



The Atacama Desert: Argentina and Chile
with Eliot Cohen

Depart the U.S. on Monday, March 25 (or before) and return to the U.S. on Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Itinerary

Mon,	3/25	Overnight flights depart U.S. for Buenos Aires (or earlier if you choose)
Tue,	3/26	Flights arrive Buenos Aires. Overnight Buenos Aires, hotel tba.
Wed,	3/27	Fly to Salta Drive to Cafayate (2:30 hours, 116 miles) Overnight at Wine Resort, Cafayate.
Thu,	3/28	Drive to El Peñón (5:00 hours, 217 miles) Overnight at Hostería El Peñón.
Fri,	3/29	Pumice field Overnight at Hostería El Peñón.
Sat,	3/30	Drive to Cafayate (5:00 hours, 217 miles) - Wine tour - Sunset around Cafayate Overnight at Wine Resort, Cafayate
Sun,	3/31	Drive to Purmamarca - Sunset at Salinas Grandes Overnight at Hotel La Comarca, Purmamarca.
Mon,	4/1	Explore the Humahuaca Valley - Sunset at Salinas Grandes Overnight at Hotel La Comarca, Purmamarca.
Tue,	4/2	Drive to San Antonio de Los Cobres through Salta (6:00 hours, 213 miles) Overnight at Hosteria Las Nubes, San Antonio de Los Cobres.
Wed,	4/3	Drive to Tolar Grande (5:30 hours, 120 miles) - Sunset at Los Colorados Overnight at Casa Andina, Tolar Grande.
Thu,	4/4	Sunrise at Los Colorados - Arizaro salt flat - Drive back to San Antonio de Los Cobres (5:30 hours, 120 miles) Overnight at Hosteria Las Nubes, San Antonio de Los Cobres
Fri,	4/5	Drive to San Pedro de Atacama (7 hours, 269 miles) - Sunset at Valle de la Luna Overnight Casa Atacama, San Pedro de Atacama.
Sat,	4/6	Alpine lagunas – Miscanti and Meniques, Salar de Talar. Late afternoon Chaxa salt flat. Overnight Casa Atacama.
Sun,	4/7	View point at Licancabur and Juriques volcanos - Sunset at Laguna Tebiquinche Overnight Casa Atacama.
Mon,	4/8	Sunrise in the El Tatio Geyser field followed by the Putana wetlands. Overnight Casa Atacama.
Tue,	4/9	Sunrise shoot. Drive to Calama (1:15 hours, 62 miles) - Flight to Santiago - Connecting flights home.
Wed,	4/10	Flights return to the US.

The program may vary from the itinerary above based on weather, road conditions or other unforeseen conditions. We may also vary to take advantage of other opportunities.

The workshop is designed for 7-10 people. Our guide, Claudio Vidal, is a wonderful and knowledgeable person with whom, I'm sure, you will enjoy travelling. I have had the pleasure of his company on six visits, and he is universally loved by all who have been with him. Claudio's company, Far South Expeditions, has made our arrangements. We are traveling at times in developed areas with up to date accommodations and at times in remote areas where the accommodations are more basic, but always comfortable and clean. Baths are all en suite. Some room sharing may be necessary in the more remote areas (El Penon and Tolar Grande).

The cost of the workshop is \$9,970 for shared accommodations based on 7-10 participants. The single supplement is \$850 or \$650 if rooms are shared in El Penon and Tolar Grande. If we travel with 10 participants there would be a \$500 discount. This includes all accommodations, meals and guide services for the itinerary, private ground transportation during the tour and park entrance fees. Some breakfasts or lunches may be box/bag to allow us the maximum flexibility in our photography. The hotel in Buenos Aires will be at our own expense. I will reserve the rooms once we have our group defined.

Additional costs include our international flights, our in-country flights (which I estimate to be \$300), excess baggage fees, Buenos Aires hotel, alcoholic beverages, tipping (I can provide guidance), travel insurance, soft drinks, snacks, laundry, and anything else of a purely personal nature, as well as any individual transportation other than with the group.

Ground transportation in Argentina will be provided using 4x4 vehicles (3 guests per vehicle). The border crossing from Argentina to Chile will be done using a mini bus; transportation in San Pedro will be provided by a comfortable 19-seater van. Please note the long drives due to the remote locations.

Some of our travel will be at higher altitude. In Chile, we will spend our nights in San Pedro which is at 7,500 feet (similar to Santa Fe). However some of our excursions will go from 13,000-15,800 feet. In Argentina, we will be sleeping at elevations from 7,000 to 12,400 feet with excursions in a similar range.

To reserve a place in the workshop a deposit of \$4990 is required with the balance (\$4980 plus single supplement) is due October 1, 2018. Please send an email to info@eliotcohen.com to confirm availability and then your check can be mailed to:

Eliot Cohen, 1556 Onyx Drive #105, McLean, VA 22012

The workshop fee is based on double accommodations. Please note that additional charges apply for single accommodations. I am happy to assist in coordinating room sharing for singles.

Please check with me prior to making international flight arrangements to confirm that the workshop is running as planned and that your arrival/departure will coordinate with our group travel schedule. We will fly to Buenos Aires, then next day to Salta, Argentina and return via Calama, Chile from Santiago.

Travel insurance with an emergency evacuation provision is recommended. A standard liability waiver may be forwarded to participants prior to departure.

Cancellations/refunds:

By June 30, 2018, the workshop fee will be refunded less a \$750 cancellation fee.

By August 31, 2018, the workshop fee will be refunded less a \$2,250 cancellation fee.

Sept 1, 2018 or later, the workshop fee will be refunded less a \$2,250 cancellation fee if another participant can take your place.

By submitting your deposit, you acknowledge reading and agree to these terms.