

**Sea kayak Pumalin +
Trek Torres del Paine
10 days / 8 nights**

We will go to Pumalin Park where we will row in the fjords of the north portion of the park, enjoy its 2 natural hot springs and amaze ourselves with the vertiginous waterfalls that plunge into the sea, meeting sea lions and austral dolphins on the way, and discovering the dramatic landscapes where the Andes Mountains rise from the sea.

Then we will head south to Torres del Paine National Park. This trip aims to walk through the most spectacular valleys, trekking from refuge to refuge, putting special attention at the flora and fauna of the place and taking all the necessary time to take great pictures. We will visit the valleys Grey, Frances and Ascencio -by the towers- the most beautiful and known features of Torres del Paine.



Details of the Expedition

38km / 24mi of sea kayaking in Pumalin Park	
82km / 52,4mi of trekking in Torres del Paine	
Length:	10 days / 8 nights
Refuge:	5 nights
Camping:	3 nights
Hotel in the city:	2 nights (not included)
Level of difficulty:	Moderate
Pack weight:	15kl / 23lb
Luggage:	70liter
Place:	North and South Patagonia
Meeting Point:	Puerto Varas
End of Trip:	Puerto Natales
Dates:	On request from October to May
Group Size:	2 to 8 people max.

Included

All meals with a balanced diet from days 1 to day 10 including breakfast, march snack, box lunch, dinner, wine, appetizers, board cheese and other delicious food, except dinner on day 4.
All land transportation and water transportation
8 nights lodging except the nights of days 4 and 10 are not included.
Self supported sea kayak trip in Pumalin Park + boat to go back to civilization on day 4.
Entrance to 2 natural hot springs + entrance to Pumalin and Torres del Paine parks
All kayaking equipment; kayak with rudder and Prijon equipment (German), double and simple, rows, skirts, row jackets, life jacket, dry bags for your equipment and camera.
Professional First aid kit, GPS, UHF Radios, handy, maps and repair kits, cell phone and more
Bilingual Guides (Spanish-English) accredited by Wilderness First Response, guide of the National Mountain School with wide experience in trekking and long trips. Kayak guides also accredited by Wilderness First Response; widely experienced in sea kayak and long trips to remote places.
Book Collection about the trips, which will help you enrich the experience.
Primary Assistance Insurance for each participant

Not Included Air Trips, lodging in cities (nights of days 0 –before departure-, night of day 4 and night of day 10, but for this we can assist you with information) accident or rescue insurance, personal equipment, tips or any other service not mentioned in this program.

You need to consider the following flights: Santiago (SCL)-Puerto Montt (PMC) any time of day 0; Puerto Montt (PMC)-Punta Arenas (PUQ) with departure around 10:00 of day 5 and Punta Arenas (PUQ)-Santiago (SCL) with departure around 14:00 on day 11 (or the destination of your choice).



Day 1 Puerto Varas / Hornopirén

This day we won't have much physical activity as we go by land to the first era stage of the Austral Road to enjoy ourselves in the Pichicolo spring baths. Later on the day we will visit "Patagonia el Cobre" Park where we'll spend the night in a settled camping within the native forest, facing de Cumaofjord.

Day 2 Hornopirén / Quintupeo Fjord

3,5hrs / 13km / 8mi

We will go southwards through a penetration road that will take us next to the sea mar with our kayaks: here we will have a safety, rescue and paddling techniques chat before starting our way towards the narrow entrance of the Quintupeo fjord that will take some 4hrs rowing right into the Pumalin Park. This amazing fjord offers massive granite walls and tall waterfalls that plunge straight into the ocean. In this stunning corner of the world we will set camp and rest and enjoy our afternoon.

Day 3 Quintupeo / Cahuelmó

6hrs / 25km / 6mi

This will be our longest day; we will paddle for 5 to 6 hours, nearly 16mi and depending on the weather and the tide, we might have to do some night sailing, which will give us a different view of the fiord. As every effort is rewarded, we will arrive to Cahuelmó Fiord after about 5 hours, a wonderful place with big mountains that rise from the sea and then go inland amongst narrow valleys just waiting to be explored. We will see a colony of sea lions and once we have reached the end of the fiord we will find the Cahuelmó Hot Springs, a part of the Pumalin Project. We will set camp near the natural pools dug on the rock by local people in the early 30`s. We will enjoy a hot spring bath and the amazing southern latitude sunset followed by dinner and free afternoon.

Day 4 Cahuelmó / Puerto Varas

back in Support boat

On our last day we will go hiking and will enjoy thermal springs while waiting for the boat that will take us to Hornopirén. Here we will meet our private mini bus that will drive us back to Puerto Varas by a shorter way this time, crossing by ferry the Reloncavi Fjord and going by the small towns of Puelo and Cochamó.



We strongly recommend resting at least one day between both trips, whether in a quiet and welcoming place by the sea in Andes Lodge www.andeslodge.com or admiring the views of the Llanquihue Lake and Osorno Volcano in Bellavista Hotel www.hotelbellavista.cl, in downtown Puerto Varas.

As mentioned above, the night for day 4 is not included, but we can assist you with this, whether you choose to rest 1 night or a couple of days.

Day 5 Airport in Punta Arenas / Las Torres Refuge

384km / 5hr drive

We will group at the meeting point and we will drive straight to the Torres del Paine National Park, we will have dinner and sleep in Las Torres refuge.

Day 6 Las Torres Refuge / Torres Viewpoint

17km / 7hrs hiking

We will get up early to leave the refuge and walk for 3 hours along the narrow Ascencio Valley to get to the moraine that will lead us to the Towers viewpoint. We will have lunch in this extraordinary scenery and we descend back to the refuge. Relax and enjoy the afternoon.

Optional day 2: Get up very early and walk during the night to reach the Towers viewpoint by dawn and take the best pictures.

Day 7 Las Torres Refuge / Los Cuernos Refuge

16km / 5hrs hiking

Trek along the beautiful turquoise waters of Nordenskjöld Lake and below the hanging glaciers of Almirante Nieto mount. After 5 hours walking we will arrive to the cosy Los Cuernos Refuge to have dinner and time to rest.



Los Cuernos on day 8

Day 8 Frances Valley / Paine Grande Refuge 26km / 7hrs hiking

We will set off early and walk by beautiful forests and lakes. Once at the hanging bridge over El Frances River we will have our first sight of the Glacier and if we are lucky will see a big avalanche descending from the summit of Paine Grande mount. From this point we will climb some 300mts to have an overview of the valley and will be able to see the granite walls that surround it. After lunch we will descend back and head to Paine Grande Refuge, where we will have a big dinner to celebrate the day.

Day 9 Pehoé / Grey Valley / Puerto Natales 23km / 6hrs hiking

We will rise early and walk for about 5 hours to get to Grey Glacier lookout. On our way we will pass through forests and nice alpine lakes. We will continue walking and have amazing views of the Southern Ice Field and Paine Grande, the highest mountain in the park with 3.050mts. ASL. Once we have had a nice lunch on the forest next to the glacier we will head back the refuge we will have dinner and enjoy the place.

Día 10 Full day por el parque

We board the early catamaran and meet our van that will take us around the park. Depending on the different interests of the people in the group the guide can take you to places rich in fauna, being able to catch sight of condors, *guanacos* (relatives to llamas and camels) *ñandúes* (family of ostriches and emus), the varied bird fauna and with some luck see *huemules* (Austral deer) and pumas. If you're interested in plants the guide can show you the most emblematic flora of the Park. You may also go see ancient rock paintings and get to little visited viewpoints and admire spectacular views of the mountain range and later travel to Puerto Natales.

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Sea Kayak Pumalin +Torres del Paine 10d	2	3	4 - 8
Prices in Chilean pesos	\$ 1.390.000	\$ 1.190.000	\$ 1.090.000
USD approx.	USD 2.780	USD 2.380	USD 2.180
Euros approx	€ 1.805	€ 1.545	€ 1.416

Note: these prices correspond to high season, from 01.10.08 to 30.04.10
Prices in Chilean pesos; currency exchange valid on the booking day

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Refugios / refuges



Las Torres viewpoint day 6

