Remote and largely inaccessible, Patagonia is the essence of wildness—a maze of channels and islands. Venture deep into Chile’s glorious fjords past incandescent icebergs and massive glaciers. From the “land of fire,” Tierra del Fuego, to the jagged spires of Torres del Paine National Park, experience Patagonia at close range aboard National Geographic Explorer. And, thanks to our special access, we’ll enjoy the privilege of visiting the far-off, stunningly beautiful natural parklands of Karukinka and Yendegaia.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The 2019/20 departures are one day longer, and priced accordingly.

**DAY 1-2: U.S./Santiago, Chile**
Fly overnight to Santiago, Chile. Check into the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, or similar, before exploring the Plaza de Armas, the main square and nearby Presidential Palace, enjoying this vibrant city, backed by the Andes. (Day 2: L)

**DAY 3: Punta Arenas/Puerto Natales**
Fly to Punta Arenas, then drive to Puerto Natales, one of Patagonia’s southern gateways, and check in to The Singular Hotel Patagonia. Have an afternoon tour of town and dinner at the hotel. (B,L,D)

**DAY 4-6: Torres del Paine National Park**
Drive to this UNESCO Biosphere reserve and spend three days at the Explora Patagonia Lodge (2019) or the Tierra Patagonia Hotel (2020), discovering one of the most wildlife-rich areas in the Americas, covering 450,000 acres of glaciers, forests, grasslands, rivers, and colorful lagoons. Choose among a variety of possibilities, including walks and hikes, horseback riding, sailing among icebergs to the foot of the immense Grey Glacier, visiting the Salto Grande waterfall, and seeing the towers of the central massif from the Blue Lagoon. Look out for guanacos, gray foxes, rheas and Andean condors. (B,L,D)

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DAY 7: Torres del Paine National Park/ Puerto Natales/Embark
We have a final morning to explore Torres del Paine. We then drive to Puerto Natales, where we embark National Geographic Orion. (B,L,D)

DAY 8-9: Kirke Narrows & Exploring the Chilean Fjords
Our Captain and local pilots guide us through Kirke Narrows, accessible only to a small ship such as Orion. We’ll look to make stops in the extensive maze of channels and islands of the Chilean fjords, where we may go out to explore by Zodiac and kayak, or take a forest walk. (B,L,D)

DAY 10: Exploring Tierra Del Fuego/Karukinka Natural Park
Tierra del Fuego is one of Patagonia’s crown jewels. We have special permission from the Wildlife Conservation Society to visit Karukinka Natural Park, home to nesting black-browed albatross, condors, and elephant seals. (B,L,D)

DAY 11: Exploring the Beagle Channel
Myriad fjords or senos indent the coast. Cruise deep into the senos, punctuated at the end by tidewater glaciers, to explore by Zodiac, kayak, and on foot. Transit the Beagle Channel, where we’ll look to use our Zodiacs to land and explore one of the many intriguing sites. (B,L,D)

DAY 12: Cape Horn
Visit Cape Horn, the southernmost tip of the continent, and, weather permitting, land there for panoramic views. (B,L,D)

DAY 13-14: Isla de Los Estados (Staten Island), Argentina
Discover extraordinary Staten Island. Its mountainous, forested landscapes and rugged fjords are beautiful. Search for southern rockhopper and Magellanic penguins, fur seals and sea lions. See the San Juan de Salvamento “lighthouse at the end of the world,” which inspired Jules Verne’s novel by the same name. (B,L,D)

DAY 15-16: Ushuaia/Disembark/Santiago/U.S.
Disembark in Ushuaia. Take a charter flight to Santiago and connect to your overnight flight home. (Day 15: B,L)

2020 Departure Dates:
22 Oct*
15 Nov*

2021 Departure Dates:
7 Mar*

Important Flight Information
* Please confirm arrival and departure dates prior to booking flights. The 2017 departure is aboard NG Orion, will be one day shorter and will return via Santiago.

Advance Payment:
$1,500

Sample Airfares:
Economy (Miami/Santiago/Miami): from $675
Business (Miami/Santiago/Miami): from $3,140
Charter (Buenos Aires/Ushuaia and Punta Arenas/Santiago, or vice versa): from $1,190

Airfares are subject to change

Cost Includes:
One hotel night in Santiago, one hotel night in Puerto Natales, three hotel nights in Torres del Paine, accommodations; meals indicated; alcoholic beverages (except premium brands); excursions; services of Lindblad Expeditions’ Leader, Naturalist staff and expert guides; use of kayaks; entrance fees; all port charges and service taxes; gratuities to ship’s crew.

Cost Not Included:
Immigration fees, air transportation; personal items such as alcoholic beverages, emails, laundry, voyage DVD, etc.

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