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The Natural and Cultural Wonders of Chile & Patagonia

with optional pre-trip extension to Easter Island

Featuring Deborah Jakubs, Vice Provost for Library Affairs

October 27–November 6, 2016

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Dear Alumni and Friends of Duke:

We're delighted to offer an exciting and enriching journey through one of the continent's most geographically diverse countries, Chile. The mountain ranges, rugged sea coast, enormous glaciers, cascading waterfalls, and jewel-like lakes of this long and narrow country reveal an incredibly beautiful and varied part of the world. Beyond Chile's cosmopolitan capital, Santiago, we'll enjoy a visit to a family vineyard, the bustling port city of Valparaíso, the Lake District, and the incomparable beauty of the Andean peaks of Patagonia.

Traveling with us is Deborah Jakubs, the Rita DiGiallonardo Holloway University Librarian and Vice Provost for Library Affairs at Duke University. Deborah has traveled to Chile numerous times and has led many travel programs for Duke to Latin America in the past.

Our itinerary begins in Santiago situated in the shadow of the imposing Andes Mountains. After exploring Santiago, we'll visit the historic port city of Valparaíso before flying to Puerto Montt, gateway to Patagonia and the superb Chilean Lake District. Here we will sail the turquoise waters of Todos Los Santos Lake aboard a catamaran. The natural setting is superb: serrated coastlines, volcanic peaks, waterfalls, pine-scented islands and twisting channels beneath a backdrop of snow-capped Andes Mountains.

We continue to Chile's southernmost city, Punta Arenas overlooking the legendary Straits of Magellan. From here we'll journey through the Patagonian pampas to Puerto Natales, the gateway to the crown jewel of southern Patagonia, Torres del Paine National Park, a UNESCO biosphere reserve. The park is named after the spectacular rocky spires of Gothic splendor that soar over a landscape of lakes, grasslands and glaciers. Roaming freely in the park are unusual rheas, Andean deer, puma, foxes, condors, eagles, flamingos and guanacos, a llama-like descendant of the camel. Returning to Santiago, we conclude our adventure with lunch and tasting of select vintages at the historic Santa Rita winery.

Join us, as we explore the diversity of natural wonders and spectacular scenery that is Chile. For a friendly, spectacular introduction to South America, Chile will repay and inspire your interest.

Cordially,

Beth Ray-Schroeder
Director, Duke Alumni Travels
**Costs:**

**PROGRAM COST** per person, double occupancy .......................................................... $7,390

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT** subject to availability, first-come, first-served .......................... $1,250

**SAMPLE AIRFARE** Round-trip from Dulles ............................................................. $1,100

*(not included, as of January 2016, quoted separately, subject to change)*

**EASTER ISLAND OPTIONAL PRE-TRIP EXTENSION:**

**Per Person, Double Occupancy** .......................................................... $2,395

**Single Supplement** .......................................................... $895

Rates for the extension are based on a minimum of 8 guests.

**SAMPLE AIRFARE** Santiago/Easter Island/Santiago ............................................ $690

*(not included, as of January 2016, quoted separately, subject to change)*

**Terms & Conditions:**

**PROGRAM COST INCLUDES:** All accommodations and meals as specified in the itinerary • three in-tour flights • professional English speaking guides at all locations • transportation by private motor coach • airport transfers for group flights • tips to local guides • porters • restaurants • open bar at the Remota • service charges and taxes • entrance fees • baggage handling • leadership • coordination and administration.

**PROGRAM COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:** International airfare *(quoted separately)* • excess baggage charges • meals not specified in the itinerary • personal items such as laundry • email • fax or telephone calls • alcoholic beverages *(except the open bar at the Remota)* • dishes or beverages not included with meals • room service • passport fees • private transfers • medical expenses • travel insurance • optional extensions or deviations from the scheduled tour • tip to tour director is at the passenger’s discretion • increases in in-tour airfare after initial pricing of the tour are not included...

**RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS, AND FINAL PAYMENT:** To reserve a space on this tour, please mail or fax a deposit of $800 per person payable to: “ROYAL ADVENTURES”, along with the completed reservation form to: Duke Alumni Travels, Box 90572, Durham, NC 27708-0572. Reservations are acknowledged in order of receipt. Deposits may be charged to a credit card. Final payment is due July 27, 2016 and must be paid by check. Royal Adventures handles all invoicing. CST #2009579-40

**CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS:** Refunds less a cancellation fee of $500 per person are made if Royal Adventures is notified in writing on or before July 27, 2016. No refunds are made after that date. There are no refunds for unused meals, accommodations or other trip features.

**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** We highly recommend the purchase of travel insurance. An application for travel insurance will be mailed upon confirmation. Neither the Duke Alumni Association nor Royal Adventures accept liability for any airline cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable airline ticket or other expenses incurred by tour participants in preparing for the tour.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** A statement of responsibility and liability release will be provided to passengers upon enrollment and is available to prospective travelers on request. As part of the consideration and right to participate in this tour, each participant will be asked to sign a liability release naming Royal Adventures and Duke Alumni Association.

**QUESTIONS:** Please call Katie Howe (925) 820-6260 or 1-800-453-4754
**Itinerary**

**Thursday, October 27**

**USA / Santiago**
Depart the U.S. on an overnight flight to Santiago, Chile. Overnight flight (Meals aloft)

**Friday, October 28**

**Arrival in Santiago**
Arrive this morning in Santiago at the foot of the Andes and enjoy an afternoon city tour of the highlights of South America’s most modern city. See the remarkable collection at the newly re-opened Chilean Museum of Pre-Colombian Art, and the city’s historical center, including La Moneda, the Neoclassical building that houses the executive branch of Chile’s government. Lunch is at the Santiago’s Central Market, a wrought-iron structure designed in 1860s in France, forged in England, and then assembled in Chile. Here, you will have the opportunity to visit stalls selling Chile’s many varieties of fish and other seafood. This evening gather for a special welcome dinner. **Plaza El Bosque (L,D)**

**Saturday, October 29**

**Casa Blanca Wine Valley and Valparaiso**
Depart this morning for the Pacific coast and drive through the Casa Blanca Valley, a stretch of open coastal land recently “discovered” by several U.S. wine publications for its unparalleled white wines and Pinot Noirs. Visit the seaside home of Pablo Neruda, Chile’s poet and Nobel Prize laureate, before being welcomed at the Kingston Family Vineyard for a private visit. Learn how this vineyard has evolved into one of Chile’s hottest, award-winning boutique wineries. Later, continue to the coast to visit the historic port city of Valparaiso. One of the first South American cities founded by the Spanish, it is now a UNESCO World Heritage site. Stroll through the Concepción and Alegre neighborhoods and ride the century-old hillside ascensors (elevators). **Plaza El Bosque (B, L)**

**Sunday, October 30**

**Santiago / Puerto Montt**
Fly to Puerto Montt, an important fishing port and gateway to the Lake Country. Tour the colorful, bustling fish and handicraft market. Transfer to nearby Puerto Varas, a charming German-style town facing Lake Llanquihue with breathtaking views of the snow-capped volcanoes, Osorno and Calbuco, reflected in the lake’s clear waters. Explore the heartland of
the Lake District by traveling along the shore of Lake Llanquihue, to Frutillar and Puerto Octay enjoying the beautiful panoramas of Chile’s Lake District.

Hotel Cabañas del Lago (B,L)

Monday, October 31

Lake District
Board a modern, enclosed catamaran for sailing through the turquoise waters of Todos Los Santos Lake. This lake is universally acclaimed as one of the most beautiful in the world. Disembark at the remote hamlet of Peulla, at the border with Argentina. Enjoy time for walks and enjoy views of the snow-capped Andes and emerald-colored lakes. Then, visit Petrohué Falls, a succession of rapids with its capricious forms of volcanic rocks bathed by emerald color waterfalls set against a backdrop of Andean mountains and Chile’s magnificent Osorno Volcano.

Hotel Cabañas del Lago (B,L,D)

Tuesday, November 1

Puerto Montt / Punta Arenas / Puerto Natales
Fly to Punta Arenas, Chile’s southernmost city, on the Straits of Magellan opposite Tierra del Fuego. Founded in 1848, in its golden age it served as a port-of-call for all ships circumnavigating the world. City tour of Punta Arenas before lunch at the Sara Braun house, a mansion turned museum. Relive an elegant by-gone era, as we dine among exquisite antiques and paintings. Afternoon transfer north through expansive Patagonian pampas to Puerto Natales, gateway to the most spectacular sights in southern Patagonia.

Hotel Remota (B,L,D)

Wednesday, November 2–Thursday, November 3

Torres del Paine National Park
By far, the most impressive sight in the southern Chile is Torres del Paine National Park, known as the crown jewel of Patagonia. It was declared a Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO in 1978. The dramatic mountain formations of towering rock, windswept pampas, ice fields, and glaciers, make it an impressive and unforgettable sight. Look out for herds of guanacos and rheas, flamingos, condors, foxes, geese, and black-necked swans. Lakes and lagoons in hues of blues, greens, grays and ochres abound. The park is surrounded by impressive mountains including the famous Cuernos del Paine (Horns of Granite), twisted, snow-dusted pillars of grey granite that rise from the flat Patagonian plain. The spectacular Torres del Paine (Towers), giant granite peaks are even more spectacular. See Grey Glacier and Lake with its blue iceberg, Salto Grande, a glacial waterfall set against majestic peaks, and many lakes. Hike or ride horses with an expert guide or simply relax in the park and its surrounding wilderness.

Hotel Remota (Bx2, Lx2, Dx2)

Friday, November 4

Puerto Natales / Punta Arenas / Santiago
Depart this morning for Punta Arenas for the return flight to Santiago. Travel through Chile’s expansive Patagonian pampas and

About the Remota Lodge, Puerto Natales Chile:

In the Chilean Patagonia, we stay at an all-inclusive lodge in Puerto Natales, the gateway to Torres del Paine National Park. Exquisite vistas, ultramodern rooms, fine dining, open bar with cocktails, wine with meals, expert guides, open-air Jacuzzis, heated infinity pool, and all the service, comforts and amenities of a five-star hotel. The architecture of the Remota is designed to bring its guests into intimate contact with the magnificent natural world of the remote Patagónian peninsula. This place is certainly one of the highlights of the trip.
along the shoreline of the Straits of Magellan home to rheas, condors, and eagles. The flight to Santiago will offer, weather permitting, magnificent views of the Andes Mountains, its snow-capped peaks, glaciers, and ice fields as they stream downward, feeding the lakes below. Upon arrival transfer to your hotel. Evening is free.

Hotel Plaza El Bosque

Saturday, November 5
Santiago / U.S.

This morning visit Cerro San Cristóbal for a panoramic view of Santiago, before visiting the Museum of the Memory and Human Rights dedicated to commemorate the victims of human rights violations during the military regime led by Augusto Pinochet between 1973 and 1990. It was inaugurated in 2010 as part of the bicentennial celebrations of Chile. Next, travel to the nearby Maipo Valley, the fertile home of many of Chile’s finest wineries. Mark the journey’s end with a celebratory farewell lunch at the historical Viña Santa Rita with its classical colonial mansion surrounded by ornamental gardens and centuries-old trees. The remainder of the afternoon is unscheduled before an overnight return flight home. Your room is available with a late check-out until the time of the transfer to the airport.

Overnight Flights (B,L, Meals Aloft)

Sunday, November 6
Arrive Home In U.S.

Arrive this morning in the U.S. and connect to your home airport.

Easter Island Pre-Trip Optional Extension
October 22-27, 2016

Triangular in shape with a volcano in each corner, Easter Island was colonized by Polynesians around 800 AD. Located 2,600 miles off the coast of Chile in the South Pacific Ocean, Easter Island or Rapa Nui is the most isolated spot on Earth and has a visual impact few places in the world can equal. The island’s history is as intriguing as its natural beauty; for here is a remarkable barely-understood outdoor museum that has gripped the world’s imagination for centuries. Hundreds of moais, tight-lipped basalt statues unique in the whole of Oceania, are scattered throughout the island. Carved primarily from volcanic rock with hand tools, the statues were transported from a quarry to a position on stone platforms on the island’s far side. What was their purpose? How did the Rapanui people move the massive monoliths? Easter Islanders said the statues walked. We will have plenty of time to fully explore the island (about 45 square miles) with your guide, learn about its culture and traditions and the theories as to how the giant statues were built, and what they represent. Extension includes two extra nights in Santiago and three-night accommodations on Easter Island, buffet breakfast every day, one box lunch, one dinner, entrance fees, transfers, and leadership. Airfare is additional and quoted separately.

Accommodations: Hotel Altoiplano Rapa Nui, Plaza el Bosque — Elbro
Reservation Form: Chile & Patagonia October 27–November 6, 2016

To register, return this form with your deposit of $800 per person, plus $200 for the Easter Island Pre-Trip Extension October 22-27, 2016, if applicable. Final Payment is due July 27, 2016, by check only, payable to "ROYAL ADVENTURES."

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I have carefully read the Terms and Conditions and Responsibility sections of this brochure and agree to their terms on behalf of myself and the members of my party named above.

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Highlights
• Participate in lectures and discussions with Deborah Jakubs.
• Visit the capital city of Santiago at the foot of the Andes and the historic port city of Valparasío.
• Journey to the heart of Chile’s wine district.
• View Chile’s marvelous Lake District.
• Explore Torres del Paine National Park, hidden at the southernmost end of the Andes, and walk among monolithic granite spires, glacial lakes, and waterfalls.
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