



## The Women's Travel Group Chile and Patagonia Buenos Aires – Pre-tour Easter Island Extension

### PRE-TOUR: BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

#### ***Monday Feb 8 Arrive Buenos Aires (D)***

We are met on arrival at Ezeiza International Airport, Buenos Aires, and escorted to our hotel. Our representative will assist us with check-in procedures. Tonight's dinner is at the hotel restaurant; our guide will join us for dinner. **Overnight at LOI SUITES RECOLETA HOTEL.**

*Located in the heart of the exquisite neighborhood of Recoleta, walking distance from the historical Recoleta Cemetery, the hotel shares the area with art galleries, restaurants, bars, and beautiful parks. In the hotel, the Winter Garden area extends to 4,300 square feet including the swimming pool. It is an ideal ambiance for relaxing with natural light and lovely surroundings during your stay*

#### ***Tuesday Feb 9 Buenos Aires (BD)***

**Highlights: Recoleta–Palermo–Plaza de Mayo–Puerto Madero San Telmo–La Boca:**

Today, we will live all the porteño magic. In this overview of the Paris of South America we visit the glamorous neighborhoods of Recoleta and its most famous cemetery, Palermo, May Square and the Pink House, the Metropolitan Cathedral, the newest & trendiest Puerto Madero Area and many other emblematic buildings and palaces of unique architectural, historic, and cultural value. The visit would not be complete the picturesque neighborhood of San Telmo, residence to the porteño aristocracy until the end of the 19th century and Caminito Street, in the colorful Italian immigrants' neighborhood of La Boca. Time to rest at the hotel before dinner with a tango show and lesson at la Ventana. **Overnight at LOI SUITES RECOLETA HOTEL**

#### ***Wednesday Feb 10 Buenos Aires (BLD)***

Venture out of the city on a full-day visit to a historic, working estancia in the Argentine pampas—the great plains that sweep through hundreds of miles of the country's heartland. Savor an asado barbecue lunch cooked over an open fire, and witness traditional gaucho riding skills, music, and the romantic rural way of Argentine life.

**Overnight at LOI SUITES RECOLETA HOTEL**



### **Thursday Feb 11 Buenos Aires – Santiago by flight (B)**

Depart for the airport for our flight to Santiago. You will be met after clearing government formalities and escorted to the hotel to join the group.

## **MAIN TOUR: Chile and Patagonia February 11 – 17, 2021**

### **Tour overview**

*From sophisticated Santiago, with its internationally praised vineyards, to majestic ancient forests and soaring volcanoes, Chile is a jewel with a fascinating history, a diverse ecology, and a modern, colorful culture. Our days in Patagonia bring you close to some of nature's most magnificent landscapes in Torres del Paine National Park. Easter Island (Rapa Nui), is on many a bucket list. It is a perfect combination!*





### **Day 1 – Thursday Feb 11 Santiago Arrival (D)**

We are met on arrival after clearing government formalities and transferred to our hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure. Welcome dinner at the hotel with a glass of wine. Our guide will join us for a tour briefing and dinner. Overnight at

**HOTEL DIRECTOR VITACURA Standard Room or similar**

*Director hotels fulfill the requirements of the leisure traveler: spacious, sophisticated rooms, complimentary Wi-Fi, flat screen cable TV, personal safety deposit box and minibar. Twin rooms have comfortable Queen-size beds, there are also King-size or Super King-size beds. To relax and unwind, we invite you to enjoy our outdoor swimming pool, sauna, and fitness center. 96 rooms, International cuisine restaurant, Full Bar, Sauna, Fully equipped fitness center and room service 07 am to 11 pm*

### **Day 2 – Friday Feb 12 Santiago (BL)**

After breakfast we tour around Santiago, seeing the city's most outstanding attractions, including a walking tour downtown visiting the "Plaza de Armas", the Cathedral, Ahumada Boulevard and Government Palace "La Moneda"(outside). Then, we will drive the main avenues of old Santiago, crossing the bohemian neighborhood of Bellavista and up to San Cristobal Hill, for a magnificent panoramic view of the city and the Andes Mountain Range. After this, the tour will take us to the modern part of Santiago, including its chic neighborhoods, shopping, and financial centers. Visit the Pre-Columbian Museum. which has a collection of 3000 art pieces on display, mainly from the Incas, Mayas and natives from the different regions of Chile. A little further, cross the Mapocho River and head straight towards the Bellavista Neighborhood, a lively place, core of the night and artistic life, where pubs, cultural centers and international gastronomy can be found. Return to your hotel in Santiago. -

**Overnight at HOTEL DIRECTOR VITACURA or similar**

### **Day 3 – Saturday Feb 13 Wine Country, Valparaíso, Viña Del Mar (BL)**

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel. We depart this morning through the Casablanca and Curacavi valleys. We stop at Veramonte Vineyard, surrounded by acres of native forests, it receives the breezes and morning fogs that blow from the Pacific Ocean, and give the ideal conditions for growing white varieties (Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay) and reds of cold weather (Pinot Noir, Merlot and Syrah). We have a guided tour and wine tasting of 3 wines such as: Veramonte Sauvignon Blanc, Ritual Pino Noir and Primus The Blend. Upon arrival at the Pacific coast, visit Las Salinas and Reñaca beaches and then continue to Viña del Mar, known as the garden city for its beautiful parks. We will have lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon, we visit Valparaíso, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where stairways and old funicular lifts lead up to the hills on which the city is built. Dating back to the 16th century, the



architecture of this quirky town is attractive and eclectic. Return to Santiago. **Overnight at HOTEL DIRECTOR VITACURA or similar**

### ***Day 4 – Sunday Feb 14 Santiago / Punta Arenas / Torres del Paine National Park (BD)***

**EARLY MORNING:** Transfer to the airport for our flight to Punta Arenas. Transfer to the Torres del Paine National Park.(approximately 3-hour drive) We will be part of the activities and excursions offered by the Lodge. The hotel's goal is that we enjoy everything that the national park offers. The All-Inclusive program includes all the tours, with guides and baqueanos who will make you feel like you are at home.

**Overnight at REMOTA LODGE (Mountain view rooms).**

*We are explorers in love with the sublime beauty of the Chilean Patagonia, with its history, its people, its nature, happy to show and accompany our visitors in this adventure, supported by a world-class infrastructure and hotel with 72 spacious rooms with spectacular views, luxury gastronomy and spacious living and relaxation areas.*

*We are proud to be the best of the hotels in the area and happy of what we do, our prestigious ecological building recognized worldwide, our first class service and our passion with which we deliver a unique and unrepeatable experience, to explore the Better way, this privileged part of our Planet.*

### ***Day 5 – Monday Feb 15 Torres del Paine National Park (BLD)***

A sample full day excursion by vehicle into Torres del Paine National Park: We will get to know the lakes, rivers and waterfalls with beautiful colors and the majesty of the Paine massif. In addition to the flora and fauna there is the beautiful scenery throughout our trip which ends in Laguna Azul, where we will have lunch with a privileged view, weather permitting, from the famous Torres del Pai.

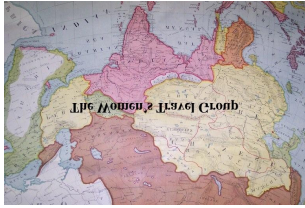
**Overnight at REMOTA LODGE (Mountain view rooms).**

### ***Day 6 – Tuesday Feb 16 Torres del Paine National Park (BLD)***

Excursion to Torres del Paine National Park: Today we will focus on lakes and icebergs. Grey Navigation in Lago Grey by boat, where you can see the Grey glacier and the stunning blue icebergs.Be prepared for wind in this area. **Overnight at REMOTA LODGE (Mountain view rooms).**

### ***Day 7 – Wednesday Feb 17 Punta Arenas / Santiago flight/ Depart Santiago (B)***

Transfer to Punta Arenas airport (approximately 3-hour drive) for the flight to Santiago. Arrive and connect with a flight to your onward destination or overnight and continue to Easter Island.



## *EXTENSION TO EASTER ISLAND February 18 – 21, 2021*



### ***Day 7 – Wednesday Feb 17 Overnight Santiago (D)***

Dinner in the hotel tonight. Overnight: **HOLIDAY INN AIRPORT HOTEL** a short walk from the airport

### ***Day 8 – Thursday Feb 18 Santiago – Easter Island by flight (BD)***

Breakfast is served at the hotel. Transfer across the street to the airport to board our flight to Easter Island. We will be met on arrival and taken to our hotel. Our guide will join us for dinner.

Overnight **TAHA TAI HOTEL** or similar. *The Hotel Taha Tai was built on the seashore from which it adopted its name. The hotel is located a mere 5 minutes from the urban center of the town Hanga Roa. The hotel also has a bar and restaurant from which it is possible to enjoy the island's amazing sunsets. The hotel has 40 modern rooms all equipped with air conditioning, telephones, Internet, and room service. The hotel staff is dedicated to offering you with the best in personalized service.*



### ***Day 9 – Friday Feb 19 Easter Island (BD)***

We leave our hotel this morning and head towards the Cave Ana Kai Tangata, where birds are drawn in a stylized painting, representing Manutara (sea swallows) and whose precious egg was the center of the annual Bird Man competition. Later visit the Vinapu sector, an archaeological site which has large basalt slabs carefully made similarly to the Cuzco Inca constructions. Continue to Rano Kau, with a lake and small islands of reeds and lush vegetation. We visit Orongo ceremonial village where the ceremony of the Bird Man competition was performed. The sacred character is represented as a human shrunken body with a large beak and is sculpted in many engraved stones. Return to your hotel at Isla de Pascua. This afternoon we visit Ahu Akivi, one of the few platforms on the island where the Moais face the ocean. Legend tells that they represent the seven explorers sent by King Hotu Matu'a before his colonization voyage. After this visit we will continue our trip toward the site of Puna Pau, a small red scoria crater, where the Pukao were made, a kind of hats or topknots placed on top of some Moais of the island. Finally, visit Ahu Uri Aurenga, which has a single statue and has the distinction of an orientation in the line of the winter solstice, marking not only the beginning of this season (tonga), but also the time of different taboo (prohibitions) regulating fishing and other activities on the island. Astronomically it is also facing east, lined with two neighboring hills, and Maunga Mataengo and Maunga Tataraina, as well as 2 smaller Ahu nearby. Return to your hotel at Easter Island. During the evening, enjoy dinner in the hotel's restaurant. **Overnight TAHA TAI HOTEL or similar**

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### ***Day 10 – Saturday Feb 20 Easter Island (BD)***

#### ***Akahanga, Rano Raraku, Ahu Tongariki & Anakena Beach***

Full day Easter Island excursion to visit the ruins of the temple of Akahanga, where the hats of the moai are the outstanding feature. They lie where they fell when the platform was destroyed. Continue to the volcano of Rano Raraku, where all the Moai on the island were carved out of the rock. Climb to the edge of the crater of the volcano to appreciate the small lake inside and moai scattered about the inner slopes in various stages of construction. Continue to Ahu Tongariki, where many of the huge moai were toppled by a large "seaquake" in 1960. Finally, the tour ends at Anakena beach with its two beautiful ahus (stone platforms). There is time for a bath in the sea before returning to our hotel. **Overnight TAHA TAI HOTEL or similar (BD)**

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### ***Day 11 – Sunday Feb 21 Easter Island – Santiago / Departure (B)***

The day is at leisure until our transfer to the airport for the flight to Santiago. Arrive and connect with your flight home or an onward destination



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### **Pre tour Buenos Aires, Argentina**

Minimum 4 Travelers \$1840 Per Person on Sharing basis

Single Supplement \$ 350

Please Note: Argentina has a tourist tax that is paid directly to the hotel on check out. It ranges between \$1 - \$1.50 per person per night.

### **MAIN TOUR CHILE**

Minimum 6 Travelers \$ 3400 Per Person on Sharing basis

Single Supplement - \$ 695

Santiago/Punta Arenas/Santiago \$ 455

**Note - Airfare based on current fares and subject to change until ticketed.**

### **Post Tour Easter Island**

Minimum 4 Travelers - \$ 1585 Per Person on Sharing basis

Single Supplement - \$ 450

Santiago/Easter Island/Santiago \$ 615

**Note - Airfare based on current fares and subject to change until ticketed.**

### **Included**

- : • Services by private Vehicle with local English-speaking guide.
- Accommodations regular check in time (3.00pm) until regular check out time (12.00 noon).
- American buffet breakfast daily served at the hotel restaurant B = Breakfast.
- Porterage at Airport and Hotel in Santiago.
- Porterage at Hotel in Punta Arenas.
- Meals & tips where indicated L = Lunch / D = Dinner.
- Funicular in San Cristobal Hill in Santiago.
- Entrance Valparaiso Elevator (1).
- Pre-Colombian Art Museum.
- Mineral Water per person daily during excursions.
- Tour & Tasting Veramonte Vineyard.
- All Inclusive Program SOFT in Hotel Remota (above info).



- Extension Easter Island:  
Entrance National Park and mentioned sites.

**Not included:**

- Air ticket and airport taxes. (Listed separately)
- Tour Conductor/Escort.
- Gratuities for guides and/or drivers.
- Porterage at Airport Punta Arenas and Easter Island.
- Premium Wines in Hotel Remota.
  - Extras at the hotel such as: laundry, telephone calls, etc.
- Reciprocity fee upon arrival to International Santiago Airport.
- Any item not mentioned in the itinerary

## WTG – Terms & Conditions – Argentina

### TERMS, CONDITIONS & GENERAL INFORMATION

Please read the Terms, Conditions & General Information contained in these pages very carefully. They outline the terms under which your SITA tour will operate and they limit our liability. Payment of deposit and/or final payment is an acknowledgement of receipt of these terms & conditions and constitutes acceptance of such as outlined.

**Airfares (TBA):** Based on current fares and subject to change without notice UNTIL TICKETED. Airfares are based on the current lowest fare, and subject to availability of the applicable class of service. It may be necessary to re-quote a fare at the time of booking, depending on availability. At time of final payment, please check for any applicable increase in taxes and fuel surcharges. Airfares are subject to different rules and cancellation fees. Some airfares may be non-refundable once ticketed. Details will be provided on request. Please note that effective Jun 01 2019 it is mandatory to provide the passenger contact details – Tel # & Email – to the airline, in order that they may provide updates directly to the passenger regarding schedule changes, flight delays or cancellations. The passenger has the right, not to provide the contact details, but the travel agency issuing the ticket requires to receive such refusal in writing, which will be added to the ticketing record.

**\*\*Insurance:** We strongly recommend Travel Insurance. Pre-existing conditions are covered PROVIDED Insurance premium is paid with deposit or within 14 days thereof. Alternatively, premium may be paid with final payment. Insurance cannot be purchased after final payment has been received by SITA. Insurance is non-refundable. A SIGNED



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, PROVIDED BY SITA, IS REQUIRED BY THE PASSENGER WHETHER ACCEPTING OR DECLINING SITA'S INSURANCE.

**Visas:** US Passport holders do not require visas for Argentina & Chile. Please ensure that your passport is valid for 6 months from return date. **Please ensure that passports have blank visa pages, for each entry, to allow for customs and immigration stamps on entry and exit from South America.** They can deny entry if this is not available.

**Inoculations:** We recommend that you contact Passport Health at 1-888-499 7277 or [www.passporthealthusa.com](http://www.passporthealthusa.com) for questions regarding country-specific health counseling.

**Tour Reservations:** SITA requires a deposit of \$250 per person to commence reservations. This amount will be adjusted with the balance due 60 days prior to departure.

**Tour Payments:** SITA accepts tour payments by clients Visa, MasterCard & American Express credit cards. Signed statement on SITA form required by each client charging on credit cards. Copy of form will be supplied by SITA. SITA does not accept 3<sup>rd</sup> party credit cards.

**Cancellation policy:** Due to the special nature of the programs featured, suppliers impose rigid cancellation fees; please be aware that SITA has no control over such fees and cannot make any exceptions to these charges. Note: All cancellations must be received by SITA in writing; cancellation/s will be effective when the written notice is received at SITA's offices in Encino, CA.

If a cancellation is received after SITA is in possession of the initial deposit, but more than 60 days prior to departure, the cancellation fee incurred will be \$250 per person (a higher cancellation fee may apply to some tours). If cancellation is received between 59 and 36 days prior to departure the fee incurred will be 75% of the entire tour price. No refunds whatsoever will be made for cancellations received within the last 35 days prior to departure.

**NOTE:** If you book as a share and request a change to a Single room or you request a share, are paired with a roommate and later cancel, the penalty is \$225. Should we find a suitable match for your former roommate, the penalty will be credited back to you.

**Tour documents:** Final tour documents including day-by-day itinerary, hotel listing, air tickets & vouchers are sent between 30-15 days prior to departure.