



ACONCAGUA EXPEDITION

Cordillera Principal + Frontal



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SEASON 2022-2023

20 DAYS

ACONCAGUA means Stone Sentinel (6,962m).

This quadrangular-based pyramid is the highest mountain in America and one of the most coveted by climbers, runners, and anyone looking for a challenge in Central Andes.

Aconcagua is part of 7 SUMMITS circuit, being the highest point on Earth after the Himalayas.



ACONCAGUA EXPEDITION offers the opportunity to explore the Central Andes and also the “Cordillera Frontal”, being this one the oldest of our mountain system.

Our walk through the Cordillera Frontal will give us an excellent acclimatization, that we'll need then to face the South American Giant: Aconcagua.

Our visit to Mendoza will not be complete until we enjoy local food, such as the famous Argentinian Barbecue or typical meat "empanadas". Without forgetting, of course, that Mendoza has one of the best red wines: Malbec, a grape variety that was brought by Europeans and found an excellent place to grow.

Almost 20 years of experience endorse us as one of the best mountain guides in this area.

We seek perfection in every experience with our boutique service.

Perhaps our price compares with other offers, but our quality and professionalism, obtained after so many years working among the best guides, make us unique.

Seriousness, responsibility, simplicity and resolution of any inconvenience characterize us.

Climbing higher than the condors and celebrating in our homes is our dream.



ITINERARY

Day 1: Mendoza (800m). Arrival to Mendoza airport, transfer to Mendoza city. Meeting with the guide for a welcome talk and equipment check. Equipment rental, if necessary. Night in Mendoza (1).

Day 2: Cordón del Plata Vallecitos (2.900m) / Cerro Andresito (3.000m) y Cerro Arenales (3.300m). Transfer to refuges area in Cordón del Plata. After settling in, we'll head to the mountains Andresito and Arenales. Excellent welcome trek to continue with our acclimatization (5 hours aprox.). Return to the refuge, snack, dinner, preparation for the next day and spend the night at 2,900m.

Day 3: Refuge / Campo Vega Superior (3450m). After breakfast we move with all our mountain equipment to Vega Superior Camp (2-3 hours.) Explanation and setting up of tents. Ascent to the Needle C.A.B.A. (3,500m). Snack, dinner and overnight at 3,450m.

*Personal equipment carry will NOT be included.



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Day 4: Campo Vega Superior / Cerro Adolfo Calle (4.267m)/ Campo Vega Sup. Breakfast with a privileged view of more than 3000m. We take this day to climb one of the most famous mountains and we ascend above 4000m. We enjoy one of the best views of the surrounding valleys and mountains. We continue to gradually increase our acclimatization (5 hours). Snack, dinner and overnight in Vega Superior.

Day 5: Campo Vega Superior / Campamento El Salto (4290m). After breakfast, we leave our camp to get ourselves to our first base camp (4 hours approx.) We arrive to El Salto Camp, we set up the tents and dedicate to hydrating and keep on our acclimatization. Dinner.

Day 6: El Salto/Día de Descanso. It's very important to rest without stopping our acclimatization. Good hydration and a little walk in the area. We will enjoy talks, meals and hot infusions.



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Día 7: Cerro Vallecitos (5.470 m). We leave early (5 A.M.) towards the summit of our first big goal. This day is demanding but optimal for our acclimatization, crowning 5000m that gives the area its name. We'll also have our first encounter with our next big goal. Return to camp.

Día 8: Vallecitos / Mendoza City. Descent to the refuge area and return to the City of Mendoza. Night in Mendoza.

Day 9: Mendoza City. We process the permissions to enter Aconcagua Park. Refueling and last details before heading to Aconcagua.

Day 10: City of Mendoza/ Refuge in Los Penitentes (2,800m). Transfer to Penitentes where we will carry out the preparation and distribution of the loads for the mules. Snack, dinner and night in mountain shelter.



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Day 11: Penitentes/ amento Confluencia Camp (3.400 m). We move to Aconcagua Provincial Park. We'll go to Confluencia Camp walking through Horcones Valley (4 hours approx.) Set up tents. Night in Confluence.

Day 12: Confluencia/ Plaza de Mulas (4.300m). After our breakfast we'll move to Aconcagua's base camp: Plaza de Mulas (8 hours approx.). This day implies a considerable physical effort. Well-deserved reception to recharge our energies. Then, setting up our camp and free time / dinner.

Day 13: Plaza de Mulas/ Resting day. We'll have free time to hydrate and rest at the base camp. Mandatory medical check-up.



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Día 14: Plaza de Mulas/ Canada Camp (4.950 m). After our breakfast we move to our 1st Altitude Camp (4 hours approx.) Once we arrive at our camp, we set up the tents and continue with hydration and rest. The guide is dedicated to supplying food and infusions to continue hydrating the group. Our acclimatization will be favored by our previous ascent in La Cordillera Frontal (C°Vallecitos 5,470m).

Day 15: Canada Camp/ Campo Nido de Cóndores (5.540m). 4/5 hours hiking towards our 2nd altitude camp. Arrival, tents set up and rest. Water and snacks.

Day 16: Campo Nido de Cóndores/ Cólera Camp (6.000 m). 3/4 hs hiking to our 3rd and last high camp before the summit. After arriving we'll get ready to hydrate, have dinner and rest early, because the next day we'll start our Summit day very early.



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Day 17: Cólera Camp/ Aconcagua Summit/ (6.962m)/ Cólera Camp. Big day has arrived. Ascent to the summit. We get up early and at 5 A.M. we head towards the Roof of America (10/14 hours approx.).

Day 18: Canada Camp / Campo Nido de Cóndores (5.540m). After our breakfast, we leave our camp and descend to Base Camp. Well deserved reception!

Day 19: Plaza de Mulas / Mendoza City. We get up and after having breakfast and dispatching our loads on the mules, we go to the park entrance where we'll the check-out.

Día 20: Extra day. End of services.

WHAT'S INCLUDED ?

- Qualified Mountain Guides.
- Assistant guide on summit day (in Aconcagua).
- Prior personal advice.
- Assistance during the ascent permit process.
- Transfer to Cordón del Plata (round trip).
- Transfer Mendoza - Horcones - Mendoza.
- Meals during the previous acclimatization in the Cordón del Plata.
- Nights in Refuge: Vallecitos and Penitentes.
- Complete base camp services (meals, dining tents, dishes, bathrooms, electricity, water, etc.)
- Expedition meals (Breakfasts, receptions, lunches, box lunches and dinners)
- Group expedition equipment (2/3 person tents, heaters, etc.)
- Group and personal equipment transportation by mule in Aconcagua.
- Group mountain first aid kit.
- VHF communication equipment.
- Guide Civil Liability Insurance.



What is NOT included?

- Aconcagua National Park entrance permit
- Personal equipment
- Expedition and personal porters
- Hotel nights in Mendoza and meals in Mendoza.
- Transfer Mendoza- Penitentes- Mendoza.
- Food services in base camp in case of taking the extra days in Plaza de Mulas.
- Expenses caused by abandonment of the program.
- Personal insurance
- Personal medications, extra expenses and services not specified in the program.



RATES & CONDITIONS

You must previously deposit 25% of the total value to make your place reservation effective (no refunds). Total cancellation of the fee will be made at meeting point in Mendoza with our guides. All programs must be complete paid 30 days prior to departure date. Minimum of passengers to carry out the expedition: 4. Once the deposit payment has been made, we will send a registration form to complete and return by email before the start date of the program. There will be no refund if you abandon the expedition. Extra charges caused by abandonment of expedition will be borne by the customer.

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FEE u\$d 3.300 per person



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