

# Chile and Argentina with Australis

## Day 1.

Europe – Buenos Aires:

Departure in the international night flight to Buenos Aires. Night on board.

## Day 2.

Buenos Aires – Iguazú:

Arrival at Ezeiza International Airport. Our staff will be waiting there, to provide assistance in terminal change and to deliver the necessary documents for the trip. Next, you will board the Aerolíneas Argentinas flight and arrive at Puerto Iguazú. Reception and private transfer service to the Hotel.

## Day 3.

Iguazú Falls:

Private trip to the Argentinian side of the Iguazú Falls. The tour starts at the hotel you are staying in. After picking you up at that location, you will be taken to the entrance to the Iguazú National Park. The train called "Rainforest Train" departs from the Visitor's Center, an ecological train that goes all along the Misiones rainforest towards the Garganta del Diablo (Devil's Throat), the starting point of a walkway to one of the most striking landscapes in Argentina, next to the jump after which the Union Jump was named, a place impossible to describe in words for its beauty and energy that makes everyone feel thrilled. A place not to be missed! The trip continues in the next stop: the Iguazu Falls. Here, you have two options: you can either go on the Upper Circuit, which has a 500-meter distance, or the Lower Circuit, a number of walkways that allow appreciating such a natural wonder from another angle.

To finish this unforgettable trip, we highly recommend to hire "The Great Adventure: Iguazu Falls Baptism", which is an optional tour (€ 60): a combination of a nautical adventure riding on Zodiac boats, in which you will go on a six-kilometers ride down the Lower Iguazú River going through rapids to finish your round in the Devil's Throat Canyon, and a ride on an uncovered double-traction vehicle through the rainforest, where you will have the chance to fully appreciate the flora and, if you are lucky, the native fauna. 1-day trip. People going on this trip should take insect repellent, trainers and comfortable clothes.

## Day 4.

### Iguazú Falls:

Private trip to the Brazilian side of the Iguazú Falls and the Bird Park. Departure from the hotel to the Foz do Iguazú National Park. In this visitor area, you will find a single 950-meter long walkway, located on the Iguazú River Gully Falls, where you will witness a really impressive view of the Jumps. The tour reaches its climax when you get to the Devil's Throat, where the sound of the falling water profoundly shakes visitors. Entrance fee is not included, charged 15 USD per person.

## Day 5.

### Iguazú – Buenos Aires - Ushuaia:

Private transfer service to the Airport to board Aerolineas Argentinas Flight. Reception and private transfer to the Hotel.

## Day 6.

### Ushuaia:

In the morning, National Park & Nature tour. We will start the adventure at your hotel where you will board a 4x4 vehicle. The first stop will be Lapataia viewpoint inside the National Park, we will go on trekking to complete the last kilometers of the Ruta Nacional No. 3. When arriving to Lapataia Bay we will come across to a perfect place for bird sighting. The trip continues along the beaver walkside to get to one of the dikes naturally built by this regional specie, where you will appreciate the impact that this sort of "structures" have on environment. Following a path that enters deeply into the forest, you get to the peatlands, made up of a great pile of moss and humus material that have a great capacity for water storage. In the southern part of the park, we can find the Lake Acigami ( Lake Roca), a place not be missed, so that you can admire the scenario drawn by the Andes Mountains (Cordillera de los Andes) as background, while you enjoy having a snack. The trip finishes at the Ensenada Bay, where the most southern sub post-office is located.

During the evening, you will navigate through the Beagle Channel to the Sea lions' Island and reach the Les Eclaireirs Lighthouse (known as the Lighthouse at the end of the world). This trek starts at the touristic local quay, point where the ship sets sail to go through the vast Ushuaia Bay until arriving at the Beagle Channel. It is in this point that you can navigate around the Bird Island -where you can appreciate birdlife in this region by watching species such as skuas, albatrosses, steamer duck, cauquenes, Kelp Gulls and grey gulls- and the Sea Lion's island, where you can find the southern sea lions and southern fur seals. When you reach Les Eclaireirs Lighthouse (The illuminators, in French), you will see colonies of Imperial Cormorants and Rock Cormorants. Along the trip, the guide will not only mention the main features of each of the species spotted, but he will also explain how important that maritime passage was for the development of the city. In the trip back to the city, the view of the mountain range surrounding Ushuaia is superb, along with the splendid nature surrounding it. In is a trip of great historical significance and landscape design. Duration: half-day trip.

## Day 7.

### Ushuaia:

**Day off.** You can optionally go on the excursion "Lakes Off Road 4x4", a trip in Land Rove Defenders (4x4) with lunch included (USD 143) . This excursion aims at going into the inner part of the island in a completely unusual way: with adventure! During the morning, you will be fetched at the hotel to start the trip along a traditional route, in which you will appreciate changes in vegetation in the extent we move to a high altitude, until you reach the Garibaldi Pass, the most southern pass in the world, from where you can observe the Lakes Fagnano and Escondido. From there on, the vehicle starts to go through off-road paths, where there are unique places full of beauty. When you reach the Lake Escondido shore, if you wish, you can go canoeing (subject to weather condition). Next, you will go through forests and beaver walksides until you reach the Lake Fagnano shore. In this point, you will enjoy watching an exceptional landscape while, immersed in the silence in the forest, listen to the tapping of the laborious woodpeckers. It is here where we have a shelter, and you will taste a typical Argentinian "asado" with red wine, fundamental drink in every meal. Duration: full-day trip.

## Day 8.

### Ushuaia – Australis Cruise:

Transfer service to the cruise line offices to checking-in. Free time to go around the City, boarding starts at 17hs. Night on board. Meals: all-inclusive.

## Day 9.

### Cabo de Hornos – Bahía Wulaia:

Navigation through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay to harbor Cabo de Hornos (Cape Horn). The legendary Cape Horn, discovered in 1616, is Cape Horn is a sheer 425-meter high rocky promontory. For many years it was the only navigation route between the Pacific and Atlantic, and was often referred to as the "End of the Earth." The park was declared a World Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 2005. In the afternoon, we will disembark in Wulaia Bay Originally the site of one of the region's largest Yámana aboriginal settlements. Charles Darwin harbors at this place with the HMS Beagle on January 23, 1833. This area is also renowned for its mesmerizing beauty due to its flora and geography. We will reach at the panoramic viewpoint overlooking the bay after strolling through an enchanted Magellanic forest of lengas, coigües, canelos and ferns to reach panoramic viewpoints.

## Day 10.

### Pia and Garibaldi Glaciers:

In the morning, we will navigate through the Beagle channel to land at the Pía Glacier. Trip to the lookout, from where you can look the namesake glacier, whose extension goes from the top of the mountainous cord to the sea. During the afternoon, ingress to the Garibaldi fjord, where you would hike through the cold patagonic jungle, reaching the top of a glacial waterfall. At this point you would appreciate an imposing landscape. For those people who

remain on board, the Captain will bring the ship near the Garibaldi glacier to appreciate the panorama.

### *Day 11.*

#### *Seno Agostini – Glaciar Águila – Glaciar Cóndor:*

In the morning, navigation through the Cockburn channel to get into the Seno Agostini, where you would appreciate the glaciers which descends from the middle of the Darwin range, reaching some of them to the sea. Disembarkation on Zodiac botes, to do a gentle hike around a lake formed by the melting of the Águila glacier, which you would have right in front of you. During the evening navigation on Zodiac botes to reach the Condor glacier. You would learn about the formation of the glaciers and their influence in the abrupt geography of the fueguinos channels.

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## Option 1: Accomodation at Las Torres Hotel - All Inclusive Programm

### *Day 12.*

#### *Magdalena Island - Punta Arenas – Torres del Paine:*

Early at sunrise, subject to climate condition, you will disembark at Magdalena Island, at the Magellan Strait, a spot where sailors and discoverers had to stop to get supplies for their voyages. This island is home to an immense colony of Magellan penguins, which can be seen in a stroll towards the lighthouse, guide to ships on their way through the strait. During September and April, this trip is replaced by a disembarkation at Marta Island, where you can see sea lions from the Zodiac boats. Once the visit is finished, the trip continues in Punta Areas, where you will land at 11:30 a.m. Reception at the Punta Arenas Port and private transfer service to the Torres del Paine National Park. Accommodation. All-inclusive program, all meals, national drinks, entrance fee to the National Park, excursions and boat trips included.

### *Day 13.*

#### *Torres del Paine:*

After breakfast, we start the activities scheduled for the day. Among the trips offered under this program, you may choose: Full Day Paine, a funny alternative to visit the National Park, visiting viewpoints, going for a walk to observe the fauna and flora decorating the marvelous mountain chains that are part of the Paine Rock Mass to reach the Lake Grey, where you can navigate to the foot of the Glacier after which it was named; Salto Grande is a good choice to visit the Torres del Paine National Park in half a day. On this trip, you will visit the main viewpoints and walk along a path towards a viewpoint opposite the Paine Rock Mass; Horse-riding trip at the Estancia, especially thought for you so that you can approach horses, having prior or no experience at dealing with them. Tour guides and experts will teach you how to properly ride a horse, among other options.

## Day 14.

Torres del Paine – El Calafate:

During the morning, transfer service to El Calafate will be provided. Accommodation.

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## Option 2: Accomodation at Puerto Natales

## Day 12.

Magdalena Island - Punta Arenas – Puerto Natales

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## Day 13.

Puerto Natales:

Private trip to the Torres del Paine National Park and Midolon Cave. From the hotel, we start our trip towards the Midolon Cave, a natural monument located at Benitez Mountain, 25 kilometers away from Puerto Natales, where Captain Eberhard found the rests (bones included) of a prehistoric animal called Midolon, which were almost intact. In this place, you will see a real-sized replica of this animal. This trip continues in the Torres del Paine National Park, declared Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO, where you will enjoy the most varied landscapes, such as the Magellan Forest, the vast Patagonia steppe characterized for its strong winds and aridity, deep-blue lakes inhabited by sea birds, waterfalls and snowy mountains until you reach the Salto Grande, point where two important lakes connect: the Nordenskjold and the Pehoé. After having a delicious lunch, we go on an enjoyable stroll along the shore of the Lake Grey, from where we can see bluish icebergs and, at the bottom, the great Grey Glacier. Return to Puerto Natales.

## Day 14.

Puerto Natales – El Calafate:

Morning transfer service to the bus station to take a bus to "El Calafate". Accommodation.

## Continuation of the trip for both Options 1 and 2

### Day 15.

#### El Calafate:

Private trip to the Perito Moreno Glacier walkways, "Nautical Safari" navigation included. We pick you up at the hotel, and after driving for 80km we will arrive at the Parque Nacional Los Glaciares, declared "World Heritage" by the UNESCO, since a vast area of continental ice field is preserved. The glaciers Moreno, Onelli, Agassi and Upsala are fed by this ice field. The Perito Moreno, being the most breathtaking glacier, flows over the Lago Argentino and adopts a wide spectrum of colors from white to turquoise. The terminus of the Perito Moreno Glacier is 5 Km wide, with an average height of 70 m above the lake level. We start our ramble at the Viewpoint, coming down through the walkways opposite to the glacier. The vastness of the landscape can be observed and the sound of the constant ruptures. An amazing spectacle that cannot be missed! We will continue the trip taking the "NAUTICAL SAFARI", navigating through the Brazo Rico (southern arm) of the Lago Argentino. The trip lasts approximately one hour and gives tourists the possibility to "live" the glacier from a closest sight. Once we are just in front of the terminus, the ship will stop for some minutes to appreciate its beauty and vastness. Duration: full-day trip.

### Day 16.

#### El Calafate:

Private navigation through the Lago Argentino where we will find the Upsala glacier, thanks to the tour "Rios de Hielo Express". We will start really early in the morning, after leaving the hotel we will drive to Puerto Banderas, where the navigation starts, once on board we will cross the Brazo Norte (northern arm) of the Lago Argentino up to the Upsala Channel, throughout the trip we will go by astonishing icebergs, ending the trip with a sight of a wonderful ice wall, where we will reach a breathtaking viewpoint of Glaciar Upsala. Then, we will navigate through the Spegazzini Channel, at which point we will find the Seco glacier, which is the tallest within the national park. We will start our return trip to the port and later on to the hotel located in the city El Calafate. Duration: half-day trip.

### Day 17.

#### El Calafate – Buenos Aires:

Private transfer service to the Airport to board Aerolineas Argentinas Flight with destination to Buenos Aires. Reception and private transfer to the Hotel.

## Day 18.

### Buenos Aires:

Private City Tour to visit the city on your own during the day, including the most characteristic and crowded touristic points in Buenos Aires, where you will immerse in our history, enjoying the architectural heritage from our past generations, such as: Plaza de Mayo, the typical town of La Boca, former natural port of the City, where an important and continually-growing Italian community, mainly GENOVES, started to migrate and establish at the end of the 19th century; "Caminito", a street declared museum, with its colorful houses; a walk through San Telmo streets, the oldest area in the city and, without even noticing, get to Puerto Madero, the most recently-built neighborhood where you will find lots of restaurant of international cuisine. Following our tour, we get to Recoleta, the most prestigious neighborhood during the last decades, characterized by its old buildings that represent a hint of European architecture of the last century and for its intense lifestyle, defined both by the people residing in the area and the tourists strolling along the glamorous streets. In Recoleta, you have the option of visiting the famous cemetery of great architectural value. The tour finishes in the streets of Palermo, the largest area town, highly appreciated for its woods, being the largest greenbelt in the city of Buenos Aires.

## Day 19.

### Buenos Aires:

**Day off.** We recommend a half-day trip to Tigre's delta, where you can discover Buenos Aires' landscapes from the Río de la Plata. Starting from the hotel you will go to San Isidro, an important district of great historical and architectural value. Once in the delta you will pick a boat, which will help you discover the islands life. Throughout the trip you will also found nautical clubs, on the river bank of the Río Luján, astonishing houses and mansions located on the ravine and a magnificent sight of Del Plata estuary, San Isidro's Cathedral, the Puerto de Olivos, the "Monumental" (River Plate stadium) and the University City of Buenos Aires.

At night, the finishing touch will be a Dinner Tango Show, which is the best option for experiencing TANGO. The icing of the cake will be the orchestra led by renowned conductors and musicians, professional dancers and praiseworthy singers who live up to Buenos Aires reputation as capital city of Tango. Dinner includes appetizer, starters, main course, dessert and drinks.

## Day 20.

### Buenos Aires - Europe:

Private transfer service to the Airport to board Aerolineas Argentinas international Flight to Europe.

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### **Includes:**

- .17 nights of luxury accommodation with breakfast
- .Private Service Excursions
- .Private Service Transfers
- .Services detailed on the itinerary

### **Does Not Include:**

- .Park National Entrance
- .Travel Secure and Trip Cancellation Coverage
- .Extra Services not detailed on the itinerary
- .Air Tickets