

INDEPENDENT TRIPS

## Patagonia Fjords Cargo Boat 4D/3N (from Puerto Montt)

Marine Adventure

4 Days / 1 Country

Chile

Departure city: **Puerto Montt, Chile**

End city: **Puerto Natales, Chile**



### HIGHLIGHTS

- Cross the Messier channe, one of the deepest in the area
- Spot the cargo ship Capitán Leonidas, shipwrecked since the 1970's
- Discover exuberant vegetation and incredible wildlife during your adventure
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Experience a once in a lifetime journey sailing along the Chilean coast weaving in and out of the Patagonian Fjords where you will cross through narrow passes surrounded by massive mountain peaks. Along the way you will see incomparable scenery with abundant vegetation and the possibility of sighting birds, dolphins, and if we are lucky, whales. .

### MAP



\* Map is for reference only, the route is subject to change without prior notice



Please attend check-in on FRIDAY from 9:00 - 13:00 hrs. at the ferry office. You must board the ferry by 17:00 hrs. at the latest.

Any guests that have any food allergies or intolerances, or who are vegetarians, must inform this at the time of booking and at check-in so as to prepare the adequate dishes.

In case of unexpected schedule or route changes on this trip, we recommend that you do not make plans the day before or after the expected trip dates, as schedules may have to be adjusted.

# Itinerary

## Day 1: Puerto Montt, Chile

Check in & Embarkation (D)

Check-in will be done between 9:00 am and 13:00 pm in our local offices, where our port staff will receive your luggage. The passengers shall embark at 17:00 pm. Once onboard, crew members will give a welcome talk and some information for a safe and fun journey, to later depart at 20:00 pm and begin sailing through the Patagonian Fjords, with final destination at Puerto Natales. The trip starts in the Reloncaví Sound, Gulf of Ancud, and in the evening we enter the Apiao Channel and then the Gulf of Corcovado.

## Day 2: Moraleda Channel - Golfo de Penas, Chile

Moraleda Channel , Ocean Area & Golfo de Penas (B/L/D)

At dawn we sail through the southernmost part of the Gulf of Corcovado, where the Captain, according to the weather and tidal current information for the channels and the positions of celestial bodies such as the Moon and Sun, shall decide the most appropriate route to continue the journey, having among others, the following choices for going out into the open ocean:

1. Boca del Guafo / 2. Ninualac Channel / 3. Pulluche Channel

There is also the possibility of accessing other channels, depending on the visibility conditions and traffic of other ships.

If he chooses to go into the open sea through the Boca del Guafo, we will immediately sail between the Archipelago de los Chonos and Isla Guafo, to quickly enter the Ocean Area. If the choice is to go through the Ninualac Channel, sailing all morning through the Moraleda Channel, we will approach Tuap Island, where we will turn towards the West and begin to navigate through the Ninualac Channel, entering the open sea in the afternoon.

On the other hand, if he chooses to sail through the Pulluche Channel, we will pass through the Moraleda channel, a transit area for remarkable sailors and canoeists from the Los Chonos and Chiloé Archipiélagos, to later sail the Errázuriz Channel and then the Chacabuco Channel, to later enter the Pulluche Channel - the most lush in vegetation (Lenga or Southern Beech and Patagonian Cypress forests), and with luck, we will see marine bird, sea lions, and native dolphins called "Toninas".

In the evening we will start sailing though the open sea in the area immediately north of the Golfo de Penas, to enter it at night. The open ocean crossing lasts about 12 hours with good weather and it is possible to see humpback, Minke, and blue whales (depending on the time of year and the weather).

## Day 3: Bajo Cotopaxi - Puerto Eden, Chile

Bajo Cotopaxi & Puerto Eden (B/L/D)

We wake up sailing between fjords and crossing the Messier channel, which is 1,270 meters deep. This characteristic makes it one of the deepest in the area; here we will also be able to see the cargo ship Capitán Leonidas, which has been shipwrecked since the 1970's on a sunken islet called "Bajo Cotopaxi". Nowadays, it is used as a lighthouse and as a point of reference for sailors. Shortly after that, we will cross the English Narrows (Angostura Inglesa) to reach the village of Puerto Edén (see note), where the last indigenous Alacalufes reside. Puerto Edén is located on Wellington Island, which forms part of the Bernardo O'Higgins National Park, the largest in Chile.

After a short stay in this port, we start sailing through the Patagonian channels, called Paso del Indio, Paso del Abismo, the Wide, Concepción, Inocentes Channels, Guía Narrows, Sarmiento Channel, Farquar Pass, Collingwood Narrows, Unión Channel, Sobenes Pass (the southernmost of the route), Escobar Doxrud Pass, and Morla Vicuña Channel.

Note: Disembarking in Puerto Edén and the trip through the channels is done only if the weather, ocean conditions, and itinerary permit, always at the Captain's discretion.

#### **Day 4: Santa Maria Channel - Puerto Natales, Chile**

Angostura White & Puerto Natales (B)

In the early morning we will sail through the Santa Maria Channel, to then reach the narrowest pass of the route, Angostura White, called "White Narrow", only 80 meters wide. Later we will navigate across the Unión Sound to then enter the access channel to the city of Puerto Natales, where our great adventure comes to an end.

