



## CHILE SOUTHERN PROGRAM

**Duration:**  
**07 Days – 06 Nights**

**Destinations:**  
**Santiago – Viña del Mar – Valparaiso – Puerto Natales – Torres del Paine – Balmaceda & Serrano Glaciers**



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## Day 01 ► Santiago de Chile

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Arrival in Santiago de Chile airport and transfer to selected hotel.

<b>Santiago ► 3 night accommodation at selected hotel</b>
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## Day 02 ► Santiago de Chile

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### **Santiago de Chile City Tour (half day)**

Enjoy with us a visit of the different neighborhoods of Santiago. We start with a scenery tour in Providencia, Balmaceda Park and Plaza Italia. We then move to the Historical Downtown, where you will have a chance to see Santiago's traditional architecture, the beautiful New York Street, the Stock Exchange, the Government Palace ("La Moneda"), and the main historical buildings such as the National Library, the Court House and the former Congress.

Afterwards, we visit the "Plaza de Armas" Square. From there we move on to the Cathedral, the Postal Service Building, and the National Historical Museum (the former Royal Courthouse).

Afterwards, you will experience a scenery tour of the Central Market, enjoy the architecture of the Bellas Artes Museum, and visit the Bellavista neighborhood, famous for its restaurants and nightlife.



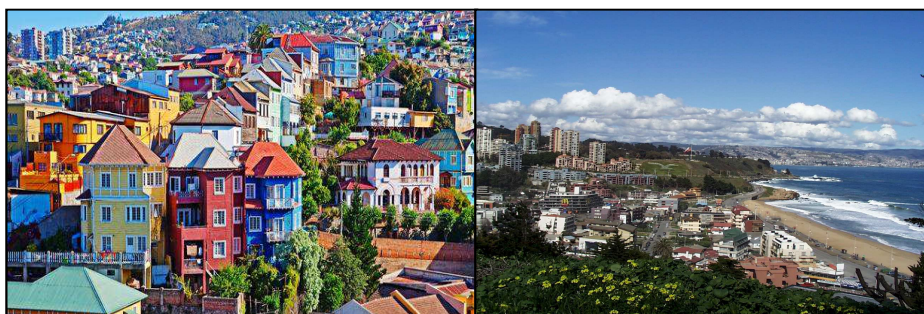
## Day 03 ► Santiago de Chile

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### **Full day tour to Viña del Mar & Valparaíso (full day)**

- Seafood lunch included

The tour leaves Santiago in western direction. Arriving in Valparaíso, main port of the country and recently declared by UNESCO as Cultural Heritage of Humanity, you pass by the main square where you can view the monument honouring the Naval Battle fought in 1879. Driving towards the southern side of the city and seeing the old funiculars you will drive up a hillside for a most spectacular view of the bay seeing Valparaíso's downtown district and its adjoining hills.



Then proceed to the lower level of the city through the commercial heart of the port, where you'll take the coastal highway that links Valparaíso with the resort city of Viña del Mar, known as the Garden City. We will see the Flower Clock, the Casino and Reñaca and Concón beaches where you can admire various fish stands displaying a great variety of seafood. Summer homes and restaurants are spread out along the coast. Afterwards, visit Quinta Vergara, known for its International Singing Festival, and the shopping avenue before returning to Santiago.

## Day 04 ► Santiago de Chile – Punta Arenas – Puerto Natales

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Transfer to Santiago airport to embark with destination Punta Arenas.

**\*\* Flight not included\*\***

Arrival in Punta Arenas, reception and transfer to Puerto Natales.

<b>Puerto Natales ► 3 night accommodation at selected hotel</b>
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## Day 05 ► Puerto Natales

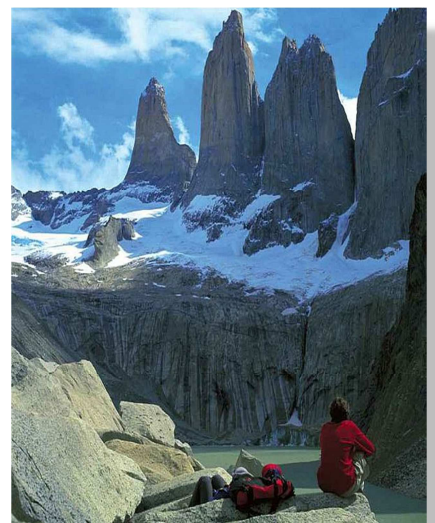
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### Torres del Paine Tour (Full day)

The Torres del Paine National Park is part of the National System of the Protected Wildlife Areas of Chile. It is located 154 km from Puerto Natales. The park was created on 13th May 1959 and declared as a Biosphere Reserve by Unesco in 1978.

We will head north from Puerto Natales, reaching Villa Cerro Castillo located one hour away. This is a village surrounding an old estancia that belonged to the Sociedad Explotadora Tierra del Fuego, devoted to sheep farming. We will stop at the village for fifteen minutes and then continue our journey to Lago Sarmiento, where we will be able to observe the typical fauna of this area: ñandúes and herds of guanacos. The lake is renowned for its striking deep blue colour.

We will enter the Torres del Paine National Park at Portería Laguna Amarga. Once inside the park, we will visit different viewpoints with unique perspectives of the Macizo Paine. We will take a thirty-minute walk to visit the Salto Grande waterfall, where we will be able to see the Cuernos del Paine (Paine Horns). Finally, we will reach Lago Grey, where we will start a one-hour trek, with a view of Glacier Grey and icebergs. We will return by the Mylodon Cave route, where we will have panoramic views of the Macizo Paine.



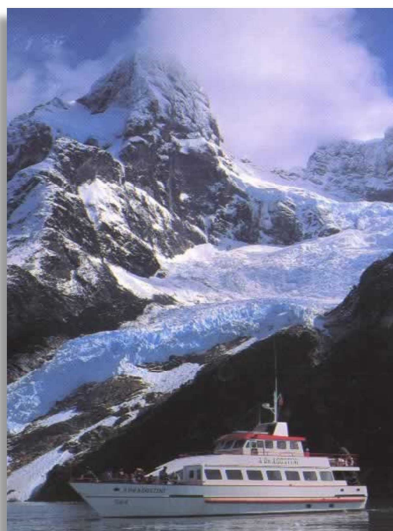
## Day 06 ► Puerto Natales

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### Balmaceda & Serrano Glaciers (full day)

- **Lunch included – Patagonian Lamb BBQ**

The Balmaceda and Serrano Glaciers are located inside Bernardo O'Higgins National Park, which is located 31 miles to the Northwest of Puerto Natales and it is part of the Andean mountain range. Visiting the park is the meaning of a wonderful place, untouched by humans. Its access is only by boat, sailing through the "Última Esperanza" Fiord. Its name is owed for being the "Last hope" to find the Strait of Magellan in 1557, for an expedition that came from the Pacific Ocean.



The trip begins in the port of Puerto Bories, and on the way can be seen the building that belonged to "Frigorifico Bories", which was one of the largest meat packing plants in Patagonia, also can be seen a little colony of Cormorants and a little colony of Sea lions. The flora is dominated by different species of beech trees, Calafate, Chilco and Canelo among others.

The Balmaceda glacier can be seen from the boat, however, and depending on the season and weather, we will be able to enjoy a 20 minute walk on a path bordering a calving lake originated by the melting of the glacier. We will enjoy an appetizer of Millennial Ice and then we will have lunch in a typical Patagonian Ranch, where we will taste a roast lamb accompanied by Magellan natural potatoes, salads, dessert and beverage ... An unforgettable experience.

Note: Soft walk visiting the Serrano Glacier with ups and downs on a rocky and sandy path bordering the lake.

## Day 07 ► Puerto Natales – Punta Arenas

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At suitable time, transfer from Puerto Natales to Punta Arenas airport.

**\*\*\* END OF OUR SERVICES \*\*\***

**SERVICES SUBJECT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SURAMERICAN WAY**



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