

ARGENTINA TO CHILE LAKE CROSSING



The Classic Patagonia Lake District Tour

9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

An unforgettable circular trip around the region of the lakes in the Argentine and Chilean Patagonia. Visit the first class tourist centres of Bariloche and San Martín de los Andes, unique for the perfect combination of stone and wood buildings with beautiful landscapes. Travel along the incredibly beautiful Seven Lakes Route and cross the Andes Mountain Range towards Pucón, with its dense forests and Villarrica Volcano that dominates the place before continuing to the lake crossing. An incredible experience with breathtaking views.

FROM
\$1940
per person

THIS TOUR INCLUDES:

- All Nights Accommodations
- All Breakfast
- All Transfers
- English-speaking tour guides

HIGHLIGHTS

- Bariloche
- Panoramic view of the Lanin Volcano and Lacar Lake
- Puerto Montt, capital of the Chilean Lake District
- The Osorno Volcano
- Board the catamaran and get ready to cross Todos los Santos Lake

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Day 1

BARILOCHE, LLAO LLAO & CAMPANARIO HILL

Fly into the Bariloche Airport (BRC), and meet a representative who will take you to the city.

Meet your tour guide for a 4 hour tour of Llao Llao and Campanario Hill, two of the most scenic viewpoints surrounding Bariloche. The journey starts by winding around Lake Nahuel Huapi, entering the Llao Llao region. Visit the San Eduardo Chapel, which has a view of the lake. Then continue to Llao Llao Municipal Park, where you can venture on well-marked walking paths. Visit the Tacúl Village and then another scenic viewpoint overlooking Moreno Lake.

Climb to the top of Campanario Hill, accesible year-round via a ski lift. At the summit, there is a cafeteria where you can relax with a cup of hot cocoa, admiring the charming Argentine Lake District.

Return to Bariloche and check in to your hotel.



Day 2

SAN MARTIN DE LOS ANDES & SEVEN LAKES ROUTE

After breakfast take a to San Martin de los Andes. Known as the 'Seven Lakes Route,' travel along the section of National Route 231 that joins the districts of Bariloche, Villa La Angostura and San Martín de los Andes. Look at the main tourist corridor in the area, famous world-wide for the matchless beauty of its landscapes, with panoramic natural vantage points, lakes, rivers and countless attractions opening up in front of those who are willing to discover the real seven lakes route. Return to Bariloche on the evening.



Day 3

ANDEAN CROSSING: BARILOCHE TO PEULLA

Today, get ready to cross the Andes and go from Argentina to Chile. Transfer to the Pañuelo Pier and board a boat to cross Nahuel Huapi Lake. Arrive at Blest Port, where you will take a bus towards Alegre Port. Here, take a ferry ride to cross Lake Frias until getting to Frias Port, where your driver will be waiting for you to transfer you to your hotel in Peulla.



Day 4

ARRIVAL IN PUERTO VARAS

Have breakfast in Peulla, contemplating the soothing Frias Lake. Then, board a ferry to cross another of the lakes in Chile's Lake District: Todos los Santos. Arrive in Petrohué, famous for its falls, and from there, transfer to Puerto Varas, a charming Patagonian city founded by German settlers that seems to have come out of a fairy tale.



Day 5

FRUTILLAR & PUERTO OCTAY

Take a full-day tour to Frutillar, 'the city of music,' and Puerto Octay, a small and picturesque town.

Start off at Frutillar, where you will visit the Colonial Museum and take in the German settler monument. This city is an ideal area for picture-taking since it displays the beauty of the typical German constructions combined with the deep blue color of Llanquihue Lake and the majesty of the volcanoes. Frutillar is renowned for its European confectionery, especially the traditional sweets like kuchen and strudel.

Travel northwards to arrive in Puerto Octay. This town of German heritage offers the peace and quiet that is often hard to find on mainstream tourist destinations. Visit the city's main square, the San Agustin Church, the Wulf House, the Niklittschek House and the Hotel Hasse. Take some time to rest and listen the soothing sound of the lake.

After the tour, return to the hotel in Puerto Varas.



Day 6

ARRIVAL IN BARILOCHE

Set out in the morning to drive along the shores of Lago Llanquihue, with views of Calbuco Volcano to the south and Osorno Volcano to the north, as well as the snow-capped Andes mountains, alpine lakes, and stunning meadows. Stop at Petrohué Falls and admire these spectacular waterfalls. Then, board a catamaran to sail through Todos los Santos Lake under the gaze of the imposing Puntagudo Volcano until arriving at Peulla, where you can have lunch.

Transfer by land to cross the border that separates Chile from Argentina, and head to Puerto Frías, on the banks of Frías Lake. Take a boat ride to get to Puerto Alegre, on the northwestern part of the lake. Take a combination of boat and coach rides from Puerto Blest to Puerto Panuelo, sailing the emblematic Nahuel Huapi Lake, to arrive in Bariloche, the capital of Argentina's Lake District and a popular ski resort destination. Check into your hotel and relax for the rest of the evening.



Day 7

MOUNT TRONADOR

Today, take a tour to Mount Tronador, so-called because of the thunder-like sound of its falling seracts. Transfer from your hotel in Bariloche towards the Huenuleo Prairie, taking in views of Argentina's Lake District.

Cross Manso River and enter the Nahuel Huapi National Park, a verdant reserve with breathtaking lakes and exotic flora and fauna. Stop at Ventisquero Negro (Black Glacier) and head to the base of the mount, which used to be a volcano. Take a light walk through the area, enjoy lunch surrounded by the nature, and return to your hotel following the same route.

Note: Entrance fee to Nahuel Huapi is to be paid directly on the spot.



Day 8

END OF ARGENTINA TO CHILE LAKE CROSSING TOUR

After breakfast, transfer to the Bariloche airport for your flight to Buenos Aires and onward to your final destination.