. From here you can see the Parque Forestal (park) on one side and the Mapocho River on the other. We will cross the river to visit Bellavista, the cultural and artistic neighborhood of Santiago. Return to your hotel.

Day 3

Full day of touring around Santiago. On this day you may choose from one of the following excursions: Vina del Mar and Valparaiso; Valle Nevado; Isla Negra - Pablo Neruda Museum; Cousiño Macul and Concha y Toro wineries.

Day 4

Santiago - Punta Arenas - Puerto Natales

Transfer to the airport to take the flight to Punta Arenas. Reception at the airport and transfer to the bus station to take the bus to Puerto Natales. Upon arrival transfer to your hotel. Evening at leisure to rest before your excursion to the Torres del Paine Park.

Day 5

Torres del Paine National Park

Full day excursion to Torres del Paine National Park. Enroute we will visit the Milodón Cave, where the remains of a prehistoric animal were found in the last century. The Torres del Paine National Park was declared a biosphere reserve by UNESCO in 1978. The park covers an area of 160,000 hectares. The most important attraction is the central mountain range where the Horns of Paine are found, and also the needles which were formed by the action of the many glaciers surrounding the rock. There are also many impressive lakes, glaciers, waterfalls and a quite varied flora and fauna—which makes this one of the most famous places in Chile to visit. Lunch (included) is in a restaurant in the park itself. Transfer to a hosteria in the park in the late afternoon.

Day 6

Torres del Paine

Day of leisure in Torres del Paine. Optional excursions available at the Hosteria. Overnight in Torres del Paine.

Day 7

Torres del Paine - Calafate

Transfer to Calafate. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel.

Day 8

Overland trip to Perito Moreno Glacier, one of the world's largest active continental glaciers, declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO because of its breathtaking beauty and its unusual behavior. A boat excursion to the face of the glacier is included to get an up-close and personal perspective of this immense gift from Mother Nature. Optional mini-trekking excursion for outdoor enthusiasts (additional \$55 per person).

Day 9

Depart from the hotel to Puerto Bandera, 50 kilometers (31 miles) away from El Calafate, to enjoy a full-day lake excursion to Upsala Glacier and Estancia Cristina. You will board a modern and comfortable boat to sail among hundreds of icebergs on Lago Argentino as it approaches the breathtaking view of Upsala Glacier's towering western front, the largest glacier in Los Glaciers National Park. From here, you continue sailing through Cristina Canal where you will disembark at the Estancia Cristina. You will have six hours to enjoy the many activities at Estancia Cristina, including a guided walk to the Caterina River and Chapel. Lunch will be served in the dining hall at the Estancia.

After this excursion, you will return to the Estancia farm house where you will depart at 5:30pm and arrive back at Puerto Bandera at approximately 7:00pm. Return to Calafate and transfer to your hotel. Lunch included.

Optional: You can ride in an all-terrain vehicle or enjoy a trekking excursion filled with marine fossils (at additional cost).

Day 10

Transfer to the airport to take the flight back to Buenos Aires. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel.

Day 11

Tour of Buenos Aires, an impressive city that combines the atmosphere of an old European town with the features of a Latin American capital. On this tour, you will come to appreciate its characteristics, its history, its architecture, its culture and its best stories. We will visit the center of the city, San Telmo, La Boca, Puerto Madero and Palermo, with stops in Plaza de Mayo, Caminito and La Recoleta.

Evening tango show

At night, you will be treated to an unforgettable tango show performed by the best dancers and singers, while enjoying a delicious meal. This is the perfect way to leave Buenos Aires, the city of tango. Return to the hotel.

Day 12

Fiesta Gaucha

Full-day excursion to an estancia for a typical barbeque lunch and a folklore/gaucha show. Here we will learn about the customs of the Argentinean gaucho and his abilities on the horse that will leave you breathless. The meat will be cooked "a lo gaucho" outdoors on the barbeque. Lunch and drinks included. Afternoon, return to Buenos Aires. Duration: 6 hours. Operates every day except Monday.

Day 13

Morning of leisure to enjoy Buenos Aires. Evening, transfer to the airport or choose from other extensions in Argentina (Iguazu, Salta) or in Brazil.

Price includes:

- No visa is required for travel to Chile as a U.S., Canadian or Australian citizen. A reciprocity fee must be paid upon entering Chile; the current amount that must be paid by U.S. and Canadian citizens is \$140 per person.
- Optional excursions at Hosteria las Torres:
- The Towers
- Type: horse riding and/or walking
- Demand: high
- Duration: 6-8 hours
- One of the main attractions of the renowned Torres del Paine National Park, these rock formations are 1,000 meters of naked granite stabbing the heavens with three colossal towers. The trail penetrates a valley covered in forests, streams, slopes and wildlife.

The Cuernos

Type: horse riding or walking

Demand: medium

Duration: 7-8 hours

This beautiful trail tours through a diversity of local plants such as the Notro, which blossoms powerful red flowers in November and December. Along the trail there is a peaceful lagoon usually inhabited by a family of caiques (wild upland geese).

Full Paine

Type: vehicle and walking

Demand: low

Duration: 8-10 hours

The day starts off in a vehicle. Driving through the length of the park, we reach the Grey Lake and the National Park Torres del Paine. Guanacos, foxes and birds are sighted along the way. This is an excellent excursion to see the park as a whole. Once at Grey Lake, our guide will explain how glaciers have sculpted the entire region. Along the way, we may see extraordinary icebergs that have broken off the main glacier.

Salto Grande

Type: vehicle and walking

Demand: low

Duration: 4-5 hours

The inner roads of the park will delight the passenger with its beauties until Salto Grande is reached. A short walk leads to this waterfall which flows into the turquoise waters of Lake Pehoe.

Lake Nordjenskold

Type: walking or horse riding

Demand: low

Duration: 2-3 hours

This light path borders Mount Almirante Nieto, passes the romantic Laguna Inge and reaches the emerald-green Lake Nordenskjold. The path promises a soft walk or a pleasurable ride along a lake that extends to the foot of the colossal mountain Almirante Nieto. Cost: From \$35 to \$100 per person, to be paid directly at the hosteria.

Prices include air transportation from Miami to Santiago and Buenos Aires to Miami, Santiago to Punta Arenas, and Calafate to Buenos Aires, hotel accommodation with daily continental breakfast, all transfers between airports and hotels with assistance and baggage handling; meals where specified. Local airport taxes that are payable in the country of destination are not included. Taxes and security fees that can be paid at time of ticketing are already included in the quote (if airfare has been included in the quote).