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2010-2011-2012 season

Trip Name: Argentina Fly Fishing

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Overview:

On this weeklong Argentina fly fishing vacation we will fish the famous Los Alerce National Park, Rio Grande, Rio Futaleufu and rivers around Esquel in Chubut, Patagonia, Argentina. Our base will be the El Encuentro fly fishing lodge on the banks of the Rio Grande (Futaleufu River) in Argentina. Enjoy our privileged riverside location, great food, reknowned Argentine wines from the Mendoza region, and stunning scenery.

National Geographic International Adventurist: [Seven days to the Futaleufu - Trailer](#)

Slide shows: [Slide Shows](#)

Day by Day:

Day 1 Friday: Depart your home town

Fly to Miami and connect on an over night flight to Buenos Aires Argentina. Welcome to the warmth of the Southern Hemisphere in summer.

Day 2 Saturday: Travel to Trevelin, Patagonia Argentina

Early morning arrival in Buenos Aires, change airports and catch another flight to Bariloche, or Esquel, Argentina. From Bariloche, a luxury bus will take you on a beautiful drive along the Patagonian lakes and mountains to Esquel. As one of the larger villages tucked away in this part of Patagonia, there are a fair amount of shops and restaurants to enjoy before starting your trip. If you fly direct to Esquel, you will arrive with plenty of time to enjoy the area. Esquel is a quaint little village about 6 hours Southwest of Bariloche in the Andes' Steepe. A short private transfer will take you directly to the spectacularly situated Argentina fly Fishing lodge, El Encuentro, which will serve as our base-camp for fly fishing Argentina 's Rio Grande and Alcerces Park. You'll unwind from your trip with a hearty welcome-dinner, an open fireplace and a cozy room.

Day 3 Sunday: Rio Grande - Floating & Wading

After an early breakfast we set out to go fly fishing Argentina's Rio Grande. We put in near the headwaters of the Rio Grande at Lago Amutui Quimei a twenty minute drive from our riverside lodge. We drift down over the numerous gravel bars that characterize this stretch of the Rio Grande and fly fish the river's many eddies with weighted streamers. There will also be opportunities to fly fish with dry flies and use sight fishing techniques. We'll have a riverside lunch and continue fishing until we float back to the El Encuentro lodge. We'll take out and head for the lodge for a hearty dinner and plan to catch the evening hatch afterwards. Fly fishing in Argentina doesn't get much better than this!

Day 4 Monday: Esquel, Chubut - Arroyo Pescado

Today we will set out to go fly fishing Argentina's Arroyo Pescado (Spring Creek) which is about 40 kilometers east of the city of Esquel and our quarry will be Rainbow and Brown trout. We will fish with dry flies and nymphs and be wading for much of the day. You will need bomber felt soled waders with lots of traction as the riverbed is thick with slippery mosses. The creek itself lies on private property, in an open meadow that is subject to much wind exposure that increase as the day progresses. Arroyo Pescado is an incredibly productive stream with fish sizes ranging from 1.5 to 5 kilograms. Patagonia fly fishing at its best! We will head back to the entrance of Los Alerces National Park and spend the overnight in Villa Rivadavia in well appointed and provisioned cabins.

Day 5 Tuesday: Los Alerces Park - Rio Rivadavia

Fly Fishing in Argentina's Los Alerces Park will be on the agenda today, specifically the Rio Rivadavia. This river connects two large lakes in Los Alerces Park. We will start in Lago Rivadavia and make our way to Lago Futalaufquen. The fishing today will be for Rainbow and Brown trout with occasional Brookies and Landlocked Salmon, depending on the water temperature and time of the year. We will be wading and drifting for most of the day until we reach Lago Futalaufquen. In the Evening we will return to our comfortable cabins in Villa Rivadavia.

Day 6 Wednesday: Los Alerces Park - Rio Arrayanes and Lago Verde

After an early breakfast we will head back to Los Alerces National Park to fly fish Lago Verde and Rio Arrayanes. Rio Arrayanes is a wide river, densely vegetated with plenty of good habitat for trout. The river drains Lago Verde which is also a very productive fishing lake. Lago Verde is best fished by boat and has a wide variety of terrain characteristics that make the fly fishing varied and interesting. In the Evening we will return to our comfortable cabins in Villa Rivadavia.

Day 7 Thursday: Esquel, Chubut - Wilimanco Lagoon

We will depart Villa Rivadavia early in the morning and head out to Wilimanco Lagoon which lies about 10 kilometers from Esquel. The Lagoon is located in a colorful valley owned by the Argentine Government. Only human powered boats are permitted on the lagoon so we will fish from raft or dory in the morning. In the afternoon, as the wind picks up, we change over to wading from the shore. The gentle decline of the lake bed and shallow depth will allow us to wade out almost 100 meters from the shoreline. After a full day of fishing we will return to El Encuentro fly fishing lodge for a hearty dinner and with time to catch the evening hatch.

Day 8 Friday: Alto Rio Futaleufu - Floating & Wading

Today we leave Argentina to go fly fishing in Chile on the Upper Rio Futaleufu. After the Rio Grande crosses the border it becomes the Rio Futaleufu. We put in near the border with Argentina, about a fifteen minute drive from our El Encuentro Lodge. Today we will drift over gravel bars and fly fish the river's many eddies with weighted streamers. Once again we will have the opportunity to fly fish with dry flies and use sight fishing techniques. We'll stop for a lunch, riverside and continue fly fishing until we get to the village of Futaleufu. We'll take out just about the famous class V Infiernio canyon and head back to El Encuentro fly fishing lodge for a hearty dinner. This is Chile fly fishing at its best!

Day 9 Saturday: Departure

Wake up for a leisurely breakfast and take our shuttle to Esquel, Argentina. As you catch a final view of the Río Grande; surrounded by granite cliffs and snow capped mountains, take a moment to reflect upon all of the amazing sights and experiences of this past week. After all these years we are still stunned that views like these exist. Depending on your connections, you are now are in Argentina ready for an early departure in a cab from you hotel to the bus station in Esquel for the trip to Bariloche and your flight back to Buenos Aires. A private transfer can be arranged direct from your hotel to the airport in Bariloche. For anglers looking for even more fishing we suggest adding a week of fly fishing Chile from the Isla Monita Lodge.

Day 10 Sunday: Return home

Accommodations:

[Condor Nest](#)

[Eco Camp Campo Tres Monjas](#)

[Cabins at Camp](#)

[El Encuentro Lodge](#)

Price per Person: \$3495.00 USD

Special Flexibilities: Exchile will be flexible to make your trip a total success. The actual program for your custom trip will vary according to the desires and skill level of your group, weather, or other factors. Patagonia has

constantly changing weather patterns that might affect what day is best for a certain activity. If a certain part of your trip is not possible due to danger risks and weather extremes, our experienced guide staff will work with you to figure out the best possible option to substitute for the weather complications. If you have any concerns, please feel free to ask us more about the situations and what is guaranteed on the trip.

Included: Your described trip, guiding, instruction, activity equipment, local transportation, shuttles, all meals, wine with dinner, accommodations at our eco-camps, cabins, ranches or lodges, while on your trip. We offer a free pick up on Sunday mornings at 9 am in Trevelin at your hotel, and drop off to your hotel in Trevelin, Argentina on Fridays at 9 pm. See the packing list of your activity, for the specific clothing that is required.

Not Included: Transportation to and from your home town, and your accommodations and meals in Trevelin, Argentina or alternate trip pick up point. You can reserve and prepay on the web for your transport from your final air destination, to and from your pick up/drop off point before and after your trip, or you can direct us to charge your visa card and do it for you. We highly recommended having Exchile make hotel reserves in Trevelin. (room capacity in this small village is limited). Expediciones Chile is not financially responsible for your travel complications getting to your trip pick up point and from the drop off point, HOWEVER, we will be relentless allies in offering our services to help solve any issues that you may encounter.

Trip Summary:

Season: November to April

Experience Needed: Intermediate to Expert

Cultural Experience: Medium

Nature Experience: Medium

Comfort Rating: High

Max Trip Size: 6

Regions visited: Remote Patagonia Chile and Argentina

Lakes, rivers and sites: Rivers and lakes in Parque Nacional Los Alerces, Futaleufu river, Rio Azul, Rio Espolon, Lago Lonconao, Lago Espolon, Secret Lagoon, Campo Tres Monjas, Futaleufu Chile, Trevelin Argentina.

Travel Summary:

Days away from home:

In:

Final Flight Destination airport: Bariloche Argentina

Trip pick up point: Trevelin Hotel Argentina

Trip pick up date and time: Sunday 9:00 am

Out:

Trip drop off point: Trevelin Hotel Argentina

Trip drop off date and time: Friday 9:00 pm

Return Flight Departure airport: Esquel Argentina

Map: [Interactive Travel Map](#)

Travel Route Alternatives: [Traveling through Chile and, or Argentina](#)

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