



TORRES DEL PAINE BY NEGRODRIGO

CHILE

Torres del Paine

6 DAYS | Choose your dates

Known the world over for its stunning landscapes and unparalleled views, South America's Patagonia region is characterized by towering glaciers, vast lakes and rugged, snow-capped mountain peaks, and the granite towers of Torres del Paine are among the most picturesque features of the region. During this 6-day expedition, navigate the wonders of this most unforgettable region, and enjoy time in the nearby port towns of Puerto Natales and Punta Arenas.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Journey into Chile's renowned Torres del Paine National Park and view the impressive granite towers that give the park its name.
- Experience the breathtaking landscapes of Tierra del Fuego, filled with glaciers, valleys, and lakes.
- Cruise from Puerto Natales through Last Hope Sound to the Serrano Glacier.
- Explore historical landmarks and monuments in Puerto Natales and Punta Arenas.
- Learn about the indigenous peoples that once inhabited these extreme environments.



GUANACO BY BRUCE GOODWIN



ICE SHEETS BY BRUNO CAMARGO

ITINERARY

BLD = BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER

DAY 1 - SANTIAGO

Upon arrival in Santiago, walk to the Holiday Inn Santiago (located directly in front of the airport terminal and just outside baggage claim) and check in. No meals included on arrival day. *Overnight at Holiday Inn Santiago.*

DAY 2 - PUERTO NATALES

This morning, check out and return to the airport terminal for your flight to Puerto Arenas, where you'll be met and transferred to the bus station. Take the public bus about 3.5 hours to Puerto Natales. Here you will be met and transferred to your hotel. *Overnight at Costaustralis or similar. (B)*

DAY 3 - PUERTO NATALES

This morning, enjoy an excursion with boxed lunch to the Balmaceda and Serrano Glaciers. The excursion starts on the dock of Puerto Natales with a cruise through the Seno de Última Esperanza ("Last Hope Sound") toward Serrano Glacier. Witness beautiful landscapes along the way. Upon arrival, disembark on the dock in front of the Serrano Glacier and take a short walk to get great views of the glacier walls. Back on the ship, the navigation proceeds to Balmaceda Glacier. Late in the afternoon, return to Puerto Natales and your hotel. Today's excursion includes transfers, lunch, cruise, guide and entrance fees to park or protected area. *Overnight at Costaustralis or similar. (BL)*

DAY 4 - TORRES DEL PAINE

Today, take an excursion to Torres del Paine National Park, starting from Puerto Natales along the Last Hope Sound to the Milodón Cave, a huge cavern 100 feet high and 230 feet deep. In 1896, Captain Hermann Ederhard found the remains of a prehistoric giant ground sloth (*Mylodon darwini*) here. Continue across the hills and vast pampas of the beautiful and varied Patagonian landscape before entering the spectacular Torres del Paine National Park; this World Biosphere Reserve is home to pumas, foxes, guanacos and rhea, within a luxuriant environment of lengas, coigues, calafate, and other impressive flora. During the excursion, observe Grande Fall, through which Nordenskjöld Lake drains into Lake Pehoé, and enjoy the superb view of the Cuernos del Paine. Then, the excursion follows along the lakeside to observe the Salto Chico and continues through the ancient lenga forest to Lake Grey to enjoy a picnic with views of large snowdrifts near the Grey glacier. Return along the Amarga lagoon with the breathtaking view of Torres del Paine. Today's excursion includes transfers, guide, entrance fees to park or protected area and lunch. *Overnight at Hosteria Las Torres or similar. (BL)*

DAY 5 - PUNTA ARENAS

Today take a half day tour of Laguna Azul. In this river valley you will be able to admire the rough profiles of the Torres from a different angle, allowing a special view. Later in the afternoon, transfer to the bus station in Puerto Natales and return back to Punta Arenas. Upon arrival in Punta Arenas, you will be transferred to your hotel. *Overnight at Hotel Cabo de Hornos or similar. (B)*

DAY 6 - SANTIAGO

This morning enjoy a tour of Punta Arenas. The excursion leads first to Mirador Hill, which offers a panoramic view of the Strait of Magellan, Tierra del Fuego and the city itself. It continues along the city's main streets and avenues, observing the Monument to Magellan at the Plaza Muñoz Gamero. Following along the Costanera Avenue, beside the Strait of Magellan, visit the Salesiano Regional Museum and view the interesting historical documents on display about the aboriginal peoples of the region, including Yámana, Ona, and Alacalufe. The excursion continues past the Shepherd Monument, which represents the workers' struggle in this land at the end of the world. You will then be transferred to the airport for your flight to Santiago. From there, you can connect with your international flight or we can arrange for a transfer to a hotel if you wish to extend your time in Santiago. *(B)*

PROGRAM PRICING

\$2,059 per person (based on double occupancy)

\$3,298 per person (based on single occupancy)

Price includes accommodations, meals, transfers and tours as stated in the itinerary.

Price does not include airfare, gratuities, meals not indicated, optional activities, items of a personal nature, or departure tax.

Valid for travel in 2019.

TRAVEL PROTECTION

Holbrook Travel purchases Travel Protection on behalf of all participants traveling in 2018 or beyond. These plans help provide coverage once the trip has departed and offer benefits for Baggage/Personal Effects, Accident & Sickness Medical Expenses, Emergency Evacuation and more. Refer to the Plan Document for more details.

Optional additional coverage is available in the form of the Group Deluxe Plan, which offers benefits for Trip Cancellation/Interruption, in addition to many other insurance benefits and non-insurance assistance services. If interested in this optional plan, we can provide you with rates and plan details.

THE FINE PRINT

Rates are based on availability of the hotel; if room type is not available, your agent can make necessary itinerary and price changes. Rates for other hotels in the area are available. Holiday surcharges may apply. A \$200 per person deposit and enrollment form is due upon booking. This deposit is refundable until 61 days prior to departure excluding a \$100 cancellation fee. Final payments are due no later than 60 days prior to departure. Cancellations received less than 61 days prior to departure are not refundable.