Excursions tierrapatagonia



When you arrive at Tierra Patagonia, our team will create a personalized excursion plan for you. Our expert guides take into consideration your personal interests and physical activity level, so you can explore Torres del Paine in your own way.

Activities are divided into five levels of difficulty.

Easy Appropriate for all ages and abilities.

Medium - Easy Requires a basic level of physical fitness.

Medium

Requires some degree of physical fitness and experience

Medium - Difficult

Requires a good level of physical fitness and experience.

Difficult

Requires a high degree of physical fitness, experience and ability

During your stay, the all-inclusive program allows you to choose two half-day excursions or one full-day excursion per day, except on the day of your departure.

• **Half-day:** These activities take place in the morning and/or the afternoon, lunch is served at the hotel.

• **Full day:** These excursions begin in the morning and include lunch away from the hotel. This may be in the form of a box lunch, a buffet table or lunch at a restaurant, depending on the excursion. Return to the hotel is usually after 6:00 pm.

If you would like to make the most of Uma Spa during your stay, once you arrive at the hotel, you can check excursion arrival times with your guide and book your treatment.

* We recommend that children under 10, pregnant women and people with blood pressure problems or other health conditions avoid tours above 4,000 m above sea level.

** All of our excursions are subject to weather conditions, availability and the entrance policies established by the indigenous communities in charge of the protected areas.

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1. Backyard

Half Day

Hike: 1 a 2 hrs. Altitude: 80 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 40 m.a.s.l.

This walk is perfect for stretching your legs on arrival at Tierra Patagonia.

Head towards the lake shore and the boundary of the Torres del Paine National Park and pass through areas of low bush, all the time enjoying panoramic views of Lake Sarmiento. Viewed from the lake shore, the hotel melts into the surrounding pampa whilst the dramatic skyline of the Sierra Baguales behind can be seen, separating Chile from Argentina.

The element that most stands out during this walk are the thrombolytes on the shores of the lake. These formations, which are several million years old, were created by some of the oldest living organisms on the earth. They form caves on the lakeshore, some of which hide the most important predator in the park, the puma. This is the hotel's "back yard" and it is common to see wildlife such as eagles, condors, guanaco, sheep, foxes and ñandú (a type of ostrich) with amazing views of the Torres del Paine mountain range.

*Self-guided tour.

2. Hunters Trail

Half Day

Transfer: 25 min. Hike: 2,5 hrs. Altitude: 150 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 110 m.a.s.l.

After a 30 minute drive to the Porteria Lago Sarmiento this trek starts gradually, winding its way northwards, with the Paine Massif as a constant companion. Half way through we will visit a rocky area where there are cave paintings from the Aonikenk, hunter-gatherer native Indians that occupied this area some 6,000 years ago. It is also one of the best areas to see wildlife such as guanacos, foxes and condors. The hike ends a few meters away from Portería Laguna Amarga where the van is waiting to drive us back to the hotel.

3. Origins of Life

Half Day

Transfer: 45 min. Hike: 3,5 hrs. Altitude: 100 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 80 m.a.s.l.

Departing from the hotel, we drive towards the Sarmiento entrance to the Park and after 40 minutes approximately, we leave the vehicle to start the walk. The first section is mostly flat then we arrive at a steeper incline leading down to the shores of Lake Sarmiento.

Here we can view the incredible rocky formations of the thrombolytes, which take us back to an earlier geological era. With a different perspective of the Paine Massif, we walk along the shores of small lagoons in the glacial moraine spotting wildlife on the way. In springtime the area is full of flowers.

4. Laguna Azul



Transfer: 1 hr. Hike: 2,5 hrs. Altitude: 150 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 80 m.a.s.l.

From the hotel we head north to the Laguna Azul area and enjoy spectacular views of the North, Central and South Towers, weather permitting. We enjoy a short walk along the north shore of the lake and in springtime and summer see many birds in the lenga woods.

We drive on to see the Paine Waterfall and Laguna Amarga, with beautiful views of the local area.

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5. Grey Bridge



Transfer: 1,20 hrs. Hike: 7 hrs. Altitude: 600 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 500 m.a.s.l.

We will leave the hotel by van and begin an incredible, scenic journey through the park. We will take a short hike to board a catamaran that crosses Grey Lake, offering beautiful views. We will disembark on the north shore very close to the glacier and begin our hike surrounded by lenga forests. Crossing a hanging bridge, we will take in Grey Glacier and then continue south to Pehoe Lake. There, a second catamaran will take us to a vehicle for our return to the hotel.

*Additional cost

6. Sierra Contreras

Half Day

Transfer: 1 hrs Hike: 2,5 hrs. Altitude: 800 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 500 m.a.s.l.

From the hotel, we will travel east for about an hour to the Tercera Barranca Ranch entrance, where we will begin our hike uphill through lenga and ñirre forests, home to local birds and fauna. We will arrive at a lookout point with beautiful views of Sarmiento and Nordenskold lakes. Then, we will continue our hike with views of the majestic Paine Mountains and enjoy two of the area's best viewpoints: Laguna Amarga and Laguna Azul.

7. Paso de Agostini

Full Day

Transfer: 35 hrs. / 1hr Hike: 5,5 hrs. Altitude: 300 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 250 m.a.s.l.

This hike starts from the Estancia Lazo and we enter the National Park at the Laguna Verde entrance, walking through a beautiful wood of lenga trees.

During the hike we can see the Paine Massif and the many lakes of the area which give wonderful photo opportunities. We share a box lunch surrounded by nature where a variety of different animals can be spotted, depending on the time of the year. A short climb of about 10 minutes takes us to a viewpoint with vistas of Lago del Toro, the largest lake in the area, and the Paine River. The descent from here takes 35 minutes to the Weber Bridge where a vehicle is waiting to take us back to the hotel.

8. French Valley



Transfer: 45 min Boating: 30 min. Hike: 7 hrs. Altitude: 550 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 300 m.a.s.l.

This excursion starts with a 30 minute boat ride across Pehoé Lake. We walk along a winding trail that passes the slopes of Paine Grande and the shores of Lago Skottsberg. There are great views of the Cuernos del Paine on the way. Upon reaching the Italian Camp, we will cross a bridge over the French River and head up the French Valleyto the view point that sits below the French Glacier. We will return along the same trail and take the boat for the last 30 minutes to the point where the van will take us back to the hotel.

*Subject to operation of catamaran on Lake Pehoé (1 november – 31 March - doesn't operate 25 December or 1 January).



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9. Base of the "Towers"

Full Day

Transfer: 45 min. Hike: 9 hrs. Altitude: 889 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 1200 m.a.s.l.

The famous Macizo Paine hike requires great endurance and effort, but its payoffs are impressive views of the three granite towers. First, we ascend a hill for one hour, following the banks of the Ascencio River until arriving at Paso de los Vientos. Thirty minutes later, we will come upon the Chilean Camp, where we can rest. The hike continues for another 90 minutes of steep ascent through the forest with incredible views of geological formations. The last hour of the hike is the most challenging as our zigzagging path rises through a floor of loose rock. Upon arrival at the lookout, we will behold close-up the classic view of Torres del Paine. If the weather permits, we can have lunch amid the fantastic landscape. The downhill return trip is along the same path and takes about 4 hours.

10. Ferrier Viewpoint

Full Day Transfer: 1,20 hrs. Hike: 4 hrs. Altitude: 710 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 600 m.a.s.l.

We head west into the park via the Sarmiento entrance and enjoy a scenic feast as we cross the park to the Grey entrance. Here we start our hike, climbing to the first viewpoint where we can see Grey beach, the ice floes and the Paine Massif from the western side. We continue climbing to a second viewpoint then enter a wood. Our destination is the Ferrier Mirador, with impressive views of the Pingo and Grey glaciers, the Paine Massif and the valleys and lakes of the area, considered to be one of the most complete views of the National Park.

11. Pingo Valley Full Day Transfer: 1 hr. Hike: 4 hrs. Altitude: 180 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 100 m.a.s.l.

From the hotel we head west to enter the Park at the Sarmiento entrance (25 mins) We cross the National Park with views of the mountains and lakes until we reach the Grev entrance after about 11/2 hours. We start the hike here with a CONAF certified guide. The trail follows the Pingo River and after about an hour we reach an old "puesto", or gaucho base. We continue on the same path, surrounded by a beautiful lenga forest until we reach "Chorillo Los Salmones". a small waterfall in the middle of the Pingo valley. After a well deserved rest, we head back down the valley where our driver is waiting to take us back to the hotel.

12. Grey Peninsula

Full Day Transfer: 1,5 hrs. Hike: 3 hrs. Altitude: 60 m.a.s.l.

Elevation Gain: 40 m a s l

Heading west from the hotel we enter the park via the Sarmiento entrance. We continue on the road through the park for about 1.5 hours with wonderful views of the lakes and mountains until we reach the Grey checkpoint. Here we start the walk by crossing the Pingo river on a hangling bridge. We continue through a beautiful lenga forest. We descend down a short slope until we reach the black pebbles of Grev Beach. In springtime there are many wildflowers and beautiful mountain views. In the autumn, the leaves on the trees are deep red and yellow. We walk for around 40 minutes on the beach until we reach the viewpoint where we can see the Grey Glacier in the distance. We follow the peninsula round until we get back to the Grey checkpoint, where our driver is waiting to take us back to the hotel

*Ferrier Viewpoint is done as a full-day trip by adding one of the following excursions: Pingo Valley, Condor Viewpoint, Cuernos Viewpoint or Grey Peninsula.





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13. Cuernos Viewpoint

Half Day

Transfer: 45 min. Hike: 3 hrs. Altitude: 180 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 120 m.a.s.l.

Heading west we enter the park at the Sarmiento entrance. We travel into the heart of the National Park, stopping at various viewpoints, including Laguna Los Cisnes, Lake Sarmiento, and Lago Nordenskold (1hr) until we reach the Pudeto sector. From here we start our walk, with amazing views of the mountains close up, as we skirt round the shores of Lake Nordenskjold. We reach the viewpoint opposite the French Valley which has an unbeatable view of the Horns of Paine after about 2 hours. Then we make a small detour to see the largest waterfall in the park, Salto Grande. We continue along the northern shore of Lake Pehoè and finish where our driver is waiting to take us back to the hotel.

14. Condor Viewpoint

Half Day

Transfer: 45 min. Hike: 3,5 hrs. Altitude: 550 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 400 m.a.s.l.

This excursion starts by heading west in a van and we enter the park at the Sarmiento entrance.

We cross the park with great views of the lakes and mountains until we reach the Pehoé Campground (about 1 hour). The hike starts by climbing a reasonably steep hill with views that become increasingly amazing as we climb. We reach the Condor Viewpoint after about 1.5 hours and enjoy views of Lake Pehoé, the Paine Massif and the valleys in the south west of the park. After a little break, we continue downwards on the north side of the slope, and finish the walk at the Pehoé Lookout point where our driver is waiting to take us back to the hotel.







15. Sierra Baguales

Half Day

Transfer: 1 hrs. Hike: 1 hrs. Altitude: 550 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 50 m.a.s.l.

From the hotel we head out towards the Sierra Baguales, the drive lasts about an hour. The scenery here is completely different from the Paine Massif and the geology is impressive. We walk along the bed of the Baguales River, looking for fossils and enjoying the remoteness and views of this mostly unexplored valley.

16. Paine Massif

Full Day

Transfer: 1.20 hrs. Hike: 2.5 hrs. Altitude: 120 m.a.s.l. Elevation Gain: 50 m a.l.

This is a scenic trip which concentrates on the west side of the Torres del Paine National Park. It is the best option to see a large part of the park in just one day, with stops at various places for taking great photographs. The journey finishes in the area of Grey Lake, where there are glaciers, ice floes and feathery nothofagus woods.

If we are lucky, we may see a huemul, a native deer in danger of extinction. We walk for around 30 minutes on the shore of Grey Lake where ice floes from the glacier have become "beached".

The return journey to the hotel is via the same route.

17. Paine Massif + Sailing to Grey Glacier



Transfer: 1.20 hrs. Hike: 1 hrs. Boating: 3 hrs. Altitude: 120 m.a.s.l.

This is a scenic trip which concentrates on the west side of the Torres del Paine National Park. It is the best option to see a large part of the park in just one day, with stops at various places for taking great photographs. The road ends at Lake Grey, where we embark on the Grey II, sailing towards the Grey Glacier. We will see glaciers, ice floes and feathery nothofagus woods. If we are lucky, we may see a huemul, a native deer in danger of extinction. We return to the hotel by van.

*Additional cost



Elevation Gain: 50 m.a.s.l.

The perfect balance between an excursion by van and shorter easy walks. Ideal for those who enjoy photography and bird watching.



18. Birdwatching Half Day Transfer: 3,5 hrs. Hike: 1 hr.

With ever-changing landscapes dominated by the Patagonian wind, the Torres del Paine National Park is a great place to see wildlife. With several different ecosystems, it is possible to encounter more than 120 bird species, including flamingos, caiquenes, ducks, ñandú (a type of ostrich), Magellanic woodpeckers, caranchos, eagles and of course the majestic condor.

We depart at dawn when the birdlife is more active and the light favors photography. We travel between lakes, woods and pampa searching for bird life in an experience which is enriching for both beginners and experts.

We discover more about the lifecycles of different birds, while we take in the impressive Magellanic scenery. The best time for bird watching is from December to February and the main areas to be visited are Laguna de los Juncos, Laguna de los Cisnes and Estancia Cerro Paine, amongst others.

19. Kayak on Grey Lake Full Day



Following in the footsteps of the indigenous waterborne nomads, kayaking amongst the ice floes, we offer excursions on Lake Grey. The ice here can reach up to 15 meters in height and floats with forms and shapes which fire the imagination. Specialist guides accompany guests on the journey as they paddle amidst the floes, from a different viewpoint of the local biodiversity.

**Additional cost

For more information, please contact us.

20. Fishing



Transfer: 1 hrs. Hike: 0 a 1,5 hrs. Fishing: 7 hrs

This experience combines fishing the unpredictable waters of Patagonia with trekking to reach unexplored areas in a world class destination. Together with a specialist guide, you will discover pristine rivers and test your fishing skills as you fight the Patagonian wind amidst beautiful scenery.

Many rivers in the area are near to the sea and have a flow of species depending on the time of year. Some of the places where fishing is available are Rio Baguales, Las Chinas, Serrano, Lago del Toro and Lago Maravilla.

Here we can find salmon-trout, brown trout, Chinook, pacific salmon, Patagonian tooth fish, and rainbow trout, some of which reach up to 26 lbs. During the full day experience, the guide will move according to his "reading" of the river and evaluate the fishing depending on the activity in the different pools. A Patagonian style lunch on the banks of the river is included. **Note:** Fishing permits must be obtained for each person fishing in compliance with the Regional legal requirements.

The authorized fishing season runs from October 10th 2017 - April 10th 2020

*Additional cost

Requires reservation at the time your trip is confirmed.

Subject to the availability of a local service provider.



21. Estancia Lazo Half Day Transfer: 50 min. Ride: 2 hrs.

From the hotel we head south towards Estancia Lazo. The road is scenic and with great views of Lake Sarmiento. The ride starts near the Hostería Lazo and winds through an ancient lenga forest. After about an hour, we reach a clearing with wonderful views of the Paine Massif. We head back through the wood to the Hostería, with a local gaucho always by our side.



By vehicle, we will head toward Tercera Barranca Ranch, where we will start our horseback ride. Following the Sierra Contreras, we will head into a small forest and ride uphill to a viewpoint from which we can enjoy a spectacular view of the Torres. We will return to the stables where a chauffeur will be waiting to take us back to the hotel.

23. Manantiales Half Day Transfer: 20 min. Ride: 2 hrs.

After a 25 minute transfer by van, we'll arrive at the Dos Elianas estancia, dedicated to agrotourism. Here we will meet with the owner, Christian Cárdenas, who protects the traditions of the zone thanks to his family business. We'll start to horseback ride towards the west, going up a hill in the middle of the local fauna (sheep, guanacos and foxes), until we arrive at a lookout which offers views of Cerro Castillo, the Sierra and of the Del Toro Lake, the largest lake in the Magallanes region. Outside of the National Park's boundaries, we'll ride through the open pampa to feel the immensity of Patagonia, in an almost uncharted zone.





24. Entre Lagos



Transfer: 5 min. Ride: 2 hrs.

Following a short 5 minute ride, we arrive at the Entre Lagos section of Estancia Cerro Guido (Cerro Guido ranch). Here we dress with chaps and hard hats before mounting our horses and setting off towards the Sierra del Toro, and down towards Lake Sarmiento with panoramic views of the Paine Massif, ending at the hotel. This ride requires previous riding experience, as it is not on a marked trail.

25. Tercera FD



We will travel toward Tercera Barranca Ranch to begin our horseback ride. Following the Sierra Contreras, we will head into a small forest and ride uphill to a viewpoint which offers a spectacular view of the Torres. From there, we will continue along the Sierra Masle mountainside and pass a small waterfall. We will eat at Laguna Azul and then return to the stables where a chauffeur will be waiting to take us back to the hotel.







We leave the hotel heading northeast and enter the park through the Laguna Azul checkpoint. (1 hour). We continue to the La Porfiada section which is a part of the Cerro Guido Estancia. The ride is mainly downhill for the next 2 hours, through lenga and ñirre woodlands where native birds and animals can be spotted. At the end, we are rewarded with an incredible view towards the northeast side of the Paine massif, including the famous "Torres del Paine". We meet our driver at Laguna Azul and return to the hotel.



Heading east from the hotel, we will cross the 101,000-hectare Cerro Guido Ranch, one of the most expansive in Patagonia. After arriving to the Sierra Baguales by car, we bike the return trip along the Baguales River, which offers unique views of the Sierra Cazadores and their surroundings. The journey ends at Cerro Guido, where our chauffeur will be waiting to take us back to the hotel.



Transfer: 50 min. Cycling: 3 a 3,5 hrs

We leave the hotel heading northeast and enter the park through the Laguna Azul checkpoint. (1 hour). From here we start biking, heading south through a series of rough downhill trails for an hour, approximately. When we reach the Cañadon Macho area we continue biking for another hour, coming across a wide variety of local birds and animals. There are also impressive views of the Paine massif, Serra Masle and Sierra Contreras. The ride finishes at Cascada Paine, where our driver will be waiting to take us back to the hotel.

We have special routes available for children.

We also have children's bikes.

