

# LAKUTAIA



Patagonia & Cape Horn

## TREKKING



ITINERARY

# Dientes de Navarino Circuit

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

Travel approximately 53 kilometres across the Dientes de Navarino range on a 5 hour walk at 1200 metres above sea-level from east to west covering rural routes, forests, stunted forests, peat lands, valleys, hillsides, small lagoons, creeks, loose rocks etc. From the peak and looking northbound one can see the Beagle Channel, the city of Puerto Williams in Chile, Ushuaia in Argentina and when facing south one can appreciate the Nassau Harbour, the Wollaston archipelago and the mythical Cape Horn.

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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 to be covered in 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 (5 hours, 12 kms, 710m hike).

### 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 then make our way to Los Dientes lagoon on the way to our destination, the lake located at the feet of Cerro Gabriel. (4 hours, 9 kms, 560m)

### DAY 5 TREKKING

We will take the lake outlet travelling between beaver dams surrounded by lenga forests making our way up to Paso Ventarron (696m) with a view of the Codrington Mountains (named after a

Lieutenant by Capitan FitzRoy) to then continue making our way up to Paso Guerrico (572m) from which we will see the lakes that await us as we make our way through the valley all the way to Laguna Martillo. (4 hours, 8 kms, 240m hike).

**DAY 6 TREKKING**

We will trek around Laguna Martillo to Rio Guerrico and begin our descent to the valley stopping off to visit the river banks with Magellan Geese. The view back to the mountain range which we will have crossed is awe inspiring. The last and highest section of mountain to be covered is called Paso Virginia (892m) from where we will observe our last resting place called Laguna Los Guanacos. (5hours, 10.5 kms, 420m hike)

**DAY 7 TREKKING**

Our last day of trekking will take us from the lagoon to the Virginia creek by crossing a lenga forest with numerous beaver dams. After we pass through a small Pampa we will walk through forest-covered slopes until we reach Bahía Virginia and Caleta MacLean, our final destination. Our transport back to the LAKUTAIA LODGE will be waiting for us at the Los Bronces picnic zone where once we arrive at the lodge we will celebrate having completed the trek in the southern-most trail in the world. (5 hours, 14 kms, 530m hike)

**DAY 8 PUERTO WILLIAMS | PUNTA ARENAS**

Return to the Puerto Williams en route to Punta Arenas

END OF ITINERARY

