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Salmo Patagonia Lodge

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Pre-trip information 2011-2012

Accommodations:

Due fishing itineraries and driving distances, we have two places for lodging: SPL Lodge in Coyhaique and SPL Cabins in Lago Largo in our “Hacienda Chalhuaco”. In both cases the price of the programs are based on double or single occupancy (depending of the type of program) with private bath (in the regular cabins there is one bathroom per cabin for one or more customers, but in the junior suites, main Lodge and regular rooms there is a private bathroom per each customer) for 6 nights, 7 days in our regular programs and two or three days in our other programs. If you want single rooms or other type, please let us know and we will see the availability of this service (see each program in order to see the prices for this extra) also may be you will have some nights in both places.

Ground transportation:

We provide ground transportation from Balmaceda’s airport to the Lodge or Cabins and to all the fishing areas; other kinds of transportation out of the fishing itineraries will be not included. Also check the kind of trip you are booking in order to see if you have this service included or non included. We will be able to provide you transfers and connections if needed. Driving distances may be long; remember we are located in an unexplored and wild place.

Breakfast:

You will have breakfast buffet in SPL Coyhaique and regular ones in SPL Lago Largo (refer to your contract to confirm the kind of breakfast you will have included on the type of trip you choose)

Box lunch:

Depending the type of program you will choose, box lunch will be prepared each morning; we have cold or hot meals, asados,



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barbeques and other (we improve also our coolers with food, drinks, appetizers and desserts such as chocolates, candies, based in a variety of food, such as: potato salads, fish and chicken fingers, cold sandwich, ham, cheese, fruit, bacon, meet and others, always from a Lodge selection (that means you will not have necessary all those items together daily) In Lago Largo you may return to the cabins for a regular lunch. In our VIP programs “Fishing with Luis” you will have a superb lunch at the fishing place, with dry place to eat, cooker, tables, chairs, etc.

Dinners:

Dinners will be based on international cuisine. If you need special meals or you cannot eat any product you should advice us before place your trip and wait for our confirmation for availability.

We cook using the best products we are able to find in this place: Patagonian meat and fresh salmon, potatoes, chilean soups, salads, deserts, fruit, etc. When you will arrive to the Lodge, we will supply you a menu with the details of all your week meals (if you are interested on it, we can e-mail you a copy in advance) We’ve a high reputation for the Lodge’s meals and be sure you will have a wonderful experience.

Daily cocktail:

Only at SPL Coyhaique you will have a daily cocktail when you will come back from your fishing day, just a time for relax, share stories with the rest of the guest and take a drink and snack (potatoes, canapes, olives, etc.)

Drinks:

You will have all the alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks included from the Lodge selection; this means we will put a variety of alcoholic and regular drinks for you daily, but we will not grant all kinds of drinks or a limited supply of them. Also you will be aloud to enjoy our Bar to take a drink and relax after your fishing day; this bar will be opened from 8 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. out of those times, and pursuing to obtain a totally silence for the rest of all our guest, noise, drinks or walking through the Lodge will be not permitted. By law is forbidden to smoke in any place at the Lodge, cabins, cars, boats, ATV’s, float tubes, etc.



Guides:

We will provide you our bilingual guides. One per each two fishermen (if you are from a group of friends we may put you three with one guide) Our working daily hours will be 10 hours since we leave the Lodge until we’ll return. In Chaluaco Lodge you may have an open schedule subject to meals times and others.

Cars:

One per each two fishermen (if you are from a group of friends we may put you three or more with one guide) in all our V.I.P. trips, through three customers per guide and car in the rest.

In SPL Chaluaco you will have the possibility of use our horses and ATV’s but this will depend of our company criteria and your desires. In our special trips “Fish Patagonia with Luis Antúnez” you will have a private guide-helper & cooker and car plus the help of Luis Antúnez.



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Boats:

We will include too the use of all our kind of boats (jet boat, aluminum boats, drift boat, float tubes, etc.) always following our company criteria that means, depending of weather or water conditions, fishing daily programs, customers or other of our ideas, we may put you on a boat daily or never. In our regular VIP programs we normally float one day but we will follow your desires to design daily itineraries.

Laundry:

We have a 24 hours delivery for laundry. Prices and terms will be available in your room. VIP Fishing with Luis programs have free laundry service.

Safety box:

A private safety box will be included for free at the room (we will be not responsibly for anything you will not keep inside it; also we will not have an extra key, so if you loose the key you should be paying the cost of the safety box plus other expenses; this service is available only at SPL Coyhaique)

Electricity:

We have 220V and round plugs. Be sure you carry all the transformers and adaptors you may need. We do not warranty the supply of adaptors or transformers.

Internet:

In SPL Coyhaique you will have free Wi-Fi Internet access (computer only included in V.I.P. Special trips) We will be not responsibly for the quality of service our supplier will provide.

Sauna & SPA:

Sauna & SPA (subject to the Lodge time and conditions; service only available at SPL Coyhaique) This service is free only in all our VIP programs and are subject to the Lodge's rules and availability.

Others:

- You will have a fly tying room and library open daily at Lodge's schedule and rules.
- Wading, dirty shoes, etc. are not permitted inside the Lodge outside of the wader room.
- Spiked wading boots are prohibited on all the boats.
- We will not responsibly for any material you may loose, broken or forget during your trip.

Not included:

- Any commercial air transportation or any kind of expenses in your way to Balmaceda, Chile or SPL.
- Remember we have an special service for domestic flights with a \$300 from Santiago to Balmaceda and return to Santiago. Apart of the price, we hardly suggest you to buy your tickets from us due we can grant you will be inside domestic Lan Chile's system and we will be able to manage luggage, itineraries, delays, luggage delay or lost much more better.
- Trip insurance; we suggest you to take an international one for your travel. We will be not responsibly for any expense, flight delay or any other item in your way on or back to our Lodge; if you will loose one day for any reason we will not able to extend this day to you due the Lodge planning and you should claim this time to your air line



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carrier.

-Any kind of fishing equipment; we have a complete store where you can buy flies, leaders, tippets, personal materials, souvenirs and much more. Please take in account that prices of those materials may be more expensive than in your origin countries, due we are located in a very remote place, very expensive to bring things down here. We have made a huge effort to have this store and grant you to provide a better service just in case you will need.

-In Chile waters are public almost always; in any way if you own the land that surround a lake or a river nobody will be able to arrive there so we offer “private access waters” to all our customers that will allow you to fish totally alone. Fishing licenses and the access to those waters will cost you USD150

that you will be paying at your arrival to the Lodge.

-In SPL Coyhaique you will have a phone in your room; those calls will be automatically charged to your account at a cost of USD 5 to 10 per minute long distance depending of the area, country, cell phones, etc. Same for fax service (you will have a price list at the room)

-Any all other extras do not shown in the last section of included services will be an extra and should be cancelled before your departure.

Travel/Documents:

A valid passport is required to enter Chile. Prior to clearing customs, you must purchase a visa, obtainable at the port of entry (Santiago) upon payment of a fee (currently \$100) The visa is valid for multiple entries to Chile and remains valid until the expiration of the passport.

You will be issued a Tourist Card (white or pink sheet paper) upon entry that must be surrendered upon departure. Customs officials can hassle or fine you if you don't have the card when exiting the Country.

Santiago:

If you want, you May spend an overnight in Santiago to break up your travel. Time permitting, you may wish to tour the city or surrounding areas. Our office can help you with those arrangements. Available tours include, Cousiño Macul or Concha y Toro Winery and Maipo River Canyon, Historical Santiago, Panoramic Santiago, or Viña Del Mar and Valparaiso. If you do not want, we will try to make all the arrangements so you will be able to connect to Balmaceda (Coyhaique's airport) straight on upon your arrival to Santiago; same for your return.



Flights:

We have all the best contacts and prices to arrange the best flights for you. We offer you the service in domestic flights from Santiago to Balmaceda two ways at a cost of USD300. This will allow you a safe and faster connection. Be sure that if you buy your flights by yourself, you should be arriving Balmaceda at 16:00 p.m. local time on Sundays and leaving next Saturdays on 12:00 p.m.

Coyhaique:

Coyhaique, the capital of Region XI in Southern Chile, is a two or three hour flight from Santiago (depending the flight) With a population of 55,000, Coyhaique offers hospital, banks and tourist attractions in a wilderness valley setting surrounded by the Andes and braided by the Simpson and Coyhaique Rivers (from the Lodge we can offer you about 40 different tourist trips, such as: horse trekking, rafting, cruises to the glaciers, museums and much other types for a half or a full day)

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Travel logistics:

For all our V.I.P. Trips a staff member will meet you at the Balmaceda's airport on a Sunday and drive you to Salmo Patagonia Lodge or our cabins for accommodations. You should arrive after 16:00 to Balmaceda's on Sunday and should leave the Lodge on next Saturday before 12:00. After those times we will charge an extra to you and maybe we will not be able to offer you lunch and other Lodge services (we will charge you an extra any way)

For the rest of our trips please refer to your contract so you will be able to see if that service is included or not.

Weather:

Located in the southern hemisphere, Chile's seasons are reversed (our winter is their summer) Santiago's climate is warm and dry with summer temperatures ranging from lows in the 50s to highs in the 80s. Coyhaique's climate is cool and wet year-round with summer temperatures ranging from the 40s to the 70s.

Currency:

You may convert dollars to Chilean pesos at the Santiago airport. According

to the U.S. Department of State Travel website, travelers might have difficulty using U.S. \$100 bills due to concerns about counterfeit U.S. currency. Many Chilean banks, exchange houses and business may refuse to accept \$100 bills. Whenever possible, visitors to Chile should use Traveler's Checks or bring bills smaller than \$50. Exchange estimate rate is 1 dollar=525 pesos. The lodge do not accept credit card or cheques, we will only accept cash or travelers and also we will apply our own exchange rate.



Language:

Spanish is spoken as the national language. Your host and most guides at the Lodge can converse in English and other languages.

Health:

We suggest you contact your doctor regarding inoculations recommended for travelers to Chile, or log on to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website at www.cdc.gov/travel.

Gratuities:

Our best tip if you will return, however if you want to leave a tip we suggest you a tip of 10% or \$400 per fisherman at the end of the week. Due internal rules direct tips are not aloud, so the Lodge Manager will give you an envelope and you will put your tip inside and close the bag. Guides will received 50% and the rest will be for the rest of the staff according to those internal rules. Please remember that tips are a personal desire and will depends only on you, our best tip is that you pass a great time together us and will return.



Catch and release:

To insure the best fishing possible, a strict catch and release policy is in effect.

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Personal shape:

We have hundreds of customers from all around the world, any country, age and personal shape and we are much more than OK with that, however, if you do not have good personal conditions you will be welcome onboard anyway but you should be sure you understand that this should be a point that will change the type of fishing program you could make, use or not use boats, ATV's, horses, float tubes, etc. And that will be not our responsibility in any way, we will try to do our best but some times we will be conditioned to weather conditions, water level or availability.



Fishing equipment:

Floating fly lines:

- WF3F
- WF4F
- WF6F
- WF7F

If you want to bring only one we suggest to bring a WF7F (Rio fly lines available at the lodge's shop; subject to the lodge's stock)

Sink tip fly lines:

WF67S (300 grain or S6 sinking speed) (Rio fly lines available at the lodge's shop; subject to the lodge's stock)

Knot-less tapered leaders:

-12' from 0x to 5x

We suggest to bring the following amount of each sizes:

- 0X-1X: 3 of each size
- 2X-3X: 10 of each size
- 4X-5X: 5 units

(Rio leaders available at the lodge's shop; subject to the lodge's stock)

Tippet material:

-From 0X to 5X

We suggest to bring the following amount of each sizes:

- 0X-1X-2X-3X: 2 units from each size
- 4X-5X: 1 units from each size

Hook sharpener

Your fly boxes

Fly rods:

We recommend to bring, at least two rods, just in case you will break one. If you want you can rent our rods at a daily price of US 30 per person. All our rods are top series of Sage.

If you want to bring only two rods we suggest to bring a 9 foot, four piece and 6 weigh fly line in medium-fast action (Sage 690-4 Z-axis, 691-4 Z-axis, same models in XP or SLT) You will be using those rods with a 7 weight fly lines as we described before.

If you are more expert, we recommend you to bring, apart of those 6 weights:

-9,5, 9,6 or 10 foot rods for 6 or 7 weights (all in three four piece) Sage 6100-4XP, 696-4 Z-axis.

-9 foot 3 or 4 weight fly lines, 4 pieces for fish small streams and delicate trouts with thin tippets. Ex. Sage 389-4 SLT, 390-4 Z-axis, 490-4 Z-axis, etc.

Spinning rods for fish for salmon just in case they will be with not conditions for fly fishing. We suggest actions 570 and 9-10 foot long, 3-4 pieces. ex. Sage 570-3GSP

Reels compatible to rods. Take in account that we do not have reels for rent and you should bring yours any way.

Be sure the reel you bring has:



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- Good capacity.
- Good shape.
- Good brake for the fly lines up to 5 weight.
- Extra spools.
- Large arbor if possible
- Do not bring only one reel, just in case.

For spinning reels be sure your reel is a good brand with an strong brake and good capacity of minimum 100 yards of nylon (do not bring kevlar or similar) of 0.55 millimeters diameter.

Tape measure.

Amber polarized sunglasses. If possible bring two pairs.

Prescription glasses. If you use this kind of glasses be sure to bring two pairs.

Hemostats, line clippers.

Fingerless gloves.

Waterproof pack or gear bag.

Fly float-ant and drying crystals. Two units of each.

Fishing pack or vest.



Clothing & Personal items:

Passport and photocopy of photo page.

Airline tickets.

Personal medications.

Other medications such as: aspirins, anti estaminet, diarrhea, etc. Explain some

Long sleeved fishing shirts.

Two bandanas.

Supplex fishing pants or long johns.

Polar fleece vest or down-filled vest.

Polar fleece pullover or button jacket.

Polar fleece pants.

Quality raincoat. This is very important and we suggest you to bring Patagonia Gore-tex raincoats, we have tested during years and they goes perfect here.

Casual travel clothes.

Fishing hat.

Electrical adaptors. We have 220V. electricity and our plugs are round. SPL system

Lightweight hiking boots.

Sunscreen, lip balm. Two of each in small sizes. Spp. 90

Gore-Tex waders. Brand new. Patagonia

Wading boots. Brand new with an extra pair of lines.

Small bottle insect repellent (is very rare to have mosquitos here, but just in case)

Small flashlight. This is very important, be sure you bring two that will works.

Camera. We suggest digital waterproof models.

Extra film or memory card and batteries. We have a free service at the lodge with which you can download daily all your pictures and we keep until your last day when we burn a CD or a DVD with all of them. We have almost all kind of adaptors, memory reader and cables, but we will be not responsibly if we do not have you model.

Cash for tipping.

House shoes.



Flies:

Upon your arrival we will supply you a free sample from the most used patterns here. If you want

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you will be able to buy all the flies you may need at our store. Following a quick list of flies, if you want we can e-mail you a complete list and pictures of flies.

Trout

Royal Wulff #16-8

Tarantulas #8-2

Hoppers #6-2

Bead Head Hare's Ear nymph #16-8

Bead Head Pheasant Tail nymph #16-8

Midges #18-14

Chernobyl Ant #6-2

Parachute Adams #16-12

Mayflies #10-18

Elk Hair Caddis #14-8

Bead Head Flashabuggers #10-4 in brown, olive and black

Stimulator #10-4

Salmon

Egg Sucking or Starlite Leech #2-1/0 (weighted with flash) in fuchsia, pink, purple

Foam Poly Wog #2-1/0 in pink, chartreuse

Show Girl #1/0

Zonker, Muddler, or Muddler patterns #2-1/0 in white/pearl

Bunny Leech patterns #2-1/0 in fuchsia, pink, purple

Spinners:

Just in case you will need spinners for salmon fishing, we suggest you to bring Blue Fox Vibrax sizes 6-7 in blue color or similar, we can supply you those lures at a price of USD 20 each, so we recommend you to buy them at home more cheaper. Bring only mono lines in 0.60 mm or 50-60 Lbs. test, do not bring braided lines.

Check our website to learn more details.