

Kat's Great Adventures

Chile - The Epic Pacific Coast Hiking Tour 2023

Guided Tour

7 Days / 6 Nights



Discover a hikers' paradise in South America: The Epic Pacific Coastal Trek at the network of Indigenous Parks Mapu Lahual. Explore this fascinating part of the country dominated by the Pacific Ocean, pristine beaches and Patagonia Temperate Rain Forests. Together with friendly locals, you will hike the trails of the Coastal Mountain Range, visit local indigenous communities and learn about their ancestral knowledge and cosmivision.

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Itinerary Day to Day

Day 1: Osorno - Maicolpue / Meeting & Greeting

We will meet in the city of Osorno at 4:00 pm and drive for about two hours to Maicolpue Bay. Here we will have an orientation session about this epic trekking trip. We will enjoy time with our local guides, and stay overnight in Maicolpue in order to leave early towards the trek starting point the next day.



Day 2: Trek Maicolpue - Huellehue Cove 6 – 7 hours

Starting from the northern territory of Mapu Lahual Park, we will meet our local guides and begin our trekking towards Caleta Huellehue (cove). In the company of our local guide, we will hike along narrow paths through the forest until we reach the Pitiril River Valley. Here we will board a boat that will take us through the Huellehue River towards Caleta Huellehue. Upon arriving we will meet the local families that will host us in their homes. During the evening, we will have the chance to walk by the river or take a short boat trip to La Barra Beach. Dinner and lodging in family houses at Huellehue Cove.

Day 3: Fishing & Hike to Playa Ranu 4 – 5 hours

After breakfast we will take a boat and navigate towards La Barra Beach. Here we'll have the chance to practice our fishing abilities. With our local guides we will try to fish for our lunch. We will enjoy the views of this pristine beach of the Pacific Ocean. Afterwards we will take the boat back to our base and savour our home-made lunch. In the afternoon we'll go hiking towards Ranu beach, one of the most beautiful beaches in the area. We will hike for about three to four hours and then go back to our host house. Dinner and lodging in family houses at Huellehue Cove.



Day 4: Trek Caleta Huellehue - Caleta Condor 5 – 6 hours

Today we will continue trekking towards the southern territory of Mapu Lahual. During the trek, we will pass again by the beautiful Ranu Beach and the Lonko Pedro Loy community park, managed by the Loy Cumilef community. We will also hike across the Gilberto Cumilef Quintul Park, which belongs to Caleta Condor. Here we will visit the Condor Alerzal (ancient larch tree forest). Upon arriving at Caleta Condor, we will board a boat and navigate towards the family houses. During the afternoon, we will enjoy the beach at Condor Bay. Dinner and lodging in Condor Cove.

Day 5: Hike to Alerce Milenario & Optional Activities 4 hours

In the morning we will hike to the Alerce Milenario (ancient larch tree). We will hike through this “gentle jungle” of the coastal temperate rainforest, finding amazing native species until we reach the oldest larch tree in the area (*Fitzroya cupressoides*). Then, we'll hike back to our family house and eat lunch with them. In the afternoon we will have the chance to discover the wonders of Caleta Condor. Some options are: scuba diving, sit on top kayaking in Condor and Chaiguako rivers; or taking a fishing trip or seafood gathering with the locals. Dinner and lodging in Caleta Condor.



Day 6: Trek to The Eye and Transfer to Puerto Varas 3 hours

After breakfast, we will board a boat and navigate through the Chaiwako River until we reach the Cholguaco area. Here we will start our last trekking to the top of the Pacific Coastal Mountain Range. During two and a half hours, we will hike through the rainforest and enjoy panoramic views. Upon arriving to El Ojo area (the eye) we will take 4x4 pick-up trucks towards Rio Negro village. Here we will take our transfer towards Puerto Varas city. On arrival we will have a rest and enjoy a farewell dinner on a restaurant in town.

Day 7: Transfer to Puerto Montt Airport

Sadly, it's time to say goodbye to this amazing area located in the Lake & Volcano district. After breakfast private transfer to Puerto Montt airport to catch your flight towards your next destination. End of the services.



Route



Technical Characteristics:

Route Profile: Hard. These hiking tours are physically demanding and best suited for people with previous experience. These tours are intended for active people who are comfortable participating in up to 6-8 hours hiking per day. A typical day may include hiking over fairly hilly terrain offering lots of challenges. Trails are along high meadow paths and/or maintained cliff side or Andean trails, with some steep ascents to make you feel exhilarated. All our guided hiking tours include natural interpretation and focus on the history and the native flora and fauna of the wilderness areas.

Travel Season: Departures: January 8 and February 23, 2023
Any date on request from October to April

Price per Person

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| Double Occupancy | \$ 2360.00 USD |
| Single Supplement | N/A |

*A minimum of 6 participants is required for this tour.

*Group rates available for this tour. As this is a guided tour, the pricing improves with more people participating. Please ask us for details

Accommodation:

3* hotels and local family houses

Included:

- Professional tour guide (1 guide for every 9 clients)
- Private transportation with trailer for luggage
- All riverboat transfers
- 5 nights' accommodation at local family houses
- 1 night accommodation at Hotel Cabaña del Lago in Puerto Varas
- Meals as per itinerary (5 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 6 dinners)
- Gratuities for the communities
- Accident insurance (Basic Plan)
- All activities according to the itinerary

Not Included:

- International and local flights
- Extra Drinks
- Laundry and SPA services
- Gratuity to tour conductor/crew about \$100.00 USD per person

