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TRIP DETAILS

6 days / 5 nts - Chile

Departures Daily

Trip Ref 2859

ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Balmaceda/Coyhaique

Puyuhuapi Lodge

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Patagonia Connection: Puyuhuapi Lodge and Spa

PRICES FROM \$1,170

Relax and be spoiled at one of Chile's best Spa, attractively located on the shore of a fjord amid the ancient forests of northern Patagonia. Only accessible by sea, this first-class Lodge & Resort is an exclusive and idyllic resting place with the only thalasso therapy center in Chile, a number of thermal pools, pampering massages, and seaweed treatments. In the spectacular surrounding wilderness you can go on hiking trips, kayak through the southern fjords, and take the catamaran trip to the beautiful Laguna San Rafael with its massive glacier.



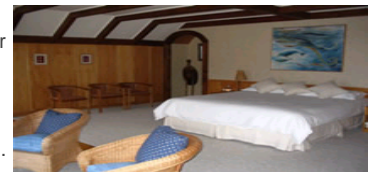
Hidden Fjords PC 01 (6 days / 5 nights)

Thursday: Balmaceda - Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa

Reception at Balmaceda Airport. After crossing the Patagonian pampas in a 45-minute drive, you will arrive in the town of Coyhaique. After a brief visit you will continue on to the Puyuhuapi Lodge & SPA (5 hrs). In the afternoon, you will arrive at the pier and cross the channel by speedboat in just 10 minutes. (L,D)

Friday: Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa (full board)

Relax and try the numerous facilities of the Spa, including a fully equipped thalassotherapy center (additional cost).



Saturday: Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa

Visit of Puerto Puyuhuapi and the Queulat National Park with the "Hanging Glacier". Free afternoon. (B,L,D)

Sunday: Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa

Free day to enjoy the Lodge (full board)

Monday: Laguna San Rafael - Puerto Chacabuco

At 07:00 a.m. you will board the PATAGONIA EXPRESS catamaran and begin a 7-hour navigation through the fjords to the San Rafael Lagoon and its millenarian glacier. After an approx. two-hour visit, you will start your return journey and arrive in Puerto Chacabuco at about 10:30 p.m.; transfer to the hotel there or in Coyhaique. (B,L,D)



Tuesday: Puerto Chacabuco - Balmaceda

After breakfast you can enjoy the 2.5-hour bus trip that takes you to Balmaceda Airport. (B)

San Rafael Lagoon PC 02 and PC 03 (4 days / 3 nights)

Saturday PC2 / Tuesday PC3: Balmaceda - Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa

Reception at Balmaceda Airport. After crossing the Patagonian pampas in a 45-minute drive, you will arrive in the town of Coyhaique. After a short visit you will go on to Puerto Chacabuco (1:15 hrs), where the PATAGONIA EXPRESS catamaran will be waiting to take you on a 5-hour cruise through the southern fjords and channels to your destination: Puyuhuapi Lodge & SPA. (L,D)

Sunday / Wednesday: Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa

Relax and try the numerous facilities of the Spa. The lodge also offers paths for walks through the cold forest, visits to the Queulat National Park with its Hanging Glacier, bicycle trips along the Austral Road, and trips on the Dorita Bay in boats or kayaks. (B,L,D)



Monday / Thursday: Laguna San Rafael - Puerto Chacabuco

At 07:00 a.m. you will once again board the PATAGONIA EXPRESS catamaran and begin a 7-hour navigation through the fjords to the San Rafael Lagoon and its millenarian glacier. After an approx. two-hour visit, you will start your return journey and arrive in Puerto Chacabuco at about 10:30 p.m.; transfer to the hotel there or in Coyhaique. (B,L,D)

Tuesday / Friday: Puerto Chacabuco - Balmaceda

After breakfast, you can enjoy a 2.5-hour bus trip to Balmaceda Airport. (B)

Puyuhuapi'S Secret PC 04 (5 days / 4 nights, Monday – Friday).

All services are like the PC02 program, but instead of travelling roundtrip along the fjords you drive to the lodge via the wild Carretera Austral, you will still have the chance to see the fjords on the way to the San Rafael Lagoon. This program includes an additional day in the Puyuhuapi Lodge, giving you the chance to do more activities included in the program. For example hike to the Enchanted Forrest and the Pudu Glacier



The Austral Road PCA (4 days / 3 nights)

Monday – Thursday or Thursday – Sunday (transfer in via Carretera Austral)

Tuesday – Friday or Saturday – Tuesday (transfer in on board of the catamaran)

Program includes mainly the same services as PC04, except for the full day excursion to Laguna San Rafael and the last night in Puerto Chacabuco. Instead of the navigation on day 4 you will leave the lodge Balmaceda Airport over the Carretera Austral after Breakfast and have lunch in Coyhaique. We recommend starting the PCA on a Tuesday or Saturday to see the Fjord on the way to the lodge.

Price per person

Low Season: From October 10th to November 19th 2009 and from March 18th to April 30th 2010

Program	Nights	Departures	Superior		Captain Suite	
			Double	Single	Double	Single
PCA	3	Flexible	\$1,170	\$1,540	\$1,450	\$2,000
PC SPA	4	Mon/Tues/Thru	\$1,670	\$2,130	\$2,000	\$2,800
PC2	3	Saturday	\$1,540	\$1,910	\$1,770	\$2,250
PC3	3	Tuesday	\$1,540	\$1,910	\$1,770	\$2,250
PC4	4	Monday	\$1,760	\$2,320	\$2,100	\$2,820
PC1	5	Thursday	\$2,000	\$2,600	\$2,360	\$3,280

High Season: From November 20th 2009 to March 17th 2010

Program	Nights	Departures	Superior		Captain Suite	
			Double	Single	Double	Single
PCA	3	Flexible	\$1,290	\$1,720	\$1,500	\$2,140
PC SPA	4	Mon/Tues/Thru	\$1,820	\$2,380	\$2,100	\$2,940
PC2	3	Saturday	\$1,760	\$2,130	\$1,900	\$2,430
PC3	3	Tuesday	\$1,760	\$2,130	\$1,900	\$2,430
PC4	4	Monday	\$1,970	\$2,530	\$2,190	\$3,000
PC1	5	Thursday	\$2,180	\$2,860	\$2,470	\$3,440

Prices subjecto to change without notice

Tour includes: Ground transfers, navigation on board the high-speed Catamaran Patagonia Express (if considered in the program) and lodging in Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa, according to each program. Use of indoor SPA and outdoor hot spring pools, Kayaks, Canoes, walks through the rain forest, mountain bike excursions, visit to Puyuhuapi Villages and Queulat National Park. Full board and soft drinks, beer or wine during meals. In PC1, PC2, PC3 and PC4 programs, drinks and beverages on board the catamaran Patagonia Express and 1 night lodging with breakfast in Puerto Chacabuco or Coyhaique on the last night of the program.

Not included: International and domestic Airfare, airport taxes, beverages in hotels (except soft drinks, beer and house wine during meals at the Puyuhuapi Lodge & Spa). Thalassotherapy treatments and massage, communications, laundry, rental of motorboats, fly-fishing excursions (advanced booking mandatory) and other special excursions.

Notes:

- Prices per person in USDollars
- Christmas: Regular Departures (Regular rate)
- New Year: PC1 departs Tuesday, Dec. 30th until Jan 04th Price DBL USD2320 /SGL USD3000.-
- Easter week: Departure On Request (regular rate)
- Children under 2 years old travel free of charge. Ask for special rates for children between 2 and 18 years old.
- Arrival flight should be time between 10:00 and 12:00hrs for all programs. Departure flights between 12:00 and 13:00hrs except PCA program where the departure flight should be schedule after 15.

-Patagonia Connection reserves the right to cancel departures if there is less than a minimum of 15 passengers. In this case money is fully reimbursed. Please consider that the place of the last accommodation of each program is the small town of Puerto Chacabuco. In case there is no availability there, all passengers will be transferred to Coyhaique for accommodation there.

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