



## EXPLORING THE ANDES ON 2 WHEELS Chile – Argentina 2011/2012

### INVITATION TO TRAVEL

During this magnificent circuit in Mountain-bike we will discover some magical corners of southern Chile and Argentina, where nature becomes the main protagonist. Starting from Puerto Varas we will explore the wonderful surroundings of lakes Llanquihue, Rupanco and Puyehue, before crossing the Andes and being dazzled with the impressive Lake Nahuel Huapi and the charming towns of Villa La Angostura, Bariloche and San Martin de Los Andes. For sure we will be captivated by the majestic glaciers of Mount Tronador and emerald waters of Lake "Pirihueico".



**Duration:** 10 days / 09 nights

**Type of trip:** mountain-biking.

**Lodging:** hotel / hostería (hostelry) / cabin

**Difficulty Level:** intermediate. Cycling average: 50 km p/day with steep ups and downs

**Recommended period:** from November to March

**Code of the trip:** SN / MTB 02

### ITINERARY

#### 1<sup>st</sup> DAY: PUERTO MONTT (IN) – ENSENADA

Reception at the airport of Puerto Montt and transfer to Puerto Varas, a charming tourist town. From here we start our biking tour along the southern shore of the beautiful lake Llanquihue up to Ensenada village. Overnight at CABINS.

**Included meals:** Lunch / Dinner

**Riding distance:** 47 km. approx, paved road

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY: ENSENADA – ENTRE LAGOS – AGUAS CALIENTES

Departure in the morning bordering the eastern coast of Lake Llanquihue until we reach the unpaved detour to the village of Entre Lagos. Arrival at Entre Lagos and transfer by vehicle to Puyehue. Overnight at CABINS.

**Included meals:** Breakfast / Lunch or Box-lunch / Dinner

**Riding distance:** 18 km paved road, 60 km unpaved road



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- 3<sup>th</sup> DAY:**           **AGUAS CALIENTES – VILLA LA ANGOSTURA**  
Transfer by car to the Chilean customs where the bike tour of today begins. After riding 29 exhausting kilometres, we reach the border and later continue to Villa La Angostura, a charming tourist town located on the shores of the wonderful lake Nahuel Huapi. Overnight at HOSTERIA / HOTEL 3\*.  
*Included meals: Breakfast / Lunch or Box-lunch*  
*Riding distance: 63 km. approx, paved road*
- 4<sup>th</sup> DAY:**           **VILLA LA ANGOSTURA – BARILOCHE**  
Morning bike excursion to the Peninsula of Quetrihue. We will ride on a trail of 12 km surrounded by a deep forest of Cypress, Coihues and Radales to reach the Arrayanes forest, well known because of the unique cinnamon tone of its trees. Return to Villa La Angostura and transfer to Bariloche, very important tourist city famous for its delicious homemade chocolates and spectacular landscapes. In the afternoon, transfer to the area of Llao Llao where our bike excursion starts. Along this circuit we will discover the lakes Escondido, Moreno and Nahuel Huapi, as well as Lopez bay and the Panoramic viewpoint. Transfer back to the city and overnight at HOSTERIA / HOTEL 3\*.  
*Included meals: Breakfast / Lunch or Box-lunch*  
*Riding distance: 50 km approx, unpaved and paved road*
- 5<sup>th</sup> DAY:**           **BARILOCHE – PAMPA LINDA**  
Transfer to Pampa Linda, located on the foot of the impressive Mount Tronador. This is the starting point of our biking tour. Many options are possible: we can ride up to the foot of the glacier Manso (also called "Ventisquero Negro" due to its colour); explore the "Saltillo de Nalca" (small waterfall); or even ride up to the Refuge Otto Mailing (only for brave people!). Overnight at HOSTERIA PAMPA LINDA according to availability.  
*Included meals: Breakfast / Box-lunch / Dinner*  
*Riding distance: 20 - 30 km approx, unpaved road*
- 6<sup>th</sup> DAY:**           **PAMPA LINDA – MANSO RIVER VALLEY**  
Early in the morning transfer to the Valley of the Rio Manso, furrowed by the river of the same name, with emerald crystalline waters. Arrival at the first hanging bridge, starting point of our adventure of today. We will ride along a beautiful mountain trail, surrounded by native vegetation and crossed by streams and small waterfalls. After 3 biking hours, we arrive to the second hanging bridge where we can rest on the banks of these magical waters. In the afternoon, transfer back to Bariloche. Overnight at HOSTERIA / HOTEL 3\*.  
*Included meals: Breakfast / Box-lunch*  
*Riding distance: 20 km approx, unpaved trail*



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- 7<sup>th</sup> DAY: BARILOCHE – PASO CORDOBA – SAN MARTIN DE LOS ANDES**  
Morning transfer by vehicle bordering the Limay river and passing by “Valle Encantado” (impressive canyon with curious rocky formations) to Confluencia. We take the Paso Cordoba road to reach the “portezuelo”, where we will start our descent by bike to the Lake Meliquina. We continue bordering this beautiful lake and after a deserved break we continue by vehicle to San Martin de los Andes, a lovely tourist town on the shores of Lake Lacar. Overnight at HOTEL / HOSTERIA 3\*.  
**Included meals: Breakfast / Lunch or Box-lunch**  
*Riding distance: 60 km approx, unpaved road.*
- 8<sup>th</sup> DAY: SAN MARTIN DE LOS ANDES – LAKE PIRIHUEICO - CHOSHUENCO**  
We begin our ride to Chile bordering the lake Lacar. After the formalities at the Argentinean customs, we arrive at Puerto Pirihueico where we take the ferry to Puerto Fuy (1hour and a half). Along the 36 km length of this beautiful lake, lush and virgin vegetation grows: the largest reserve of Rauli trees is in this sector. Arrival at Puerto Fuy and transfer by vehicle to the small village of Choshuenco. Overnight at HOSTERIA / CABINS.  
**Included meals: Breakfast / Lunch or Box-lunch**  
*Riding distance: 50 km, unpaved road)*
- 9<sup>th</sup> DAY: CHOSHUENCO - PANGUIPULLI**  
After breakfast we continue cycling to the East, bordering the northern shore of the lake Panguipulli up to the little village of the same name. Overnight at HOSTERIA / CABIN.  
**Included meals: Breakfast / Lunch or Box-lunch**  
*Riding distance: 47 km, unpaved road.*
- 10<sup>th</sup> DAY: PANGUIPULLI – PUERTO MONTT (OUT)**  
Transfer to the airport of Puerto Montt to take the return flight. **END OF OUR SERVICES.**  
*Included meals: Breakfast*



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### EQUIPMENT LIST

#### CLOTHING:

- Sun hat
- Wool or pile hat
- Mountain-bike helmet
- Waterproof jacket with a hood. Suggested: Gore-Tex
- Warm Jacket (polar)
- Underwear
- T-Shirts
- Mountain-bike gloves
- Short and long leggings
- Trekking trousers
- Shorts
- Swimsuit + towel
- Socks
- Trekking shoes
- Tennis shoes, sandals.

#### FOR THE JOURNEY:

- Mountain bike
- Spare parts if you bring your own mountain-bike: 2 inner tubes, 1 box of patches, glue, spare brake pads, 1 lever cable, 1 back break cable, chain lubricant, 1 pump
- Bike chain with padlock
- Day pack, Camelbag
- Sun glasses
- Sun screen: Sun cream and lip screen.
- Canteen
- Personal First Aid Kit.
- Personal Toiletries
- Photographic equipment

**ENJOY THE TRIP!**

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### RATES

02	PERSONS:	US\$ 5420 /pers + FLIGHTS
03	PERSONS:	US\$ 4950 /pers + FLIGHTS
04	PERSONS:	US\$ 4050 /pers + FLIGHTS
05	PERSONS:	US\$ 3490 /pers + FLIGHTS
06	PERSONS:	US\$ 3120 /pers + FLIGHTS
07	PERSONS:	US\$ 2850 /pers + FLIGHTS
08	PERSONS:	US\$ 2650 /pers + FLIGHTS
09	PERSONS:	US\$ 2490 /pers + FLIGHTS
10	PERSONS:	US\$ 2370 /pers + FLIGHTS
11	PERSONS:	US\$ 2270 /pers + FLIGHTS

Single room supplement:                      US\$ 475 /person

### Included in the rates:

- Accommodation in the hotels / hosterias / Cabins ( <b>DOUBLE/TRIPLE room basis</b> ). <i>Local standard</i>
- Meals as mentioned in the program
- Private transportation (persons + bikes) during the whole program
- Private bilingual guide (English/ French/ Spanish speaking) during the whole program. Guide in other language subject to availability.
- National Park fees mentioned on the program
- Lake Pihueico ferry ticket

### NOT included in the rate:

- Flights and taxes
- <b>Mountain bike and accessories</b> (rental price: US\$ 30 /person/day. It includes reparation kit, helmet, and bike gloves)
- Alcoholic and soft drinks during the meals at restaurant and/or hotel.
- Single room supplement
- Personal equipment
- Travel insurance
- Tips
- Services NOT mentioned in the program

*The rates are valid from the 01/10/2011 until the 30/04/2012 except in case of a big variation in the USD exchange conditions in Chile and Argentina. Thanks for reading our general sales conditions.*

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