



Antilco Horse Trekking
Horse Riding Adventures in the Andes

Crossing the Andes - Chile into Argentina plus Sollipulli glacier

Day 1: Arrival Day, pick up at Temuco airport 03.00 pm or Pucon 01.00 pm, welcome to the ranch, dinner at the ranch house.

Day 2: We take an initial ride through the Quelhue mountains and along Liucura River to evaluate your riding experience, get familiar with the saddle and tack, and determine which horses to take on our great adventure. Lunch at Antilco, time to pack the saddlebags. In the evening we ride to our first camp at Renahue.

Day 3: We cross the first of three mountain ranges on our trail towards Argentina. At night we camp beside the natural hot springs in Rio Blanco Valley.

Day 4: We ride through virgin rainforests and dense stands of Coighue trees and bamboo crossing the 2nd range. The night we spent in a tent camp at a mountain farm at the Mapuche Indian community "Flor de Valle"

Day 5: We ride along the slopes of Sollipulli volcano, overnight in the mountain lodge "Nevados de Sollipulli".

Day 6: We ride up the volcano, reaching its 2.5 miles wide crater filled with a 660 feet deep glacier. We return to "Nevados de Sollipulli" for a second night.

Day 7: We cross the last range before Argentina and spend the night in a cabin at the shore of Lake Icalma. It's here where we meet our supply truck which besides food and beverage carries your second bag of personal items for the Argentinean leg.

Day 8: We ride to the border, after arranging custom formalities with the Chilean border control we cross the border 20 meters on foot, and greet Hernan and his wonderful Argentinean horses that will bring us through the unique world of the Argentinean Andes for the next three days. We ride up to the top of Batea Mahuida Volcano with 6560 feet the highest point on our ride. Overnight in tent camp.

Day 9: We ride the valleys and cliffs of Argentina, watch condors pass us by and enjoy amazing views over the endless wide-open spaces of this uninhabited part of the world. Overnight in tent camp

Day 10: Today we ride a high plane with chances for extended canters. in the evening we reach the outpost where Hernan lives with his horses and which marks the end of our journey. We celebrate the end of the trek with a typical Argentinean BBQ.

Day 11: After breakfast we transfer back to Chile. We can bring you to Temuco city (1.00 pm) or Temuco airport (1.30 pm) or Pucon (3.30 pm).



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Sanitary equipment

Showers on all days except days two, four, eight and nine.

Toilets on all days except days two, eight and nine.

Swimming in lake: day seven.

Natural hot springs: day three.

Hot tubs: day five and six.

Accommodation

Night 1: double room at Antilco

Night 2: tent camp overlooking Lake Caburgua.

Night 3: double in cabin at Rio Blanco hot springs

Night 4: tent camp in cabin Flor de Valle

Night 5: double in mountain lodge "Nevados de Sollipulli"

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Night 7: double in cabin on Lake Icalma

Night 8: tent camp cordillera Argentina

Night 9: tent camp cordillera Argentina

Night 9: double in cabin

Food

Complete food and soft drinks from dinner on the first day to breakfast on the last day. On the trail we have breakfast, a snack at midday and dinner at the cabins/ lodge. We serve wonderful Chilean and Argentinean wines for dinner. Not included: spirits at the bar of Sollipulli lodge. In Chile and Argentina, meals in general are heavily meat based but we frequently cater for vegetarians and vegans. Please let us know in advance of any restrictions or allergies.

Luggage

We provide all gear from spoon to tent; we use self-inflating mats and sleeping bags (comfort 2° C/36° F) from Chilean company Doite, tents from Salewa, Robens and Doite.

Luggage is carried by packhorse in Chile and accompanying truck in Argentina.

The weight/volume limit for personal luggage is 6 kg/13 lbs/10 liters. You pack two bags, 6 kg/13 lbs/10 liters each, one for the Chilean leg, one for Argentina. We provide waterproof bags that fit in our leather saddlebags.

All descriptions and facts detailed above describe the habitual ongoing of the ride, they do not provide a base for legal rights.

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