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## TRIP DETAILS

7 days / 6 nts - Chile

Departures Daily

Trip Ref 1860

## ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Punta Arenas 1 nt

Torres del Paine 2 nts

Calafate 1 nt

Puerto Natales 1 nt

PRICES FROM \$1,126



## Chile and Argentina Patagonia Wonders

**How it works:** You receive a rental car with unlimited mileage, a road map and detailed itinerary, and hotels booked en route.

### Day 1: Arrive in Punta Arenas (30 km / 19 mi)

Pick up your car at the airport or downtown rental office. Punta Arenas is the largest and most important city of Chilean Patagonia. It is located on the western side of the Strait of Magellan and its inhabitants come from a mix of cultural backgrounds, English sheep ranchers as well as Portuguese sailors settled here. Overnight in Punta Arenas.



### Day 2: Punta Arenas - Torres del Paine - Puerto Natales (410 km / 255 mi)

Breakfast at hotel. The long drive to Torres del Paine National Park will take us along many interesting stops on the way, for example the Penguin Colony on the Otway Sound. The main road to Puerto Natales is paved and in good conditions. Torres del Paine National Park will welcome you from far with its gigantic granite towers. Overnight in Torres del Paine National Park.

### Day 3: Torres del Paine

Breakfast at hotel. The National Park Torres del Paine is one of the most impressive parks in Chile because of its unique wildlife and dramatic scenery. The park is best known for its steep granite towers (torres), the unique horns (cuernos) and the Big Paine Mountains. The massif is crowned by glaciers and surrounded by cascading rivers and beautiful emerald lakes. The park was designated World Biosphere Reserve by the UNESCO in 1978. There are many hiking trails to choose from to discover this gorgeous park. Overnight in Torres del Paine National Park.

### Day 4: Torres del Paine - El Calafate (345 km / 214 mi)

Breakfast at hotel. Passing through Cerro Castillo, a village and estancia near the border, you will cross into Argentina. From the border onwards, you will mainly drive through the vast and desolate Argentinean Pampa to El Calafate. You may spot a sheep farm or occasionally encounter wild animals along the way. Your destination El Calafate is located on the shores of Lago Argentino that is surrounded by impressive, snow-capped peaks. Overnight in El Calafate.



### Day 5: Perito Moreno Glacier - Lake Argentino (177 km / 110 mi)

Breakfast at hotel. The Los Glaciares National Park is outstandingly beautiful and you will be able to discover the park on one of the numerous hiking trails. The primary attraction is the Perito Moreno Glacier stretching over 200 km/124 mi with an imposing front wall of 60 m/197 ft height and 4 km/2.5 mi length. Enormous ice chunks occasionally fall off the front wall and drop into the Lake Argentino with a thundering sound. Overnight in El Calafate.

### Day 6: El Calafate - Puerto Natales (360 km / 224 mi)

Breakfast at hotel. Start your return trip on the legendary Argentinean Route 40 to Puerto Natales in Chile. After crossing the border, you will be able to visit Puerto Natales or sites in the region like the Milodón Cave where scientists discovered the remains of a gigantic sloth. Overnight in Puerto Natales.



### Day 7: Puerto Natales - Fly out from Punta Arenas (250 km / 155 mi)

Breakfast at hotel. From Puerto Natales it will take 3 hours to return to Punta Arenas. Drop off your car at the airport or downtown rental office.

### Price per person

Category	Hotels	Vehicle Category	Double	Single Suppl.	Single	Season
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Deluxe	<a href="#">Cabo de Hornos</a> (Punta Arenas)	Hertz (N, Suzuki Grand Vitara or similar)	\$1,504	\$711	\$2,787	01.09.09-31.03.10
	<a href="#">Hosteria Lago Grey</a> (Torres del Paine)	Hertz (K, Mitsubishi L200 Katana or similar)	\$1,635	\$711	\$2,979	01.09.09-31.03.10
	<a href="#">Los Alamos</a> (El Calafate)	Hertz (Y, Kia Sorento or similar)	\$1,689	\$711	\$3,175	01.09.09-31.03.10
Standard	<a href="#">Tierra del Fuego</a> (Punta Arenas)	Hertz (N, Suzuki Grand Vitara or similar)	\$1,251	\$539	\$2,356	01.09.09-31.03.10
	<a href="#">Hosteria Las Torres</a> (Torres del Paine)	Hertz (K, Mitsubishi L200 Katana or similar)	\$1,419	\$539	\$2,659	01.09.09-31.03.10
	<a href="#">Lady Florence Dixie</a> (Puerto Natales)	Hertz (Y, Kia Sorento or similar)	\$1,459	\$539	\$2,781	01.09.09-31.03.10

Prices subject to change without notice

**Tour includes:** 6 nights incl. breakfast, 7 days car rental incl. unlimited free mileage, local tax, full CDW coverage, insurance PAI and SACA, international permission to cross into Argentina with vehicle, roadmap and descriptions. Deductible as per general car rental conditions.

**Not included:** International and domestic Air Fare, airport tax, meals not mentioned, gratuities and personal expenses. In Chile car rental companies charge an additional airport service fee (Hertz rate: USD 6, - per day aprox.) when vehicle will be picked up from airport. This service charge is not included in the rates, this extra fee has to be paid directly to rental agency.

**Notes:**

-Prices per person in US Dollars.

-Hosteria Lago Grey will be closed from May 1st until October 15th 2010

-Hertz Categories: Hertz: N (Suzuki Grand Vitara or similar) / K (Mitsubishi L200 Katana or similar) / Y (Kia Sorento or similar)

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