

PATAGONIA: EXPLORE THE BEAUTIFUL SCENERY FEATURED IN THE NEW FILM WITH WORLD EXPEDITIONS

Feeling inspired by Marc Evan's new film *Patagonia*, featuring the acting debut of Welsh singer Duffy (premieres in the UK on 4 March)? World Expeditions offers the following trips to this dramatic mountain region:

Patagonia Adventure *11 days*

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This is an ideal introduction to the spectacular parks of Patagonia, without the need to commit to long walking days. From the awesome Perito Moreno Glacier in Argentina to Los Glaciares National Park, home to the famous 3,000m spires of Cerro Torre and Cerro Fitz Roy. Continuing across the border to Chile, take a cruise from Puerto Natales via the Balmaceda Glacier into the world famous Torres del Paine National Park, where visitors can explore on foot the vast pampas and forests, home to herds of native South American Guanacos.

Price: £1,690

Patagonia Parks and Wildlife *18 days*

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The very best of Patagonia, this journey includes viewing the magnificent Perito Moreno Glacier, cruising the Beagle Channel, visiting the Magellan penguin colony at Punta Tombo and bird watching in the Tierra del Fuego National Park. The first few days are spent in Puerto Madryn, where the nearby Valdez Peninsula, a World Heritage site, teems with a multitude of wildlife including fur seals and sea lions. The trip then heads to Ushuaia, the southernmost city in the world, before continuing on to the national parks of Los Glaciares and Torres del Paine. The final stage of the journey involves a lakes crossing from Chile to Argentina, where visitors enjoy time in the picturesque town of Bariloche.

Price: £2,990

Chile End to End *18 days*

Next Departs: Weekly in March and April

Join this dramatic journey that explores the best of Chile and the Patagonia region. Spending six days in Patagonia itself, highlights include the Torres del Paine National Park, the misty city of Puerto Natales and the impressive Serrano Glaciers. This trip also offers the chance to explore the rest of this beautiful country, including Santiago, Puerto Montt and the Atacama Desert, known as the driest place on earth. Here visitors can experience the desert landscape and geysers at El Tatio, set beneath a spectacular volcanic backdrop.

Price: £3,990

For more information and bookings please visit www.worldexpeditions.co.uk or call 0800 0744 135. World Expeditions' all-inclusive policy ensures there are no local payments. Prices quoted above do not include international flights, however these can be arranged on request.

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Notes for editors:

- One of the very first operators in what is now becoming a very popular area in travel, since its inception in 1975 World Expeditions has earned itself an outstanding reputation as a world leader in small group trekking and adventure holidays.
- Two factors distinguish World Expeditions from its competitors: the **all-inclusive value** of its trips, with most meals, internal transport, accommodation, equipment and site entrance fees covered; and its **expert leaders**, often world-renowned figures whose experience and passion for destinations and local communities ensure superbly-designed, fulfilling travel itineraries every time.
- World Expeditions trips are for those travellers who want to discover destinations from the inside - taking the 'paths less travelled' to interact with and learn about local cultures, rather than simply ticking off tourism spots. More than 500 stand-alone itineraries are offered, from small group active adventures and expeditions to cycling and walking tours to cultural journeys.

- World Expeditions is independently owned and a truly global company, with offices in London, Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, Auckland, Ottawa and Montreal.

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