



ADVENTURE TOURS - BARILOCHE

BIKING IN LAGO GUTIERREZ

*Jump on a bike ...
...and take a ride*

This outing is about three hours long.

The ride has a difficulty rating of low, because the ground is mostly level.

The guests get driven to Lake Gutierrez in a 4x4, located about 15kms. From the centre of the city; the bikes wait at the "El Retorno Inn".

The ride starts at "Lake Gutiérrez", Pedalling through side trails and passing the park warden's house. From there we enter the forest, riding on trails which follow a stream, until we reach the spectacular Nome's cascade", perfect for relaxing and taking pictures. On the way back we ride along the Gutierrez stream, and along a trail that leads to "Virgen de las Nieves". Here the scenery changes again to forest, located in a maupache village. From there we return to the vehicles. At the "EL Retorno Inn" we enjoy tea and biscuits to close the day.

We return to the hotel at 5pm

Note: The ride is subject to changes according to the guides criteria.

This itinerary forms part of the multi-adventure summer

Type: Biking

Length: From 1.30 pm to 6.00 pm.

Difficulty: Low. Only requires knowing how to ride a bike.

Suggestions: Bring appropriate footwear.

Min: 02 pax / Max: 08 pax

Days: Sun-Mon-Tue-Fri-Sat

SUMMIT OF MOUNT CHALLHUACO

*Touch the sky with your hands ...
... Hike Challhuaco.*

Drive from downtown (hotels) to Neumeyer refuge.

Here we begin a relaxing walk with no technical areas. All you need is to be healthy and have a desire to walk!

The first part of the hike takes place in a forest; you then walk past the "Green Lagoon. We keep walking to approximately 1600 meters above sea level. From there the environment starts to change into "high Andean" climate, characterized by the plants and reduced sizes from adapting to the soil. Some of them have edible fruits in the summer: the chaura for example, tastes like apple but is smaller than a cherry.

The walk to the summit takes about 3 hours; it is also the ideal location for a breakfast and lunch. On the walk back (which doesn't take long), we can take two different routes depending on the weather, which can change at any time.

This makes up part of the Trekking in National Park Nahuel Huapi.

Type: Trekking

Length: From 9 am to 5 pm.

Difficulty: Medium.

Suggestions: Wear appropriate clothes and shoes, sunscreen, sunglasses, and 30L backpack.

Min: 02 pax / Max: 12 pax

Days: Tue-Wed-Thu-Fri



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CERRO TRONADOR – THREE WALKS

*Forget running in the city...
...Walk along the mountains.*

We leave the hotel at 8 am, south towards route 258, bordering Lakes Gutierrez and Mascardi. We then continue along a first road which crosses the Manso River and hugs the coast of Lake Mascardi, until we arrive to Corazon island a.k.a. Piuque Huapi. Along this ride (westward) we will see how the vegetation varies. We then continue to the hotel Tronador, where we begin our first of three walks; First to the waterfall “Los Cesares” an enchanting place made up of three different streams landing in front of a large boulder (about 40 min. long). We then walk back to the vehicles and head to “Pampa Linda” for lunch. After a couple “mates” and a much needed rest, we head down the Ana Mariana trail; we walk past the mouth of the Manso and reach the “Ventisquero negro”. It is presumed that this walk will last about half an hour. Again we board the vehicle and drive to the beginning of the trail and after a short walk we arrive at “Saltillo de las Nalcas” (beautiful waterfall which is found in the middle of the Coihues forest).
6:30 pm we head back to the hotels.

This makes up part of the multi –adventure summer.

Type: Hiking

Length: From 8 am to 6 pm.

Difficulty: Low.

Suggestions: Wear appropriate clothes and shoes for hiking

Min: 02 pax / Max: 12 pax

Days: Mon

WALKING CITY TOUR

Get in touch with the past...

For some one who would like to take a walk in the city with a bit of history, any excursions are worth taking.

The city, with a tour of our city and Patagonia museum

The city tour covers and explains the life and growth of the downtown {centre}, the cathedral, and historic neighbourhoods.

The Patagonia museum located in the civil centre is where we learn about the evolution of our city and culture.

The idea is to see all the main sights with our guides and learn about the past and present in a few hours.

Type: walking

Length: From 10 am to 1 pm.

Difficulty: Low.

Suggestions: Dress comfortably, take pictures!

Min: 02 pax / Max: 20 pax

Days: Mon-Thu



FREY REFUGE ALONG THE SUMMIT

We drive from the hotel to the base of "Mount Catedral", where we use Esther chair lift, or gondola to reach the top of the mountain. At the top of the mountain we have an incredible view of the lake and the Andes.

From this point we begin our walk.

After walking to the top we cross to the other side of the mountain without leaving altitude, we head south.

On this stretch of the walk the sights of Rucaco Valley, Mount Catedral, Mount Lopez, And Mount of the 3 wise men Re spectacular and perfect for taking pictures. After a couple hours of walking we reach a side trail, and turn left. We descend until we reach the Schmoll lagoon, a typical high altitude lagoon.

Later we continue on our walk and reach the Frey refuge, located at the end of Toncek lagoon at about 1700 meters above sea level.

This place is very overwhelming for various reasons. One of them is the geological formations of the region, in this case represented by granite towers and rock faces that transform this place practically unique and ideal for sport rock climbing in Argentina.

We eat lunch at the refuge and take a break before starting our descent. At this point we'll see the old refuge (Piedritas Refuge), a couple more hours of walking and we reach Lake Gutierrez.

From there we begin our return to Bariloche.

This makes up part of the Trekking in National Park Nahuel Huapi.

Type: Trekking

Length: From 9 am to 6 pm. Approximately

Difficulty: Medium. Apt for people with a minimum experience in trekking.

Suggestions: Wear appropriate clothing and footwear, sunglasses, sunscreen, and a 30L back pack.

Min: 02 pax / Max: 12 pax

Days: Daily

THE NEUMEYER REFUGE

Full day outing...

Passengers are picked up between 8 15 and 9 am depending on the location.

(Vehicles can take up to 10 passengers)

The day begins with a drive to the Neumeyer refuge, located on mount Chall-Hua-Co. After a welcome coffee, a walk towards the "Laguna Verde", this takes little more than an hour. In which you will learn about the wildlife of the area. Then back to the refuge for lunch: as a starter; empanada, entrée; carne a la cazadora (a locally prepared dish) with rice; for desert a fruit salad. For the afternoon another walk is planned, this time to a city lookout, there the guests have the option of trying "rappelling". Once back to the refuge, everyone is greeted with a well earned snack.

Price includes:

- Service insurance
- Transportation
- Guide
- Welcome coffee, lunch (without drink) and afternoon snack
- Use of Neumeyer refuge
- Coffee, tea or "mate" all day long

Type: Hiking

Length: From 9 am to 5 pm

Difficulty: Low

Suggestions: Wear appropriate clothes and footwear for hiking.

Min: -- / Max: 12 pax

Days: Tue-Wed-Fri



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HISTORY IN NAHUEL HUAPI

Get in touch with the past...

For someone who would like to take a tour with a bit of history, any excursion is worth taking.

For those who wish to learn the history of the area, we will stop in three different places:

- The city, with a city tour and a look in the Patagonia museum
- Lunch at the Swiss Colony (not included in price)
- And the Berghof refuge where winter sports were born here in Bariloche.

The city tour covers and explains the life and growth of the city. (civic centre, the cathedral, and historic neighbourhoods)

We then head to the museum located in the civic centre, here we learn about our history and culture.

We finish the morning with the museum and head to the Swiss Colony (one of the first villages in the area).

Lunch is served here.

To close the tour we head to the Berghof refuge home of Otto Meiling, founder of the Bariloche Alpine Ski Club, which was the first location for winter sports and ski production in the area.

Type: Historical

Length: From 10 am to 6 pm.

Difficulty: Low.

Suggestions: Dress comfortably, take pictures!

Min: 04 pax / Max: 20 pax

Days: Thu

BIRD WATCHING

Forget about the flight home...

...Come see our birds in flight.

We've planned a relaxing program for you: watching the birds in our National Park.

Our bird watching guides can teach you all there is to know about their behaviour and their relation with other species and the environment.

Find the perfect spots to watch them and, at the same time, enjoy the awesome natural surroundings.

And if you are "Condor blessed" you might even see one flying by: they are the largest birds on earth.

Type: Bird Watching

Length: Full day from 9 am to 5 pm.

In case of praying birds (Condors) we will leave at 7 am to view.

Difficulty: Medium.

Although generally the public realizes that the excursion has lots of information on these birds.

Suggestions: Bring appropriate clothes, and footwear for hiking



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FORTIN CHACABUCO HORSEBACK RIDINGS

Horse riding, the ranch being on the change from the forest coming in from the andes on to the patagonian steppe, gives us two very different rides. in the morning we generally ride on the steppe and in the afternoon towards the forest. in the morning we go much higher which gives us very good views of the andes, lake, bariloche, limay river. in the afternoon we see natural cipres forests. during the day it is very common to see deer, eagles, guanacos, condors, etc.

Type: Horseback riding

Length: Full day or Half Day

Difficulty: Medium.

RIO MANSO INFERIOR - RAFTING

The summer's most sought-after adventure trip. Ideal for beginners in mountain rivers, this trip can be enjoyed by the entire family. Sandy beaches, thrilling rapids and the whole splendor of the Andean-Patagonic woods. No previous experience required.

Agenda: We pick up the passengers at their lodging. We leave Bariloche through Route 258, proceeding to Lake Steffen passing lakes Gutierrez, Mascardi and Guillermo. Once at the Steffen, while the guides set up the rafting gear we change in to our rafting attire. After a brief Put-in Safety Talk given by the head-guide, we are ready to go down the Río Manso.

Surrounded by high peaks and exuberant forest, our raft drifts downstream while we watch the rich flora of the National Park: coihue, cypress, arrayan, maiten, radial, colihue cane, chilco, etc. We can also watch birds such as martin pescador (king fisher), bandurria, avutarda and tero. The crystal clear waters of the Manso will allow us to watch different kinds of trout as well.

After approximately an hour and a half, we come ashore in a beautiful sandy beach, where our guides will prepare a delicious lunch. The meal consists of: vegetables, cold meat, breads, dressings, fruits, juices and something sweet.

Around 3:00 p.m. we are all set to resume the trip. From here on, the Manso becomes more and more thrilling. Alka Seltzer, Billiard Edge, Hippo Tooth, Roller Coaster and Magnetic Rock are some of the rapids we will run. In the summertime, we like to enjoy a plunge in the lukewarm backwaters. After merging with Rio Villegas we run the most exciting rapids. When we arrive in the Lower Manso valley, the trip concludes.

Once we arrive to our private take out, Campo Piedra Pintada (Painted Rock Ranch) we change clothing and enjoy an exquisite snack. We then start our trip back to Bariloche, arriving around 7pm.

Length: All Day Trip: Departure: 10:00 am. Return: 07:00 p.m.

Difficulty: Class II - III

Includes: Transfers, guides, rafting outfit (with waterproof pants and jackets), lunch and snack