

## ***One week ski touring in Chalten*** ***Patagonia Sur***

El Chaltén is one of the best and unexplored mountain ski areas in Argentina, with a wide winter season and magnificent snow. The great variety of places, orientations and inclinations allow the practice of skiing in the Patagonian climate. Skiing in the middle of the great mountains, such as the Fitz Roy and Cerro Torre make it unique. A week of skiing, in the best snow in Patagonia and enjoying the small town of El Chaltén is a great objective of your adventure. Cerro Vespignani, Mosquito, Crestón and Madsen are some of the places to visit in Patagonia.

For those interested in a more extensive tour of Patagonia, we offer a combination of the various programs offered by Patagonia Ascent.

**Difficulty:** Easy / Medium.

**Duration:** 1 day.

**Pax:** 1 to 4 persons.

**Recommended month:** July to October.

**Included:** UIAGM/IFMGA mountain guide, technical equipment, GPS, communication: VHF and satellite comunicación, safety gear ( beacon, shovel, probe)

**Not included:** skis, boots.

**Program:** the day before the expedition there's a brief meeting with the guide to check equipment and arrange last-minute details.

**Day 1:** Early in the morning we will drive through 30' to the Hostería del Pilar. From there we will walk 2 hours to the camp Rio Blanco, where we will spend the night.

This same day, we will be able to go skiing to the Inferior Pass, returning in the afternoon to the Rio Blanco camp.

Elevation gain: 1200 mts Duration: 8hs



**Day 2:** Early in the morning we will start the ascent of Madsen Hill, skiing down its East Face, visible from the village. In the afternoon we will return to Chaltén.

Elevation gain: 1000 mts Duration: 8hs.

**Day 3:** Very early in the morning we leave towards the Mosquito stream valley. Depending on the winter we will have to walk between 30 and 50 minutes with our skis in the backpack. Then we ascend by the valley and which offers us different orientations and inclinations which make a propitious place for the adjustment. when finalizing we return to the town.

Duration: 8 - 10hs Elevation gain: 1500 meters

**Day 4:** This day we go to the Valley of Cerro Creston, its aesthetics make it very attractive for skiing. Here we can observe the front of the glacier of the same name as the valley and choose our itinerary of ascent according to snow conditions.

Duration: 8 - 10hs Elevation gain: 1500 meters

**Day 5:** Cerro Vespigniani awaits us for this last day of skiing, a great Patagonian colossal. To reach its summit we have to travel a large glacier which makes a very attractive ski. we will have an extended day as it must make a total drop of 1500m. At the end we return to the village with the satisfaction of having enjoyed the Patagonian snow.

Elevation gain: 1500 mts Duration: 8hs