



Chile & Patagonia: National Parks, Glaciers and Hot Springs

DURATION | 12 Days

TRIP LEVEL | Active

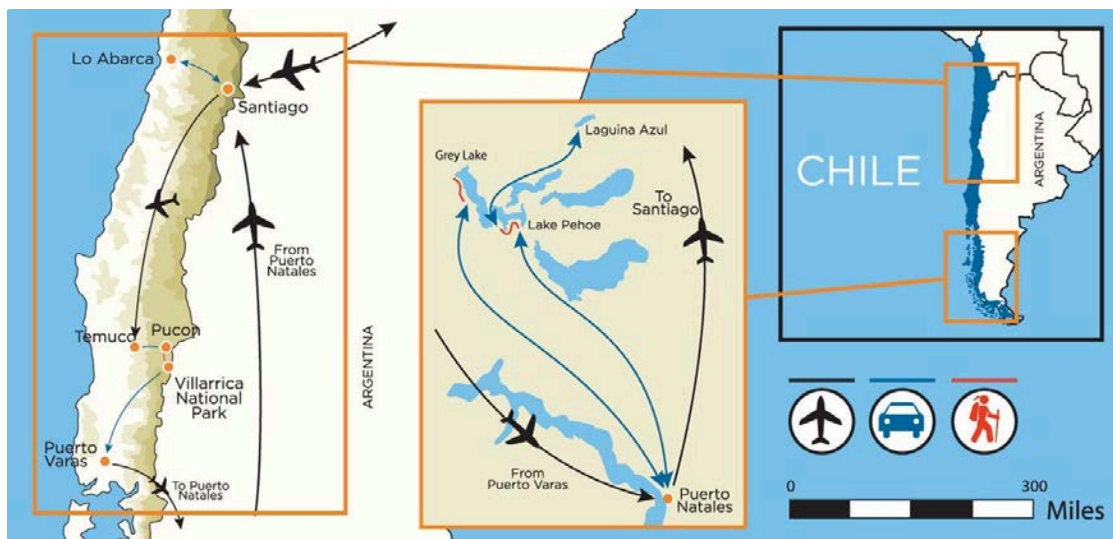
Trip Overview

Welcome to Chile, a stunning country stretching along South America's western edge, featuring landscapes from the Atacama Desert to the glaciers of Patagonia. Known for its thriving wine regions, vibrant cities like Santiago, and the majestic Andes, Chile offers a rich cultural tapestry and warm hospitality. Join AdventureWomen for an unforgettable 12-day journey through this diverse land. Begin in Santiago, exploring the colorful Lastarria neighborhood and enjoying a welcome dinner. Discover Casa Marin Vineyard with Chile's first female winemaker María Luz Marin, then fly to Pucón for kayaking and a deep dive into Mapuche heritage. Explore Villarrica National Park and relax in natural hot springs before heading to Torres del Paine. Experience breathtaking vistas, glacier expeditions, and meet inspiring local women. Conclude your adventure back in Santiago, carrying cherished memories of an extraordinary journey through Chile.

Trip Highlights

- Immerse yourself in the vibrant Lastarria neighborhood and discover the artistic ambiance of Chile's capital and explore traditions in Machupe.
- Visit a renowned winery led by Chile's first female winemaker, savoring exquisite Chilean wines and their rich history.
- Explore the breathtaking landscapes of Torres del Paine National Park, witness the Grey Glacier, and enjoy horseback riding at a charming Patagonian ranch.

Map View



Trip Itinerary



Day 1

Arrival in Santiago

Welcome to Santiago, a vibrant metropolis full of character, with a thriving arts culture, trendy restaurant scene, and lively nightlife nestled in Chile's central valley. Arrive at Santiago International Airport (SCL) after 1:00 PM and enjoy an early check-in at your hotel. Set out for a delightful walking tour of the bohemian Lastarria neighborhood. Stroll through its charming streets, absorbing the artistic vibe and uncovering hidden gems. As the sun sets, indulge in a memorable welcome dinner at Ambrosia, the acclaimed restaurant of Carolina Bazán, celebrated as one of the best chefs in Latin America. Savor exquisite Chilean flavors and immerse yourself in the warmth of local hospitality.

Meals: dinner | Overnight: Cumbres Lastarria Hotel



Cumbres Lastarria Hotel

A contemporary boutique hotel nestled in one of Santiago's most bohemian neighborhoods. With its striking architecture and unbeatable location in the heart of an area renowned for its cultural heritage, museums, and culinary delights, this hotel offers the perfect gateway to immerse yourself in the alluring cultural and gastronomic life that defines this part of the city.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, minibar, bottled water, safe, flatscreen TV, Wi-Fi, air conditioning



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Day 2

Casa Marin Vineyard Tour

Embark on a scenic drive to the emerging Lo Abarca region, known for its unique terroir and its production of high-quality cool-climate wines, especially Pinot Noir and Sauvignon Blanc. At Casa Marin Vineyard, enjoy a captivating tour and meet María Luz Marin, Chile's first female winemaker and winery owner. With her expertise and vision, María Luz founded South America's first cool-climate winery along the Pacific Coast. Experience guided vineyard tours, indulge in tastings of Casa Marin's acclaimed wines, and savor a gourmet lunch amidst stunning views of the vineyards and Pacific Ocean. Dinner is yours to explore in the vibrant Lastarria neighborhood or at your hotel's restaurant.

Meals: breakfast, lunch | Overnight: Cumbres Lastarria Hotel



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Day 3

Adventure in Pucón

Fly from Santiago to Temuco, then embark on a scenic drive to Pucón, a charming town surrounded by breathtaking lakes, volcanoes, and forests. In the afternoon, set out for a sunset kayak or stand-up paddleboard adventure on Villarrica Lake. Paddle around La Peninsula, taking in stunning views of the Villarrica volcano, unique rock formations, and lush native forests. As the sun dips below the horizon, create unforgettable memories in this stunning landscape. Dinner is yours to explore; enjoy signature Chilean cuisine at your hotel or discover local flavors in town.

Meals: breakfast, lunch | Overnight: Pucón Green Park Hotel



Pucón Green Park Hotel

Set only a 3-minute drive away from Pucón's city centre and a 1-minute drive from Pucón's aerodrome, Hotel Pucon Green Park offers accommodation in an area surrounded by nature and gardens, and offering views of Villarica volcano and the Quelhue mountain range. Las Hortensias Restaurant serves traditional Chilean fusion cuisine and regional dishes.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, safe, flatscreen TV, cable / satellite TV, Wi-Fi



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Day 4

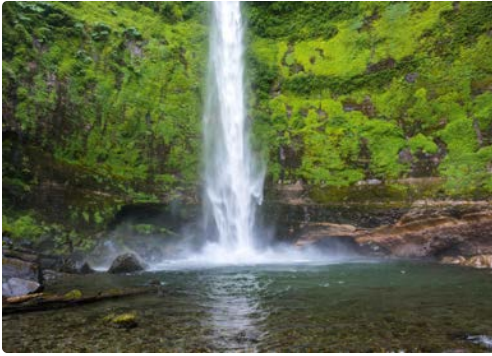
Exploring in Villarrica National Park

Experience the breathtaking beauty of Villarrica National Park, nestled in the stunning Araucanía Region. Begin your day with a visit to the Curarrehue Women's Cooperative, where you can explore exquisite textiles, woodwork, and fair-trade crafts, while savoring delicious Araucaria pine nuts. Then, trek through picturesque landscapes, surrounded by serene lagoons and majestic Araucaria forests, with the impressive Lanin Volcano as your backdrop. Enjoy a gourmet boxed lunch in nature, soaking in the tranquil surroundings. Return to your hotel with unforgettable memories of both the natural wonders and cultural treasures of this enchanting region. Dinner is on your own tonight.

Meals: breakfast, boxed lunch | Overnight: Pucón Green Park Hotel



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Day 5

Mapuche Heritage and Relaxation

Delve into the vibrant Mapuche heritage, a testament to a resilient Indigenous culture intimately connected to the land. Experience centuries-old traditions, spirituality, and craftsmanship that reveal the rich history and identity of the Mapuche people. Engage with their culture through ceremonial songs, dances, and delicious gastronomy. Next, marvel at the breathtaking Salto el Claro waterfall, cascading 70 meters through lush rainforest. Savor a gourmet lunch at Amankay restaurant, featuring local specialties. In the afternoon, unwind in the soothing natural hot springs of Huife Valley, nestled beside the pristine Liucura River. Return to your hotel, with dinner on your own tonight.

Meals: breakfast, lunch | Overnight: Pucón Green Park Hotel



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Day 6

Pucón to Puerto Varas

After breakfast, embark on a captivating journey from Pucón to Puerto Varas along the stunning Los Lagos scenic route, known as "Ruta de los Lagos." This iconic road trip showcases breathtaking landscapes, pristine lakes, lush forests, and dramatic mountains, immersing you in the natural beauty of southern Chile. Stop to savor local cuisine and capture the picturesque scenery through photography. Upon arrival in the charming town of Puerto Varas, check in at your hotel and take time to relax and reflect on the day's adventures. Conclude your evening with a delightful group dinner.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Wyndham Puerto Varas Petra



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Imbued with the warmth and hospitality reminiscent of traditional country estates in the Puerto Varas region, Cumbres Puerto Varas is a charming retreat bearing the unmistakable imprint of early German settlers. Set against the breathtaking backdrop of Lake Llanquihue, this hotel and its panoramic vistas are nothing short of mesmerizing. Within the hotel grounds, an array of amenities beckons, inviting you to unwind, rejuvenate, and embark on a captivating exploration of one of our Chile's most enchanting cities.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, minibar, safe, flatscreen TV, Wi-Fi, air conditioning



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Day 7

Patagonian Adventure Begins

After breakfast, set off on your Patagonian adventure with a flight to Puerto Natales. Savor a delightful brunch at a local restaurant, immersing yourself in the region's flavors. This charming coastal town serves as the gateway to Torres del Paine National Park, renowned for its breathtaking landscapes. Enjoy a leisurely stroll along Puerto Natales Bay, where the gentle sounds of water and fresh sea breeze create a serene atmosphere. Then, embark on a picturesque drive to the iconic Torres del Paine, taking in sweeping Patagonian vistas. After checking in at your hotel, indulge in a hearty dinner highlighting local culinary delights.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Kau Rio Serrano Lodge



Kau Rio Serrano Lodge

KAU Río Serrano is a new hotel proposal with a shed-shaped design, which represents places that carry an enriching historical context and immediately evoke the traditions of their beloved Patagonia. Located in Villa Serrano's commune of Torres del Paine, all the rooms overlook the impressive Paine Massif and are surrounded by the typical Patagonian flora and fauna.

Amenities: complimentary toiletries, Wi-Fi



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Day 8

Exploring Torres del Paine National Park

After breakfast, embark on a thrilling adventure in Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve famed for its stunning landscapes and diverse wildlife. Enjoy a scenic drive, stopping at Nordenskjold and Pehoe Lakes before hiking for an hour to Los Condores viewpoint, where breathtaking 360° views of the Paine Mountain range await. Savor lunch at the Pehoe Lake camp restaurant, then head to Laguna Azul, stopping to admire Cascada Paine. Conclude with a hike to the lagoon's shimmering blue waters. Before dinner, glaciologist Irlanda Mora Rosales will share insights on tomorrow's explorations, including the intriguing Patagonian Dragon. Enjoy a delightful group dinner and a restful night at the lodge.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Kau Rio Serrano Lodge



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Day 9

Grey Glacier Exploration

After breakfast, embark on a full-day adventure to Grey Glacier, a stunning marvel of nature within Torres del Paine National Park. Transfer to Grey Lake and board the Grey III catamaran for a scenic ride to the Bigfoot Patagonia basecamp. Here, your guides will equip you for glacier exploration. Hop into a Zodiac boat and journey to the glacier's icy expanse, where you'll enjoy a 1-hour walk and a safety briefing before navigating the ice for about three hours. In the afternoon, return to the catamaran for a mesmerizing 2-hour cruise, savoring breathtaking views and a refreshing pisco sour served with glacier ice. Conclude your day with a delicious dinner at your hotel and reflect on this incredible experience.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Kau Rio Serrano Lodge



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Day 10

Patagonian Ranch and Baqueanas Women

Following breakfast, head to a local ranch and meet a new generation of “Baqueanas,” a regional name referring to women who have historically played a significant role in the region's culture and economy. Born in Magallanes, they live a rural life working with horses. By assisting their grandparents and fathers with fieldwork, their passion for the countryside was ignited at an early age. You will learn about their connection to horses and their deep reverence for nature. Delight in a 2-hour horseback riding excursion, followed by traditional Patagonian BBQ, “Asado Al Palo”. Conclude your adventure with a farewell dinner, sharing memories from your journey through this breathtaking region.

Meals: breakfast, lunch, dinner | Overnight: Remota Hotel



Remota Hotel

Remota is a world-class ecological refuge inspired by old Patagonian shearing sheds tilted by the wind. It boasts 72 rooms and large areas dedicated to leisure, reading and contemplation, heated pool, saunas and jacuzzis, shop, bar, lounges and a dazzling restaurant with a renowned chef.

AMENITIES: complimentary toiletries, safe, free Wi-Fi

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Day 11

Return to Santiago

Conclude your Patagonian journey with a convenient return flight from Puerto Natales to Santiago, wrapping up your unforgettable adventure in Patagonia. After breakfast, transfer to the airport and board your flight back to Santiago. Lunch is at your leisure today, and after landing you will be transferred to your hotel where you can relax and enjoy dinner on your own.

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Day 12

Last Day in Chile, Farewell to your Adventure!

Say goodbye to your guides and AdventureWomen friends on your day of departure. We hope you take with you the fondest memories of this unforgettable journey. Following breakfast, you may decide to embark on an optional panoramic Santiago city tour, including a visit to the Pre-Columbian Museum, which takes approximately 4 hours. You'll have some free time in the afternoon for lunch on your own and a final stroll through the picturesque Lastarria neighborhood. Leave Santiago International Airport (SCL) at any time today.



What's Included

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- Accommodations as per itinerary based on double occupancy
- All meals as listed in the itinerary
- Guided sightseeing and activities as indicated in the itinerary
- English-speaking guide(s) throughout the trip
- All ground transportation
- One group transfer on arrival and departure
- Drinking water available in large jugs to refill personal bottles
- Gratuities for hotel staff, luggage porters, and waitstaff
- Domestic airfare

Not Included

- Gratuities for drivers, hotel staff, wait staff, and luggage porters
- International airfare to and from Santiago, Chile
- Optional activities
- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Alcoholic beverages (unless otherwise specified)
- Fees for passport, visas, immunizations, or travel insurance
- Cost of hospitalization or evacuation
- Items of a personal nature
- Gratuities for main guide and driver

Please note: AdventureWomen will attempt to adhere to the itinerary as much as possible. However, certain conditions (political, climatic, environmental, and cultural) may necessitate changes in the itinerary. AdventureWomen reserves the right to alter any itinerary at any time if necessary. We will attempt to notify participants of changes as far in advance as possible. Costs incurred by such changes will be the responsibility of the participants.

