



Wangulen Odyssey

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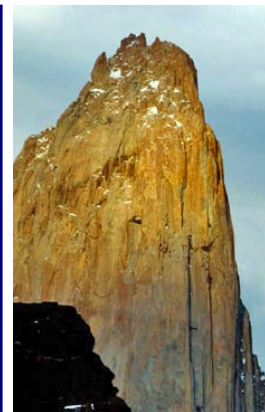
PATAGONIAN ROOTS - 8 DAYS

Take a tour of the modern capital city of **Santiago de Chile**, relax surrounded by volcanoes, lakes and rivers in **Puerto Varas**, then experience the real Patagonia through an all-inclusive program at a **Boutique Estancia** in **Torres del Paine National Park**.



Program includes the following:

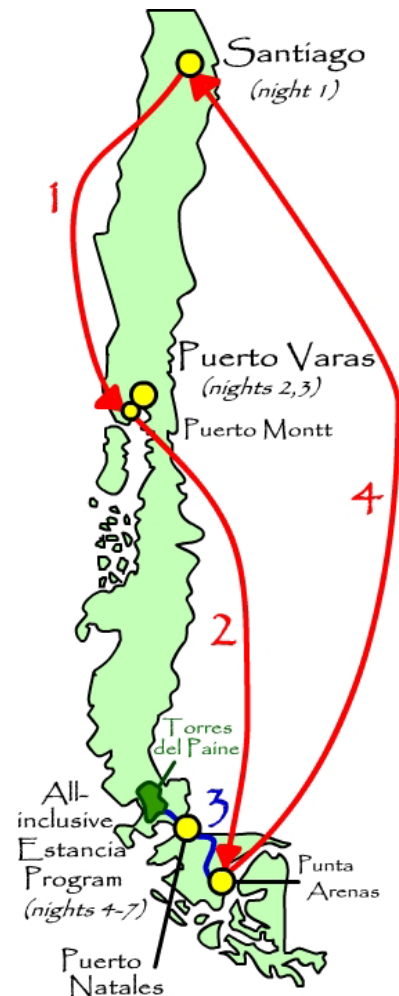
- Internal airfare from Santiago (Santiago – Puerto Montt – Punta Arenas – Santiago),
- All airport and hotel transfers,
- 1 night in Santiago, 4-star hotel with breakfast and City Tour,
- 2 nights in Puerto Varas, 4-star hotel with breakfasts and 2 Excursions,
- All-inclusive 4 night program at Cerro Guido Boutique Estancia, (Superior room, all meals, range of excursions into Torres del Paine, etc.)
- Adventure insurance for Estancia Program (horseback riding).
- **Daily departures October - April**



Trip Itinerary

US\$ **2,690** per person

based on double occupancy
\$600 single supplement



Day 1

Santiago

Arrive into **Santiago's** international airport where a transfer will be waiting to take you to your hotel for the night. This afternoon you have the chance to see Santiago in detail through an **afternoon City Tour** visiting all the key sites, ending with an optional "**Pisco Sour**", Chile's national drink. Transfer back to hotel.

Day 2

Puerto Varas

Morning transfer to the airport for your flight to the southern city of **Puerto Montt**. Transfer to **Puerto Varas**, the "City of Roses", where you will check in your hotel with a view of the lake and volcanoes. You will have an **afternoon trip up the Osorno Volcano** or a **tour around the west side of Lake Llanquihue**, Chile's 2nd largest lake, giving you an insight into the daily lives of the original German immigrants who began settling in this region during the 1850s. You will visit the lakeside towns of **Frutillar** with its open-air museum and then have lunch. Upon your return to Puerto Varas, you will have the rest of the afternoon and evening free to explore this quaint lakeside town.

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Day 3

Puerto Varas

Today you have a **Full day trip through the Perez Rosales National Park, Petrohue Falls, a unique waterfall system through volcanic rock, and on to Lake Todos Los Santos**, where you will take a catamaran across the lake, with unbeatable views of both the Osorno and Puntiagudo Volcanoes, to Peulla, where you can have lunch (price not included) and optional activities such as hiking before returning to Puerto Varas.

Day 4

Estancia Cerro Guido, Torres del Paine

Transfer to the airport outside Puerto Montt for your flight down to **Punta Arenas**, where you will begin your **4-night all-inclusive program**. Your guide from Cerro Guido Lodge will meet you at the airport, with the following itinerary: We drive northwards to Puerto Natales stopping at the traditional Hotel Río Rubens to enjoy our lunch. After 3½ hours we will arrive at Puerto Natales where we take the road to Torres del Paine National Park to reach the Estancia Cerro Guido.

Day 5

Estancia Cerro Guido, Torres del Paine

After breakfast you will have a **guided tour of the Estancia**, visiting the kitchen, dining room, shearing shed and other buildings of the estancia. Then you can choose between three excursions:

1. Horseback Ride to the Estancia Las Flores (full-day)

Level of difficulty: Intermediate

Terrain: Open pampas, rolling hills and meadows

Duration (round trip): 7 hours

Description: This lovely, gentle horse-ride across flat terrain and open fields is ideal for galloping. The ride passes Vega Nash and after 3 hours reaches the Puesto Las Flores, an old shepherd hut, where there is one of the only adobe (mud clay) houses in the region. Beautiful view of the Sierra Baguales. Involves crossing the River Baguales.

2. Horseback Ride + lunch in the country - half-day (fishing possible when in season)

Level of difficulty: Easy to intermediate

Terrain: Grassy fields, open pampas

Duration (round trip): 5 hours

Description: Easy to intermediate ride which allows the rider to observe the land use and to appreciate the size of the grazing land belonging to the estancia. Rest at Puesto Vega Nash. Involves crossing the River Baguales. Great views of the Sierra Baguales.

3. Trek to the Estancia Las Chinas

Level of difficulty: Intermediate to advanced

Duration: 6 hour trek + 1 hour transfer.

Description: Vehicle transfer to the Puesto Las Chinas in the Sierra Baguales sector where we start our trek bordering the Las Chinas River heading northwards. After about 10 minutes we will start to ascend gentle hills to the west of the river, after reaching a pronounced ridge we will head into the valley of a side tributary of the Las Chinas River. After passing the tree line we will climb to the peak which offers great views of Torres del Paine, Laguna Azul and Sierra Baguales.

Day 6

Estancia Cerro Guido, Torres del Paine

Today we will have a mini **full-day trip to Torres del Paine National Park**, with a navigation on Lake Grey. After breakfast we set off for Torres del Paine NP visiting the main points of interest such as the Nordenskjöld Lookout, Salto Grande (the waterfall that connects the Nordenskjöld and Pehoe lakes) and the visitor's center (the administrative center of the TPNP) before continuing on to Hosteria Lago Grey. We will enjoy our picnic in the area around the Grey sector before check in for the navigation. We set sail around 15.00 and sail up Lake Grey to get close to the glacier. The boat trip lasts about 3 hours and then we return to Estancia Cerro Guido.

Day 7

Estancia Cerro Guido, Torres del Paine

Today you can choose between three distinct activities:

1: Trek to the Base of Las Torres

Level of difficulty: Intermediate to advanced

Duration: 7-8 hours

Description: After breakfast we drive to Torres del Paine National Park to the Estancia Cerro Paine sector, where we will start our trek to the base of the towers. We follow the Ascencio River before entering the Ascencio Valley. The walk will be uphill for about an hour, until we reach Campamento El Chileno (an excellent place to recover our energies). Afterwards we will walk through century-old forests of beech ("lenga" *Nothofagus pumilio*), and then continue ascending through a terminal moraine up to the Torres del Paine viewpoint. The descent follows the same path back to the Estancia.

2: Trek from Laguna Verde to Weber Bridge

Level: Easy

Length of trek: 4 – 5 hours.

Description: After breakfast we will head towards Estancia Lazo, where we start our 5-hour trek (approx.). For the first 45 minutes we follow the western shore of Laguna Verde, and then continue through a Magellanic deciduous forest of Lenga (*Nothofagus pumilio*) and Ñirre (*Nothofagus antarctica*) beech trees. This is a good place to have lunch. Finally we will arrive at the highlight of the excursion: an amazing view of the Paine Massif, Paine River, Lake Toro and Serrano River. Then we will enter the park and walk to Weber Bridge where our transfer will be waiting for us.

3: Horse Ride to the Aónikenk Tombs (full-day for experienced riders only)

Level of difficulty: Advanced

Terrain: Ridges, ravines, steep terrain

Duration (round trip): 6 hours

Description: This wonderful, advanced ride goes up Cerro Guido to the highest point of the Estancia. From here the beautiful River Las Chinas Valley and the Sierra Baguales can be observed as well as the immensity of the Patagonian pampas. The ride reaches the peak of Cerro Guido where tombs from Pre-Hispanic cultures have been found, believed to be religious and sacred offerings.

Day 8

International Flight

After breakfast and our farewells we will head back to Punta Arenas, ending the Estancia Cerro Guido experience. Have a safe trip home!



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