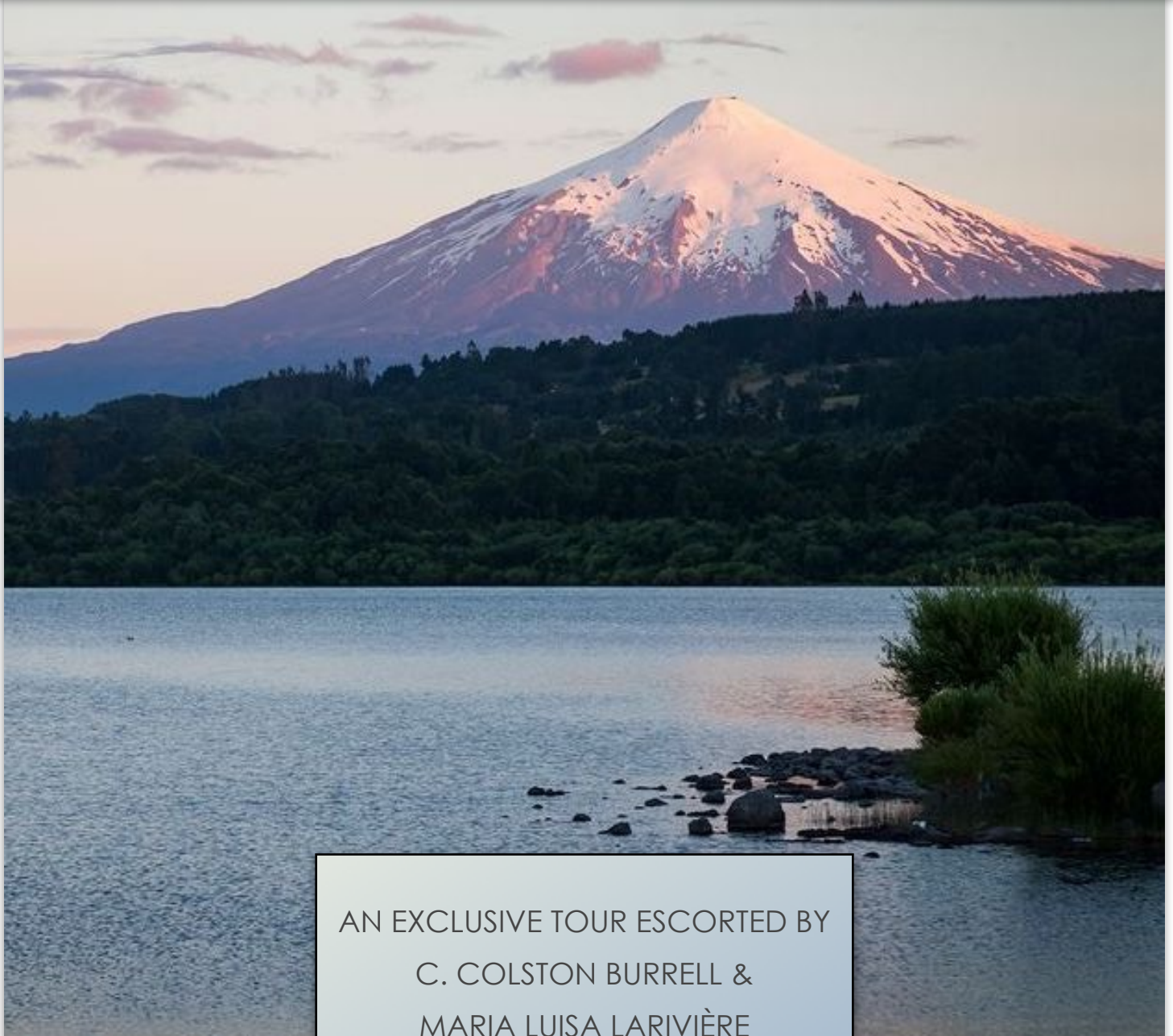


WILD CHILE

GLORIOUS GARDENS AND MAJESTIC MOUNTAINS

February 27 - March 8, 2023

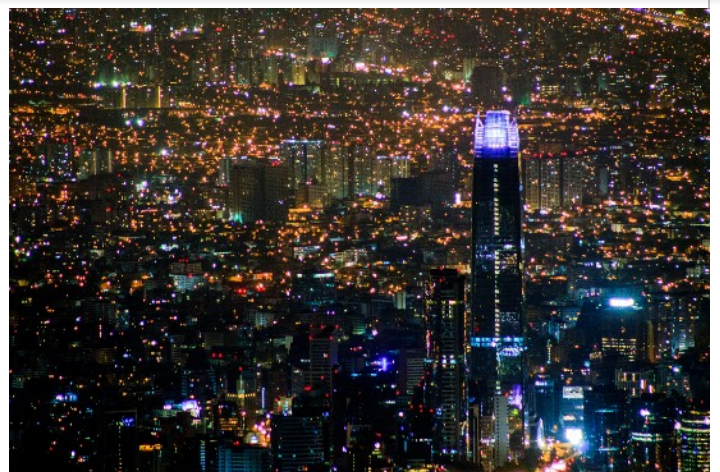
OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS — THE ATACAMA DESERT AND SOUTHERN PATAGONIA



AN EXCLUSIVE TOUR ESCORTED BY
C. COLSTON BURRELL &
MARIA LUISA LARIVIÈRE



Experience the majesty and culture of Chile with **Garden and Nature Tours with C.Colston Burrell, Friendship Tours, The Minnesota State Horticultural Society** and **Meme Larivière**. Join us for an unforgettable autumnal journey of discovery to magnificent and varied landscapes, gracious private gardens, monumental public parks, museums, wineries and spectacular scenery. This unique South American nation is at once sophisticated, cosmopolitan and ruggedly wild.



Meet Your Escort and Host



C. Colston Burrell is a lifelong naturalist, plantsman, and gardener. He is principal of Native Landscape Design and Restoration, which specializes in blending nature and culture through artistic design. When Cole is not traveling, he is designing gardens for his clients, or tending his own 10-acre property designed to display the plants he loves while letting natural succession serve as head gardener. He shares his garden with birds, butterflies, and a wealth of amphibians.

Cole escorts garden and natural history tours throughout North America and abroad. The New World tropics are a favorite destination. He has traveled in Costa Rica, Panama, Venezuela, Ecuador, and Argentina, as well as Europe, Africa and Japan.

<https://gardenandnaturetours.com>

Maria Luisa Larivière has organized numerous trips throughout Argentina, Chile, and Brazil for The American Horticultural Society and for the GCA, among others. Her trips are renowned for their elegance and comfort, for their access to exclusive properties, and for their exposure to diverse cultural, natural, and historic sites.

Meme Larivière Travel Agency is renowned in the travel industry for our tailor-made trips for individuals or groups. Tours are personally arranged by the Larivière family which has been in the travel business for 30 years. Her family's property, Estancia Arroyo Verde is world famous for its beauty and for its sport fishing.

<http://www.estanciaarroyoverde.com.ar/>



WELCOME TO CHILE

Chile is noted for its sophisticated culture, sublime scenery, fine wines and international cuisine. Its exceptional gardens are less well known. Join **C. Colston Burrell** and local host **Maria Luisa Larivière** for an early autumn immersion into the history, culture and varied gardens of Santiago de Chile, the capital city, as well as the seaside town of Los Vilos. We also explore the peaks and forests of the Lakes District, and marvel at the art, architecture and wildlife of the Chiloé Archipelago.

Santiago sits within a basin, surrounded by Andean foothills that serve as dramatic backdrops to the varied gardens and parks. Founded in 1541, Santiago is now a thriving metropolis with a mix of modern and colonial architecture, world class museums, theaters, art galleries, fine dining, nightlife, bustling markets, and more.

Los Vilos is noted for glorious gardens, vineyards and seafood. We have the opportunity to visit the private garden of renowned landscape architect Juan Grimm, as well as six additional private gardens, vineyards and botanical gardens throughout the region.

A short flight takes us to the Lakes District at the foot of the dramatic, snow-capped peaks of the Andes. This region is noted for spectacular scenery, magnificent gardens, and unique flora and fauna. Marvel at the dramatic volcanic peaks, crystalline waters and thundering waterfalls of Chile's spectacular national parks. Quaint villages dot the lakeshores, gateways to the activities we have planned.

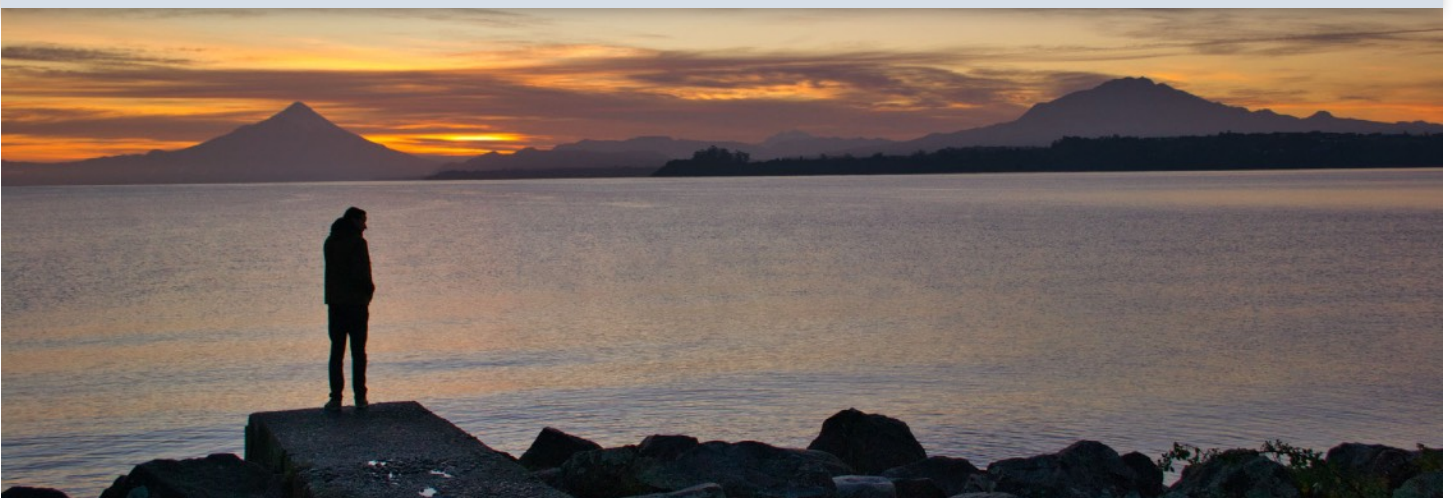
Chiloé Island is dotted with colorful seaside villages. We will visit a private garden, and a biodynamic farm to trace the history of the potato. Our tour takes us through the rolling countryside with stops to explore the cultural and natural history of the island. Of course, we will cruise among the small islands in the bay. Many species of birds nest here, including Magellanic and Humbolt penguins.

Please join me in Chile to explore gardens, national parks and vineyards within bucolic landscapes set against dramatic frosted peaks. See you in Santiago!



Main Tour Itinerary Highlights

- Partake of delicious welcome and farewell dinners
- Visit 4 extraordinary regions, including the cosmopolitan city of Santiago, Zapallar and surrounds, the stunning Lakes District, and the quaint towns and dramatic seascape of Chiloé Archipelago
- Take a tour of Santiago, with stops at the city market, several public parks and a sculpture garden
- Visit 7 private gardens, including the personal garden of world renowned designer Juan Grimm
- Tours of 2 public gardens
- Explore 2 national parks, including a walk through the ancient Valdivian Rainforest
- Explore Chilean viticulture and enjoy a glass of wine, lush gardens and bucolic scenery at a renowned winery
- Tour a traditional biodynamic farm to learn the origin and history of the potato
- Marvel at the charming and playful penguins on a cruise through Puñihuil Nature Reserve
- Visit Vicente Pérez Rosales, Chile's oldest National Park, which encompasses the spectacular Osorno Volcano
- Enjoy a sunset cruise in the bay of Puerto Varas



Tour Details

TOUR DATES - February 27 - March 8, 2023

TOUR DURATION - 9 Nights / 10 Days

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- † Airport transfers
- † Nine nights hotel/lodge accommodations
- † Breakfast daily
- † Welcome and farewell dinners
- † Other meals — 8 lunches and 3 dinners
- † Private transportation throughout the program
- † Tour Host — Maria Luisa Larivière
- † Tour Escort — C. Colston Burrell
- † Water and snacks in the coach
- † Admissions to all parks and gardens
- † Guided garden and natural history excursions
- † Gratuities to your local driver, guides and host
- † Gratuities to restaurants and hotels
- † Hotel taxes and service charges

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR

- † Round-trip airfare from home cities
- † Domestic roundtrip airfare, Est. \$395.00
- † Travel insurance
- † Airport fees, taxes and baggage charges
- † Meals not included in the itinerary
- † Alcoholic beverages during the trip
- † Optional sightseeing or recreational activities
- † Gratuities to your tour escort
- † Gratuities for luggage handlers or housekeeping
- † Any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary



Tour Pricing and Registration

TOUR DURATION

9 Nights / 10 Days

DETAILED ITINERARY UPON REGISTRATION

PRICING

Tour price is based on 10-13 travelers

\$8575.00 Land Price — Double Occupancy

\$1000.00 Single Supplement

- ~ Fewer than 10 travelers may result in a small surcharge
- ~ Tour price does not include domestic airfare, estimated at \$395.00 round trip
- ~ Itinerary subject to change without notice

DEPOSIT

\$4,000.00 per person with reservation to secure your spot

TO REGISTER AND VIEW TERMS AND CONDITIONS VISIT:

<https://www.friendshiptours.net/group-travel>

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Registration Terms and Conditions

CHILE: Glorious Gardens & Majestic Mountains

Escorted by C. Colston Burrell

February 27 - March 8, 2023 9 Nights / 10 Days

ARRIVAL: Monday, February 27, 2023 at Santiago's Arturo Merino Benitez International Airport (SCL). Transfers included from SCL to the hotel. Time TBD based on passenger's morning arrivals.

RETURN: Wed, March 8, 2023. Please arrange for evening international flight home departing from Santiago (SCL).

COST (with 10-13 paying guests):
\$8,575. per person based on double occupancy
+\$1000. per person single supplement

AIR TRAVEL: Do not purchase air until you have been advised that the minimum number of travelers for this tour has been reached. This trip is based on 10-13 passengers. International Flight arrangements are not included in this tour package.

Additionally, the domestic flight within Chile on March 4 from Santiago Airport to Puerto Montt and the return flight on March 8 from Puerto Montt to Santiago is not included in the cost of this trip. However, the local agency will make those flight arrangements for each traveler. A copy of your passport & credit card will be required at time of final payment. The estimated cost for this flight is: \$395.pp for economy class, 1 piece of luggage max 50 lbs. & 1 handbag max 22 lbs.

RESERVATIONS VIA FRIENDSHIP TOURS:

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ON LINE : www.friendshiptours.net/group-travel
and select "Group Sign In". Enter the Tour Code **23FEB27CHILE** in the box labeled "Make a New Reservation."

DEPOSIT: \$4,000 per person with reservation to secure your spot.

Please reserve now. Small group tour.

Commitment required in order for trip to operate.

FINAL PAYMENT: Dec 16, 2022

CANCELLATION POLICY: If a passenger cancels after deposit to Nov 16, 2022, the fee is \$2,000 pp; Nov 17, 2022 to Dec 16, 2022, fee of \$4,000; no refunds if cancelled after Dec 17, 2022.

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Proof of travel insurance with the added option of BED REST/QUARANTINE coverage is required for this tour. Your travel insurance policy must cover medical expenses and lodging in the event of COVID-19 infection. If a traveler catches COVID-19 during their stay in Chile, they must leave the tour & quarantine for 5 days to return to the tour (or may elect to fly home). Travelers are responsible for the costs of lodging during quarantine. Friendship Tours can assist with the purchase of trip protection coverage through Travel Insured International's Worldwide Trip Protector Plan including the option of Bed Rest coverage.

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Additionally, Travel Insured International offers a policy with the option for **CANCEL FOR ANY REASON** coverage when purchased within 14 days of your initial deposit - ask Friendship Tours for more information. Or request a quote online: [https://www.travelinsured.com/agency/?r=http:%2F%2Fwww.friendshiptours.net&p=](https://www.travelinsured.com/agency/?r=http:%2F%2Fwww.friendshiptours.net&p= Agency #18649) Agency #18649

RESPONSIBILITY: This package is subject to our full terms and conditions which can be found on our website at <https://www.friendshiptours.net/tour-policies>. Paper copies are available upon request. **By signing up for the tour, making a payment and continuing to use our services, you are agreeing to be bound by the Terms and Conditions.**



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Itinerary

February 26 - DAY 0

Depart Home Cities for Santiago

February 27 - DAY 1

Arrive Santiago and transfer to Hotel Bidasoa for City Tour

Enjoy lunch at leisure before gathering with local guide Cristobal Elgueta for a Cultural City Tour with visits to several public parks including Santiago Metropolitan Park, Park of the Sculptures, and the Patricia Ready Galeria. If time permits, the city market

After our tour, return to the hotel to rest before our Welcome Dinner

Night at Hotel Bidasoa (D)

February 28 - DAY 2

Private Gardens at Las Majadas

After our included breakfast, meet Cristobal Elgueta for a visit to Naviera, a modern garden designed by famed Chilean landscape architect Juan Grimm, two ecological private gardens, and an urban biodiversity corridor

Continue to Hotel Las Majadas for lunch and to visit the beautifully landscaped park with designer Alejandra Bosch

Free afternoon to relax or visit museums

Dinner on your own

Night at Hotel Bidasoa (B, L)



Itinerary - Continued

March 1 - DAY 3 Fundo El Alto and Santa Rita Winery

After our included breakfast, depart for a morning visit to Fundo El Alto designed by Juan Grimm for Mr Rodrigo and Mrs Gigi Barros Continue our day with a drive to Santa Rita winery for lunch at Restaurant Doña Paula and visit the park and chapel, and take a historic winery tour

Dinner on your own

Night at Hotel Bidasoa (B, L)



Photo via Juan Grimm's website



Itinerary - Continued

March 2 - DAY 4 **San Vicente de lo Arcaya and Zapallar**

After our included breakfast, check out and board our coach with Cristobal Elgueta for a full day of garden tours, including a garden with a natural pool, a botanical garden designed by Consuelo Bravo, two gardens designed by Taibi Addi

After lunch travel to Zapallar and Punta Pite and visit two gardens and enjoy the sunset

End the day with a group dinner in Zapallar

Night at Hotel Isla Seca, Zapallar (B, L, D)

March 3 - DAY 5 **Los Vilos and Juan Grimm's Private Garden**

After our included breakfast, accompanied by Cristobal, drive along the coast to Bahía Azul in Los Vilos, to visit the exquisite home and private garden of Juan Grimm

After lunch, visit Casa Ochoquebradas, an exceptional modernist home atop a seaside cliff designed by Alejandro Aravena

Return to the hotel for a group dinner

Night at Hotel Isla Seca, Zapallar (B, L, D)



Itinerary - Continued

March 4 - DAY 6 Puerto Varas and The Lakes District

After our included breakfast, check out and depart the hotel for Santiago Airport to board the flight to Puerto Montt
Box Lunch on board the bus as we transfer to the city of Puerto Varas on the shores of Lake Llanquehue to check into our hotel
Depart for an afternoon activity on the lake. Drive north to Puerto Octay for a visit to Sra Drina Rendick's lovely campo and have our first introduction to the unique species of the Valdivian Rainforest and the stunning lake and volcano views of Southern Chile

Early evening return to hotel to prepare for a sunset cruise in the bay of Puerto Varas with wine and snacks

Dinner on your own

Night at the Hotel Raddison (B, BL, S)

March 5 - DAY 7 Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park and Osorno Volcano

After our included breakfast, visit Chile's oldest park, Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park which encompasses the spectacular Osorno Volcano set among forests and lakes
Marvel at Petrohue Falls cascading below the icecapped volcano
View the jade colored All Saints Lake (Todos los Santos) and take a lovely boat ride along the soaring forested shoreline

Evening free to explore Puerto Varas

Dinner on your own

Night at the Hotel Raddison (B, BL)



Itinerary - Continued

March 6 DAY 8

Puerto Varas to the Chiloé Archipelago

After our included breakfast, check out and depart via ferry for the Emerald Island of Chiloé, passing by Caulin Bay, a protected bird sanctuary along the Island's rugged coast.

Stop for lunch outside Ancud at a country home surrounded by lovely flora, birds and quiet beaches

Next meet local fishermen who will take us out to explore the Puñihuil Nature Reserve where Humbolt and Magellanic penguins come each year to nest

Early evening arrival at a quiet farmhouse in the center of the island for a traditional Curanto pitbake, a traditional meal with native potato patties, shellfish, smoked pork and more

Night at Hotel Parque Quilquico (B, L, D)

March 7 DAY 9

Chiloé

After our included breakfast, visit some of Chiloé's UNESCO World Heritage Site churches along the East Coast, an area of hidden inlets, brightly painted fishing boats and myriad of islands.

visit a traditional biodynamic farm - a UNESCO First Agriculture site, where over a dozen of the nearly 200 varieties of native potatoes are produced

Lunch features native Chiloé potatoes as well as the chance to learn about native quinoa and other endemic species

Join us in the evening for a sumptuous farewell dinner

Night at Hotel Parque Quilquico (B, L, D)



Itinerary - Continued

March 8 - DAY 10 To Santiago and Home or to Patagonia

After our included breakfast, check out and depart the hotel.

Transport two hours to Puerto Montt airport. Depending on flight time there could be time to enjoy another stop along the coast of the island before taking the ferry

Departures to Santiago

Arrive in time to check in for evening flights home (B, S)

Departures to Patagonia

From Puerto Montt to Puerto Natales (B, S)



ATACAMA DESERT

PRE-TOUR

EXPLORING THE WORLD'S DRIEST DESERT

February 23 - 27, 2023



AN EXCLUSIVE TOUR ESCORTED BY
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Atacama Desert Pre-Tour

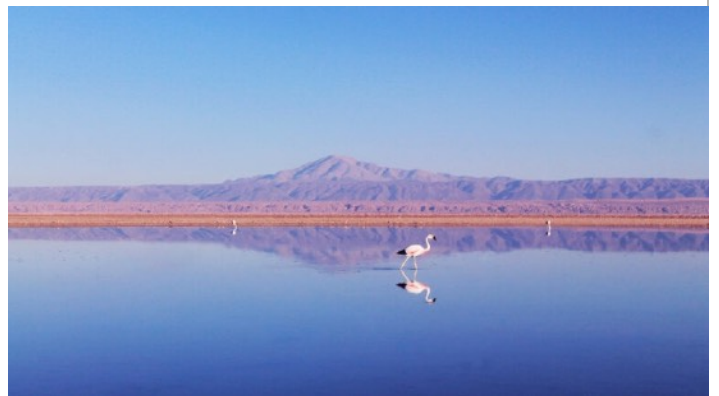
Join **C. Colston Burrell** and local naturalist guides in San Pedro de Atacama, in northern Chile, to explore Atacama, the world's driest desert.

The starkness of the Atacama Desert is at once beautiful and forbidding. As the world's driest desert, the immense Atacama lives up to its title, with some areas registering not even a single raindrop in over 150 years, yet the landscape reveals eons of interplay between wind and water. The Atacama offers travelers an incredible landscape of ragged, rocky mountains and ravines that are interspersed by a striking white salt pan and surrounded by towering volcanoes. Be sure to bring your camera, as the region is a photographer's dream destination.

On our tour we will hike in the Valley of the Moon, where red rocks are weathered by the desert sands to look like the surface of Mars. Experience towering rock pillars known as the Pacana Monks and the river wetlands of Quepiaco. Vast flocks of vibrant flamingos await us on a trip to Salar de Atacama. We have a full day excursion to Geysers del Tatio, the highest geothermal field in the world and home to a series of impressive geysers that are most beautiful at dawn.

Sitting at an altitude of 10,500 feet, the dramatic and desolate Atacama Desert boasts clear, unpolluted skies that afford the opportunity for us to spend an evening enjoying unparalleled stargazing. There is also time for relaxing by the pool or visiting some interesting sites in town.

If you seek adventure amid stunning scenery, join me for a journey through a singular landscape to discover the wild and wonderful Atacama!



Atacama Tour Itinerary Highlights

- Partake of a welcome dinner with a glass of wine and group orientation
- Explore the town of San Pedro de Atacama, including R. P. Gustavo Le Paige Archaeological Museum, Church of San Pedro de Atacama and the Meteorite Museum
- Take a hike in the Valley of the Moon, where red rocks are weathered by the desert sands to look like the surface of Mars
- Experience towering rock pillars known as the Pacana Monks and the river wetlands of Quepiaco
- Marvel at vast flocks of vibrant flamingos at Salar de Atacama
- Experience a full day excursion to Geysers del Tatio, the highest geothermal field in the world and home to a series of impressive geysers that are most beautiful at dawn
- Relax by hotel the pool



Atacama Tour Details

TOUR DATES - February 23 - 27, 2023

TOUR DURATION - 4 Nights / 5 Days

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- † Airport transfers
- † Four nights hotel/lodge accommodations
- † Breakfast daily
- † One box lunch
- † Welcome dinner
- † Sightseeing and transportation as outlined in the program itinerary
- † Escort throughout tour—C. Colston Burrell
- † Expert local guides
- † Water and snacks
- † Admissions to all parks
- † Guided natural history excursions
- † Gratuities to your local driver and guide
- † Hotel taxes and service charges

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR

- † Round-trip airfare from home cities
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- † Any other items not specifically mentioned as



Atacama Tour Pricing and Registration

TOUR DURATION

4 Nights / 5 Days

PRICING

\$3675.00 Land Price — Double Occupancy

\$800.00 Single Supplement

- ~ Tour price is based on a minimum of 6 travelers
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DEPOSIT

\$4,000.00 per person with reservation to secure your spot

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Atacama Terms and Conditions

CHILE: ATACAMA DESERT - PRE-TOUR

Escorted by C. Colston Burrell

February 23-27, 2023 4 Nights / 5 Days

ARRIVAL: Thursday, February 23, 2023 at Santiago's Arturo Merino Benitez International Airport (SCL). Group will fly together on flight from Santiago to Calama Airport. Arrange for International Flight to arrive in the morning to SCL. Suggested connecting flight to Calama will depart at 1:45pm.

RETURN: Monday, Feb 27, 2023 group will fly from Calama Airport to Santiago Airport (SCL) on a morning flight to meet up with travelers beginning the Main Chile Tour.

COST (with minimum of 6 paying guests):
\$3,675. per person based on double occupancy
+\$800. per person single supplement

AIR TRAVEL: Do not purchase air until you have been advised that the minimum number of travelers for this tour has been reached. The PRE-TOUR is based on a min of 6 passengers. International Flight arrangements are not included in this tour package.

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FINAL PAYMENT: Dec 16, 2022

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RESPONSIBILITY: This package is subject to our full terms and conditions which can be found on our website at <https://www.friendshiptours.net/tour-policies>. Paper copies are available upon request. **By signing up for the tour, making a payment and continuing to use our services, you are agreeing to be bound by the Terms and Conditions.**



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Atacama Desert Itinerary

February 22 - DAY 0

Depart Home Cities for Santiago

February 23 - DAY 1

Arrive Santiago and transfer to San Pedro de Atacama

Arrival in Santiago Airport in the morning and transfer to early afternoon flights to Calama

Lunch on your own at the airport

On arrival in Calama in late afternoon, private transfer to Hotel Desértica at San Pedro de Atacama, approximately an hour and a half drive

Welcome dinner at the hotel

Night at Hotel Desértica (D)

February 24 - DAY 2

Arrive Santiago and transfer to Calama

After our included breakfast, we depart for a half day of exploration in the Valley of the Moon, an otherworldly landscape of eroded ridges and spires. Water and snacks provided

Lunch on your own

In the afternoon, join a four-hour excursion to Salar de Atacama, a high altitude salt lake. Enjoy the vibrant flamingos that nest here, or float in the buoyant salt water. Water and snacks provided

Return to the hotel for dinner on your own

Night at Hotel Desértica (B)



Atacama Desert Itinerary - Continued

February 25 - DAY 3

Arrive Santiago and transfer to Calama

After our included breakfast, depart for a half-day excursion to Pacana Monks, towering stone pillars that seem to erupt from the red-sand plains

Explore the unique flora and fauna found around Quepiaco, a riverine wetland of unique beauty and compelling biodiversity

Includes a picnic lunch that we will eat on the bus as required by local ordinance

Dinner on your own

Night at Hotel Desértica

February 26 - DAY 4

Full-Day Excursion to Geysers del Tatio

We have an early morning departure 5:30 am for a full-day excursion to visit the Geysers del Tatio. We will be away from the hotel for seven hours. Includes water and breakfast

Return to the hotel in the afternoon to rest

In the evening, join an exciting Astronomical Tour which includes a lecture, stargazing and cheese & wine

Dinner on your own

Night at Hotel Desértica (B, R)

February 27 - DAY 5

Travel from San Pedro de Atacama to Santiago

After our included breakfast, we check out and prepare for our morning departure to Santiago to meet the group and begin the main tour program

Drive to Calama to board the flight to Santiago

Private transfer to Hotel Bidasoa to meet the group

Activities as outlined in the main tour itinerary (B)



CHILEAN PATAGONIA

POST-TOUR

TORRES DEL PAINE

MAJESTY AT THE END OF THE WORLD

March 8 - 12, 2023



AN EXCLUSIVE TOUR ESCORTED BY
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Patagonia Post-Tour

Join **C. Colston Burrell** in southern Patagonia to explore one of the world's most dramatic landscapes. Beloved by adventurers, trekkers, birders, natural history enthusiasts and seekers of beauty, the rugged peaks and verdant woodlands are sure to thrill and delight you.

Southern Patagonia is home to Chile's iconic Parque Nacional Torres del Paine, renowned for its jagged horn-shaped peaks of the Cuernos del Paine, as well as pristine sand-colored bucolic lowlands with age-old cattle herding traditions.

Enormous ice fields flank brilliant blue glaciers as fjords and deep channels usher penguins to their waters. This breathtaking region features a rich entanglement of rainforest and mountain ranges that stretch across the horizon.

We have arranged a variety of excursions to take in the sights and sounds of this astounding landscape. We visit the pampa grasslands and southern beech (*Nothofagus*) forests in search of plants and animals unique to the region. With luck we will glimpse the enormous Magellanic woodpecker, Andean condors, guanaco, flightless Ñandu, as well as the elusive Puma. Along the way we stop at thundering waterfalls, rushing streams, placid lakes and glacier graveyards. A cruise along the shores of Lago Grey brings us close the blue wall of a massive glacier.

Join me for a remarkable journey of discovery in a land called Patagonia!



Patagonia Tour Itinerary Highlights

- Enjoy an inclusive tour with lodging and all meals provided
- Explore the wonders of Torres del Paine National Park
- Behold the fabled black granite “horns” towering above the landscape
- Journey to stunning Paine Falls and Grand Cascade
- Marvel at the massive Patagonian Icecap
- Experience the drama of Glacier Grey calving into Lago Grey
- Cruise Lago Grey below the soaring peak known as Paine Grande
- Identify the varied plants of the region
- Enjoy varied wildlife from soaring condors to playful guanacos
- Learn about the geography and natural history of Patagonia



Patagonia Tour Details

TOUR DATES - March 8 - 12, 2023

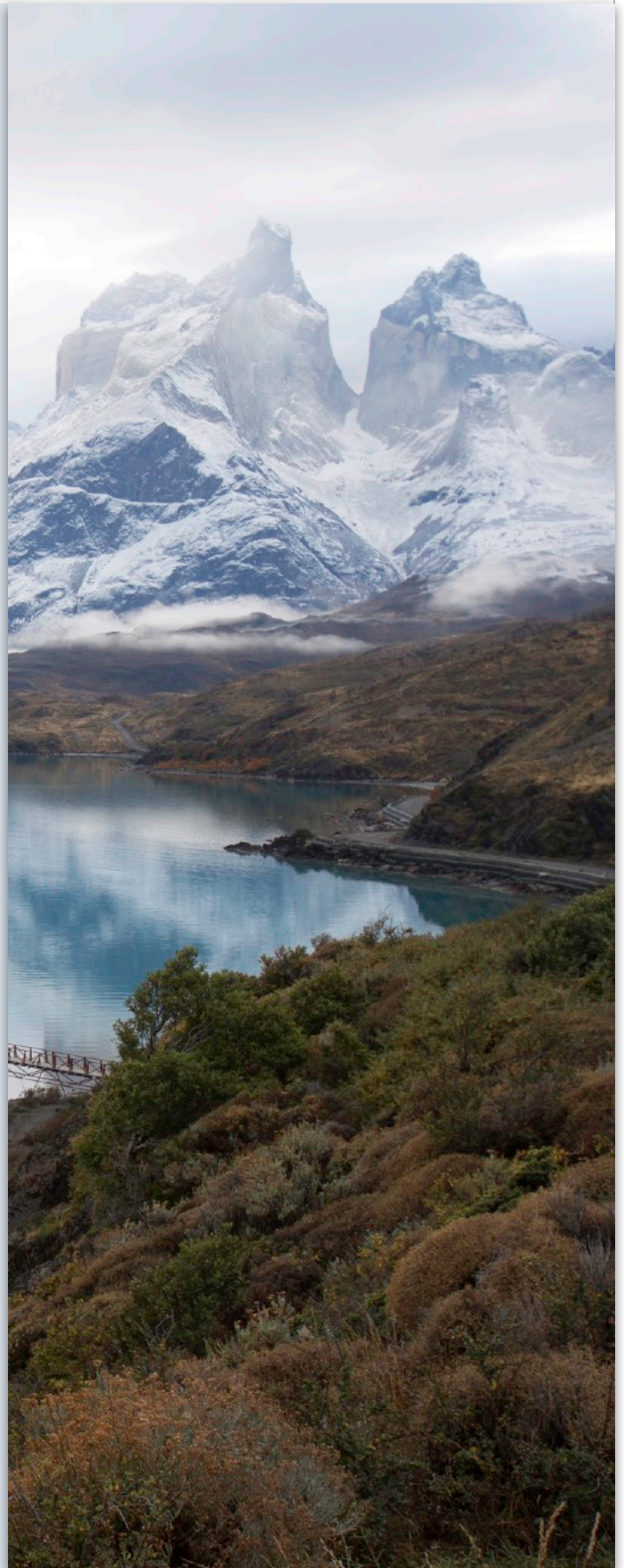
TOUR DURATION 4 Nights / 5 Days

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- † Airport transfers
- † Four nights hotel/lodge accommodations
- † Breakfast daily
- † Three box lunches and four dinners
- † Sightseeing and transportation as outlined in the program itinerary
- † National Park entrance fees
- † Escort throughout tour—C. Colston Burrell
- † Expert local guides
- † Guided natural history excursions
- † Water and snacks
- † Hotel taxes and service charges
- † Gratuities to driver and local guides

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR

- † Domestic airfare, Est. \$515.00
- † Travel insurance
- † Airport fees, taxes and baggage charges
- † Meals not included in the itinerary
- † Alcoholic beverages during the trip
- † Optional sightseeing or recreational activities
- † Gratuities to your tour escort
- † Gratuities to servers, luggage handlers or housekeeping
- † Any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary



Patagonia Tour Pricing and Registration

TOUR DURATION

4 Nights / 5 Days

Tour price is based on 8-9 travelers

\$4175.00 Land Price — Double Occupancy

\$700.00 Single Supplement

- ~ Fewer than 8 travelers may result in a small surcharge
- ~ Tour price does not include domestic airfare, estimated at \$515.00 round trip
- ~ Itinerary subject to change without notice

DEPOSIT

\$4,000.00 per person with reservation to secure your spot

TO REGISTER AND VIEW TERMS AND CONDITIONS VISIT:

<https://www.friendshiptours.net/group-travel>

Select "Group Sign In". Enter the Tour Code **23FEB27CHILE** in the box labeled "Make a New Reservation."



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Patagonia Terms and Conditions

CHILE: PATAGONIA TORRES DEL PAINE - POST-TOUR

Escorted by **C. Colston Burrell**

March 8-12, 2023 4 Nights / 5 Days

ARRIVAL: Wednesday, March 8, 2023 travelers continuing from the Main Tour onto the Post Tour will travel to Puerto Montt Airport for flight to Southern Patagonia - Puerto Natales. Suggested connecting flight to Puerto Natales will depart at 2:30pm.

RETURN: Sunday, March 12, 2023 group will fly from Puerto Natales Airport to Santiago Airport (SCL) on a morning flight to make connecting flights to the USA. Arrange your flight from Santiago to USA for an evening departure.

COST (with 8-9 paying guests):
\$4175. per person based on double occupancy
+\$700. per person single supplement

AIR TRAVEL: Do not purchase air until you have been advised that the minimum number of travelers for this tour has been reached. The POST-TOUR is based on a 8-9 guests. International Flight arrangements are not included in this tour package.

The domestic flight within Chile on March 8 from Puerto Montt to Puerto Natales and the return flight on March 12 from Puerto Natales to Santiago is not included in the cost of this trip. However, the local agency will make those flight arrangements for each traveler. A copy of your passport & credit card will be required at time of final payment. The estimated cost for this flight is: \$515.pp for economy class, 1 piece of luggage max 50 lbs. & 1 handbag max 22 lbs.

RESERVATIONS VIA FRIENDSHIP TOURS:

CALL: 800-243-1630 and ask for **CHILE tour with C. Colston Burrell**

ON LINE : www.friendshiptours.net/group-travel and select "Group Sign In". Enter the Tour Code **23FEB27CHILE** in the box labeled "Make a New Reservation."

DEPOSIT: \$4,000 per person with reservation to secure your spot on both the POST-TOUR & the MAIN TOUR.

Please reserve now. Small group tour.

Commitment required in order for trip to operate.

FINAL PAYMENT: Dec 16, 2022

CANCELLATION POLICY: If a passenger cancels after deposit to Nov 16, 2022, the fee is \$2,000 pp; Nov 17, 2022 to Dec 16, 2022, fee of \$4,000; no refunds if cancelled after Dec 17, 2022.

PASSPORT: U.S. Citizens: Valid Passport required and must be valid 6 months past the return date. Non U.S. Citizens are responsible for obtaining proper documentation for travel.

PRICES & ITINERARY: Prices are valid at time of publication. Friendship Tours shall not be liable for any fluctuation in price or change in schedule or equipment or accommodations for any travel booking or travel service to be provided by a Travel Supplier. Changes to itineraries may become necessary. These changes will not be considered a material change and will not be cause for cancellation or refund. This itinerary is planned & operated by Meme Lariviere SA, Buenos Aires. Friendship Tours acts solely as the liaison between Meme Lariviere SA & Garden & Nature Tours.

COVID-19: PROOF OF VACCINATION,

TRIP PROTECTION COVERAGE, BED REST/QUARANTINE:

All passengers are strongly requested to be double vaccinated with the COVID-19 vaccine and have a booster(s) wherever possible to participate in this tour. All passengers should bring their Proof of Vaccination and valid ID Cards on the tour. At this time, there are no travel requirements by Chile or the USA to have proof of vaccine or proof of a negative COVID test.

Proof of travel insurance with the added option of BED REST/QUARANTINE coverage is required for this tour.

Your travel insurance policy must cover medical expenses and lodging in the event of COVID-19 infection. If a traveler catches COVID-19 during their stay in Chile, they must leave the tour & quarantine for 5 days to return to the tour (or may elect to fly home). Travelers are responsible for the costs of lodging during quarantine. Friendship Tours can assist with the purchase of trip protection coverage through Travel Insured International's Worldwide Trip Protector Plan including the option of Bed Rest coverage.

No financial compensation will be provided to guests who miss any or all of the tour due to COVID-19.

Additionally, Travel Insured International offers a policy with the option for **CANCEL FOR ANY REASON** coverage when purchased within 14 days of your initial deposit - ask Friendship Tours for more information. Or request a quote online: <https://www.travelinsured.com/agency/?r=http:%2F%2Fwww.friendshiptours.net&p=> Agency #18649

RESPONSIBILITY: This package is subject to our full terms and conditions which can be found on our website at <https://www.friendshiptours.net/tour-policies>. Paper copies are available upon request. **By signing up for the tour, making a payment and continuing to use our services, you are agreeing to be bound by the Terms and Conditions.**



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Patagonia Itinerary

Day 1 - March 8 **Transfer to Patagonia**

After your included breakfast, depart Castro for three and a half-hour journey (including ferry crossing) to Puerto Montt airport for flight to Southern Patagonia, the fjord-side city of Puerto Natales
Transport to Hotel Weskar
Welcome dinner and overnight in Puerto Natales (B, D)

Day 2 - March 9 **Torres del Paine National Park**

After our included breakfast, check out and depart with your bilingual local guide for a half-hour journey into South America's most famous national park, passing through the Laguna Azul entrance to enjoy a box lunch and a walk with the iconic granite towers visible in the distance across the golden prairie of the pampa grasslands
Next stop at Paine Falls- a roaring torrent that is wonderful for photos and because of its accessibility you'll truly feel the power of the nature that formed this park
Short walks and wildlife viewing continue in the afternoon before arriving at our lodging which is perched on an island in the middle of Lake Pehoe with stunning views of the soaring black tipped granite peaks
Dinner at night at the Hotel Grey (B, BL, D)



Itinerary Continued

Day 3 - March 10 Torres del Paine National Park

After our included breakfast, today is dedicated to exploring the central part of the park, with short walks which include Cascada Grande (Grand Waterfall) and an educational visit to the Park Admin Center

Numerous special species of wildlife that are possible to see include Andean condors, guanaco, flightless Ñandu, as well as the elusive Puma

Late afternoon arrival to the hotel to settle in for the evening and enjoy the sunset as it paints the Horns in fiery light

Dinner and night at Hotel Grey (B, BL, D)

Day 4 - March 11 Torres del Paine National Park

After our included breakfast, today is dedicated to the western side of the park, where the massive Patagonian Ice Cap shows itself via the advance of Glacier Grey as it calves into Lago Grey

Visit to the Iceberg Cemetery, the rocky beach on the south side of the lake where massive blocks of the glacier which broke off decades ago came to rest in the shallow waters after being blown across the lake

Board the Turismo Lago Grey vessel to enjoy a three-hour cruise up the lake below the soaring Paine Grande (largest peak in the park) to have a closer view of the blue wall of the glacier

Early evening return to hotel for our farewell dinner

Night at Hotel Grey (B, BL, D)

Day 5 - March 12 Travel Day

After our included breakfast we transfer to Puerto Natales for flights to Santiago and onward to our home cities



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March 13-17, 2023

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