



ACTIVE TRAVEL
for Cultural
Explorers

SMALL GROUP
Maximum of
28 Travelers

**LAND
JOURNEY**

Chilean Wonders

Lake District & Patagonia

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Be awed by the jaw-dropping grandeur of **Torres del Paine National Park**, one of the world's most beautiful natural wonderlands.
- ▶ Watch the country's cowboys, *huasos*, show off their expert rodeo skills at a **traditional Chilean ranch**.
- ▶ Revel in the vitality of **cosmopolitan Santiago**, framed by snowcapped Andean peaks.
- ▶ Marvel at majestic, blue-hued glaciers in the pristine wilderness of **Chilean Patagonia**.
- ▶ Dig into delicious, sizzling specialties hot off the grill at a **Chilean asado**.
- ▶ Savor the tranquility and splendor of the **Chilean Lake District**.
- ▶ Experience a **UNESCO Biosphere Reserve**.

INCLUDED FEATURES

Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- **3 nights** in Santiago, Chile, at the first-class Hotel Cumbres Lastarria.
- **3 nights** in Puerto Varas at the first-class Enjoy Puerto Varas Hotel.
- **3 nights** in Puerto Natales at the first-class Hotel Costaustralis.

Transfers (with baggage handling)

- All transfers in the Land Program: flights and deluxe motor coaches.

Extensive Meal Program

- 9 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome Reception.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

Activity Level: Active programs are designed for people who are in good health and can comfortably participate in a demanding daily schedule of physical activities.

Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city✈
- Day 2** Arrive in Santiago and transfer↻ to hotel
- Day 3** Santiago
- Day 4** Santiago | Fly to Puerto Montt | Transfer to Puerto Varas
- Day 5** Chiloé Island
- Day 6** Puerto Varas
- Day 7** Fly to Punta Arenas | Transfer to Puerto Natales
- Day 8** Bernardo O'Higgins National Park
- Day 9** Torres del Paine National Park
- Day 10** Punta Arenas | Fly to Santiago
- Day 11** Santiago | Transfer↻ to Santiago airport and depart for gateway city✈
- Day 12** Arrive in gateway city

✈Flights and ↻transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.



Cerro Santa Lucia, Santiago



Discovery

AHI Connects: Chilean Ranch Visit.

Meet Chile's cowboys, *huasos*, who will demonstrate the horsemanship required in rodeo, the national sport. Feast on tasty grilled dishes at an *asado*, then enjoy live folk music and the *cuenca*, the national dance.

Santiago. Explore this sophisticated, stimulating city, noted for its distinctive neighborhoods and eye-catching blend of colonial and modern architecture. Grasp the human cost of the nation's turbulent past at the Museo de la Memoria y los Derechos Humanos, which poignantly chronicles the human rights violations of Chile's military dictatorship from 1973–1990. On a scenic tour, see the presidential seat, Palacio de la Moneda; the Plaza de Armas; the National Museum of Fine Arts and more. Linger for awhile in buzzing, hip Bellavista, where the famed poet, Pablo Neruda, once lived.

Tastes of Santiago. Sample the enticing flavors and ingredients of Chilean cooking on a guided visit to the lively Mercado Central.

Chiloé Island. Ferry across the Chacao Channel to this picturesque island. Begin in Chacao and admire its pretty town square and local church. In Ancud, visit the Museo de Las Iglesias de Chiloé to learn how the island's unique wooden churches, built by Spanish Jesuits in the 17th century, were constructed with native materials. Next, observe Humboldt and Magellanic penguins and other wildlife from a boat that takes you close to their natural habitats.

Balmaceda and Serrano Glaciers.

Relish vistas of emerald hillsides, rugged mountains and tall waterfalls as you cruise on the Ultima Esperanza Fjord to view the impressive hanging glacier, Balmaceda. Then, take an invigorating walk through the unspoiled beauty of Bernardo O'Higgins National Park to see the spiky Serrano glacier nestled above a peaceful lake where tiny icebergs float. Chat about your outing over a hearty lunch at a Patagonian ranch.

Torres del Paine National Park.

Spectacular, wild scenery awaits you on a scenic drive in this acclaimed national park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Gaze in wonder at mirror-like, aquamarine lakes, rivers of ice, golden fields and the jagged, granite peaks of the Torres, or Towers, of Paine. At the Salto Grande waterfall, hear the thunderous crash as water cascades from Lake Nordenskjöld into Lake Pehoé. Visit the Milodon Cave, where the remains of an extinct giant ground sloth were found.

Punta Arenas. On a panoramic tour, see the highlights of this historic port city on the Strait of Magellan.

Enrichment

- ▶ **Chilean History**
- ▶ **Contemporary Chile**
- ▶ **The History of the Patagonia**

UNESCO World Heritage

Biosphere Reserve
Torres del Paine National Park



Serrano Glacier, Bernardo O'Higgins National Park

Electives

We've designed an engaging excursion to take you further afield.

Valparaíso and Viña del Mar. Discover the quirky charms of oceanside Valparaíso, a UNESCO World Heritage site, founded in the 16th century. See historic squares and delight in its *cerros*, or hills, packed with a jumble of colorful houses, snaking pathways, quaint funiculars and vibrant, edgy street art. Ride up Cerro Bellavista with free time to explore or visit Pablo Neruda's home, now a museum. Then travel to pretty Viña del Mar, a favorite vacation getaway of Chileans, known for its broad beaches and lush, manicured gardens.

 Electives are available at an additional cost.

Accommodations

- Hotel Cumbres Lastarria** 
- Enjoy Puerto Varas Hotel** 
- Hotel Costaustralis** 



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AHI Sustainability Promise

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

Environmental Impact | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

Social Impact | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

Economic Impact | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, "shoulder seasons."

AHI Travel Expertise


Passenger Service Representative | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

 **AHI FlexAir** | Our **personalized air program** features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

DATES & PRICES

December 1-12, 2021

From Price \$4,745

Special Savings \$250

Special Price **\$4,495**

VAT is an additional \$395 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$895 (limited availability).