

LAKUTAIA



Patagonia & Cape Horn

TREKKING



ITINERARY

Crossing Navarino Island and the Charles Darwin Route

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

This trekking tour crosses Navarino Island from north to south, from Puerto Williams crossing the Dientes de Navarino mountain range, going past the beautiful Windhond Lake and finally arriving at Seno Grandi where we board the Victory yacht and return to Puerto Williams, following the well-known Charles Darwin Route with the Cape Horn Islands in the background.

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DAY 1 PUNTA ARENAS

We will pick you up at the Punta Arenas airport and then drive you to the Ilaia Hotel for dinner and a briefing session about the expedition ahead. Optional activities for the day depending on what time you arrive include a visit to the penguin colonies, the city tour and a hike to Mount Fenton.

DAY 2 PUNTA ARENAS | PUERTO WILLIAMS

We will take you to the airport and catch a flight via Aerovías Dap to Puerto Williams. The flight takes about an hour and then we will land at the Guardiamarina Zañartu Airport. Reception at the Lakutaia Lodge for lunch featuring typical Patagonian cuisine. The afternoon tour includes a visit to the OMORA Ethno botanical Park and the locality of Puerto Williams. Dinner at the lodge where we will spend the night.

DAY 3 TREKKING

After breakfast we will head for Laguna el Salto, taking in the breathtaking view of Dientes de Navarino, mountains made up of sedimentary rock honed by glaciers. The trail starts with a climb to Cerro Bandera (620m) for a wonderful view of the Beagle Channel and a glimpse of the circuit over the coming days. We will spend the night in our refuge by the lake, where we will have dinner and take in the southern sunset.

DAY 4 TREKKING

We will cross the renowned Australia Pass (805m) and continue along this mountain pass between summits until we reach the Los Dientes Pass (865m). From there we will start a descent via "Picacho de los Dientes de Navarino (1118m)", walking past lakes and sighting beaver dams. We will continue up to the foot of Cerro Bettineli where we will camp in the forest.

DAY 5 TREKKING

We will climb Cerro Bettineli (883m) and then follow trails skirting the mountain as far as Windhond River. We will then follow the course of the river down to Windhond Lake where the trail leads through forest and peat bogs. We will spend the night by the shore of this lake, in an old refuge that residents used when herding cattle in this area.

DAY 6 TREKKING | SAILING

We will hike to Seno Grandi, skirting the mouth of the river lined with beaver dams and eventually reach the sheltered area where the Victory yacht awaits. This is the start of a sailing tour that will take us back to Puerto Williams following the Charles Darwin Route. We will spend the night aboard the Victory.

DAY 7 SAILING | PUERTO WILLIAMS

We will visit different points of interest related to the naturalist and the ethnic groups native to the area. We will visit Wulaia Bay and set sail to one of the H.M.S Beagles stops where the first contact was made with the Yagan ethnic group is this area. We will return to Puerto Williams in the evening, taking the Beagle Channel through fiords along Tierra del Fuego and viewing Hoste Island west of Navarino Island. We will meet for a farewell dinner and spend the night at Lodge Lakutaia.

DAY 8 PUERTO WILLIAMS | PUNTA ARENAS

Return to the Puerto Williams en route to Punta Arenas.

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