

Exclusive Duke departure – October 15-30, 2024

# Patagonian Frontiers Argentina and Chile by Land & Sea

**16 days from \$10,282 total price from Miami**

**(\$9,295 air, land & cruise inclusive plus \$987 airline taxes and fees)**

Enjoy the rare privilege of face-to-face encounters with two of the world's last great frontiers: the majestic fjords and glaciers of Southern Patagonia, on a small-ship cruise; and the dramatic scenery of Torres del Paine on a three-night stay at the park. Along with visits to Buenos Aires and Santiago, we discover the remarkable diversity of South America.



Avg. High (°F)	Oct	Nov
Buenos Aires	73	78
Torres del Paine	51	54
Santiago	73	79



We spend two days exploring unspoiled Torres del Paine National Park. Above: the horn-shaped Cuernos del Paine.

## Day 1: Depart U.S. for Buenos Aires, Argentina

**Day 2: Arrive Buenos Aires** After arriving in this lively city this morning, we transfer to our hotel to rest (rooms are ready for our early arrival). After time to relax, we meet our fellow travelers and tour director at a briefing about the journey followed by a welcome dinner. *B,D*

**Day 3: Buenos Aires** Highlights of today's city tour include the lovely mansions and parks of Palermo and the colorful bohemian district of La Boca. Tonight we visit one of the city's top tango houses for dinner and a performance. *B,D*

**Day 4: Buenos Aires** Today is at leisure. *B*

**Day 5: Buenos Aires/Ushuaia/Embark Ship** We fly today to Ushuaia, Argentina, the world's southernmost urban center. After lunch on our own and time at leisure in this windswept city, late this afternoon we embark our ship. Early this evening we set sail through the Beagle Channel. *B,D*

**Day 6: Cruising – Cape Horn/Wulaia Bay** Today we see up close one of the world's last unspoiled frontiers as we sail through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay to Cape Horn National Park, perhaps

glimpsing sea lions and Antarctic fur seals along the way. At the spot where the Atlantic and Pacific merge, the sheer promontory of Cape Horn rises some 1,400 feet from the roiling waters below. This afternoon we take a guided walk along sheltered Wulaia Bay. *B,L,D*

**Day 7: Cruising – Pia Glacier/Garibaldi Glacier** We awaken this morning in Pia Fjord, home of the stunning Pia Glacier. Later we board inflatable Zodiacs and go ashore for an up-close look at the glacier, a tumbling wall of ice that extends from the mountaintops down to sea level. After lunch on board, we drop anchor in a nearby fjord for a shore excursion to Garibaldi Glacier, one of only three glaciers in Patagonia gaining mass. Here we have the opportunity to hike through the Magellanic forest, passing glacial waterfalls and viewpoints that overlook the glacier and fjord. *B,L,D*

**Day 8: Cruising – Agostini Sound/Aguila Glacier** This morning we cruise through several channels to enter spectacular Agostini Sound, where we see massive glaciers flowing down the mountainside. Later we take inflatable Zodiacs to Aguila Glacier, which we approach via an easy walk on the shore of a lagoon. *B,L,D*

## Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Buenos Aires sightseeing • Argentine dinner and tango show • Four-night Southern Patagonia cruise • Beagle Channel, Cape Horn, Strait of Magellan • Three-night stay in Torres del Paine with excursions • Santiago touring

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Buenos Aires		
2-4	Buenos Aires	Emperador Hotel Buenos Aires	Deluxe
5-8	Patagonia cruise	M/V <i>Ventus Australis</i>	Sup. First Class
9-11	Torres del Paine	Hotel Rio Serrano	First Class
12	Punta Arenas	Hotel Cabo de Hornos	First Class
13-14	Santiago	Pullman Santiago Vitacura	Sup. First Class
15	Santiago/Depart for U.S. (overnight flight)		
16	Arrive U.S.		

Ratings are based on the *Hotel & Travel Index*, the travel industry standard reference.

Tour membership limited to 24 Duke alumni, family, and friends

**Day 9: Cruising – Magdalena Island/Punta Arenas/Torres del Paine** Early this morning we visit Magdalena Island, home to an immense colony of more than 120,000 Magellanic penguins. We take some time to observe the penguins and also to visit the lighthouse that to this day guides ships navigating through the Strait of Magellan. Then we arrive in Punta Arenas, where we board our motorcoach for the six-hour journey to Torres del Paine. We reach our lodging early this evening and dine there tonight. *B,L,D*

**Day 10: Torres del Paine National Park** Today we encounter breathtaking Torres del Paine, a 700-square-mile World Biosphere Reserve and one of the most unspoiled and beautiful nature preserves on Earth. We spend the day exploring this unparalleled landscape of jagged peaks, ice-blue glaciers, turquoise lakes, rushing rivers, and thunderous waterfalls. A highlight: our visit to magnificent Lago Grey, site of massive Grey Glacier and of the hotel where we stop for lunch. *B,L,D*

“ THE ITINERARY ITSELF WAS ALSO UNIQUE AND EXCEPTIONAL WITH THE CRUISE PORTION IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TRIP. JUST THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF TIME ON THE SHIP.”

– DIANE AND BRUCE HOFFMAN BSE’77

**Day 11: Torres del Paine National Park** We see more of Torres del Paine’s pristine wilderness today, enjoying a box lunch amidst the dramatic scenery. Highlights include visits to the crystalline Amarga and Azul lagoons, and the glacial waterfall Cascade Rio Paine. Clear days at Laguna Azul present panoramic vistas of the park’s namesake, the three massive granite Paine Towers. Throughout the day we’re sure to see some of the park’s only permanent residents: 106 species of birds and 26 species of mammals, including the beloved guanaco. We dine together tonight at our hotel. *B,L,D*

**Day 12: Torres del Paine/Punta Arenas** We travel by coach today to Punta Arenas. Upon arrival we transfer to our hotel in the city center. *B,L,D*

**Day 13: Punta Arenas/Santiago** We fly today to the Chilean capital, where we enjoy a city tour. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. *B,D*

**Day 14: Valparaiso** Today we encounter the old port of Valparaiso, a one-time fishing village now Chile’s third largest city and cultural heart. En route we visit a local winery for a private tour and tasting. Tonight we celebrate our adventure at a farewell dinner at a local Santiago restaurant. *B,D*

**Day 15: Santiago/Depart for U.S.** After a morning at leisure, we enjoy an afternoon visit to the Museum of Pre-Columbian Art, known for its art and artifacts from Chile and across the Americas. Then we have time to explore on our own. From here we transfer to the airport for our overnight flights to the U.S. *B*



We visit Buenos Aires’ colorful La Boca district on Day 3.

**Day 16: Arrive U.S.** We arrive in the U.S. this morning and connect with our return flights home.

**M/V Ventus Australis**

**Launched:** 2018      **Length:** 292 ft  
**Cabins:** 100 (all outside)      **Width:** 48 ft  
**Decks:** 5

*The tour includes a four-night cruise aboard M/V Ventus Australis. Amenities include a restaurant, lounges, Zodiac expedition boats, on-board lectures, open bridge, and panoramic open deck.*

**Pre-Tour Option**

October 13-16, 2024

**Iguazu Falls**

2 days/2 nights for \$1,395 total price

Single Supplement: \$295

*Discover the magnificence of one of the world’s iconic landmarks and great natural wonders.*

**Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation Buenos Aires/Iguazu Falls, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 2 nights’ accommodations at Loi Suites Iguazu Hotel (Superior First Class)
- 3 meals: 2 breakfasts, 1 dinner
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited representative
- Private motorcoach/van transportation
- Included sightseeing: Iguazu Falls National Park (Argentine side of the falls) with viewing opportunities
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

**Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within Argentina and Chile
- 13 nights’ accommodations: 4 nights aboard M/V Ventus Australis (Superior First Class); 9 nights in Deluxe, Superior First Class, and First Class hotels
- 33 meals: 14 breakfasts, 7 lunches, 12 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Open bar service (wine and select liquors) on board ship
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout the trip
- All port taxes and national park fees
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers
- \$100 frequent traveler credit towards your next Duke/Odysseys Unlimited tour (\$200 after 3 tours; \$300 after 10 tours)

**Tour Departs: October 15, 2024**

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees

Miami	\$10,282
Orlando, Tampa	\$10,582
Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, New York, Philadelphia, Raleigh-Durham, San Francisco, Washington, DC	\$10,682
Denver, Detroit, Phoenix, Portland (OR), Seattle	\$10,782
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$8,995

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy in a Category B outside cabin on Deck 2 (Magellan) forward (limited availability), and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$987, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$4,795. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Upgrade to Category A outside cabin on Deck 2 (Magellan): \$995; Category AA outside cabin on Deck 3 (Tierra del Fuego): \$1,395; Category AAA outside cabin on Deck 4 (Cape Horn): \$1,595

**Business Class upgrade on round-trip international flight: \$2,995 per person from New York, Miami; \$4,995 from all other cities per person in addition to the above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).**

**Please note: This trip involves considerable walking on uneven terrain in a natural environment. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to the fullest.**

## *Important Information About Your Tour*

# General Terms and Conditions

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a deposit represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

### Tour Prices

Tour prices quoted are guaranteed through December 31, 2024, and include accommodations based on double occupancy; airfare from your departure city; airline taxes, surcharges, and fees, and port charges and cruise line fees (where applicable), which are subject to change until final payment has been made; internal air, rail, and motorcoach transportation; meals, sightseeing, and transfers as described; hotel taxes; entrance fees for included sightseeing; the services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director; luggage handling for one bag per person; and all gratuities as described below. Please note that the cost of air upgrades is subject to change.

### Gratuities

Tour prices include all gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers on base tours and on optional extensions when accompanied by an Odysseys Unlimited representative. Please note that gratuities for the Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) are not included unless otherwise specified. These tips are optional and should be extended on a voluntary basis. Gratuities are not included on "On Your Own" optional extensions.

### Not Included in Your Tour Price

Airfare from your hometown to your departure city; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; immunizations, inoculations, and COVID-19 testing; communications charges; airport transfers when

purchasing a land-only package; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director and shipboard personnel (if a cruise is included in your tour) unless otherwise specified, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities \$10-\$15 per guest, per day); and a Travel Protection Plan. Additional baggage fees levied directly by the airline(s) may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

### Registration and Payment

A deposit of \$500 per person confirms your reservation. Full payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure and may be made by personal check or credit card. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any reservations that are not paid in full at any time after final payment is due. If you make your reservation after the final payment date, payment in full will be required upon reservation.

A minimum number of participants is required to secure the services of a Duke Travels representative (faculty or host). Every attempt will be made to find a Duke host who will join the program to add a uniquely Duke perspective to the experience. If this is important to you in making your decision to travel with this program, please call 1-919-684-3046 before making your final payment.

### Cancellations and Refunds

If you must cancel your tour, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

*For all tours (except as noted)*

<u>Prior to departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	25% of tour price
64-45 days:	50% of tour price
44-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

*For Egypt & the Eternal Nile, Machu Picchu to the Galapagos, Patagonian Frontiers, Southern Africa Odyssey*

<u>Prior to departure</u>	<u>Charge</u>
95 days or more:	\$200
94-65 days:	50% of tour price
64-30 days:	75% of tour price
29-0 days:	No refund

Please note that we will not refund the cost of any unused portion of your tour package, should you or your travel companion cancel your participation during the tour. If due to unforeseen circumstances Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. cancels your tour, you will receive a complete refund of all payments you have made to us.

### Pre-Departure

Upon reservation, you will be able to access all information regarding your tour in My Odyssey, our secure on-line portal. This material includes your invoice, a detailed day-by-day itinerary, visa requirements (if applicable), Travel Protection Plan information, and more. Your final tour documents, including airline itineraries (with e-ticket numbers), will be available in the portal two to three weeks before departure.

### Single Travelers

We welcome single travelers, and offer a limited number of single accommodations on each tour. Because hotel and cruise rates are priced by the room or cabin, the per person cost for accommodations occupied by one person is higher than that shared by two people. We will endeavor to keep single supplements at a reasonable cost. Please note that single rooms in many foreign hotels may be smaller than those to which you are accustomed.

### Changes to Your Reservation

We will not charge a fee for any changes made to your reservation outside of 95 days before departure. From 94 to 30 days before

departure, if you make any changes to your reservation, a \$100 per person administrative fee will apply, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by airlines, hotels, or other third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes to your reservation can be made within 30 days of departure.**

### Required Information

Upon reservation, we will need to obtain from you passport information including the following, in accordance with the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight program, as well as by our international travel partners: **your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender** (for further information, please visit [tsa.gov](https://www.tsa.gov)). In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, or if you use a different passport than originally cited, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue. In addition, airlines may require that we provide them with your contact information prior to departure.

### Travel Documents

A passport valid for at least six months after the completion of your tour is required for U.S. citizens on all of our international tours. For all domestic tours, where we fly into a U.S. city to begin the tour or out of a U.S. city at the end, you must present a valid U.S. government-issued photo identification. Starting on May 7, 2025, your government-issued photo ID must be REAL ID-compliant (or you can present an alternate form of ID, such as a passport). Visit [www.dhs.gov/real-id](https://www.dhs.gov/real-id) or contact your local DMV for more information. If your tour requires a visa(s), we strongly recommend that you have at least six blank visa pages available; for tours not requiring a visa(s), we recommend that your passport have at least three blank visa pages. We will send you specific visa and entry requirements after you make a reservation. You are responsible for obtaining these documents. If you need to obtain a visa, we recommend our preferred provider G3 Global Services. If you are traveling with a minor, please contact us for special entry requirements. If you are not a U.S.

citizen, please contact your embassy or consulate to ensure you obtain the proper documentation.

### Smoking

For the convenience of the majority of our travelers, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. has a No Smoking policy (including e-cigarettes and vaping) on all tour buses. We will arrange sufficient rest stops so those who wish to smoke may do so.

### Health and Medical Issues

We welcome all travelers, but request that you be in good health to participate in an Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tour. All of our tours involve a reasonable amount of walking (typically two to three miles per day), often uphill or on uneven or cobblestone streets. **You must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own.** We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. Please call or email us to inquire, and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical condition or behavior, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other tour members. In that event, Duke University (DUKE) and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour. While we do our best to accommodate food allergy concerns, we cannot guarantee zero cross-contamination.

### Air Transportation

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your international flight**

**is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and departure fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, booking the tour “Land Only” is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

### Responsibility

The liability of Duke University (DUKE), as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. (OU), as tour operator, is strictly limited. As operator, OU purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under their control. OU serves only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. DUKE and OU are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that maybe caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers.

OU will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require OU to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality. Cruise itineraries may change due to factors such as government regulations, water levels, or weather conditions.



### DUKE TRAVELS RESERVATION FORM

To reserve your place on tour, please call Duke Travels at (919) 684-2988 (preferred registration method) or email duketravels@duke.edu. Please have the information outlined below available to share with a Duke Travels representative. If you prefer, you may also complete this Reservation Form and mail it to Duke Travels' office. Please alert Duke Travels to your pending reservations request.

Once this request is received by Duke Travels (either by phone, email, or mail), a Travel Counselor from Odysseys Unlimited will contact you within two business days to securely take your credit card information for the deposit. Your reservation is not confirmed until your deposit is paid and processed. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or VISA, or by personal check. If paying by check, please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. and include with the form. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure.

For trip information only, please contact Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. at (888) 370-6765.

Send to: Duke Travels  
Box 90572  
Durham, NC 27708

Tour Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Departure Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Pre- or Post-Tour Extension (as described on tour page): Please sign me/us up

I/We would like to request \_\_\_\_\_ place(s). (Deposit amount is \$500 per person.)

Full Passport Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Full Passport Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Badge Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please book my/our air from \_\_\_\_\_ I/We request an air upgrade to \_\_\_\_\_

I will share a room with \_\_\_\_\_ I request a single room (limited availability)

I/We request an upgrade to a Highland Villa (for Machu Picchu to the Galapagos only)

I/We request an upgrade to cabin category \_\_\_\_\_ (for Patagonian Frontiers only)