



SAMPLE ITINERARY

This is a very typical 7 fishing days itinerary, and is used only to give you an idea of the flow of a week-long trip to Patagonia.

Day 1: Overnight flight to Buenos Aires, Argentina, arriving mid-morning the following day.

Day 2: After arriving in Buenos Aires, fishermen then gather their luggage, clear customs, and are met by their personal shuttle driver who transfers the group approximately one hour to the domestic airport (for flight to Bariloche). Upon arrival in Bariloche the group is then met at the baggage claim and driven south to Cholila. The drive is approximately 3 hours driving through some of the most incredible scenery, including gauchos, condors, and the Andes Mountains. After arriving at the lodge you will begin to relax, eat, and prepare for the fishing days.

Day 3: After a hearty breakfast, you will drive approximately 45 minutes to the Rio Rivadavia in Los Alerces National Park, where you will spend a day floating the entire length (4 miles) of the river, carefully working all the seams, pockets, riffles, and runs you can imagine. The Rivadavia holds big fish, and the population changes continuously with the up and downstream migration of trout. One day of fishing can be slow and the next day yield 20 - 30 trout with an average of 19 inches. The Rivadavia was featured in our show on ESPN's "In Search of Flywater". In the evening you will return to El Trebol Lodge for your dining, drinking, and storytelling.

Day 4: You will drive approximately 30 minutes to the Rio Chubut, where Esquel Outfitters has over 60 miles of private access through a 150,000 acre Estancia. You will either spend the day walk wading or possibly a one day float. The Rio Chubut is one of the few significant Patagonian rivers not born in a large lake in the lap of the Andes. The Chubut flows through a somber, treeless range, studded with jagged, parapet-like formations. The landscape is dry, but dramatic. The Rio Chubut is mainly a rainbow stream, although you may catch a few brook trout or browns. You won't catch your trophy trout here, but you will catch more than 17 inches than you ever imagined. You will return again to El Trebol for the evening.

Day 5: You will drive approximately 30 minutes to the Rio Carrileufu, located in the splendid Cholila Valley, for a day of floating. The Carrileufu is the northernmost of a series of rivers that link a chain of splendid mountain lakes, most of which lie within Los Alerces National Park. You will float approximately a 5 mile stretch, fishing mainly for Rainbow Trout and Landlocked Salmon. Again, you will return in the evening to Hosteria El Trebol.