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## Trekking Patagonia from Argentina to Chile in 7 Days

**Highlights** • El Chaltén • Trekking Lago de Tres • El Calafate • Perito Moreno Glacier • Nautical Safari • Puerto Natales • Puerto Natales • Torres del Paine National Park • Punta Arenas



El Chaltén, Lago de Tres, Argentina



### Day 1 • El Calafate Arrival • El Chaltén

Assistance, meet and greet in El Calafate upon arrival. Regular shuttle bus transportation from El Calafate to El Chaltén (3-hours). Drop off at selected hotel for registration. After settling into your room, familiarization meeting with your local guide at the hotel lobby. Get some useful tips on the trails, restaurants and local activities. This colorful village overlooks the stunning northern sector of Parque Nacional Los Glaciares. Every summer thousands of trekkers explore amazing tracks that start right here. Founded in 1985, El Chaltén is still a

frontier town. Every year more mainstream tourists come to see what the fuss is about, but in winter (May to September), most hotels and services board up and transportation links are few.

2-Nights hotel accommodation in El Chaltén.

### Day 2 • Laguna De Los Tres Self-Guided Trekking Tour (B)

08:00 after an early breakfast, enjoy a self-guided hiking tour to Laguna de los Tres. The trail is well marked. The Laguna de los Tres trek, on the Fitz Roy Valley, offers amazing vistas of Mount Fitz Roy and its glaciers. This classic and demanding hike with its breathtaking scenery will astound you. Optional English-Speaking guide available upon request (not included). Trail information: Climb 800 meters and hike a distance of 12 kilometers, trip duration 9 hours (depending on your fitness level). Recommended equipment: Firm hiking shoes or hiking boots, hiking poles, comfortable hiking clothes, waterproof layers, sunglasses, sun protection and a water bottle. 17:00 Return to your hotel.

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Perito Morenos Mini Ice Trekking



### Day 3 • El Chalten • El Calafate (B)

07:20 pickup from hotel and Shuttle transfer to El Calafate (3-hours). Hotel registration. 15:00 pickup from hotel in El Calafate for a guided four-wheel-drive excursion to Balcon Del Calafate. Explore El Calafate's rural area with ease on a round-trip tour of the region. Ascend the mountainside to absorb views of the sprawling Andes, Argentino Lake, and beyond, while gaining insight into the region's geological origins from your local guide. Benefit from the more intimate experience of a small-group tour. Return.

For dinner, we suggest visiting Rustico Grill to try the Magellanic Lamb (not included).

### Day 4 • Los Glaciares National Park • Perito Moreno Glacier • Nautical Safari • El Calafate (B)

08:30 Pickup from the hotel lobby by your English-speaking guide for a scenic group excursion SIC to Los Glaciares National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Centre and home to Perito Moreno glacier. National Park fee included. During the 2-hour ride, learn about the park's animal and plant life, including details about Perito Moreno. Walk on the glacier using the park's wooden walkways and follow directions from your guide to some of the area's hiking trails. Visit the viewing platforms for perspectives of the immense ice field from different angles and levels. Watch for calving: Chunks of ice rupturing off the face of the glacier and cascading into Lago Argentino. Stopover at the Park's restaurant. Optional lunch (not included). After viewing the Curve of Sighs, head to Bajo Las Sombras pier and board a vessel. Sail between floating ice chunks of every size as you cross the Rico Arm of Lago Argentino. Visit the advancing wall of the glacier, a 60 meters vertical face of ice that juts out into the lake.

Shuttle transportation back to your hotel in the afternoon.

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Torres Del Paine National Park, Chile



### Day 4 • Perito Moreno Glacier •

Nautical Safari • El Calafate (continuation)

#### Optional Mini Ice trekking (not included)

Trek across Perito Moreno Glacier in this full-day trip in Los Glaciares National Park. Led by an expert guide, put on your crampons and hike the stunning ice mass, discovering ice caves, waterfalls and deep crevasses along the way. Bring a packed lunch to enjoy atop one of the World's only advancing glaciers during your 4-hour trek. Reverse your journey across glacier, lake and Patagonian alpine road. Observation:

In order to join the Mini Ice trekking adventure, you must be in good physical conditions!

Difficulty level: High (age restriction 14 to 65 years).

### Day 5 • El Calafate • Puerto Natales • Torres Del Paine (B/D)

Pickup from hotel. Private transportation to El Calafate bus terminal. Regular transportation by tourist coach from El Calafate to Puerto Natales (3.5 hours). Assistance, meet and greet by your personal driver-guide upon arrival in Puerto Natales. Enjoy a brief familiarization tour of Puerto Natales before continuing towards Torres del Paine National Park. Private transportation into Torres Del Paine a 70-minute drive. Hotel Del Paine is located on the southern boundary of the Torres del Paine National Park, 7 km from the Park Administration, 79 km from Puerto Natales and 325 km from Punta Arenas, specifically at Villa Serrano and 3 km from the Rio Serrano gate that gives access to the national park. Welcome dinner at the hotel restaurant. 2-Nights at [www.hoteldelpaine.com](http://www.hoteldelpaine.com) in Torres Del Paine.

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Torres Del Paine National Park



### Day 6 • Torres Del Paine (B)

Free day. Ask our local tour coordinator for the best hiking trails and go on a self-guided trekking adventure. You can also book a fully escorted hiking, horse-back-riding or river trip to experience the Patagonia with one of our professional naturalists guides (not included). The hotel offers specialized naturalists, off-road vehicles, zodiac boats to navigate the Serrano River and all necessary gear for a safe exploration. For more information on our guided tour program inside the park, please visit [www.hoteldelpaine.com](http://www.hoteldelpaine.com).

### Day 7 • Torres del Paine • Puerto Natales Departure (B)

After breakfast, pickup from the hotel lobby by your driver and transportation to the Puerto Natales bus terminal or Puerto Natales Airport. Departure from Puerto Natales, Chile.

Not ready to fly home? Your tour coordinator can help with travel arrangements to extend your journey.

### Useful Information

The Austral summer runs from December through February, taking that fact too literally is folly. You are at end of the world, headlong winds and sideways sleet can happen any time of year. The Antarctica and the Southern Patagonian Ice Field define the weather. Keep warm and cozy! Bring wind and sun protection. Avoid shorts, there is plenty of thorny brush to get at your legs even when chilly gusts of wind are not whipping. Bring top and bottom thermals, light gloves and a hat, an insulating layer like a fleece, rain gear and a down jacket for cool nights.

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Don Los Cerros Hotel, El Chalten



Hotel Mirador, El Calafate



Hotel Del Paine

Valid from June 4.2020 to December 20.2021. Hotels are subject to availability at time of booking. Not valid during trade shows, major holidays and/or other special events. Blackout periods may apply.

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This tour is available every day • 6-Nights hotel accommodation • Assistance, meet and greet as per program • Airport transfers • Transportation and guided sightseeing tours as per program • Perito Moreno Glacier Tour • Nautical Safari • 7-Meals included: (B) 6 Buffet Breakfasts, (D) 1 Welcome Dinner • Local English-speaking tour guides • Park entrance fees as per program • Applicable taxes

#### Category First Class Hotels (Room Type)

2-Nights El Chalten, Argentina • **Don Los Cerros Hotel** (Chalten Standard) [www.dot-hotels.com](http://www.dot-hotels.com)  
2-Nights El Calafate, Argentina • **Mirador Del Lago Hotel** (Standard)) [www.miradordellago.com.ar](http://www.miradordellago.com.ar)  
2-Nights Torres Del Paine, Chile • **Hotel Del Paine** (Standard) [www.hoteldelpaine.com](http://www.hoteldelpaine.com).

#### Not Included

International and domestic flights. Optional meals and optional services.  
Travel and medical insurance. Tips for tour guides USD \$5 pp/day and drivers USD \$2.50 pp/day.  
Prices in CAD and/or USD available upon request. Terms and conditions apply as per our website.  
Group quotations upon request. Many other hotels in all categories are available upon request.  
Optional: Design your trip your way.

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