

	ITINERARY	
Day	Activities	Overnight
1	Arrival - Transfer to the hotel + HD Cerro Frías	El Calafate, AR
2	Full Day Los Glaciares National Park	El Calafate, AR
3	Full day Navigation Todo Glaciares + Transfer Airport	-

DESTINATIONS

El Calafate, ARGENTINA

This city, located near the Cordillera de los Andes, is the top destination that hosts international tourists arriving in Patagonia, eager to see the stunning Perito Moreno Glacier, among other beautiful sights, in the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Los Glaciares National Park. El Calafate used to be a remote town and has since grown exponentially as Patagonia has evolved; becoming what is now recognized as the most important tourist city in Santa Cruz, with a stable population of about 25,000 inhabitants, excellent attractions and accommodations, and quality services of all kinds available year round.







ITINERARY

Day 1: Buenos Aires 🚧 El Calafate

Arrival at El Calafate airport, meeting your guide and transfer to your hotel of choice.

Cerro Frías - HD

On this half-day tour, you'll become acquainted with Cerro Frias and the surrounding sights. The mountain, sitting at 1095 metres high and located in the middle of a valley, offers unique views of Lake Argentino and the Andes Mountains. To the south, you'll see Cordón de los Cristales mountain and Torres del Paine (Chile's National Park); to the west you'll see Magallanes and Avellaneda peninsulas, and to the north, Mount Fitz Roy. Depending on the weather and time of year, there is also the potential of seeing different wildlife in the area. Located in Estancia Alice, 23 kms west of El Calafate, and heading in the same direction as the Perito Moreno Glacier, Cerro Frias provides a great opportunity to experience regional wild fauna and flora, as well as typical estancia animals. At the estancia, you're offered to choose from four guided activities: 4X4 excursion, trekking, zip line or horseback riding. Although each of them has a particular circuit across Cerro Frias, they are carried out simultaneously by each guide and their group, allowing everyone to choose the itinerary that appeals most to them and then ultimately joining up together again back at the ranch, before returning to town.



Overnight in El Calafate.

Day 2: El Calafate

Breakfast at the hotel.

FD Parque Nacional Los Glaciares.

The main attractions of the Perito Moreno National Park are undoubtedly the ancient glaciers and the vast lakes, the largest and most significant attraction being the immense Perito Moreno glacier. This remnant of the ice age was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1981, with its 250 square miles – 6 miles wide and 60 meters high – and fascinating with its remarkable standout beauty. There are seven balconies (or viewpoints), located at varying heights and distances from the glacier, connected by paths and stairs. From the highest balcony, you will see the boundless surface of the glacier, the northern and southern faces. As you make your way down, you will discover the second balcony closer to the ice. This is the place where, on occasion, the ice forms a dam. On the lowest level balcony, you will be closest to the glacier, giving you an entirely different perspective for an unforgettable look at this archaic giant.





Minitrekking - optional

We will embark for a 20 minutes navigation across the Rico Arm in Argentinean Lake, enjoying breathtaking views of the glacier's front walls and Icebergs Channel. We will disembark on the opposite shore, very close to the Perito Moreno Glacier, where mountain guides will welcome us. Once on the ice, we will put a pair of crampons on to start walking following the lateral moraine towards the centre of the Glacier. After an-hour walk, we will start walking on the ice. During our fascinated walk, we will find a lot of features within the ice: crevasses, caves, and plenty of ice formations of the most incredible blues. We will have the special feeling of exploring the middle of the ice. We will hike on the glacier for 1 hour. During our journey, our guides will explain us about flora, fauna and general glaciology of the region and also about the particular phenomenon that happens in the Perito Moreno Glacier and eventually produces its rupture. After lunch we will start our descent to catch the boat. Then, we will return to El Calafate (Neither additional equipment nor previous experience needed. The minimum age request is 10 years old and the maximun age request is 65 years old).







Overnight in El Calafate.

Day 3: El Calafate 🚧 Buenos Aires

Breakfast at the hotel.

Navigation Todo Glaciares

In the early morning, you'll be transfer directly from your hotel to Puerto Bandera Pier (approx. a 50-minute drive). You will take the Todo Glaciares navigation, first following the route of the northern arm of Lake Argentino and across the Boca del Diablo, the narrowest part of the lake. The tour goes through the channels of the Spegazzini and Upsala glaciers, the highest and largest glaciers in the area, respectively. You will navigate through the bays that they form and the tour also includes sailing along the cord of icebergs about 20 km out from the Upsala glacier, giving you a complete experience viewing varied icebergs of immense



size and spectacular form. Keep in mind that the boat has very good heating and you only need to go out on deck if you wish or in the case of wanting to take specific pictures.

Duration: The tour starts around 7:00AM / 7:30AM and finishes around 3:00PM / 3:30PM.



At the appropriate time, transfer to El Calafate Airport to take your flight.