SPLITBOARD GUIDES INTERNATIONAL



PUYEHUE EXPERIENCE Lakes District, Chile

ITINERARY

<u>Day 0</u>

(Night before the trip begins): Travel from the United States via Santiago, Chile.

<u>Day 1</u>

Arrive in Osorno, Chile. Travel to local hacienda, relax in hot springs.

<u>Day 2</u>

Climb and ski the Volcano Casablanca. Then we will visit some local hot springs and night at our favorite Agua Calientes Spa retreat for dinner and lodging.

<u>Day 3</u>

Volcan Puyehue- Horse Assisted Trip

Start the morning by organizing our ski gear and loading it onto the pack horses. It is an approximately 4 hour horseback ride to get up to the mountain hut at 1,400 meters. Here your guide will set up what will be our rustic, yet cozy, home for the next few days. Night in the mountain hut.

<u>Day 4</u>

Early in the morning, we start ski touring to the summit of Volcan Puyehue. From the top the view of the Patagonian Andes is spectacular! You can see other volcanoes in Argentina and Chile along the same fault line as Puyehue: Lanin, Osorno, Puntiagudo, and Tronador. Depending on conditions, we can ski from the summit into the crater of the volcano, skin/bootpack out of the crater, choose another line, and ski down again! The lines we ski, and the number of runs we ski, is dependent on skiers skill level and endurance. This is a long day on the volcano and we will ski back to the hut at the end of the day. Spend the night in the mountain hut that evening.

<u>Day 5</u>

Options are to continue to further explore the Puyehue National Park via our own backcountry gear. We will supply tents and all backcountry essentials to all participants. Staying in the backcountry an additional 2 nights to explore the park even further and ski some really cool lines, or group and conditions dependant we will ski and hike down to the gaucho's ranch. Options are to relax that afternoon or drive to North or South to another Volcano if conditions are better. The drive to Pucon is 5 hours. The drive to Volcan Osorno is about 2 hours Night in a cozy hosteria and get ready to ski early the next morning.

<u>Day 6</u>

Backcountry ski deeper in the Puyehue National Park, possibly a ski traverse thru if conditions allow OR climb up Villarica volcano (2,840 m) or Volcan Osorno (2,652m) Afternoons are spent in the local hot spring relaxing and visiting the nice towns of Chile.

<u>Day 7</u>

Backcountry skiing in Puyehue National Park. Evening spent in backcountry or comfortable refugio or continue skiing on the great snow we have found on other nearby volcanoes!

<u>Day 8</u>

Travel to Osorno airport and farewell meal with team. As always with the weather be prepared to shift and flex with changing conditions. That being said we might find ourselves doing this itinerary complete backwards to accommodate weather and snow conditions. We want to find the best conditions and a flexible schedule is key! Flights out that evening or the following next day. *Itinerary subject to change*

WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING IN THE MOUNTAINS WITH YOU- SGI GUIDES

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