

Chile - Las Torres Hotel Extension

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Introduction

Hotel Las Torres is located in the heart of the Torres Del Paine National Park at the foot of the main tourist attraction, Las Torres del Paine and the starting point of the main trails of the park. It is the only working cattle farm inside the park and their all inclusive programs are designed to offer the best of untamed Patagonia. Hotel Las Torres offers a number of activities that are designed to enjoy the national park around a variety of subjects, from the flora, fauna and geology of the park, to the heritage and culture of the gauchos and the indigenous peoples of the region. They also include several modes of transport: vehicle, trekking, horses, navigation and climbing. Last but not least, they vary from easy to difficult depending on your physical condition and experience. The lodge has a number of sustainability features including a herb and vegetable garden and a range of sustainable cocktails. They also take part in a number of conservation efforts in the national park.

Highlights Include:

Base Torres Viewpoint-Walk the park's main trail to a famous viewpoint situated on the shores of Lake Grey, from where you can observe the slender, granite peaks that give the national park its name. Hike through Ascencio Valley, crossing a beautiful forest of Lengas and later arriving to a rocky area (La Morrena), finishing at the spectacular Torres Base Viewpoint. After a snack and allotted time for photography, you will follow the same trail back to the hotel.

Organic Garden- Visit the world's southernmost, as well as one of the region's oldest organic kitchen gardens at Reserva Cerro Paine. Within less than half a hectare, it produces seasonal fruits and vegetables using bio-intensive, sustainable methods that produce favorable quantities. Visitors have one or two hours in the garden, during which they can stimulate their senses, sample fresh goods, and learn the history of the world's southernmost organic garden.

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Patagonian Ranch Culture - Learn the Patagonian cowboy way by spending a morning with the baqueanos, who

lead the Hotel Las Torres horseback ridings and look after the horses and stables of Estancia Cerro Paine. During

your time with these local vaqueros - the descendants of horsemen who came to work ranches in this remote

region more than a century ago - you will learn about their special clothing, their saddles and other horse tack,

and get a chance to share a mate (an herbal tea made from yerba mate leaves).

Puma Cave- An area called the Puma Cave is located close to Hotel Las Torres. It is a large rock formation that has magnificent climbing walls with 3 levels of difficulty: basic (beginners), medium and expert. Starting with a complete instruction, this activity lasts for 2 or 3 hours where you will have the opportunity to climb different routes and enjoy this unique experience to the maximum.

Itinerary

DAY 1: Hotel Las Torres - Arrival

Today, you will be met at the arrival point and transferred to Hotel Las Torres, located inside Torres Del Paine National Park. This transfer is a shared service up to 5 hours in length on good paved and dirt roads,

offering a great introduction in the wide open expanses of the Patagonian pampas -

Pick ups are at 9:30am and 2:00pm from Punta Arenas City Hotels and 10:00am and 2:30pm from Punta Arenas Airport daily. In

the evening you will be briefed by the guides on the excursion options for the next few days of your stay. *Las Torres includes most activities but does have a limited

number of "extra cost" activities, which will be at the client's own cost and paid locally. Note that the sequence of the excursion as well as the logistics and/or duration might change depending on weather conditions.

We suggest that you pre book excursions to avoid missing out on your preferred activities.



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where you can choose from onsite, allowing

you to create your own personalised

experience deep in Torres del Paine

National Park. Below are suggested options

you may like to choose from through-out

your stay. After breakfast you may choose to

walk the park's main trail to a famous

viewpoint, situated on the shores of a

Glacier lagoon, from where you can observe

the slender, granite peaks that give the

national park its name. The excursion

begins at Hotel las Torres, where you will

begin a hike through Ascencio Valley,

crossing a beautiful forest of Lengas and

later arriving to a rocky area (La Morrena),

the most difficult section of the trail, and

finishing at the spectacular Torres Base

Viewpoint. After a snack and allotted time

for photography, we will follow the same

trail back to the hotel. After your morning

excursion, relax and enjoy the hotel's

facilities before visiting the world's

southernmost, as well as one of the region's

oldest, organic kitchen garden at Reserva

Cerro Paine. In less than half a hectare, the

garden produces seasonal fruits and

vegetables using bio-intensive, sustainable

methods that produce food for our

restaurants. Our garden has developed

immensely since its origin in the early

1950s. With this history in mind, we aim to

strike a balance between conserving old

fashioned, heirloom varieties and meeting

production goals. The farm has nine types of

fruits and more than twenty-five types of

vegetables, along with an ever-growing

group of culinary and medicinal herbs.

Visitors have one or two hours in the

garden, during which you can stimulate

your senses, sample fresh goods, and learn

the history of the world's southernmost

organic garden. In addition, visitors can

help with some daily harvesting tasks, such

as planting and weeding. Extra hands are

always welcome! Enjoy dinner back at the

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your stay. This morning start your journey

to the park's most spectacular waterfall and

an astonishing viewpoint. The adventure

starts with a 45-minute drive to Pudeto in

the heart of the park's lake district. The trail

leads us through a portion of the park

impacted by the great forest fire of 2011-

12. Between the remains of the fire-ravaged

trees, new life is already sprouting from the

rich Patagonian soul. The path continues to

Sendero Mirador Cuernos. Possibly the

Park's most spectacular viewpoint, the

panorama features the "Los Cuernos"

(Horns), Mount Paine Grande and the

French Valley and Glacier rising straight up

from the other side of Nordenskjöld Lake: a

brehtaking spectacle of rock and water.

From this point we continue the trail to

Salto Grande, a raging aquamarine cascade

that channels water between lakes

Nordenskjöld and Pehoé. The roundtrip hike

from car park to viewpoint takes about two

hours. Given the open terrain, high winds

are possible during this trek. Those who

don't want to undertake the complete hike

can opt for a shorter version that features

just the brief hike to Salto Grande waterfall

(about 30min round trip). Enjoy lunch back

at the lodge and get refreshed for your

afternoon exploration. This afternoon, you

may choose to go for a leisurely trail ride to

the famous Lake, 'Lago Nordenskjold', at

the base of the Paine Massic named after a

famous Swedish-Finnish explorer who

dedicated himself to the study of Antarctica,

Greenland, Chile and Peru. Leaving from

Pesebrera, your excursion follows the

famous W Trail, passing the northern shores

of the lake and Mount Almirante Nieto.

Cross various rivers and forests, having the

opportunity to appreciate various

viewpoints and Patagonian flora. In

addition, you will have the opportunity meet

the baqueanos and live a unique and

authentic experience in Patagonia. Enjoy

dinner at hotel.



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Locations

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You will depart Las Torres Hotel

and board their shared shuttle service transfer.

Departure times will be reconfirmed to you

directly by the hotel the evening prior to

your departure. Please note journey times

are as follows however they are dependant

on weather and road conditions: Departure

to El Calafate via Cerro Castillo (border

crossing) will be approximately five hours

and 30 minutes. The transfer will depart the

hotel at approximately 2:00pm and arrive to

El Calafate at around 8:30pm. For drop off

at hotels outside of El Calafate an additional

charge will apply.



Inclusions & Details

Accommodation

Superior All Inclusive Lodge

Inclusions

Scheduled group transfers to/from Puerto Natales or Punta Arenas. Scheduled group transfers included to/from El Calafate. In 25/26 season transfers to/from El Calafate will be included with a minimum stay of 2 nights on an all inclusive package.

Superior Accommodation with all meals included

All beverages including a wide selection of Chilean wines (premium wines and spirits excluded)

Small group activities with local English-speaking guide (*some activities may have a local surcharge)

Inclusions

Exclusions

International and internal flights unless indicated

Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)

Travel Insurance

Personal expenses

Selected activities including a navigation by boat to Grey Glacier, for which an additional charge applies as it is booked through a third party.

Gratuities for tour guides/drivers and lodge staff

Any items not mentioned as included

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.

Prices are based on per person, twin share.

Notes

Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.

All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice.

Price Dependent upon Seasonality and availability at time of booking.

Sustainability