

EXPEDITION DOSSIER

EXPLORATION: YAGHAN PEOPLE

**Mamihlapinatapai*, Yaghan word, means "a look shared by two people, each wishing that the other would initiate an action or conversation that both desire but neither dares to start."*



DURATION

15 Days

DIFFICULTY

High/Extreme

DATES

18 February 2027

MAX GROUP

5 Pax

PRICE PER PAX

€5,195



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1. THE DESTINATION & EXPERIENCE

An approach to the Yaghan, also called Yámanas, the canoe people from the southernmost part of the world. We will observe their cultural rebirth, slow as Nature, but firm. Channels, water, wind, land, and forest.

2. EXPEDITION ITINERARY

Conditions in remote territories can be unpredictable. This itinerary is a roadmap subject to the safety decisions of our expedition leader.

18th February: [Arrival in Punta Arenas] - Arrival in the capital of southern Chilean Patagonia.

19th February: [Punta Arenas. Flight to Navarino Island] - Flight from Punta Arenas to Puerto Williams, capital of Navarino Island. Arrival in Puerto Williams, the southernmost city in the world, followed by an overview of the most interesting highlights of the area.

20th February: [Navarino Island- Villa Ukika. Initial contact with descendants of the Yaghan People] - An approach to the Culture and Worldview of the Yaghan People.

21th February: [Visit to Hoste Island. Stay with a family descended from the Yaghan People. Ethnographic development of Yaghan traditions and customs and their preservation today] - Navigating the remote fjords and channels (such as the Beagle Channel) to Hoste Island, home of a Yaghan family. Arrival: ethnographic and landscape approach to the island.

22th February: [Hoste Island. Trekking across the island to discover unexplored landscapes] - Trekking through unknown lands: discovering native forests and virgin beaches along the Beagle Channel.

23th February: [Hoste Island. Trekking across the island to discover unexplored landscapes] - Trekking through unknown lands: discovering native forests and virgin beaches along the Beagle Channel.

24th February: [Hoste Island – Caleta del Fin del Mundo] - Continuation of the navigation through the Beagle Channel and the Patagonian channels. Arrival at Caleta del Fin del Mundo.



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25th February: [Visit to Caleta del Fin del Mundo. Journey along the Beagle Channel to reach Douglas, where we will meet its sole resident, of Yaghan descent] - Visit to Caleta del Fin del Mundo, where the most isolated man in the world lives. He is a descendant of the Yaghan people. Observation of the natural environment and preparation of the trekking logistics for the following day.

26th February: [Caleta del Fin del Mundo. Trekking on the island landscapes] Trekking through unknown lands: Exploring the territory between the Bay of the End of the World and the Murray Channel.

27th February: [Caleta del Fin del Mundo. Trekking on the island] - Trekking through unknown lands: Exploring the territory between the Bay of the End of the World and the Murray Channel.

28th February: [Caleta del Fin del Mundo – Return to Puerto Williams] - Sailing back via the Murray Channel and the Beagle Channel towards Puerto Williams. If we get the chance, we may see whales along the way.

1st March: [Puerto Williams- Bahía Mejillones] - Ancestral territory of the Yaghan People. Observation of the area and cultural and ethnographic contextualization.

2nd March: [Puerto Williams] -Day of operational margin due to inclement weather or a change in operational logistics.

3rd March: [Puerto Williams] -Day of operational margin due to inclement weather or a change in operational logistics.

4th March: [Puerto Williams- Punta Arenas. Return flight] - Departure on a return flight to Punta Arenas and connection with your return flight home.



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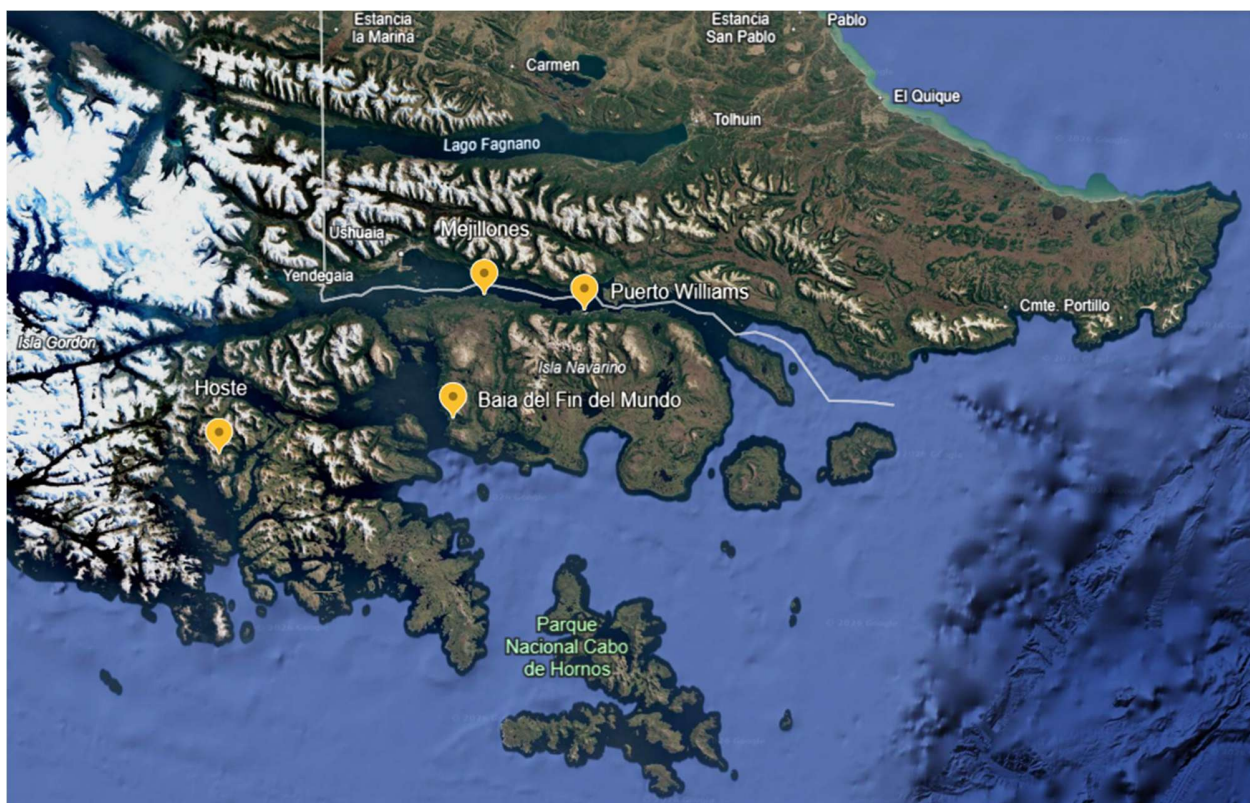
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3. PREPARATION & TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The primary mission of this expedition is to observe, with the utmost respect, the contemporary reality of the descendants of the Yaghan people, travelling through the Patagonian marine channels and trekking to discover the nature of the southernmost tip of Patagonia. Therefore, a high level of technical skill is not required, though travellers should be accustomed to walking in mountainous terrain and the countryside.



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4. SERVICE DETAILS

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES

- Internationally certified expedition leader
- Ethnographic Information Dossier
- Diploma "Seminar on Indigenous Cultures of Patagonia" (in-person attendance required) issued by the Ethnographic Society
- All transport and logistics required during the expedition
- All special access permits
- Full camp and survival logistics
- Emergency satellite communications
- Collective technical gear

THE PROGRAM DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International flights to meeting point
- Mandatory evacuation insurance (strict requirement)
- Personal technical gear and clothing
- Expenses derived from premature abandonment
- Visas, if required and airport taxes
- Personal expenses and tips
- Extra activities
- Any other services not specified in the journey