

## Introducción

Dear Team,

We hope that you are fine and trust staying healthy and in good spirits. We are getting in touch to share some news as always.

As per the Wanderlust Expediciones team, we are all fine, working from home and being expectant to what the future will bring. Argentina is still in a sort of "lock down" with some prospects of a mild opening. More information below.

Now, coming back to the travel ideas, this season is going to be all about **Road Trips**. So, let us share some news with you!

We hope you enjoy reading this new edition!

Warm wishes,

The Wanderlust Gang



One of our memorable Road Trips



## ARGENTINA STATUS

As of today -September 16th, 2020-, Argentina is still in some sort of "lock down". We are able to leave our house and do basic shopping and mingle 2-3 friends in open spaces and bars that can offer outside seating areas. This has just started and we believe it is a good sign that things will slowly go back to normal.

Now, as per **flights**, these are still cancelled and word is spread that they will be back on **October 1st** both domestic and international but only for repatriation or for those travelling for work reasons; **no tourism allowed yet**.

Entry procedures - for those coming back to Argentina - require a 14 day quarantine.

We are still working with the Tourism Bureau and the Argentinean Chamber of Tourism in finding ways to enhance protocols and standard procedures so we can go back to receiving visitors.

We believe that this will take some time and looks like **December** might bring positive news; we do not believe that flights will be operating for tourist in November. However there is no official word on this.

The good news is that even if we still have quite a few number of cases everyday, the numbers have stabilized somehow, so there is some light at the end of the tunnel.

We will keep you informed and updated

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## MEMORABLE ROAD TRIPS



### **WHAT IS IT ABOUT ROAD TRIPS THAT WE LOVE?**

- \* We love that we can go our own way
- \* We can stop as many times as desired at our pace
- \* We can take time to explore and mingle with local people, be it shopping, through crafts, food.
- \* Love the combo of a guided and structured itinerary (with hotels confirmed) with the serendipitous feeling of exploration.



### **WHAT MAKE OUR ROAD TRIPS SPECIAL?**

- \* We make sure clients get the right car for each road.
- \* Our itineraries include tips and secrets to explore as well as "treats" on the way. A road map and pre-departure information are part of the essential kit.
- \* We -as well as our local agents and hotels- monitor the trip to make sure that every itinerary flows and clients need only to enjoy.

## **HIT THE ROAD**

### **Find below our choice of road trips in Argentina**

#### **VALDES PENINSULA REVISITED**

Grab a rental car and explore the Valdes Peninsula. Use this area as a base for exploring. While staying at the Valdes Peninsula (at Puerto Piramides village or at the high end Rincon Chico) minimize the traveling times to the highlights.

In a 4 day trip, enjoy the most of the area: Sea Lions and elephant seals (almost year round), penguins at San Lorenzo ranchhouse (superb rookery !), Southern right Whales (Jun through December) and dolphins in Southern summer.

As an additional - and gran finale - visit Gaiman -a Welsh origin small village- which gives a new approach to the area.



## REMOTE PATAGONIA

We combine a drive from El Calafate to El Chalten, to enjoy great days hiking the classics or reaching Lago del Desierto.

Drive to Estancia La Maipu -which is maybe the best kept secret in Patagonia - a great place to do amazing outdoor experiences.

Then El Calafate and Perito Moreno glacier to keep the amazing images before leaving!



## FROM THE ATLANTIC TO THE ANDES

One of the most interesting Road Trips in Argentina! Land in Comodoro Rivadavia on the Atlantic coast. Drive to the Andes crossing the legendary Patagonian steppe.

From Los Antiguos drive South towards El Calafate. On the way visit such highlights as: Cave of the Painted hands, remote lakes, the Perito Moreno National Park, enjoy remote estancias, La Maipu as a gem on the trip, El Chalten with its classics and last but not least El Calafate with its impressive Perito Moreno Glacier.

On the way enjoy: estancias and hosterias of different origins; meeting the friendly owners and share activities with them. Be amazed at some of the least seen views of Patagonia!



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## FOLLOWING THE DARWIN AND FITZ ROY ´ S PATH

Have you ever thought of an incredible trip that combines such experiences as: Amazing & unique fauna at Puerto Deseado (rockhopper penguins included!); and Darwin ´ s lookouts;

then the place where the first mass was celebrated in Argentina organized by Ferdinand de Magellan;  
Darwin and Fitz Roy on board the Beagle;  
Sir Francis Drake,  
the amazing petrified forests in Patagonia,  
Piedrabuena, the Argentinean patriot,  
the Monte Leon NP.  
A real exploratory trip!

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## LAKE DISTRICT UNVEIL

Just a few words: Scenic, beautiful, great activities and properties. A gentle drive in stunning landscapes and beautiful hotels connecting Bariloche (great activities and vinegar production), Villa La Angostura (wellness , spa and fine food), San Martin de los Andes (exploring new places which are rarely visited).

Tip: Extend the trip including Chile



## EPIC JOURNEYS

### MOTORCYCLES DIARIES

Following the trail of Che Guevara and his friend Alberto Granado in Patagonia.

The original journey starts in Buenos Aires in 1952 when Granado, a hospital biochemist with a special interest in leprosy, invites Guevara, an upper middle class medical student jaded by college, hospitals, and exams, to travel through South America on his motorcycle, "La Ponderosa II. We organize a trip that retraces their trip and learn about the interesting quest.

### BUTCH CASSIDY IN PATAGONIA

Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid departed from the US to Buenos Aires along with Etta Place. They moved to Patagonia and settled in a four-room log cabin on a 15,000-acre (61 km<sup>2</sup>) ranch that they purchased on the east bank of the Rio Blanco near Cholila, just east of the Andes in the Chubut Province. This is a beautiful area where renting a car is mandatory to explore and enjoy.

Glamping at Huemules is also part of the experience!

## COLORFUL CANYONS IN THE NORTHWEST

10 days exploring the amazing landscapes of colorful canyons, charming villages, friendly local inhabitants, great textiles and fine food. Wines are a big part of the experience!



