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# *HOLA AMIGOS!!!*

Welcome to PatagoniaPowder Tours!

In this detailed brochure you will discover general information about our destinations in South America, Argentina and Chile, a detailed itinerary of our 2002 tours, and some useful hints, to make your best trip selection and design it stress free. Finally you will find the reservation form.

Some of this information is on-line at [www.patagoniapowder.com](http://www.patagoniapowder.com) ,but as you might have a complete brochure it's all here.

If you have any question, about the trip, the destinations, resorts, skiing or boarding in the Andes, or Volcanoes, please feel free to contact us.

We are looking forward to having you on board...

..." For sure you will never forget, every minute, every turn, every partner on this once in a life time experience... here, at **PatagoniaPowder**..."

Nos vemos...

**Fernando Zingoni**  
**PatagoniaPowder Founder and Guide**

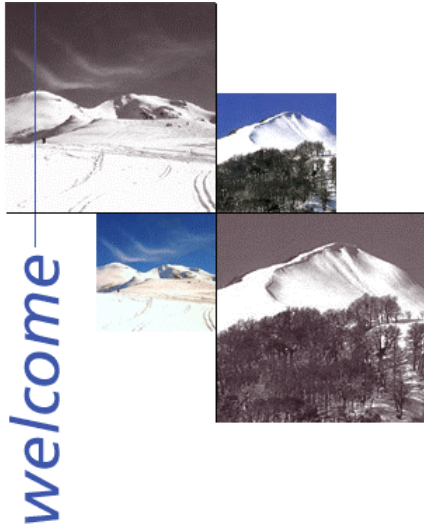
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# to Patagonia Powder



**PatagoniaPowder** is a new total approach in **Skiing and Snowboarding Adventure Travel**. Focused deep in the Patagonia Andes Mountains and Volcanoes, in Argentina and Chile.

This is an epic adventure in South America, for the active traveler, who wants to go for the next level, interacting with others cultures, finding untracked powder or just seeing one of the most beautiful landscapes on earth.

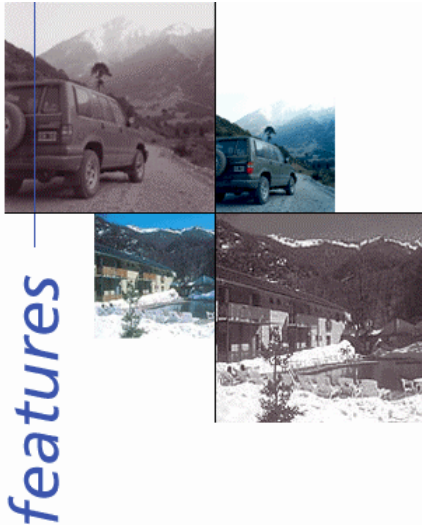
Our spirit is to achieve a great combination between adventure tourism, guided skiing and snowboarding backcountry in incredible Volcanoes, rustic and world class resorts, and different culture interaction.

We will visit lot's of cities, both in Argentina and Chile, small mountain village, ski resorts, and road trip through some of Argentina's most incredible places.

From June to October in Argentina and Chile is the season for being at the slopes, chasing new powder, making new friends and more...

For sure you will never forget, every minute, every turn, every partner on this once in a life time experience... here, at **PatagoniaPowder**.

# of Patagonia Powder



The spirit of **PatagoniaPowder** is to offer the endless powder in Andes Mountains, with a different perspective.

We understand adventure tourism, not just taking you there, but creating it with your help every minute. We encourage you to interact with local people, getting involved with this Latin culture experience.

Our bilingual guides really knows the region, and will take you safely in the secrets spots of the Patagonia, and will introduce you to the Andean and Mapuche Culture, but they also know when to leave you alone, when you want to make that phone home, or send that email. We want you experience the Patagonia trough your own perspective.

## PatagoniaPowder Original...

- Incredible backcountry
- Greatest Resorts in South America, and most active Volcanoes... from top to bottom...
- Excellent accommodations, all included. Most meals included
- Safe, comfortable, reliable, 4X4 truck private transportation
- All domestic flights included
- Expert, bilingual guides
- 8 guest maximum keeps it great

We found **PatagoniaPowder** with this adventure spirit. Before building this adventure company, we explored deeply all Patagonia secret spots, at times with local friends and international riders. And we develop this experience enjoying every turn, but taking it seriously at the same time. That is why we work with TURAR friends as our partners.

TURAR is one of the most important and oldest tourism company in Argentina, founded in 1947, began his activities in 1958, since then it has became a leader operator, with incoming and outgoing departments, and more than 40.000 passengers a year. Visit our TURAR friends at [www.turar.com](http://www.turar.com)

## Accommodations

**PatagoniaPowder** provides great lodgings in all tours, super luxury hotels, cozy full loaded cabins, with heated pool, sauna, spa, disco, and more...You will find it detailed in each tour, check them out...

We understand that comfort is a key issue after your flight from home, after days of chasing powder, that's why we pick our homes on the road very carefully. In almost all times this selection eliminates the chance of being delay, sometimes for days, due to pass closures... Nothing is worse than waking up to 2 feet of fresh powder to find out that you are trapped... That's why we will stay in all places where resort lodgings are just steps from chairlift...

## Transportation

We are in the highest and challenging mountains in the continent... and we need vehicles according to this environment.

PatagoniaPowder use only 4X4 vehicles for all tours. This trucks are roomy, extremely comfortable, and really reliable, in a place where the roads use to get tough... and you don't want to be trapped crossing the boarder, instead of riding powder...

While on the road you will be riding in style. Our own private transportation makes getting around easy, allowing flexibility in our travels, and the freedom of experience Argentina, Chile and Patagonia the way you want to. Most people agree that the adventure travel between south Lake District and Northern Patagonia is a must to do.

All domestic flights included.

## Group Size

Another important issue in our spirit is going with fun small groups. We understand that **small groups up to 8 guests** makes the experience fantastic, and create a friendly dynamic between all partners.

## Guides

**PatagoniaPowder** guides share our spirit and philosophy. Although they are international experienced guides, they belong to the Patagonia, and that makes the difference.

They are proficient snowboarders and skiers, with various backgrounds in mountaineering, pro riding, tourism, guiding and snowboard/ski schools, they really know every spot and the local culture of their playground, The Patagonia.

Professionals, bilingual (English and Spanish), safety and avalanche awareness trained, our guides do really know about chasing the powder, the local scene, their people, the Mapuches (local Indians), the mountains, volcanoes and culture, because they have grown up there...

Anyway we believe that is your own experience what will take you deeper in The Andes and inside the Latin Culture. Our guides will encourage you to take the initiative sometimes, as you will discover that often ends up being the most memorable and incredible part of the journey.

# in Patagonia



**PatagoniaPowder** believes that some of the best experiences in foreign adventure travel comes from the local people and culture.

We know that getting involved with local culture is something that for sure you will not achieve from a tour bus window, or watching Discovery channel. We will take you deeper into The Patagonia, where we not only meet, but also spend really good times with locals.

From the smiling faces of Bariloche and their discos, the Latin urban style of Santiago, or the cosmopolitan city of Buenos Aires, to curious school children at the road side, yerba sipping gauchos (local cowboys), Mapuches (local Indians), you will find an incredible different way of life at The Patagonia.

At Legend Volcanoes Backcountry tour we will visit a small rustic resort managed by a local Mapuche tribe, you will understand their way of life, their history, the today's world through their eyes... In all tours you will have the opportunity to share moments with them...

Local cuisine is unbelievable, homemade breads in small mountain village, river trouts in the southern Andes, world famous Argentina's Beef, Chilean seafood, empanadas, hand made chocolates in Bariloche and San Martin de los Andes... and the world renowned Argentina's Asado (local barbecue)...

Argentina and Chile has some of the freshest fruits and vegetables on earth, so vegetarian friends won't have to worry...

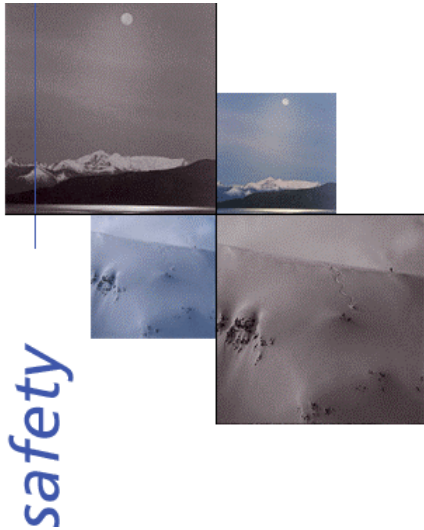
This region is also world known by its great quality and exotic fine wines, from Cuyo in

Argentina, and from Mapocho in Chile, most of these wine are exported to the rest of the world. In some tours you will pass through most famous vineyards, and will have the possibility of visiting one of them, and taste these "Cold Regions" wines.

For sure there will be several times, where you will find your self grilling Asado with local friends, practicing your Spanish with little children, discovering an artesian Mapuches market, sharing Mate with a Gaucho or chasing the powder with locals and international riders...

**PatagoniaPowder** hopes you get back home with a complete new outlook on the world, and with your spirit full of incredible experiences... that for sure you will remember for ever...

## and equipment



At **PatagoniaPowder** we are serious about having fun, but even more serious about being safe while we are on the mountain.

Backcountry is often rewarded with untracked turns through wilderness terrains, but your safety is a priority for us, and along side with visiting these spots with you, our guides are always thinking of your well being.

Depending on snow conditions and weather, you will be able to get into the Andes unexplored terrain, but if there is **any** question about stability on a particular moment, **we will not stay out of bounds** on that day.

Although our guides are trained in Avalanche Awareness, we believe local information is extremely useful and important. That is why at every resort we visit, we will take a lesson form the local Ski Patrol.

Our guides are provided with long range radio transceivers, and cell phones. When necessary, tour guest will be provided with 457 transceivers, shovels, and probes before going into the backcountry, and our guides will teach how to use them, but education and knowledge are your best friends in the backcountry. We advise you to learn more about the subject...

Suggested Reading: Freeriding in Avalanche Terrain. By Jennie McDonald and Bruce Jamieson  
Backcountry Avalanche Awareness. By Bruce Jamieson.

Sites: [www.nsidc.org](http://www.nsidc.org) National Snow and Ice Data Center  
[www.avalanche.org](http://www.avalanche.org) American avalanche Association

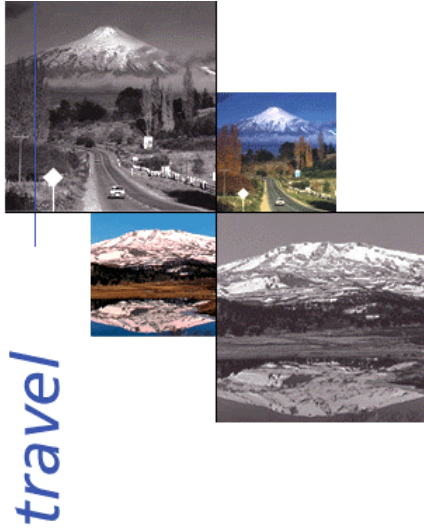
### Equipment

All guests are expected to bring their own ski or snowboarding equipment. In case you can't, let us know in order to get good equipment for you, believe us when we say you don't want to rent it at the resorts, most of times, is expensive and poorly maintained. In tours where we climb Volcanoes, you will be provided with, crampons, ice axe, and mountaineering boots

### Insurance

Personal travel insurance is required to travel with PatagoniaPowder. Contact us if you need assistance, or contact our friends of TURAR [turar@patagoniapowder.com](mailto:turar@patagoniapowder.com) . Proof of insurance will be required.

# information



## Arriving to Buenos Aires

Our guest will be responsible for their flight to and from Buenos Aires city, in Argentina. Almost every airline has daily flight to Argentina. TURAR friends would be happy to arrange airfare for you, since they are a huge tourism operator, can obtain competitive airfare prices to Buenos Aires from any destination around the world. Please contact [turar@patagoniapowder.com](mailto:turar@patagoniapowder.com) to inquiring about pricing, and more...

## Passports & Visas

Passport valid for at least 6 month is required for citizens from most countries. Most times visa is not required to enter both Argentina and Chile, but it's important to check in the local embassy or consulate on the latest visa requirements. [www.embassyworld.com](http://www.embassyworld.com) Tourist cards, good for 90 days, are issued upon arrival and must be surrendered when leaving the country (Chile also). We recommend you bring a copy of your passport to keep it separate form the original, and also keep an extra copy with someone at home who may fax it to you if need. Mercosur citizens do not need passport to enter Argentina.

By the time you leave the country there is an \$30,50 airport exit tax, which is usually included with your flight. Check that out when reserving your flight. We will be able to take care of flight confirmations on the road.

(Upon arrival to Chile, there is a one time \$61 entry tax for US citizens, and \$55 for Canadian Citizens, valid for the lifetime of your passport. The fee is payable in US dollars or Chilean Pesos, to avoid delaying, you should have this fee in cash...)

## Border Crossings

Depending on your tour choice, we will cross the border by land to Chile. Although is relax, it's important no to loose your Tourist Card. Don't worry we will help you through the process. Drugs and perishable foods are not tolerated. More strict controls are held in Chile, especially on fruit, plants, meat or vegetables.

## Money

The official currency in Argentina is the Argentine Peso, and for the first time in ten years, the currency is floating on foreign exchange markets. Today's par is about \$3/USD, but is changing daily. Anyway Ammerican dollars are accepted almost anywhere, restaurants, hotels, shops, malls, etc.

Use of credit card and automatic cash machines is your best bet for good exchanges rates during your stay. Although Travelers Checks are accepted in some places, the exchange rate is poor and sometimes you will have to walk around the city looking for places to trade them. Argentina, has a really big automatic cash machines net, and you will find at least one in every place we visit. Credit cards are also accepted almost everywhere.

The official currency in Chile is the Chilean Peso. Although it fluctuates, \$650/USD has been the average exchange rate for the last year.

## **Communications**

Argentina is one of the best telecommunications networks in the world, with lots of call center, IDD in the whole country, a real extended cell phone network, payphones (also in some resort slopes) and internet cafes, allows you to keep in touch...

Phone calls to US are generally under \$1/minute.

You can access English speaking operators of carriers like AT&T, form almost any payphone, without charge.

Faxes can be sent and received at every lodging we will stay, or at the local call center.

Internet access is available form everywhere (you can even send emails at Alta Patagonia slopes).

Although behind Argentina, communications in Chile are also well developed.

You will receive a list of the phone numbers of our accommodations where you may be reached in case of emergency.

Our guides are provided with cell phones, so they can be reached, almost anywhere, anytime.

## **Metrics, Voltages**

The metric system is used in Argentina. The voltage is 220V 50Hz, so be sure to check your electronic equipment complies with it, or buy a plug adapter and converter. Quality batteries are easy to find everywhere.

## **Extra Cost**

Extra cost includes gifts, parting, equipment repair, and activities as helisking, parasailing or any other activity outside our itinerary. On the days we can not get into the mountains (rain, wind, poor visibility), there is always a second plan, like, white water river rafting, thermal baths, snowshoeing, horse back riding, etc, at no extra cost. Normal tip in restaurants, bars and pubs is about 10%.

## **Language**

Spanish is the official language in Argentina and Chile. Dialect between the two cultures is quite different.

We hope you get involved with the locals of both countries. A few Spanish lessons and a phrase book will get you further than you can imagine. Both cultures are excited that you want to learn their language. As English is taught at almost every high school in Argentina don't be surprised if folks want to practice their English with you.

Portuguese and Italian is also easy to understand, and as local are patient people you will have no problem getting understand.

## **Health**

Argentina and Chile are the safest countries in Latin America. Quality food, no malaria or yellow fever, and lot's of pharmacies in all towns or mountain village.

With active tours like this one, where you will be riding / skiing, hiking or snowshoeing, it's of great importance to stay hydrated.

Sunburn is always a concern, due snow reflection and higher elevation. It's advisable to use glasses, goggles and quality sun block.

There are no health requirements to enter in Argentina or Chile.

## **Climate and Snow Conditions**

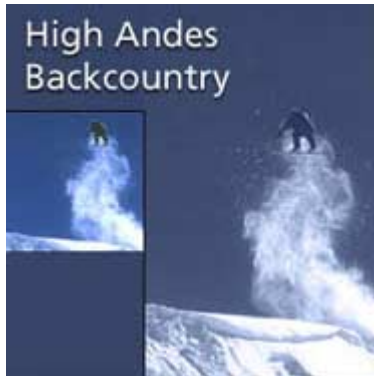
Winters in Argentina and Chile can range form warm sunny spring like days, to extremely cold conditions at high elevation (sometimes you will stay above 3000m – 10000feet). Preparation for all types of weather and conditions is recommended. Depending the season temperatures, at resorts can drop as low as 0 F (-20 C), but averages temperatures are generally in the 30 - 50 F (0 - 10 C) while on the slopes.

You are going to spend entire days on mountains in the middle of winter, you will moving at speeds of up 50mph and working up a sweat while spinning around, then you will sit on a cold metal chair for fifteen minutes, so, you will need the right clothing. Staying warmly dressed and regulating body temperature by using layers and ventilations on outer layers are goods ways to prevent you from freezing.

PatagoniaPowder goal is to get you to best powder Patagonian snow. We have ridden almost all kind of snow, form deep powder bowls, to ice. Groomed runs do exist in almost all the resorts we visit.

But we still be chasing powder...

# Patagonia Powder Tours



High Andes Backcountry will take us for 13 days to the highest powder of the Andes. With five best resort in South America, this is a really five start tour for developing great freeriding out of the bounds. Starting with five days at the world renowned Argentine resort Las Lenas, home of the most serious steeps, through Portillo never ending powder, to Valle Nevado... what else can we say... excellent food, expert guides, incredible accommodations...

This is the ideal tour for the advance to expert rider / skier. For sure you will never forget, every minute, every chute, every partner of this once in a life time journey... here at PatagoniaPowder High Andes Backcountry...

We look forward to having you on board...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 2.295.-**



Tell me, When was your last time in the slopes of some smoking Volcano? This epic adventure will take you through the volcanoes road in the Patagonia. 6 legend volcanoes, 4 mountain resorts. You will be riding two of most active volcanoes, from top to bottom. Incredible backcountry, powder bowls, chutes, cornices, and more...

This is the perfect journey for the advance to expert rider looking also for a whole cultural adventure, as we visit a rustic Mapuche (local Indians) managed resort, the greatest artisan market at Chillan, and the fun locals at Pucon or San Martin de los Andes.

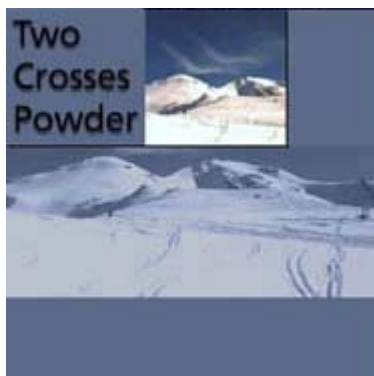
Two Los Andes crossing, National Parks, National reserves, and unbelievable powder in this 14 days trip... You will have the freedom to explore what other tours and resort hotel packages just can't offer.

This is the epic adventure you will always tell your friends at home about... Those active Volcanoes, the Andes, the never ending backcountry, the friendly locals, the natives, his culture, the whole Latin experience, the party at night...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 2.395.-** July 6<sup>th</sup> - July 19<sup>th</sup>

**Tour Cost: U\$S 2.295.-** July 27<sup>th</sup> - August 9<sup>th</sup>

- On days we can not get into the mountains (rain, wind, poor visibility), No worry there is always a "B Plan"...
- White water river rafting
- Thermal hot springs
- Snowshoeing and Trekking
- Horse back riding
- Mapuche artesian markets
- Argentine famous Asados

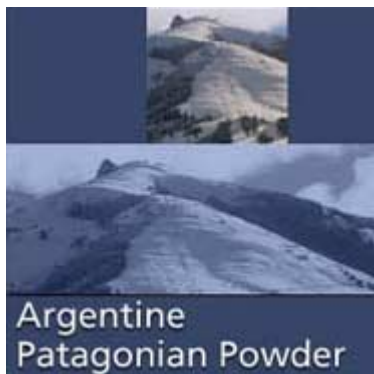


Two Crosses offers an unforgettable experience in South America. Two Los Andes crossing, five National Parks, and National Reserves and four mountain resorts. You will never forget the adventure to stare at Chile's most active volcano crater, and ride it all the way down...

This 10 days journey was not designed for the weak hearted. For the intermediate to advance skier and rider, looking for adventure, backcountry powder and a new cultural approach... Our guides will connect you with the locals, to explore their culture, traditions and will help you to find where is the party at night. Excellent accommodations, incredible food...

You will always remember this Two Crosses adventure, have ridden and active Volcano, your partners, the cultural experience, the resorts, the parties... and all that untracked powder...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 1.495.-**



Argentine Patagonia Powder is an original Patagonian adventure. From the backcountry powder at Chapelco, through the world famous seven lakes road, to the Swiss style city of Bariloche and the world class resort of Alta Patagonia / Robles... there is to much powder to discover in those secrets spots...

This 9 days journey is calling the intermediate to advance skier and rider looking for adventure travel. The right mix of powder, Patagonian culture and fun...

It is always hard to say "Adios" but you will always remember this Argentine Patagonian Powder adventure, the incredible resorts of Chapelco and Catedral, the landscapes and mountains, your partners, the guides, the parties... Don't worry, for sure you will do it again...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 1.295.- August 26<sup>th</sup> - September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Tour Cost: U\$S 1.195.- June 20<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup> / October 5<sup>th</sup> - October 13<sup>th</sup> Spring Ride...**

▪ Resorts...

	High Andes Backcountry	Legend Volcanoes Backcountry	Two Crosses Powder	Argentine Patagonian Powder
Las Lenas	❄			
Chapelco		❄	❄	❄
Caviahue		❄		
Batea Mahuida Volcano		❄		
Cerro Bayo			❄	❄
Robles				❄
Alta Patagonia				❄
Portillo	❄			
Valle Nevado	❄			
La Parva	❄			
El Colorado	❄			
Termas de Chillan		❄		
Villarrica		❄	❄	
Antillanca			❄	

# High Andes Backcountry

Developed By PatagoniaPowder



**Days: 13**

**Days on snow: 10**

**Resorts (all lift tickets included): 5 Best Resorts...**

Las Lenas (you won't believe it...)

Portillo

Valle Nevado

La Parva

El Colorado

**Schedule:**

June 16<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup>

September 21<sup>st</sup> - October 3<sup>rd</sup>

## High Andes Backcountry Highlights

Incredible backcountry

Greatest Resorts in South America

All national flight included

Safe, comfortable, reliable, **4X4 truck** private transportation

Excellent accommodations, all included. Most meals included

Avalanche Safety course. Equipment (transceivers, handy, shovels, when necessary)

Expert, bilingual guides

guest maximum keeps it great

More...

Vineyards visit (Wine tasting included...of course)

Typical Asado... (world famous Argentine beef...)

Latin Culture experience...

Day 1

Arrival Day

Las Lenas

We will meet you and other guests at Ezeiza International brand new Airport in Buenos Aires, Argentina capital city, and the most modern city in South America.

Our private transportation will take you to Jorge Newbery Airport, for a domestic fly to Mendoza, capital of Mendoza Province of Andes Region.

Upon arrival, you will meet PatagoniaPowder guide, and we will take the road with ours private 4X4 trucks to Las Lenas, crossing the most impressive valleys, vineyards and canyons, across the world famous 40 Route, where you will sure see some Gauchos (local Cowboys) riding through deserts and oasis.

At arrival we will check in at our great hotel, with heated pool, sauna, jacuzzis and more. You'd better be prepare for tomorrows adventure.

Day 2 – 5

Las Lenas

Las Lenas

These days everybody know Las Lenas is ones of the most challenging resorts in the south Hemisphere. This place has enough unbelievable terrain to appeal even the most extreme skier or snowboarder. There are no words to describe Las Lenas, the incredible Marte Lift will take your breath away, and you will be asking yourself if you will take those 40/50 degrees chutes...

The backcountry is amazing, just using the chairlift, so, imagine the terrain we will discover when we ride snow cats and incredible hiking looking for the never ending powder of these mountains...  
 At night, if you still have energy, and legs, you will want to hit village pubs and discos, you won't believe the scene, Argentine people love night life and here in Lenas sometimes gets really hot...  
 There are no enough words to describe it... you have to live it...

Day 6	Heading to Portillo	Mendoza City
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It's really difficult say goodbye to Las Lenas... Today we will visit the famous Argentine vineyards established in the Mendoza region... and of course we will taste some wines and champagnes.  
 At noon we will stop to eat ASADO, (Argentine barbecue), tasting the world recognize local beef... getting involved with country culture, and yerba sipping gauchos...  
 We will spent the night at Mendoza City, know as one of the most beautiful cities in the country...

Day 7 – 8	Portillo	Portillo
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After an early breakfast we will cross the boarder heading to our next destination, the friendly and exclusive resort of Portillo, as we pass very close to America's highest mountain El Aconcagua.  
 We will spent the next three days at Portillo, right in the High Andes. The accommodation here is incredible, great food, heated pool, piano bar, gym, sauna, and more.  
 Portillo is the most famous resort in Chile, the snow conditions makes the freeriding a whole experience. The landscape is breathtaking, with Los Incas lake just below us.  
 At Portillo you will see lots of chutes untouched for days, no doubt you are riding the best South America powder snow. You will be free to explore a really amazing resort just outside our door's hotel, via the 12 chairlifts, hiking the chutes, or even heli-skiing. Just one more thing... take a look at the sunsets...  
 While sometimes the road pass between Portillo and Los Andes town get close, Portillo's guest are left with incredible untouched powder, often for days...  
 All meals are included in our stay.

Day 9	Portillo	Santiago de Chile
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After a great day of freeriding exploring the slopes of Portillo, we will go down the mountains to Santiago, Chile's capital city.  
 Santiago is also a modern city, Latin, European and American culture in just one place, old Spanish style buildings, or new window towers, Santiago gets both. Tonight we will spend the night at Santiago.

Day 10 –11	Valle Nevado – La Parva	Valle Nevado
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We will get up early, and after breakfast, we depart on our short drive, climbing The Andes again, from Santiago (543m – 1781feet), along the Mapocho river canyon, to Valle Nevado Resort (3025m – 9860feet).  
 Valle Nevado is the most modern, and largest resort in South America, well known, for powder snow, and fantastic views of the Cordillera, and Santiago city on a clear day. It is also the place where you'll sure see the Andean Condor, on of the biggest birds round the world...  
 Top elevation is just over 3600m – 12000 feet, and there is more than 2500 feet of vertical drop... (for sure you are smiling right now...) This place never seems to end. Last year it was also expanded for 25% more rideable terrain! It's ok if you forget lunch...  
 After the day exploring the chutes, powder bowls and cornices, we will be able to enjoy dinner in a choice of five restaurants... Night life? You will meet people for all around the word, in pubs, discos... You'd better get ready...

Day 12	Valle Nevado – El Colorado	Santiago de Chile
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Today we will continue exploring the resort, a combination allow us to interconnect the slopes of Valle Nevado, La Parva y El Colorado, so where the best conditions are, so we.  
 The resort has great access to off-piste terrain, and if you are prepare for a challenge, Valle Nevado offers Heli-Skiing, Hang Gliding, snowmobiles tours, Parasailing, and other activities.

Tonight after arriving to Santiago, we will dinner on the city, and one more night to party together in South America Latin culture...

Day 13

Santiago de Chile

Santiago de Chile – B. Aires

An easy trip to the airport, a last round of hand shakes and hugs, before your flight from Santiago to Buenos Aires. For those with evening departures a private transportation will take you to Ezeiza International Airport. But if you can stay a few days at Buenos Aires, is a place you will always remember. Our partners at [TURAR](#), will arrange accommodations, and more for you...  
Hasta Siempre Amigos...

For sure you will never forget every minute, every chute, every partner of this once in a life time journey... here, at PatagoniaPowder High Andes Backcountry...  
We look forward to having you on board...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 2.295.-**

## details

### **Skill Level. Fitness**

This trip was designed for the expert to advance skier and boarder, with active lifestyles. Although backcountry experience is not needed, its is encouraged. No mountaineering skills are necessary. You will want to be in good shape, due altitude (some places are over 3000m – 10000feet) and good hiking opportunities that will take us to great steep chutes, cornices, and more...Remember the better shape you are, (not Rambo...) the more you will enjoy, this exciting trip..

### **Accommodations**

We will spend the nights in great cozy mountain hotels, four and five stars!!! All of them with heated pool, disco, jacuzzi, pubs, and fun...

### **Meals**

All breakfast and dinners are included in this tour (Mendoza and first night at Santiago dinners, not included). In same places like Portillo and Valle Nevado you will have four meals a day included!!!

You will be responsible for the cost of other meals. Estimated cost range form \$5 in Argentina, to \$30 in Chile, depending how much you want to spend...

There will be several times when we are invited by local friends to grill Asado, dinners, etc. We may also decide to cook ourselves from time to time, and we will be all chipping in for groceries.

### **Safety**

Please read our Safety and Avalanche Awareness section.

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# Legend Volcanoes Backcountry

Developed By PatagoniaPowder



**Days: 14**

**Days on snow: 12**

**Resorts (all lift tickets included): 6 Legend Volcanoes... 4 Mountain Resorts**

Caviahue – Copahue Volcano

Batea Mahuida Volcano

Termas de Chillan

Villarrica – Pucon

Chapelco

... and more

**Schedule:**

July 6<sup>th</sup> - July 19<sup>th</sup>

July 27<sup>th</sup> - August 9<sup>th</sup>

## Legend Volcanoes Backcountry Highlights

Incredible backcountry

You will be riding two of most active Volcanoes... from top to bottom...

Volcanoes thermal bath

All national flight included

Safe, comfortable, reliable, 4X4 truck private transportation

Excellent accommodations, all included. Most meals included.

Avalanche Safety course. Equipment (transceivers, handy, shovels, when necessary)

Expert, bilingual guides

8 guest maximum keeps it great

More...

Two Los Andes crossing... National Parks, and National Reserves

Mapuche (local Indians) managed resort, and Reserve

Typical Asado... (world famous Argentine beef...)

Latin Culture experience...

Day 1

Arrival Day

Buenos Aires – Caviahue

We will meet you and other guests at Ezeiza International brand new Airport in Buenos Aires, Argentina capital city, and the most modern city in South America.

Our private transportation will take you to Jorge Newbery Airport, for a domestic flight to Neuquen, capital of Neuquen Province in Patagonia Region. Neuquen is the place with more National Parks, and resorts in the country.

Upon arrival, you will meet PatagoniaPowder guide, and we will take the road with ours private 4X4 trucks to Caviahue, crossing the most impressive desert like earth, valleys, really deep canyons, and more. Caviahue is a small mountain Village rounded by ancient trees, called Araucarias or Pehuenias, unique round the world, and region symbol, Caviahue lake, and mystical Copahue Volcano.

At arrival we will check in at our great hotel, with heated pool, sauna, jacuzzis and more. You'd better be prepare for tomorrows adventure..

Day 2	Copahue Volcano	Caviahue
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Caviahue is small resort, in the bottom part of the mystical Copahue volcano. Last eruption, eight years ago, was amazing, but don't worry, geologists are studding it every time, and it's safe... We will be riding the smoking volcano, with a great view of Caviahue lake and surroundings, by midday if weather conditions are fine, we will take a snowmobile with local PatagoniaPowder friends towards the Volcano Crater. The view is breathtaking... we are at 2970m – 9000feet, the descent is incredible, untouched chutes, powder bowls, canyons and cornices, in the more than 7km – 4,5miles length run, with a vertical drop of more than 1000m – 3030feet... What else can we say? You just have to live it...

Day 3	Caviahue	Caviahue
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Copahue Village is know worldwide by the best Thermal Bath in America, draining from the volcano, during summer people from everywhere come to bath in this mystical waters. Today it has the streets getting hot with steam, but as the village is climbing the volcano it's no possible to reach it... by car..., so today we will be taking the snowmobile again, heading to Copahue, and getting a great freeriding all day long, descent to the village, and from the volcano slopes back to the resort. After a great afternoon of backcountry, it is time for the heated pool o jacuzzi, and then for the international food of the restaurants.

Day 4	Batea Mahuida Volcano	Pehuenia Village
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After an early breakfast, we will head toward Pehuenia Village. A few meters before Chilean boarder, and if road conditions are right, we turn left and catch a small road, beside Litran river, water falls, and an epic landscape. That is why we use 4X4 vehicles... By noon we will be at Batea Mahuida Volcano base, now a very small resort managed by a Mapuche tribe, and you will have the opportunity to speak to them, and after riding, drink a hot cup of coffee, while they sip Yerba, in a small cottage at the base. Hiking, on snowmobile or by truck we will climb to the volcano crater, where there is a small lake inside. From the top you will admire the Alumine and Moquehue lakes... Time for freeriding, for sure, the slopes are untouched for weeks... Tonight will be spent in a scenic small hotel, attended by a family, besides a small river at the end of Moquehue river... if you were dreaming for a lost beautiful place in the Patagonia... relax, you are there...

Day 5	Batea Mahuida	Termas de Chillan
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After breakfast, we will attempt on the volcano climb if weather has been a factor, and after the last hand shakes with our Mapuches friends, a whole cultural experience, we will head towards our next destination. We take the road to the Chilean boarder, and trough Pino Hachado pass we get into Chile. The landscape is amazing, we will pass between two ancient volcanoes, Llaima Volcano and Lonquimay Volcano. This is also the place where the world famous rafting river, Bio – Bio, starts. Arriving to Chillan city, we will have the opportunity to check out Chile's most well known artisan market. Stocked with Mapuche's craft and woodwork, don't doubt this is the best place to pick up a souvenir and gifts for home. From Chillan, there is a short drive to Las Trancas, the smooth town besides the sharp slopes of Termas de Chillan, where we will stay for the next three days, in our great accommodations, just a step form the chairlift. Our hotel has also, heated pool, disco and SPA...

Day 6 – 7	Termas de Chillan	Termas de Chillan
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Termas de Chillan is a really huge resort, having lots of snow, last year it snowed more than 4m – 12feet. This is the place you will tell everybody about, great snow, best lines, and the least amount of skiers. It also has the longest piste in South America of 13km, in a 10.000 hectares of skiable terrain! Two full days in these incredible backcountry playground, and accessible terrain just from the chairlift. Incredible backcountry, including the third crater in our trip, Chillan ancient one, Los Nevados and Shangrila-La. The hiking here is just excellent, and you are, for sure, in the best Backcountry Andes adventure. There are also some thermal bath for a relax time at Chillan. The friendly village of Las Trancas, has several restaurants, and after some days of quiet nights we will check out pubs for party...

**Day 8** **Termas de Chillan** **Pucon**

One more day to explore the best off-piste terrain of Termas de Chillan, have a new backcountry adventure, heliski to the nearby peaks...

After a great day, saying good bye to Termas de Chillan is not so easy... but Pucon is waiting us...

Pucon is known as Chile's adventure capital. Surrounded by two national parks, this village is at the black sand shore of Villarrica lake. Pucon also offers 4/5 class rafting at Trancura river, snowshoeing, horseback riding, volcanic caves, thermal springs, and of course... South America most active Volcano... Villarrica. Last big eruption was some years ago, and small eruptions are occurring while you are reading this. At night if you see something brighten orange in the sky, you have found him...

**Day 9 – 10** **Villarrica** **Pucon**

You will never forget the experience of ridding the most active volcano in South America, and taking a look inside its crater. For those of us climbing, after a four hours hiking we will get to the top, at 2840m – 9316feet. From this point you have an epic view of Chile's lake district and the most magnificent volcano in the region, the one that rules... Lanin Volcano, in Argentina.

The descent to Villarrica resort is more than 1600m, through alpine slopes, natural half pipes, cornices and wind lips. If you don't feel like climbing, you can stay at Villarrica resort, with also, natural half pipes and more... or hit one of Pucon options, rafting, snowshoeing, or just a relaxing day in Licura thermal springs.

Night life? Pucon has several different restaurants. After dinner, Mamas & Tapas pub is a must, or the casino, or the movie theater, or the disco (For you!), or..., or...

**Day 11** **Villarrica** **San Martin de los Andes**

In case the weather have been a factor, we still have another day to attempt our climbing the volcano, or just enjoy the slopes and natural half pipe of Villarrica resort.

Early in the afternoon we drive to the Argentine border through the impressive Cordillera woods, and once again you will love our 4X4 truck.

Just in the Argentine border we will be at Lanin Volcano base... Mapuches said that in the battle between all region volcanoes, he was the one who arise with the battle... Just his figure explains why...

Finally we will arrive to our final destination, San Martin de los Andes, and Chapelco resort.

San Martin is like Pucon twin brother, but with a bigger resort... lots of restaurants, casino, pubs... Our accommodations here are great, with heated inside/outside pool, sauna, and more...

**Day 12 – 13** **Chapelco** **San Martin de los Andes**

We spend two days in Chapelco amazing resort. High speed six people gondola, four people chairlifts, natural half pipes, one of the better wood runs you can imagine and a breath taking view of Lanin National Park, makes it no doubt the most diverse and interesting resort.

Off-piste is also excellent, with chairlift access to backcountry bowls, La Pala incredible run... In the afternoon you will sure find the local PatagoniaPowder friends at Pradera del Puma Pub, in the middle of the mountain, having a great time, with a mix of coffee, Quilmes (local beer), and pizza, watching the sunset on the Andes just one more time...

Night life is endless. Locals hit first the pubs, then the casino and finally the disco, till morning!

Last night we will have a celebration dinner together and one more night to party in South America...

**Day 14** **... our last day** **Neuquen – Buenos Aires**

After an early breakfast, we will drive to the Neuquen airport, a last round of hand shakes and hugs, before your flight from Neuquen to Buenos Aires. For those with evening departures a private transportation will take you to Ezeiza International Airport.

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Adios Amigos...

This is the epic adventure you will always tell your friends at home about... The Volcanoes, those active Volcanoes, the Andes, the never ending backcountry, the friendly locals, the natives, his culture, the whole Latin experience, the party at night... We look forward to having you on board...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 2.395.- July 6<sup>th</sup> - July 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Tour Cost: U\$S 2.295.- July 27<sup>th</sup> - August 9<sup>th</sup>**

## details

### **Skill Level. Fitness**

This trip was designed for the expert to advance skier and boarder, with active lifestyles. Although backcountry experience is not needed, it is encouraged. No mountaineering skills are necessary. You will want to be in good shape, due altitude (some places are over 3000m – 10000feet) and good hiking opportunities that will take us to great steep chutes, cornices, and more...Remember the better shape you are, (not Rocky...) the more you will enjoy, this exciting trip..

### **Accommodations**

We will spend the nights in great cozy “full loaded” cabins at San Martin de los Andes (heated inside/outside pool, sauna, jacuzzi, and more..) and Pucon. Great mountain hotels, four and five stars at Cavihue and Termas de Chillan, placed a few meters from chairlifts with heated pool, disco, jacuzzi, pubs, and fun...

### **Meals**

All breakfast and dinners are included in this tour (Pucon dinners, not included).

You will be responsible for the cost of other meals. Estimated cost range from \$5 in Argentina, to \$30 in Chile, depending how much you want to spend...

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# Two Crosses Powder

Developed By PatagoniaPowder



**Days: 10**  
**Days on snow: 8**

**Resorts (all lift tickets included): 2 Legend  
Volcanoes... 4 Mountain Resorts**

Chapelco  
Villarrica – Pucon  
Antillanca  
Cerro Bayo

**Schedule:**  
June 19<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup>  
August 17<sup>th</sup> - August 26<sup>th</sup>  
September 3<sup>rd</sup> - September 12<sup>th</sup>

## Two Crosses Powder Highlights

- Incredible resorts, and backcountry
- You will be riding the most active Volcanoes in South America... from top to bottom...
- Volcanoes thermal bath
- All national flight included
- Safe, comfortable, reliable, 4X4 truck private transportation
- Excellent accommodations, all included. Most meals included.
- Avalanche Safety course. Equipment (transceivers, handy, shovels, when necessary)
- Expert, bilingual guides
- 8 guest maximum keeps it great

More...

- Two Los Andes crossing, 5 National Parks, and National Reserves
- Typical Asado... (world famous Argentine beef...)
- Latin Culture experience...

**Day 1** Arrival Day Buenos Aires – S M de los Andes

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Upon arrival, you will meet PatagoniaPowder guide, and we will take the road with ours private 4X4 trucks to San Martin de los Andes, crossing the most impressive desert like earth, valleys and really deep cannons.

San Martin is an incredible mountain village, small and peaceful but with lots of restaurants, casino, pubs and discos. Our accommodations here are great, with heated inside/outside pool, sauna, etc...

You'd better be prepare for tomorrows beginning adventure..

**Day 2 – 3** Chapelco San Martin de los Andes

A few kilometers form the village is Chapelco resort. We spend three days in this amazing terrain. High speed six people gondola, four people chairlifts, natural half pipes, one of the better wood runs you can imagine and a breath taking view of Lanin National Park, and Lanin Volcano, makes it no doubt the most diverse and interesting resort.

For those who want to attempt it, off-piste in the backside is also excellent, with chairlift access to powder bowls, La Pala backcountry incredible run, and more... In the afternoon you will sure find the local Patagonia Powder friends at Pradera del Puma Pub, in the middle of the mountain, having a great time with a mix of coffee, Quilmes (local beer) and pizza, watching the sunset on the Andes just one more time... Night life is endless locals hit first the pubs, then the casino and finally the disco, till morning!

Day 4	Chapelco	Pucon
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After scoring another powder day at Chapelco slopes, we will take the road towards Pucon, crossing for the first time the Andes Cordillera, through Chile, and as the pass is snowed you will realize why we love our 4X4 truck. The landscape is something you will never forget... The prehistoric wood of Araucarias, a tree you will only see this part of the world, crystal clear lakes, and the presence of the giant, the Lanin Volcano. Just in the Argentine border we will be at Lanin Volcano base... Mapuches (natives) said that in the battle between all region volcanoes, he was the one who arise with the battle... Just his figure explains why... Leaving behind Lanin National Park, and through Villarrica National Park, we reach Pucon. Pucon is known as Chile's adventure capital. Surrounded by two national parks, this village is at the black sand shore of Villarrica lake. Pucon also offers 4/5 class rafting at Trancura river, snowshoeing, horseback riding, volcanic caves, thermal springs, and of course... South America most active Volcano... Villarrica. Last big eruption was some years ago, and small eruptions are occurring while you are reading this. At night if you see something bright orange in the sky, you have found him...

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Day 6	Villarrica	Antillanca
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After breakfast, we will attempt on the volcano climb if weather has been a factor, or spent a great day in the fun slopes of Villarrica, with easy access backcountry terrain all over de Volcano. After the legs are busted, we will drive towards our next destination, passing through the impressive rain forest, crystal lakes, steaming thermal ponds, waterfalls... Near Argentine border we arrive to Antillanca fun resort, home of Casa Blanca volcano... We will check in Eduardo Meyer ski in/ski out hotel. After dinner, there will be free time for hit the pubs, or just relax...

Day 7	Antillanca	Villa La Angostura
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Antillanca is a small friendly resort, with easy access to the slopes, and excellent off-piste hiking. If your soul still needs more, and if weather and snow conditions are fine, we will climb to the ancient crater volcano, at 2000m – 6500feet. If you are beginning in backcountry adventure, this is your opportunity. From that point you will have the perfect spot to take a look at most ancient nearby volcanoes, Osorno, Puyehue and Puntiagudo... Few miles away is Argentine boarder. This afternoon we will be crossing The Andes for the second time, dropping into the small mountain town of Villa La Angostura. Villa La Angostura is becoming today most fashion tourist mountain town in Argentina, small, charming, not crowded, sits on the western shore of Nahuel Huapi lake, just in front Bariloche, both in Nahuel Huapi National Park. Lots of restaurants, pubs, gets the right mix of peace and party...

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**Tour Cost: U\$S 1.495.-**

## details

### Skill Level. Fitness

This is an intermediate to advance/expert skier and boarder level tour. It was designed in the way you can make this adventure as challenging as you want.

Please see the reservation form for descriptions of downhill skills. Although backcountry experience is not needed, its is encouraged if you want to go off-piste. No mountaineering skills are necessary. And remember the better shape you are (not Terminator...) the more you will enjoy, this exciting trip..

### Accommodations

We will spend the nights in greats cozy "full loaded" cabins at San Martin de los Andes (heated inside/outside pool, sauna and jacuzzi)and Pucon; and great mountain hotels at Antillanca (ski in/out) and Villa La Angostura.

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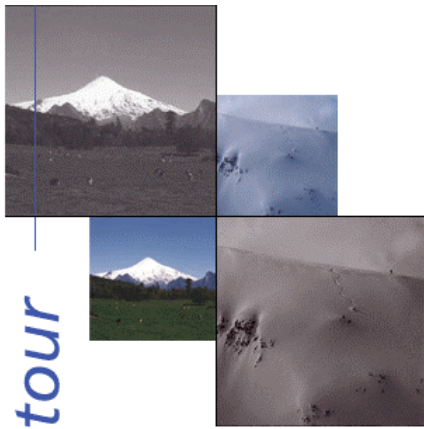
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**Days: 9**  
**Days on snow: 7**

**Resorts (all lift tickets included): 4 Mountain Resorts**  
 Chapelco  
 Cerro Bayo  
 Robles  
 Catedral (Alta Patagonia)

**Schedule:**  
 June 20<sup>th</sup> - June 28<sup>th</sup>  
 August 26<sup>th</sup> - September 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 October 5<sup>th</sup> - October 13<sup>th</sup> Spring Ride...

## Argentine Patagonian Powder Highlights

- Incredible resorts, and backcountry
- All national flight included
- Safe, comfortable, reliable, 4X4 truck private transportation
- Excellent accommodations, all included. Most meals included.
- Avalanche Safety course. Equipment (transceivers, handy, shovels, when necessary)
- Expert, bilingual guides
- 8 guest maximum keeps it great

More...

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Day 2	Chapelco	San Martin de los Andes
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friends at Pradera del Puma Pub, in the middle of the mountain, having a great time with a mix of hot chocolate, Quilmes (local beer) and pizza, in a perfect spot to watch the sunset over The Andes...  
Night life is endless locals hit first the pubs, then the casino and finally the disco, till morning!

**Day 3** **Chapelco** **Villa La Angostura**

After scoring another powder day at Chapelco slopes, we will take the road towards the small mountain town of Villa La Angostura, regarding road conditions we've got three options, including the amazing and world known Siete Lagos (Seven Lakes) pass, and as the pass is snowed you will realize why we love our 4X4 truck. The landscape is something you will never forget....  
Villa La Angostura is becoming today the most fashion tourist mountain town in Argentina, small, charming, no crowded, sits on the western shore of Nahuel Huapi lake, just in front of Bariloche city, both in Nahuel Huapi National Park. Lots of restaurants, pubs, gets the right mix of peace and fun...

**Day 4 –5** **Cerro Bayo** **Villa La Angostura**

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At night, after the delicious village food, there will be enough time for relax, or hit the pubs full of fun local people...

**Day 6** **Los Robles** **Bariloche**

A last goodbye to Villa, after an early breakfast, we hit the road for an easy drive to Bariloche, dressed for snow... Bariloche is a world known Swiss style town. Placed at the eastern shore of Nahuel Huapi lake is famous by Catedral resort, landscapes, surrounding lakes, great food, home made chocolate and wines.  
After checking in our five stars cabins, with heated in/out pool, jacuzzi and SPA, we will take a short lake road to Catedral (Cathedral) world class resort, divided in Alta Patagonia and Robles. Before midday we will be riding Robles slopes. Although older than Alta Patagonia in infrastructure, locals said that is the perfect place to stay for its steeps and off-piste access to powder bowls, cliff and chutes of Punta Nevada and the backside terrain of La Laguna.  
Party begins late afternoon at the small village base with, pubs, e-mails (if you are an IT addict you also send e-mails at cabins on the mountain) and take a look to the scene of the most fashion resort in South America... It's no difficult seeing beautiful models, actors, famous sportsman, and strange pictures... Snow Polo, Rugby...  
If you were looking a place to party... this is the coolest place to be. Food is just excellent, you can try local smoked trouts, great wines, home made chocolates...  
For years the most modern discos in the country, used to be at Bariloche... you can't miss the local dance, in places like Grisu or Cerebro.

**Day 7 – 8** **Alta Patagonia** **Bariloche**

Today we will visit Alta Patagonia, the most modern resort around, with high speed chairlift, gondola, and hundreds of runs... At these speed you will be putting hundreds of miles to your board (s) in a blow...  
Also famous by it's powder snow, from Piedra del Condor top, you will be watching an epics picture of Nahuel Huapi National Park, Mt. Tronador and hundreds of lakes...  
The slopes of Alta Patagonia will keep us busy all day long... for two days!  
Last night we will have a celebration dinner together and one more night to party in South America... wildest side...

**Day 9** **...our last day** **Bariloche – Buenos Aires**

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It is always hard to say good bye, but you will always remember this Argentine Patagonia adventure, the incredible resorts, the landscapes and mountains, your partners, the guides, the parties, the whole Latin culture experience... Don't worry for sure you will do it again...  
We look forward to having you on board this season...

**Tour Cost: U\$S 1.295.- August 26<sup>th</sup> - September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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This is an intermediate to advance/expert skier and boarder level tour. It was designed in the way you can make this adventure as challenging as you want.

Please see the reservation form for descriptions of downhill skills. Although backcountry experience is not needed, its is encouraged if you want to go off-piste. No mountaineering skills are necessary. And remember the better shape you are (not Shaq O'Neil...) the more you will enjoy, this exciting trip..

### **Accommodations**

We will spend the nights in great cozy "full loaded" cabins at San Martin de los Andes (heated inside/outside pool, sauna and jacuzzi), a great mountain hotel at Villa La Angostura, and a five star small mountain hotel at Bariloche (heated inside/outside pool, jacuzzi, sauna, SPA, lake view and more...)

### **Meals**

All breakfast and dinners are included in this tour (2/3 dinners at Bariloche, not included).

You will be responsible for the cost of other meals. Estimated cost range form \$5 to \$15 depending how much you want to spend...

There will be several times when we are invited by local friends to grill Asado, dinners, etc. We may also decide to cook ourselves from time to time, and we will be all chipping in for groceries.

### **Safety**

Please read our Safety and Avalanche Awareness section.

Although our guides are trained in Avalanche Awareness, we believe local information is extremely useful and important. That is why at every resort we visit, we will take a lesson form the local Ski Patrol.

When necessary, tour guest will be provided with transceivers, shovels, and probes before going into the backcountry, and our guides will teach how to use them.

### **General**

If you plan on arriving early to Buenos Aires, and would like to make a reservation at a recommended hotel, just let us know or contact our TURAR friends [turar@patagoniapowder.com](mailto:turar@patagoniapowder.com)  
Remember our tour depart form Ezeiza International Airport. If you are already in the city, don't worry, just let us know and a van will pick you up and take you to Jorge Newbery airport, to meet the rest of the team...

# Travel policy terms and conditions

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## THE CONTRACT

Please read the following Travel Policy Terms and Conditions ("Terms") carefully and sign your name where indicated below. These Terms will govern your trip with PatagoniaPowder ("PatagoniaPowder" or "The Company"). The individual signing below will be referred to as "Client" throughout the Terms. No one has the authority to vary these terms and conditions on behalf of PatagoniaPowder. Any individual booking a trip offered through PatagoniaPowder will be required to sign the Terms. The service to be provided is the tour stated on the reservation form, outlined in the trip notes, overview and itinerary.

## RESERVATION FORM AND NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT

In addition to signing the Term below, the Client will be required to complete and sign a reservation form and submit to PatagoniaPowder a \$ 200 non-refundable deposit. Upon receiving the complete and signed reservation form and paid the deposit, Patagonia Powder will provide a written confirmation of the Client's reservation. Once the Client has received this confirmation the contract officially comes into existence. The remaining balance for the trip will be due 60 days before the trip departure date. If the outstanding balance is not paid by this time, PatagoniaPowder reserves the right to cancel the Client's reservation. If a reservation is made less than 60 days prior to trip departure, the full balance of the trip is due at that time.

## CANCELLATION CHARGES

By the Client:

Any cancellation by a Client must be made in writing. The date on which PatagoniaPowder receives the Client's written cancellation will determine the charges applicable. The schedule of Cancellation Charges is as follows:

- If the Client cancels more than sixty (60) days prior to departure, the Client loses only the \$200.00 non-refundable deposit.
- If the Client cancels sixty (60) to fourteen (14) days before departure, the Client forfeits seventy-five (75%) of the total trip cost.
- If the Client cancels less than fourteen (14) days prior to departure, the Client will forfeit the entire cost of the trip.

In addition to the above charges, the Client may also be responsible for any insurance premiums arranged through and paid by PatagoniaPowder. Patagonia Powder requires all Clients to show written proof of travel insurance including cancellation insurance within ten (10) days of making a PatagoniaPowder reservation. If proof of insurance is not provided, PatagoniaPowder reserves the right to cancel the Client's reservation.

In the event the Client is prevented from traveling due to serious illness, injury, death in the immediate family or a similar catastrophe, PatagoniaPowder will consider allowing the Client to change to another trip, or allow another individual to take Client's space on the reserved trip under the same Terms agreed upon by Client. If there were additional costs incurred as the result of this change, Client would be responsible for paying them. Any alterations in the originally scheduled trip will be made in the sole discretion of PatagoniaPowder.

By the company:

PatagoniaPowder reserves the right to cancel a tour for any reason, but will not cancel a scheduled trip less than sixty (60) days before departure except for force major, unusual or unforeseen circumstances outside the Company's control. If a trip is cancelled by PatagoniaPowder, Client may choose between a full refund of all monies paid and any alternative trip with open reservation space offered in lieu by PatagoniaPowder. If the full price for the alternative trip is lower than the trip originally booked, Client is entitled to a refund of the difference. PatagoniaPowder will not refund payment for any services not utilized by the Client.

## SERVICES NOT COVERED

Because there are many optional extra activities that become available during the course of the trip, the Client herein acknowledges that they are not part of the tour contract. Any assistance given by the tour leader and accepted by the Client in arranging optional activities does not render the company liable for such costs. Only those activities described in the reservation form or other trip description are included in the trip cost.

## FLEXIBILITY

PatagoniaPowder reserves the right to adjust (increase or decrease) the price of a trip for up to sixty (60) days before a departure due to changes in exchange rates, increases in air fares or other transportation costs, taxes, or if government action should require us to do so. Surcharges will be calculated according to how the full extra cost compares to the original costs and the exchange rates. In the event the price adjustments is an increase, PatagoniaPowder will be responsible for the first 2% of the increase and Client will be responsible for the balance. If any price increase is greater than 10% of the cost of the trip, excluding insurance premiums, Client may cancel the reservation and receive a full refund within fourteen (14) days of notification of the price increase.

## ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Client acknowledges that the nature of the tour is adventurous, physically demanding, challenging and may involve a significant amount of personal risk. In addition, political and cultural differences exists in the areas in which Client will be traveling that may expose Client to certain risks. By signing these terms, Client assumes and accepts all the risk and dangers associated with the trip and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or other loss as a result. Client willingly accepts these risks and releases PatagoniaPowder from liability even in the event PatagoniaPowder or any of its personnel are found to be negligent or in breach of any duty of care under the law.

## CHANGES TO ITINERARY

The Client appreciates and acknowledges that the nature of this type of travel requires considerable flexibility and should allow for alternatives. The outline itinerary as given for each trip must therefore be taken as an indication only of what each group may actually accomplish and not as a contractual obligation on the part of PatagoniaPowder. It is understood that the route, schedules, itinerary, amenities and mode of transport may be subject to alteration without prior notice due to local circumstances or events, which may include sickness or mechanical break down, flight cancellation, strikes, events occurring due to political disputes, entry or border difficulties, climate and other unpredictable or unforeseeable circumstances.

PatagoniaPowder reserves the right to change any of the facilities, services or prices described in the brochure or web site before a reservation is made. If such a change is made, the Client will be told or given written information notifying them of the change prior to making the reservation. While PatagoniaPowder will make its best effort to run all tours as advertised, reasonable changes in the itinerary may be made where deemed appropriate, advisable or necessary. If the company makes a major change in the trip, the Client will be informed prior to departure when possible. The definition of a major change is deemed to be a change affecting at least one day for every five of the itinerary. When a major change is made prior to departure the Client has the option of accepting the change of itinerary, booking a reservation in another trip at equal value, or obtaining a full refund of all monies paid for the trip. If the major change is made due to unforeseen circumstances no compensation is payable.

Changes made by the Client must be made sixty (60) days prior to departure. Any extra costs incurred as a result of the change will be the sole responsibility of the Client. Note that scheduled airlines may impose 100% cancellation charges. Transfer from one trip to another can only be made 60 days prior to departure. If such a request is made and accepted by PatagoniaPowder, then PatagoniaPowder reserves the right to charge an administration fee of ten percent (10%) of the original booked reservation.

## TRIP GUIDES; LAWS

In order to ensure the safety and welfare of Client while traveling with PatagoniaPowder, the trip guide's decisions will be final on all matters. The Client will at all times comply with the laws of all countries visited. If the Client fails to comply with any law, or refuses to comply with the decisions of the trip guide, then the trip guide may dismiss the Client from the tour with no recourse to any refund. Furthermore, given the nature of the trips, PatagoniaPowder requires that Client acknowledge that he or she is in

good health and physical shape at a level appropriate for this form of activity. Client represents that he or she is an intermediate to advanced skier or snowboarder (see tour requirements) and is capable of participating in all activities without endangering himself or herself or any other of the Clients or guides of PatagoniaPowder.

#### CLAIM AND COMPLAINTS

If Client has a complaint against PatagoniaPowder, Client must first inform the trip guide of the complaint while on tour so that the trip guide has a chance to rectify the situation. Any further claim or complaint against the company must be received within thirty (30) days of the end of the trip.

#### LIABILITY

All services and arrangements made by PatagoniaPowder on behalf of Client are made on the sole condition that the organizers, individually, and PatagoniaPowder, as a company, shall not be held responsible for any injury, death, accident, delay, loss, damage or irregularity which may be occasioned through acts of any company and/or persons engaged in carrying out the arrangements for services described in the reservation forms, web site, itinerary and or brochure, or otherwise in connection herewith.

PatagoniaPowder acts as an agent for transport companies, hotels, and other contractors, and shall not be held liable for any injury, damage, loss, delay or irregularity that may occur, including, but not limited to any defect in a vehicle or any other means of transport, acts of God, detention, delays or expenses arising from quarantine, strike, theft, civil disturbance, government restriction or regulation, accident by aircraft, boat, bicycle, any motorized vehicle, skiing or snowboarding, mountaineering, or any other form of transportation, activity or sport, or in any guest house, pension, hotel or other form of accommodation.

The information in the reservation form and overview are correct to the best of PatagoniaPowder's knowledge, but we reserve the right to alter any trip at any time without penalty to the organizer. Any additional expense or cancellation shall be borne by the customer. The organizer reserves the right to refuse any service to any customer at the discretion of the organizer. Payment of the deposit is an acknowledgement of the above items.

#### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Client agrees to have a valid passport and necessary visas, permits, certificates of vaccination and any other necessary document for traveling to the destinations of the trip. PatagoniaPowder does not assume any responsibility for securing those travel documents necessary for the trip and said responsibility will be that of the Client. Any advice or information given by the company on visas, vaccinations, passports, clothing, climate, baggage, special equipment etc is given in good faith but without responsibility on the part of the individual or the company.

#### INSURANCE

All persons wishing to travel with PatagoniaPowder are responsible for effecting sufficient personal travel insurance. By signing these Terms, Client is willing to accept full responsibility for insurance up to limits that PatagoniaPowder requires. Specifically, PatagoniaPowder requires that covers personal accident, medical expenses, air ambulance, loss of effects, repatriation costs, cancellation insurance and all other expenses which might arise as a result of loss, damage, injury, delay or inconvenience occurring to the Client. When the Client has procured insurance through the company, he/she acknowledges that he/she is satisfied with the level of insurance arranged by PatagoniaPowder, and that the company is not liable for disputes between the insurance company and the Client. When procuring insurance outside of PatagoniaPowder, Client must provide written proof of the insurance ten days after making the initial reservation with the company and be sure to advise the insurer of the type of travel to be undertaken.

#### AIRLINES

The responsibility of the airline is limited to the carriage of passengers and baggage in accordance to the conditions of carriage. When the Client has arranged for airfare through the PatagoniaPowder, the company is not responsible for the carriage of the Clients. Clients acknowledges that it is their responsibility to arrive on time for departure, Client acknowledges that these arrangements are made in good faith but are in no way legally binding.

PHOTOGRAPHIC RELEASE

I hereby agree to permit PatagoniaPowder employees and other guests to take photographs and make film records of the trip without further recourse. I understand and agree that such photographs and/or film records may be used for commercial and/or promotional purposes.

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I have read this document. I understand that is a release of all claims, which are binding on myself, my heirs, members of my family, personal representatives, and assigns. I understand that I am assuming all the risks inherent in international travel, skiing, and snowboarding. I voluntarily sign my name as evidence of my acceptance of the above provisions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of participant or Parent or Legal Guardian if participant is under 18 years of age)

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Reservation form

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Direct Payment in \$USD via bank wire (\*) using your bank, is the quickest and safest way to guarantee a reservation on the tour date of your choice.

Please contact us, for information about the payment procedure (in case you want to pay with credit card or check)

Otherwise, simply ask your bank to wire, in \$USD, the \$200 deposit to: Banco de la Nacion Argentina, 777 Brickel Av., Suite 802, Miami, FL, USA using the routing number 066010678 to Turar S.A., account number 004351101001. You will receive confirmation of your reservation once we have received your deposit.

\*Please note to add \$25 (Wire Transaction Fee) for all bank wires.

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Tour Name and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit Payment Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP TO YOU: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU HAVE ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT, SUCH AS: DIABETES, ALLERGIES, ASTHMA, EPILEPSY, HEART CONDITION, etc.? IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN.

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NATIONALITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PASSPORT # : \_\_\_\_\_

PASSPORT EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ VISA # (If required): \_\_\_\_\_

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SMOKER?                      Yes      No                      YOUR HEIGHT AND WEIGHT:

VEGETARIAN?                Yes      No

DESCRIBE ANY FOOD ALLERGIES YOU HAVE:

FOOD YOU DISLIKE (ex. Seafood, Italian, etc.):

DO YOU DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES?                      Yes      No

ON THE **PatagoniaPowder** TOUR YOU WILL:    SKI                      SNOWBOARD                      TELEMARX

CIRCLE YOUR SKILL LEVEL: (BE HONEST! The quality of our tours very much relies on a correct assessment of your skill level).

- INTERMEDIATE: You Ski or Board fine, and control your turns in almost all snow types, and slopes.
- ADVANCED: You Ski or Board very well, and you control your turns in all snow types, slopes and weather conditions, including off piste or backcountry.
- EXPERT: You virtually mastered all riding styles at dynamic speed, strong in all snow types, and weather conditions, including steep chutes up to 50 degrees, and have good backcountry experience.

I HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH SNOWSHOES: Yes    No

I HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH AVALANCHE TRANCEIVERS: Yes    No

I HAVE EXPERIENCED WITH CRAMPONS & ICE AXE: (Describe) Yes    No

\_\_\_\_\_  
 I HAVE EXPERIENCED IN BACKCOUNTRY CONDITIONS: (Describe) Yes    No

\_\_\_\_\_  
 I HAVE BEEN CAT OR HELISKIING: (If Yes, which company and where) Yes    No

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR SKIING RIDING STYLE AND WHAT A "TYPICAL" DAY IS LIKE FOR YOU IN:

SKI RESORT: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 BACKCOUNTRY: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU ENJOY HIKING TO ACCESS GOOD SNOW AND NEW TERRAIN? Yes    No

I HAVE USED A SKI GUIDE SERVICE IN THE PAST: (If Yes, which company and where) Yes    No

PLEASE BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR FITNESS LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 HAVE YOU TRAVELED TO ARGENTINA AND/OR CHILE BEFORE? Yes    No

IF YOU HAVE BEEN TO ANY SKI RESORTS IN SOUTH AMERICA, PLEASE LIST HERE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 DO YOU SPEAK SPANISH? Yes    No

\_\_\_\_\_  
 WHAT ARE YOUR EXPECTATIONS FOR THIS TOUR? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? \_\_\_\_\_

I have filled out the reservation form to the best of my knowledge, and have made a bank wire to **Patagonia Powder** OR included a check for deposit in \$USD. I have also read, understood and signed the **PatagoniaPowder Travel Policy Terms and Conditions**.

SIGNATURE:

DATE: