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# SALMO PATAGONIA OVERVIEW



**S**almo Patagonia Lodge rests in a magical place of high mountain vistas, breathtaking blue and bottle-green water and amazing numbers

of colorful trout that have never seen an artificial fly. This pristine environment hosts many different micro-climates with an amazing abundance of plant, animal and bird species.

Their twenty years of experience in this singular place has allowed staff to create programs that are adventurous, exciting and fulfilling, but at the same time relaxing and

uplifting. The highly professional and experienced staff, from management and guides, to chef and service, is the best Chile and Patagonia offer.

**F**ishing here provides the best opportunity in all of Chile (or Argentina) to access huge fish in smaller environments—spring creeks, mountain lakes and small rivers. Resident brown trout up to 30 pounds are here in good numbers, along with migrating salmon, steelhead and amazing numbers of chunky rainbows.

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Dear Luis,

I want to compliment you enormously on the job you have done over the years at Salmo Patagonia Lodge. I must say that you have created what I believe is simply one of the very best lodges on Planet Earth. The setting of your lodge, the comfort, the attention to detail, the staff, the room, the fishing, the scenery, the guides, the food and, most importantly, the feeling of your place are all just simply the best—not to mention the incredible giant browns and salmon you have in your private waters.

Let me wish you the very best of luck for the future.

Marc Bale

Vice President Marketing and Sales  
Sage Manufacturing Co.

The lodge's experienced guides enjoy fly fishing and know what anglers want. The staff offers more than twenty years of experience working with fly fishermen from all over the world. This tenure of service has developed an organization featuring excellent personnel, technical expertise, and first-rate vehicles and equipment.

**COST:** \$4250 for six nights/five to six days fishing, depending on airline schedules.

**PRIME TIME:** November through mid-April.

**HOW TO GET THERE:** American and Delta offer daily service to Santiago, Chile, as does Lan Chile, the Chilean national airline. All of the flights depart in the evening and arrive early in the morning at the Santiago International Airport. A one-time \$100 entry fee is collected at customs. After receiving your luggage and clearing customs, you'll be met and walk a few minutes over to the domestic terminal where you'll connect with a 2 1/2-hour flight to Balmaceda. In Balmaceda, you will be met and transported in a private vehicle one hour to the lodge.

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hatches. You can wade fish, fish via float or jet boat, or in a float tube. Travel to the fishing is accomplished by super-cab four-wheel drive trucks, horseback or four-wheel drive ATVs.

Lodge operator, Luis Antunez, owns land leases close to 30,000 acres that allows his guides exclusive access on many miles of streams, rivers and more than twenty mountain lakes. Antunez manages these unique waters so that his clients are the only anglers fly fishing for the giant browns, rainbows, multicolored brook trout, and powerful kings, silvers

and Atlantic salmon. Salmo Patagonia guests can also access the best of the many famous public waters from the lodge--the Simpson, Baker and Mañihuales rivers to name a few. Some of Antunez' twenty-plus exclusive access waters are:



Salmo Patagonia Lodge offers an ever-expanding selection of fishing in November through mid-April where you are the only anglers. On these exclusive waters, you can cast to rising brown or rainbow trout or tease up king, silver, and Atlantic salmon in total seclusion. It is not uncommon for anglers to catch and release over 50 brown and rainbow trout per day. Our clients land trophy trout from 5 to 20 plus pounds every week.

Salmo Patagonia Lodge offers the greatest variety and quantity of public and private waters in Chile, if not the world. It's the most consistent trout fishing on earth for size, quality and quantity.

Superb dry fly, wet fly and nymph fishing are all available. You may also sight fish with hoppers or over amazing mayfly

## **Nunca Jamás (Neverland)**

Big rainbows, 16-24 inches. Wade and sight fish big hoppers and streamers. Expect to catch 15 to 20 trout or more a day.

**Toqui River** This incredible clear-water river holds king salmon averaging 40 pounds and silver salmon ranging from 15 to 20 pounds in 8 miles of water. Wade fish for salmon and brown trout.

**Nirehuao River** We own land on and control access to 10 miles of this prolific river full of brown trout up to 30 inches.

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**Z River** Incredible hatches allow you to catch numbers of 10- to 16-inch trout while wading and dry fly fishing this classic chalkstream. Anglers routinely catch 50 plus fish per day.



Small, but significant details comprise a great fishing program. For this reason, satellite phones are provided in all of the trucks for guests' safety and to assure any problems are quickly resolved. 4x4 ATVs are offered just for fun or to save time and your legs during longer treks.

**Alpine Lake** Full of alpine rainbows that routinely feed on the surface allowing sight casting with dry flies while walking and wading the shallows and flats. Fishermen average releasing 40 fish each day and as many as 100 on some occasions. Fish average 12 inches—great fun on a 3- or 4-weight rod.

**Elf River** Sight fishing in a beautiful, remote chalkstream full of huge browns that run to 30 or more pounds. Anglers routinely catch 6- to 10-pound trophy trout.

The guides carry walkie-talkies and GPS. The fishing vehicles are new super-cab trucks outfitted with air-conditioning and four wheel drive to accommodate any road and weather conditions encountered.

A good selection of float tubes is available for use, along with professionally maintained drift boats, jet boats and aluminum boats as well as a complete selection of fly fishing materials, rental rods, emergency waders and much more.

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*Luis*

*Thanks a million for a great trip and especially for joining us on the river. You are a great angler and a great character. We enjoyed fishing Patagonia with good friends. Congratulations on your fantastic lodge. Lots of love and hugs for all your staff.*

*Billy Pate*

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# ACCOMMODATIONS

Salmo Patagonia Lodge is located in a unique region of the world, near the colorful town of Coyhaique, Chile. The lodge is situated atop a large mountain cliff adjacent to the Coyhaique National Reserve, a park teeming with beautiful flora and fauna. From the picture windows you can see the town, the glaciers, the towering Andes and the green valleys of the Simpson and Coyhaique Rivers.

Native woods used in the construction of the lodge complement the warm ambience of the natural setting. Spacious gathering areas, a beautiful dining area with an asado grill, sauna, fly tying room, wine cellar, private trout pond, gardens, and attentive service will make your stay unforgettable.

The accommodating staff attends to the small details, so you can concentrate on fishing during the day and enjoy fine dining, excellent Chilean wines, and comfortable accommodations at night.

The lodge's six guestrooms feature comfortable beds, individually controlled heating and air conditioning, private bathrooms with Jacuzzis, a voice-mail capable phone, attractive decor and spectacular views. In each room, and elsewhere in the lodge, you can connect to wireless internet from your computer. Notebook computers are available for your use.



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