

Patagonia - Best of Chilean Fjords | Le Lyrial

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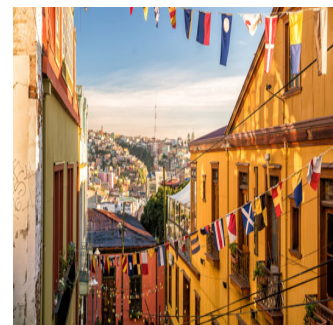
Introduction

Embark on a 15-day expedition cruise through the enchanting Chilean fjords, starting from Valparaiso. Discover the authentic village of Quemchi on Chilo Island, navigate the Pulluche Channel to reach the remote village of Tortel with its unique wooden footbridges, and sail through the English Passage near the El Brujo and Pie XI glaciers. Experience the breathtaking Strait of Magellan, witness the majestic Agostini and Garibaldi glaciers, and round Cape Horn amidst the stunning scenery of Tierra del Fuego National Park. Along the way, enjoy guided tours, wildlife sightings, and cultural encounters that enrich your journey. Conclude your adventure at Puerto Williams on Navarino Island, the world's southernmost city, before arriving in Ushuaia, Argentina.

Itinerary

DAY 1: Embarkation in Valparaiso

Located about 100 kilometres south of Santiago, the legendary Valparaiso is the second largest city in Chile. It is also a splendid city, full of history: two qualities justifying its nickname "gem of the Pacific" and its status as a UNESCO World Heritage site. You can stroll along the steep streets, on foot or by cable car, and explore the many admirable sites like the delicate Iglesia de la Matriz, Sotomayor square, Bellavista hill, or Sebastiana house where the author Pablo Neruda lived. At every turning, you'll get a refreshing view of the sea.



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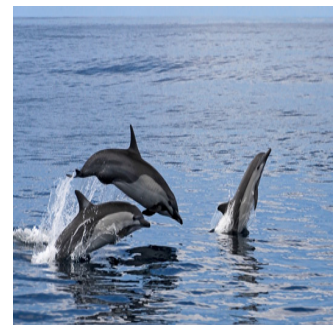
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15 Days

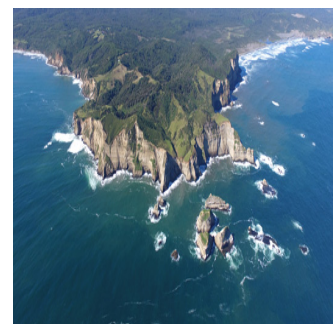
Locations
During your journey at sea, make the most of the many services and activities on board.

Treat yourself to a moment of relaxation in the spa or stay in shape in the fitness centre. Depending on the season, let yourself be tempted by the swimming pool or a spot of sunbathing. This journey without a port of call will also be an opportunity to enjoy the conferences or shows proposed on board, depending on the activities offered, or to do some shopping in the boutique or to meet the PONANT photographers in their dedicated space. As for lovers of the open sea, they will be able to visit the ship's upper deck to admire the spectacle of the waves and perhaps be lucky enough to observe marine species. A truly enchanted interlude, combining comfort, rest and entertainment.



DAY 4: Quemchi, Chiloé Island

In southern Chile, in the Lake District, discover the small fishing port of Quemchi on the east coast of Chiloé Island. With its authentic charm, its pretty wooden houses, its narrow streets lined with small shops, and its fish market, this faraway village is sure to win you over. Be sure to visit the museum dedicated to Francisco Coloane, the famous Chilean author and adventurer born on this southern land. Not far from there, the small island called Isla Aucar, accessible via a wooden footbridge, will be a chance to observe a wide variety of birds and discover a magnificent botanical garden, home to many of the region's endemic plants.



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Near the Peñón de Lobos ('wolf rock'), in

Cochile, the Pulluche Canal is located

Patagonia, Chile & Argentina

between the Monte Puerto and

Sin Nombre, literally "the island without a

name". This maritime channel in the Aysén

du Général Carlos Ibañez del Campo

Region, in the south of the country, is 1,400

km south of the capital. You will sail

through a very singular landscape made up

of islands, canals and fjords. Recognised as

a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 1979,

the San Rafael Lake brims with rainforests

and abundant wildlife: sea birds (Black-

browed Albatrosses, cormorants...) and

marine mammals (pinnipeds).



DAY 6: Tortel

A picturesque, colourful fishing village,

Tortel boasts a splendid location in the

heart of southern Patagonia, halfway

between Puerto Montt and Cape Horn.

From the little streets made up of small

walkways, you'll love the grand panorama of

rounded mountains, dense forest, the clear

waters of the Pacific. If you walk out onto

one the many wooden pontoons, you can

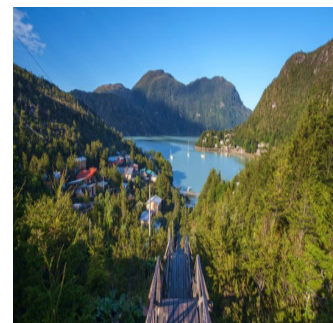
admire the views as you stand suspended a

few metres above the water. The village is

scattered with sculptures made by local

artists, an excellent introduction to this

friendly community



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Between green hills rising from the water

and snow-capped peaks, the English

Patagonia, Chile & Argentina

Passage is one of the main Patagonian

channels. Situated off the south-western

coast of Chile, at the end of the Messier

Channel, this narrow waterway with a width

of just 180 metres offers a unique sailing

experience due to its exceptional

dimensions and its magnificent natural

setting. The Brüggen Glacier, a coastal

glacier in southern Chile also known as Pio

XI, is astonishing for its almost surreal

dimensions. With a surface area exceeding

1,200 km², it is the largest of the glaciers

making up the Southern Patagonian Ice

Field. This gigantic ice field is the third

largest ice mass in the world. Straddling the

southern Andes Mountains, its breathtaking

natural setting inspires sheer wonder and

awe.



DAY 8: El Brujo Glacier & Skua Glacier

(Sailing)

At the heart of Bernardo O'Higgins

National Park, the largest protected area in

Chile, discover El Brujo Glacier. Located at

the end of the Asia Fjord, this huge wall of

ice sculpted by the wind is fascinating and

impressive. This magical, natural and

grandiose décor that changes as the light

plays upon it will be an unforgettable sight.

In the heart of the Southern Patagonian Ice

Field, where the National Parks of Bernardo

O'Higgins, Torres del Paine and Las

Glaciares meet, discover the Skua Glacier,

also known as the Amalia Glacier. Nested on

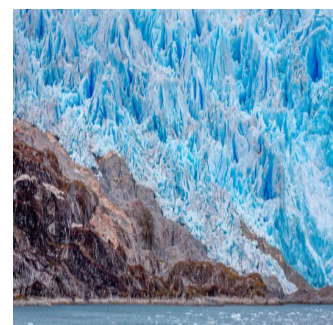
the Andes, this three-kilometre-wide

tidewater glacier will offer you sumptuous

landscapes in infinite shades of blue: a

magical show during which the impressive

cracking of the ice can be heard at times.



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Also called Fjord of the Mountains or

Channel of the Mountains, the Estero Las

Montañas fjord offers unending

landscapes. Situated in large part in the Alacalufes National Reserve, this former glacial valley now flooded with water seems to stretch on for ever inland. Surrounded by tall mountains with lush slopes and edged with numerous glaciers tinged in various shades of blue, it will be a highlight of your cruise.



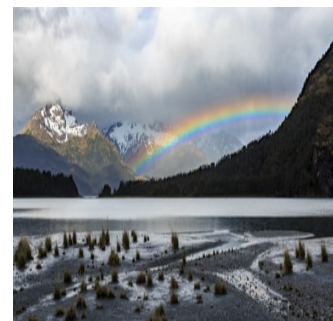
DAY 10: Sailing in the Strait of Magellan

This mythical strait situated in the south of Chile and separating South America from Tierra del Fuego, awakens our imagination, stirring up a longing for adventure. For the first time, follow in the footsteps of the famous Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan, known for having organised the first circumnavigation of the globe in the 16th century. Aboard your ship, cruise along the 600 km separating the Atlantic Ocean from the Pacific and, before arriving in Ushuaia, discover the sea route which was long nicknamed "Strait of All Saints" because Magellan's ships first entered it on All Saints' Day. A fascinating adventure.



DAY 11: Agostini Glacier

In the Tierra del Fuego archipelago, the Agostini Glacier sits at the back of the eponymous fjord, framed by the Cordillera Darwin. Named after the Italian missionary and explorer Alberto Maria De Agostini, this imposing blue-tinged glacier offers a stunning view over the fjord.



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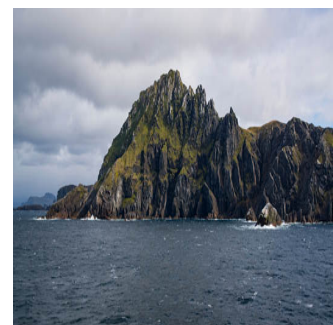
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Cruise along the narrow arm of Garibaldi Fjord and marvel at its stunning landscapes: Patagonia, Chile & Argentina. Lush green vegetation on steep mountains, rivalling the beauty of surrounding ice and snow. Further on, Garibaldi Glacier unveils itself: a towering ice titan looming at the end of the fjord that shares its name. Don't be surprised if sea lions and numerous birds accompany you on your enchanting journey into the heart of one of Chile's most beautiful glaciers.



DAY 13: Sailing Around Cape Horn

It's at the meeting point between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans that you enter Chilean Patagonia where you head for the Tierra del Fuego archipelago and its famous Cape Horn. From the top of its impressive 425-metre high cliff, South America's southernmost tip has, for many centuries, seen merchant ships from the world over passing by. Because of its legendary storms and rough seas, getting round this cape has gone down in history as a challenge for all seafarers.



DAY 14: Puerto Williams

Located on Navarino Island a few kilometres from the Argentinian border, the city of Puerto Williams is, according to Chileans, the southernmost city in the world. It is first and foremost, a charming fishing port whose calm and isolation will delight you. You can stroll around a few little streets and admire the dark silhouette of the Patagonian Andes, surmounted by eternally white peaks. The Martin Gusinde museum of anthropology gives an aperçu of the living conditions of the ancient indigenous people, the Yámanas, while the surrounding areas propose hiking paths across wild, unspoiled nature.



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Capital of Argentina's Tierra del Fuego

location, Ushuaia is considered the

Patagonia, Chile & Argentina

Gateway to the White Continent and the

South Pole. Nicknamed "El fin del mundo"

by the Argentinian people, this city at the

end of the world nestles in the shelter of

mountains surrounded by fertile plains that

the wildlife seem to have chosen as the

ultimate sanctuary. With its exceptional site,

where the Andes plunge straight into the

sea, Ushuaia is one of the most fascinating

places on earth, its very name evocative of

journeys to the unlikely and the

inaccessible...



Inclusions & Details

Accommodation

Cabin on board a ship

INCLUSIONS

Cabin accommodation whilst on board Le Lyrial

Group Departure Transfers in Ushuaia

Flight from Ushuaia to Buenos Aires in economy class

All meals whilst on board

Open bar (no premium brands)

Mini bar in your stateroom (Champagne additional fee)

Scheduled landings and excursions, conditions permitting

Guiding and lectures by expedition team

Complimentary Polar expedition jacket

Free use of rubber boots for shore excursions

All port taxes

Comprehensive pre and post voyage informational material

Free WIFI

Inclusions

EXCLUSIONS

Airfares other than specified

Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)

Travel Insurance

Personal expenses such as laundry

Gratuities for the crew (recommend US\$15 per person per day)

Optional Activities not mentioned in itinerary

Difficulty Rating

2 (light adventure)

Single Surcharge

Available upon request. A supplement surcharge may apply and is subject to availability. Please [contact us](#) for more information.

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03/11/2026, 03/11/2027 Prices are based on per person, twin share.

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

15 Days Itinerary is subject to change depending on weather and ice conditions.

Locations Departure date, fuel surcharges, cabin category, currency fluctuations, seasonality and
Patagonia, Chile & Argentina availability.

Price Dependent upon availability.

Sustainability