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# San Carlos de Bariloche

Also called the Capital of the Southern Lakes, San Carlos de Bariloche is the gateway to the imposing natural landscapes of Patagonia. Almost 30 lakes and important mountain chains make it an ideal destination for adventurous travellers. Be surprised by the magic of the first National Park of Argentina. San Carlos de Bariloche is more than a charming mountain village by the lake, offering the highest service levels.

ACTIVE &  
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## DAY 01 - BARILOCHE

Breakfast. Meet at the airport and transfer to the hotel.

Morning departure for a wonderful half-day sightseeing of Bariloche and its surroundings. Drive along Bustillo Avenue bordering the beautiful Nahuel Huapi Lake towards 'Playa Bonita'. Continue to Campanario Hill, where a cable car will take us to the summit of the hill with spectacular views of the Lake, the mountain peaks of the Andes Range and the city. Then drive towards the enchanting San Pedro and Llo Llo Peninsulas. Visit San Eduardo Chapel, take a view of the historic Llo Llo Hotel and 'Puerto Pañuelo', departure pier for most lake trips. Cross the bridge that connects the Nahuel Huapi and Moreno Lakes and proceed to Bahia Lopez. Enjoy a breathtaking view of the Nahuel Huapi Lake from the panoramic point, a natural balcony facing Moreno Lake. Return to Bariloche. Accommodation in Bariloche.

## DAY 02 - BARILOCHE

Breakfast. Morning departure to the Steffen Lake, located a few miles south of Bariloche city, travelling along a very narrow route passing through 'Pampa del Toro' to begin our adventure. We will get to the eastern shore of Steffen Lake, where the road ends. From there, continue to Manso River where the rafting adventure down this amazing river begins. An incredible vegetation and impressive variety of animals can be observed along the 'rapids', such as Patagonian woodpeckers, condors, wild ducks, ibis, hares and foxes. This exciting rafting ends at the Manso valley, from where we drive back to Bariloche. Accommodation.

## DAY 03 - BARILOCHE

The Beautiful Estancia Fortin Chacabuco is located 12 miles from Bariloche, in the province of Neuquén. It was built in 1883 when General Villegas ordered the building of Chacabuco Fort during the fight against the Indians. It covers 5.000 hectares dedicated to sheep breeding and were the first ones to use frozen sperms for artificial insemination. As it is located in the transition area between the Precordillera and the steppe, this outstanding place offers a different and varied flora, fauna and soils which give it a very interesting and amazing landscape.

It is possible to watch wild stags, a variety of birds and reptiles, go hiking or horseback riding through the awesome hills, valleys and streams, enjoying spectacular panoramic views of Bariloche and its outskirts, go fishing, hunting or observe the sheep shear. You can also go for a relaxed walk admiring the incredible old pine tree plantation or the 300 years old cypress woods. Accommodation.

## DAY 04 - BARILOCHE

Breakfast. Safari on 4WD vehicles through the Patagonian steppe. Discover the most incredible geological formations, colourful flowerings and the most characteristic birds of the steppe. Depart eastwards to the spectacular 'corredor Pichileufu' area, making short stops to admire and contemplate archaeological sites, rupestrian art and petrified woods. After a short rest and lunch, continue through Villa Llanquin using a raft to get back to the route. This excursion will allow us to experience the quiet steppe roads of one of the most fascinating and unique areas in the world and understand how the steppe developed through thousands of years, with incredible geologic formations. Lunch. Accommodation.

## DAY 05 - BARILOCHE

Transfer to Bariloche airport to board flight.

