

Patagonia: Tracking Pumas and Cruising the Fjords

WILDLIFE ADVENTURES FROM PAINE TO TIERRA DEL FUEGO



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TRIP DATES

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Patagonia is a paradise for nature lovers, with its golden pampas, verdant forests, and sheer granite peaks. Its rugged topography and southern latitude make it a haven for unique fauna, including prowling pumas. In remote Tierra del Fuego, magnificent tumbling glaciers descend right to water's edge and the wildlife ranges from Magellanic penguins to austral parakeets. On our wildlife odyssey with WT Trip Leader Karen Lund Petersen, an Argentine naturalist and long-time WT Trip Leader, we begin with a four-day cruise by expedition ship. We'll voyage through Tierra del Fuego from Ushuaia, Argentina, to Punta Arenas, Chile, into a realm of soaring fjords, ice floes, glaciers, and marvelous Fuegian wildlife. We then enter a completely different world as we head to Chile's renowned Paine National Park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve and a surreal landscape of iconic granite towers carved by ice. Here we'll set out to track pumas, the "ghost of the Andes," with expert local trackers. Paine is thought to hold a higher concentration of pumas than anywhere else on earth, and to spot one in the grandeur of Paine National Park is a spine-tingling experience. In addition to Paine's big cats, we'll keep an eye out for guanacos, native foxes (both Patagonian gray fox and Fuegian fox), armadillos, flamingos, soaring condors, and more. Our accommodation in Paine is a historic estancia (ranch) on the edge of the park. Karen lives in remote northern Patagonia with her family and is a gifted professional naturalist. She's the ultimate guide to unlock the secrets of this realm. Join us for the natural history trip of a lifetime!



Itinerary

TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

Length: 12 days
Arrive: Ushuaia, Argentina
Depart: Punta Arenas, Chile
Lodging: 3 nights hotels, 4 nights estancias, 4 nights expedition cruise ship
Meals: All meals included (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
Activity: Walking, Wildlife and Natural History
Trip Level: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
 Wildlife viewing, easy to moderate hikes and walks, four nights aboard expedition cruise ship, Patagonian weather changes may affect daily itinerary

DAY 1 USHUAIA, ARGENTINA

Arrive in Ushuaia, set between the sea and the snow-capped 8,000-foot peaks of the Cordillera Darwin, only 600 miles from Antarctica! You'll be met for a transfer to our hotel, Los Yamanas, with its views across the Beagle Channel. This famous body of water was named for the H.M.S. Beagle, the ship that brought naturalist Charles Darwin and Captain Robert Fitz Roy here in 1833. We gather for a trip briefing and our Welcome Dinner this evening...D

Please note: Should you wish to stop for an overnight in Buenos Aires a day ahead to rest up from jet lag and enjoy the city, we are happy to book an extra hotel night for you (an "on your own" expense).

DAY 2 ESTANCIA HARBERTON / BEAGLE CHANNEL / ZODIAC RIDE / MAGELLANIC PENGUIN COLONY

We travel through the peat valleys of Tierra del Fuego to Harberton, the first estancia ever established in Tierra del Fuego. Leaving right from the estancia, we take a covered Zodiac-style boat along the Beagle Channel to Gable Island, with views of the channel as far as the distant town of Puerto Williams in Chile. We'll head back via Martillo Island, where we can walk among Magellanic penguins. These birds are always a highlight, with their antics and vocalizations as they waddle along the beaches of the Beagle Channel. Three thousand pairs of Magellanic penguins and a smaller colony of gentoo penguins breed here. Time permitting, we'll visit the fascinating Acatashun Museum, which holds one of the largest collections

of marine mammal specimens in the world, with displays of the bones of penguins, dolphins, and whales. Overnight at the hotel in Ushuaia...BLD

DAY 3 BOARD EXPEDITION SHIP / BEAGLE CHANNEL

After a day exploring around Ushuaia, we head to the dock in the late afternoon to embark aboard the ship with our Trip Leader. We'll settle into our cabins, then gather for a welcome toast and an introduction to the Captain and his crew. As we enjoy our dinner, the ship will sail south through the famed Strait of Magellan, Beagle Channel, and fjords of Tierra del Fuego. Overnight on board the Ventus Australis or Stella Australis...BLD

DAY 4 CAPE HORN / WULAIA BAY

Sailing through Murray Channel and Nassau Bay, we arrive at Cape Horn National Park in the morning. We'll disembark (weather conditions permitting!) for a walk in one of the most legendary settings in the world, the narrow cape at the very tip of South America where the Pacific and Atlantic oceans meet. Two sets of islands separated by a narrow channel make up this park, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. In the afternoon, cruise to Wulaia Bay, disembarking to visit an archaeological site that includes evidence of the indigenous Yagan people who once occupied this area. The Yagan were nomads and hunter-gatherers who used canoes to travel between islands. We'll also take a nature walk through the native Magellanic forest, with its lengas, coigües, canelos, and ferns. During our time on board, the ship's English-speaking guides and guest

lecturers deliver presentations and slide shows on various aspects of Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego. Overnight on board ...BLD

DAY 5 PIA GLACIER / GLACIER ALLEY / PORTER GLACIER

We sail along the northwest arm of the Beagle Channel this morning and enter Pia Fjord, where the spectacular Pia Glacier cascades down to water's edge, shedding enormous chunks of ice in hues of turquoise. We'll voyage through a setting known as "Glacier Alley," exploring by Zodiac amid the natural wonder all around us, with the opportunity for a hike. In the afternoon, we navigate by Zodiac between high rocky walls to reach the Porter Glacier. Overnight on board... BLD

DAY 6 AGOSTINI SOUND / CONDOR GLACIER

This morning, our ship enters the Cockburn Channel, which brings us to Agostini Sound, a deep fjord that separates two branches of the Cordillera Darwin mountains. Many of the glaciers here descend right to the sea. We'll head out by Zodiac and take a walk around a lagoon formed by the melting of the Aguila Glacier. An afternoon Zodiac ride takes us close to the Condor Glacier, with an opportunity to learn how glaciers are formed and how they influence the geography of the Fuegian channels. Overnight on board...BLD



DAY 7 MAGDALENA ISLAND PENGUIN COLONY / PUNTA ARENAS / PAINE NATIONAL PARK

We arrive at Magdalena Island early this morning, weather conditions permitting, to visit its famed colony of Magellanic penguins, some 60,000 strong. We'll reboard and cruise to Punta Arenas, Chile, to disembark. In the afternoon, a long but scenic drive brings us to world-famous Paine National Park, a surreal realm of stone carved by ice. We'll have lunch en route. The stunning granite cuernos (horns) of the Paine Massif will come into view as we go, rising above sparkling lakes and braided rivers woven into the tawny tones of the Patagonian steppe. We'll follow the park's gravel roads, with stops for photography and wildlife viewing, to our home for the next four nights, Estancia Cerro Guido, on the rolling pampas east of Paine National Park...BLD

Approximate Driving Time: 4-5 hours, including photo stops

DAYS 8-10 PUMA TRACKING WITH EXPERTS

With three full days of puma tracking, we have excellent chances to see and photograph these beautiful cats (although sightings cannot be guaranteed). Among our team of trackers is expert Jose Wayaja, known as "The Puma Man," a well-known tracker with a deep knowledge of the park's puma population. As the son of a legendary park ranger in Paine, Jose knows the best places and times to see these big cats, and will be in close radio contact with our puma-tracking team as they constantly scout the best areas for sightings.

We depart the estancia each day by vehicle, then set out on

foot to do our tracking. The hiking and walking is not on difficult terrain, but because we are out for long periods of time, it can be demanding. Once we do find a puma, we will remain in the same spot for a long period to observe and track its activities. Throughout each day, there will be dramatic views of the landscape of Paine National Park and the photo opportunities will be fantastic.

Our exact explorations will depend on where the best chance of seeing a puma is on a given day according to our puma trackers. Typically, early mornings and late afternoons are the best times. We'll start early, typically be out until about 11:00 am, then return to the estancia for lunch and a rest, with a return to the field in around 3:30 pm, staying out as late as 7:00 pm, as the viewing conditions dictate. We may choose to take a lunch with us and can stay out all day if conditions warrant.

Pumas exist in relatively high numbers in 900-square-mile Paine National Park due the abundance of prey, including guanacos and hares, and the relative scarcity of humans. There are about 50 pumas known to live in the park. The animals were hunted here until 1972, but the creation of Paine National Park gave them a place of refuge. With their sandy coats, they are well camouflaged by the park's yellow grasses and reddish scrub. They are solitary, except when females have cubs, and largely nocturnal but also active during certain times of the day. Their main prey is the guanaco, a cousin of the Andean llama, and they also feed on hares, deer, birds,





and rodents. Besides looking for pumas, we'll have plenty else to look for, from South American gray foxes (known as the Patagonian fox) to Patagonian armadillos, soaring Andean condors, and rheas (a large South American flightless bird) seen trotting along the roads. Overnights at Cerro Guido... BLD each day

DAY 11 PUMA TRACKING / PUNTA ARENAS

After a last morning of puma tracking, an afternoon drive brings us back to Punta Arenas, where we gather for our festive Farewell Dinner. Overnight at Hotel Yegua Loca... BLD

Approximate Driving Time: 5 hours

DAY 12 DEPART

Transfer to the airport and connect with flights to Santiago and homeward (or join one of our extensions)...B

Trip Details

DATE AND PRICING INFORMATION

TRIP COST

Prices are per person, valid through Spring 2024

\$12495 (10-12 members)

\$13295 (6-9 members)

Single supplement: \$4195 (Based on Category A cabin)

Upgrade to Category AA cabin: \$327

Upgrade to Category AAA cabin: \$700

To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. All costs are per person, based on double occupancy. If you wish to have a single room, you must pay the single supplement fee. Please note that Wilderness Travel staff, or guests of Wilderness Travel such as travel writers, photographers, or leaders-in-training, are not included in the tier pricing count.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

Because the prices published for our program are set so far in advance of the trip dates, we are occasionally faced with exceptional cost increases and/or currency fluctuations that affect the actual cost of running the trip. In most years, no price changes are necessary. However, we do reserve the right to raise or lower the trip price if there is a significant change in costs or exchange rates. If this is the case, your final invoice will reflect the difference in trip cost.

TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Expert leadership of a Wilderness Travel Trip Leader and local guides
- Accommodations in hotels, lodges, estancias, and boat
- All meals included as indicated in the Detailed Itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- A glass of wine or beer with dinner
- Land and boat transportation
- Airport transfers

TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

International airfare, internal flights, travel insurance, airport departure taxes, optional tipping or gratuities to leaders or staff, additional hotel nights that may be necessitated by airline schedule changes or other factors, cost of medical immunizations (if any), and expenses of a personal nature (alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.).

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

At time of reservation: \$600

90 days prior to departure: Balance

CANCELLATION AND TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Minimum fee (non-refundable boat deposit): \$300 per person

61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost

46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost

45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

*Please note that this differs from our regular catalog departures.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

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Iguazú Falls Extension

One of the most stunning natural wonders in the world, Iguazú Falls stretches a full mile across the Rio Parana, with 275 separate cascades—one third on the Brazilian side, two thirds on the Argentinian side—laced with rainbows and plunging hundreds of feet in a mist-shrouded subtropical landscape, truly an other-worldly spectacle. The cascades form part of the Iguazú National Park, known for more than 400 different species of birds. A walk along the footbridges of the park is a chance to spot colorful toucans and other birds. The park was declared a Natural World Heritage for Humanity by UNESCO in 1984. The Falls can be reached by paths, footbridges, and Zodiac boats, offering a number of different perspectives.



DAY 1 BUENOS AIRES / IGUAZÚ FALLS

Transfer to the domestic airport in Buenos Aires (or depart from Salta) for the flight to Iguazú, arriving in the afternoon. Meet with your guide and explore the many paths that wind around the falls, enjoying your first views of the cascades and the thundering sounds of the water. The birdlife around the Falls is abundant and fascinating. Overnight at the Melia Iguazú Spa and Resort...B

DAY 2 TOUR ARGENTINE SIDE OF IGUAZÚ FALLS

Meet your guide first thing in the morning to take the train to Devil's Throat Lookout (the early morning start avoids the crowds). Here a catwalk trail brings you to a viewing platform right by the horseshoe-shaped main cascade, where several powerful falls unite (bring a dry bag to protect your camera from the heavy mist). After lunch at the hotel, enjoy an exciting afternoon boat ride to the base of the roaring cascade—be prepared to get wet! Overnight at the Melia Iguazú Spa and Resort...BL

DAY 3 IGUAZU FALLS / BUENOS AIRES

Transfer to the Iguazú Airport for a morning flight to Buenos Aires, with transfer in Buenos Aires to your hotel...B

Optional Visit to Brazilian Side

If you arrive before noon on Day 1 of this extension, you can opt for a quick excursion to the Brazilian side of the Falls for a half-day tour. However, if you prefer a more leisurely visit, we recommend that you add an extra day to your extension (total of three nights instead of two). Please call for pricing.

Optional Birding Tour

The Iguazu rainforest is home to an extraordinary number of birds, including toucans, trogons, parakeets and parrots. This two-hour excursion includes a private vehicle and guide, binoculars, telescope, field guide, and recorded sounds of all the species in the area.

FALL 2023–SPRING 2024 EXTENSION TRIP COST

\$1450 per person, double occupancy

Solo Traveler: \$2195

Single supplement: \$750

Optional visit to Brazil side of falls: \$260 per person (Solo traveler: \$335)

Optional birding tour with specialist: \$275 per person (min 2 guests)

Prices are not guaranteed until services are confirmed.

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy.

Note: This extension must be booked in advance of your departure. Please note that a visa is required to visit the Brazilian side of the falls. You must obtain your visa prior to arrival.

Extension Cost Includes: Accommodations, meals as listed above (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner), airport transfers, services of a local guide on Days 1 and 2, sightseeing as listed above.

Not Included: Internal flight from Buenos Aires to Iguazú and return, airport departure taxes, optional tipping or gratuities to guides or staff, additional hotel nights that may be necessitated by airline schedule changes or other factors, additional hotel nights in Buenos Aires, and other expenses of a personal nature (alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.).

Arrival & Departure

Upon confirming your trip reservation, we will send you a Welcome Packet that includes a list of documents (passport, visas, etc.) required for your trip. Please feel free to call if you would like this information before making your air arrangements.

If you have booked extra services before or after the trip, an Extra Services Confirmation will be sent with your Final Documents.

ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Ushuaia, Argentina

Suggested Airport: Malvinas Argentinas Ushuaia International Airport (USH)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 1, by 5:00 pm

Meeting Place: You will be met upon arrival at the Ushuaia airport and transferred to the Hotel Las Yamanas.

DEPARTURE

Punta Arenas, Chile

Suggested Airport: Presidente Carlos Ibanez International Airport (PUQ)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 12, anytime

On Day 12, a transfer will be provided from the Hotel Yegua Loca to the Punta Arenas airport.

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

You are responsible for making your own arrangements for flights to and from Patagonia. There are many online consolidators for booking travel, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 1-800-655-4053 in the US or 1-800-670-2605 in Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found at www.exitotravel.com.

Depending on your routing, it is necessary to depart from the US one or possibly two days prior to Day 1 of the trip itinerary. The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US.

Please do not purchase your tickets until you are confirmed on the trip. Once tickets are purchased, please forward a copy of your email flight confirmation from the airline. It is your responsibility to ensure your flight times coordinate with the arrival and departure logistics for this trip.

Accommodations



HOTEL LOS YAMANAS

Ushuaia, Argentina

Days 1 to 2 (2 nights)

Right on the shores of the Beagle Channel just outside Ushuaia, Los Yamanas has incredible panoramas of this legendary waterway and the rugged mountains that flank it. It's a perfectly positioned base for our explorations around Tierra del Fuego and the Beagle Channel.



STELLA AUSTRALIS OR VENTUS AUSTRALIS

Tierra del Fuego, Chile

Days 3 to 6 (4 nights)

Tailor-made for exploring the remote southern tip of South America, the state-of-the-art 210-passenger Stella Australis or Ventus Australis each have the extreme maneuverability necessary to navigate narrow fjords and channels where few cruise ships can venture. Specially designed for Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego cruising, each ship offers cabins in six categories, all with a picture window and private bathroom. Enjoy regional and international cuisine in the dining room, along with Chilean and Argentine wines and wide-ranging views. With spacious lounges, sky bars, cozy passenger cabins, and spectacular views from the open top deck, these are the perfect ships for exploring Patagonia's waterways.



ESTANCIA CERRO GUIDO

Paine National Park, Chile

Days 7 to 10 (4 nights)

Estancia Cerro Guido is a charming working estancia with more than 100 years of history behind its name. What started as part of the Sociedad Explotadora Tierra del Fuego, the largest cattle network in the history of Chilean Patagonia, is now also a comfortable lodge located at the edge of the park. The estancia has 15 guest rooms, a cozy lounge with a fireplace, and a nice restaurant that sources most of their produce from its own greenhouse. If you have time, explore the property, visit the estancia's horses, meet the gauchos, and keep a lookout for wandering wildlife.

Accommodations (cont'd)



HOTEL YEGUA LOCA

Punta Arenas, Chile

Day 11 (1 night)

A hundred-year-old building converted into a boutique lodge, this charming 8-room hotel has a hilltop location with panoramic views over the Strait of Magellan. The décor reflects the gaucho and ranching history of Punta Arenas and each guest room is decorated in a different theme. The hotel is about a five-minute walk from the waterfront.

These are our signature accommodations for this trip. Although it is highly unlikely, we may make substitutions when necessary. To see more photos and descriptions, please visit our *Patagonia: Tracking Pumas and Cruising the Fjords* webpage and click on “Accommodations.”

Our Guide

MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

Leaders with passion and deep knowledge of their destinations make all the difference to your experience. Our leaders are Patagonia experts—many have been guiding here for over 20 years. Their deep knowledge of the region's natural history and local culture enriches your journey immensely, and their personal connections will bring you into the heart of this fascinating region. The Trip Leader will be joined by local guides throughout the trip.



KAREN LUND PETERSEN

Karen Lund Petersen, born and raised in Buenos Aires, has a degree in Environmental Science and a passion for sharing nature with people--especially Patagonia's wild nature. She now lives with her family in a small village in the forests of northern Patagonia. When not out guiding our trips, she works in her vegetable garden, teaches sustainability, and lectures on food production and consumption. "I love how wild Patagonia still is. When you travel here, you feel a deep respect for the powers of nature—the strong winds, the vast openness, the magnificent granite walls, glaciers, plants, and animals... I love it all. And I especially love sharing it with others."

What the Trip is Like

WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

The trip is Level 2, Easy to Moderate, with vehicle-based exploration and day hikes, hotel and lodge accommodations plus four nights aboard an expedition cruise ship. While this is not a hiking trip, it is an active adventure, and the shape you're in is an important factor in your enjoyment of your trip

Please note that your Trip Leader may make adjustments to the itinerary and hiking routes, depending on local weather and trail conditions.

TERRAIN

The walking and hiking will be over relatively easy terrain, and during the 2.5 days of puma tracking when we find a puma we will remain in one area for some time to observe it. However, given that we will be outdoors in Patagonia and walking for many hours at a time, it can feel physically demanding, so you should be in good shape and have some endurance.

WEATHER

We time our trips for Patagonia's ideal weather, which is from late November through March, when we can enjoy the mildest temperatures and 16 hours of daylight. November (spring) is blessed with wildflowers and March (fall) offers the start of spectacular fall foliage. With its deep southern latitude, you might expect Patagonia's weather to be more "polar" than it really is. In fact, the austral summer temperatures are relatively moderate. During Patagonia's summer months (November through March in the Southern Hemisphere), the thermometer rarely drops below 40°F and will usually reach into the high 60s and even low 70s during the day. Nevertheless, the weather is radically changeable. Rain, sleet, and snow can occur at any time—perhaps just a few hours before or after sunny skies and 70° temperatures.

The enormous, unbroken stretches of ocean to the west and south of the tip of South America leave the Patagonian Andes exposed to strong and persistent winds. Winds circling the globe between latitudes of 40°S and 60°S have little obstruction when they reach the tip of South America. Experiencing these winds is almost inevitable on any Patagonian journey. For most part, you can expect winds of 9 to 13 miles per hour, but they can occasionally gust much higher, quickly "cooling down" an otherwise pleasant day.

There's a saying that in Patagonia that you can experience all four seasons in one day, so be prepared for quickly changing weather. The best defense is proper clothing and layering, and our Pre-Departure Booklet has a detailed list of recommendations for layering.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Four nights are on a 210-guest expedition ship, either the Ventus Australis or her identical sister ship, the Stella Australis. These vessels, specifically designed for Tierra del Fuego, let us explore in comfort amid the rugged fjords of the extremely remote Cordillera Darwin range. Meals on board are varied, with meat, pasta, soups, and vegetarian options, plus locally sourced items such as king crab or fresh-caught fish when available. Shore landings are made by Zodiac, with life jackets provided.

TRANSPORTATION

There will be one 5-hour driving day (Day 7) as we disembark and drive to our estancia in the outskirts of Paine National Park. Everyone should be prepared for bumpy, dusty road conditions, and all will have a window seat on our vehicle.

Average Daily Max/Min °F												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Ushuaia	55/42	55/42	53/38	50/35	40/33	39/30	40/30	42/30	45/33	50/35	55/38	58/30
Porvenir	59/44	58/43	54/41	48/37	44/34	40/32	40/32	41/32	45/34	50/38	54/40	58/42
Torres del Paine	68/48	66/42	62/43	55/37	48/33	41/26	37/30	46/30	50/34	57/37	62/41	64/44
Rainfall - Inches												
Ushuaia	1.5	1.6	2.0	2.2	2.1	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.9
Porvenir	1.9	1.7	2.0	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.7	2.0	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.9
Torres del Paine	0.1	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.3	0.5	0.9	0.1	0.9	0.9	0.2

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

Adventure travel often involves exotic destinations, unusual levels of physical exertion, or activities you may not have participated in previously. We work hard to help you choose the right trip for you, paying attention to your individual interests, abilities, and needs. If you have questions about the level of comfort or any of the activities described in this itinerary, please call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 and ask for the Latin America Manager or email us at latinamerica@wildernesstravel.com.

REFERENCES

We'd be happy to put you in touch with a past client that has traveled with Karen Petersen before on a similar trip.

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YOUR SECOND TRIP

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A versatile Wilderness Travel R-1 pullover by Patagonia (\$140 value).

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Discounts on the cost of your trip begin! You receive a 4% discount on the tour cost.

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

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MEN'S T-SHIRT



WOMEN'S T-SHIRT



PATAGONIA SYNCHILLA FLEECE VEST
PLUS INSULATED CAMELBAK WATER BOTTLE



PATAGONIA R1 PULLOVER



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- Best Adventure Travel Companies:** *USA Today*
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