

# Argentina Fly Fishing Trip

## Quick Facts

Trip Dates	February 19 through 27, 2011		
Total Days	9		
Trip Level	I (see below for explanation of levels)		
Cost	\$6,750* (see below for what's included) *Prices evaluated October 1st for the trips in the following year.		
Trip Type	Fly Fishing		
Trip Host	Joe Koehly	316.200.5780	jkoehly@backwoods.com

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## Trip Details

Backwoods Adventures has been working to offer the perfect Patagonia fishing trip for years. Now, we are fully confident those efforts have paid off with this unique and exclusive trip to Estancia Alicura!

The remote and exotic landscape of Patagonia is something that adventurers of all kinds around the world hope to visit someday. This Backwoods Adventures trip dives right into the heart of such famed landscape at Estancia Alicura. Located among the lakes plains and Andes mountains, this 200,000 acre ranch provides adventure that could only be limited by your imagination. The 300 square mile retreat offers mountains, plains, forests, and a 15,000 acre lake fed by three mountain rivers, all teaming with rainbow and brown trout. This fishing, to say the least, is world class!

The Collon Cura, the Caleufu, and the Limay. Three gorgeous Patagonian rivers that would cause any angler to take pause, also our fishing paradise for the week as we journey to Argentina. Travelling from the U.S. passing through Buenos Aires we will make our way to the regional hub of Bariloche, our gateway to Patagonia. After being met in Bariloche by our hosts we will take the 1.5 hour scenic drive to Alicura and let the fun begin. For the next 5 days straight we will fish the three famed rivers, as well as the opportunity to fish the ranch's 15,000 acre lake. The local bilingual guides will assist in our daily outings, fishing 1 guide to 2 anglers. Along with the wade fishing there is also the option to take advantage of the only drift boats in the area and experience an overnight float seeing the Argentine wilderness at its best!

These uncrowded and unpressured rivers thrive with populations of above average sized German brown trout, rainbow trout, and land locked Salmon. The professional guides at Alicura have access to as many as seven great rivers, all within one hour of the ranch and capable of producing breathtaking fish. When not on the river the ranch has a number of programs for rest days or non-fishing companions. Hiking, horseback riding, wine tours, shopping, and cooking classes, are just some of the activities available while visiting this one of a kind destination.

A complete pre-departure packet will be available once you book this trip including a detailed travel itinerary.

## What's Included?

The price includes international and domestic airfare, all hotels and most meals, and guide fees. Yes, you can (almost) leave your wallet at home - the price is ALL inclusive! This is a unique feature of the Backwoods Adventures trips as most companies price their trips on land cost only.

## What's not included?

Personal gear and clothing for your personal use on the trip; alcoholic drinks at meals, guide tips (should you choose to tip your guide); additional charges in hotels such as laundry charges, etc.; additional activities outside the designed trip; airport and immigration taxes (in some situations); passports; travel insurance; any medical costs; and any costs associated with leaving the trip early by your choice. The trip price is figured on double room occupancy; however, single occupancy is available at an additional charge.



### ➔ Guest Ranching

For those wishing to visit the ranch without the hopes of landing a trophy brown, there is plenty to do and even more to see. Whether exploring the terrain on horseback, trekking through the various landscapes, shopping in nearby San Martin de los Andes, or simply relaxing around the ranch house there is something at Alicura for everyone! Please inquire about the guest ranching package for non-fishing companions.

### ➔ Tips

During your Backwoods Adventures experience your leaders work 24 hours a day for the duration of your trip ensuring that you have a great time. If you feel they gave you an excellent experience, and you wish to leave a tip for them, it is greatly appreciated!

Certain Backwoods Adventures trips will require the additional assistance of porters, drivers, or other local staff members to assist with the overall operation. These are hard working individuals who also stay on task 24 hours a day and assist in any way necessary. It is not mandatory to tip, but, it does highly supplement their pay, therefore, again is greatly appreciated.

### ➔ Excess Baggage Fees

Each airline has its own baggage regulations; most will charge for overweight baggage. Check with your international airlines to determine their baggage weight limitations and excess baggage fees. Most international flights allow two bags per person that can weight up to 70Lbs. For domestic flights, remember that the weight limits for baggage is much less. Please check with Backwoods Adventures for this weight if your trip includes domestic flights.

### ➔ Group Size

We like to travel in small, more intimate numbers. This allows us to build great chemistry as a group and also allows for opportunities that may not be available while traveling in larger numbers. This group will be no larger than 8 anglers.

### ➔ Trips Leader

A unique feature of Backwoods Adventures is that you can talk directly with your guide. Please call or email Joe Koehly (316.200.5780 ~ jkoehly@backwoods.com) with any questions you have regarding this adventure.

### ➔ Meals

At Backwoods Adventures we know that well fed travelers are happy travelers! We aim to please your palate by providing great meals while on the ranch. The menu's are prepared specially by Alicura's Chef, designed to please your taste buds!

### ➔ Accommodations

The century old ranch house at Estancia Alicura has recently been renovated to combine the 19th century charm with 21st century accommodations. From duvet covered beds to terrycloth bathrobes, gourmet meals to crackling fireplaces, everything about the guest accommodations are world class!

### ➔ Travel Insurance

It is strongly suggested that you have comprehensive travel protection insurance. Trip insurance can include coverage for medical emergencies, coverage for trip cancellation due to your own accident or illness, or all of the above. We recommend this insurance as Backwoods Adventures cannot be responsible for covering these types of individual situations. Should you choose to purchase this insurance, please carry your confirmation information with you on your trip. Please provide us with the name, policy number and emergency contact number of your chosen insurance company.

### ➔ Health

Some of the activities that you may choose to participate in while in Argentina are strenuous. They should not be undertaken if you have any health conditions which may put you at risk. You are strongly advised to consult your physician for a thorough medical check-up and clearance before the trip. If you are over 50 years old, talk to your doctor about doing a 'stress EKG'. Should you require any medication whatsoever, you must provide your own and be able to administer it yourself.

### Activity Levels

At Backwoods Adventures, we have trips for every skill level from novice to expert. These guidelines will help you select the level of adventure that's right for you.

- Level I Requires no particular fitness level and no special skills and there is the option to just hang out!
- Level II Requires a moderate fitness level, equivalent to 2 to 4 hours of physical exertion.
- Level III Requires a high level of fitness, equivalent to 6 to 8 hours of physical exertion.
- Technical Requires specific skills such as climbing, biking or scuba diving.

If you have questions about whether you are physically ready for a specific trip, we work with personal fitness trainers familiar with our trips that can assist you with your training program. Feel free to contact a trip guide.