



Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park. Trekking El Solitario trail, Saltos de Petrohué rapids and Emerald lake.

Trekking Solitario trail. Vicente Perez Rosales N.P.

Overview:

Profile: Adventurous

Difficulty level: Easy

Season: November to late March

Other trips you might find interesting: Cochamo Walls and river Hike, Tagua Tagua Hike, Trekking Desolacion trail. Volcán Osorno, Petrohué falls, Emerald Lake

Programe:

Today we will drive along a scenic road bordering the Llanquihue Lake which host one of the best scenic roads in the region. We will arrive to the Vicente Perez Rosales National Park oldest national park, founded in 1926. It covers an area of 251,000 hectares (619,970 acres), incorporating the park's center piece, Lago Todos los Santos, Saltos de Petrohué, and three commanding volcanoes: Osorno, Tronador and Puntagudo.

We will continue the road up to the Confiteria at about 4600 feet from where we will enjoy our first short walk of the day going around a secondary crater whose red and orange colors stand out from the natural landscape. From here you will get one of the nicest views of the Calbuco Volcano which sits right in front of us at about 25 kms/ 16 miles of distance, time for a coffe at the base camp resto and head to the starting point of solitario trail. Here we will join the natural trail which introduces us into the deep forest with lichens and ferns that slowly change the landscape into drier terrain and cross the lava flow of the last eruption in 1869 to finally arrive to the spectacular Petrohue River rapids that flows to the estuary of Reloncavi As part of the excursion not to be missed the the Emerald Lake. Drive back to your hotel. Arrive at 19 hs approx.

Starts and ends at:	9 am. Puerto Varas or Pto Montt. Return at 6.30 pm.
Location:	P.N. Vicente Perez Rosales, Lake District, South of Chile.
Duration:	9 hours. 1 hour and 30 minutes drive from Pto Varas one way Plus visit to the waterfalls, drive up the ski center in the volcano and stop at Emerald Lake. Walking distance: Red Crater: 50 minutes walk. Solitario 6 km/ 3.7 miles 2.30 hs.
Difficulty level:	Easy.

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	Terrain: gravel. Mostly undulating and flat.
Transportation:	Private vehicle.
Equipment to bring:	Water, warm clothes according to weather and time of the year. Trekking shoes, rain jacket, sun and skin protection (sunglasses, hat).
Included:	Box lunch. Entrance fee to Saltos de Petrohué, private transport, private guide with Wilderness First responder Certificate Knowledgeable in native flora and fauna.
Safety:	Emergency equipment and first aid kit.

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