



Spring Creek Lodge

Lake District, North Patagonia

Season: November through May

Spring Creek Lodge's central location allows for easy access to northern Patagonia's world-class trout waters. Five of the region's most famous rivers, several spring creeks, and pristine mountain lakes are all a short drive away. This region is a dry fly mecca.

Located on the banks of the upper Chimehuin River, the lodge has six cabañas each feature two individual bedrooms with a shared bath, living room and outdoor porch. Gourmet dinners are served in the clubhouse while you enjoy the stunning views of the Lanín Volcano. The clubhouse also has a common sitting area and bar for you to enjoy a glass of wine or your favorite beverage. Upstairs presents a wine tasting room and a boutique with one-of-a-kind pieces designed and crafted by local artists and artisans.

The Lodge

[Spring Creek Lodge](#) redefines a way to discover northern Patagonia. Private guides and 4WD vehicles are available for every guest to enjoy their visit at their own pace. Besides world class trout fly fishing, in widely diverse environments, you can also participate in a large variety of outdoor and lifestyle activities.

The lodge offers every guest a single bedroom. Each cabaña features two individual bedrooms furnished with queen beds, shared bathroom, living room and an outdoor porch. This layout provides maximum privacy for guests to enjoy their own relaxation time when they are not at the clubhouse.

Every morning, prior to breakfast, a member of the team will arrive at your cabana to get the fireplace going and deliver coffee.



The Fishing

The area between Junín de los Andes and Alumine in Northern Patagonia is the most prolific dry fly fishing region in the world. The variety and abundance of fishable water would allow you to fish a different location each day for more than 100 days. Dry fly fishing is available throughout the entire season, November through May.

During your stay at Spring Creek Lodge or Casa de Campo Lodge you can also choose to experience 2 or 3 day floats that incorporate overnight camping at an our Deluxe River Camp. This option is available on several of the larger rivers that we float.

Guides

At Set Fly Fishing we believe that our people are what make the difference in providing guests with memorable lifetime experiences. We are proud of our guide team which has grown and matured with the company over the past 20 years.

Specific guide teams are focused on the same species, either trout or dorado, throughout the entire season. This accounts for their high level of expertise on “their waters” and provides our guests with the confidence that they are in experienced hands.



Program

DAY 1 Saturday: Fly to Chapelco Airport (CPC) – Check in at Spring Creek Lodge – Lunch Reception at the Lodge – Afternoon Float at Chimehuin River – Welcome Dinner & Argentine Fine Wine Tasting at Spring Creek

DAY 2 Sunday: Alumine River Float Trip – Evening Tango Dancing Show at the Lodge

DAY 3 MONDAY: Walk & Wade the upper Malleo River – Local Folk Music Band Performance at Spring Creek Lodge

DAY 4 Tuesday: lower Chimehuin River Float Trip

DAY 5 Wednesday: Lake Tromen sight fishing with dries for rainbows, browns and brook trout – dinner and second argentine fine wine tasting at the lodge

DAY 6 Thursday: Caleufu River 2 Day Float Trip – 1st Day – Andes Drifters Deluxe Camp

DAY 7 Friday: Caleufu river 2 day float trip – 2nd day – return to spring creek lodge & dinner

DAY 8 Saturday: Private transfer to Chapelco Airport (CPC) – Fly Back to Buenos Aires and then back home

The cost for these 7 nights of lodging and 6 full days fishing as shown in the program is \$5800 per person, sharing one boat, guide and room every 2 anglers.

INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- All lodging as described on the itinerary
- All meals, beer and wine
- Full-time guide and coordinator during the trip
- Transportation between local airport and the lodges
- All the special services described on the itinerary
- Fishing license and fishing gear if needed.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PRICE

- International and local flights
- Airport transfers in Buenos Aires from and the international airport and local airport.
- Laundry
- Gratuities



About Our Deluxe Camps

SET Fly Fishing Deluxe Camps allows you to fully immerse yourself into the Patagonian experience. Imagine a day where you fish the river, creek, or lake of your dreams and conclude the evening sitting by the campfire gazing into the southern night sky.

Our cooks have mastered the art of cooking over an open fire. Be ready to delight your taste buds with unique Argentine asados, roasted lamb prepared gaucho style, and much more.

Many years of providing this experience have allowed us to redefine camping. Andes Drifters dedicated camp staff will pamper you so that you never have to lift a finger!

Our deluxe camp trips focus on floating the five main rivers of northern Patagonia: Alumine, Calefufu, Chimehuin, Collon Cura and Limay. Many stretches of these rivers are remote and/or have extremely limited access. Camping programs provide the answer to allow you to experience and enjoy these otherwise inaccessible waters.

The Gear

While there are some fly shops in the area we will be staying, getting to the shops during their hours of operation can be difficult. Also you may find the need for supplies while you are on a float and camp trip so be prepared. The guides will also have flies but you may find yourself up the river or in a



different location than your guide at points in the trip so it is nice to have some of your own stuff. There is no way to predict every fishing situation that you may encounter but, after years of traveling in Argentina to here is the list of tackle that we recommend.

You should plan on bringing 2 rods. A 6 wt as primary rod, and a 5 wt, both 9', quipped with matching floating lines. A 4wt rod or smaller is no good on windy days.

Reels with working drags that balance your rods, with Weight forward lines in good condition. If you plan on streamers fishing, bring one sink-tip 175 grains to 200 grains.

Three 9' 3x and 4x leaders, and for tippets 2x, 3x, 4x and 5x (one spool of each).

[Download the North Patagonia Gear and Tackle PDF](#)

Season And Weather

The seasons in northern Patagonia are opposite of those in North America. Our fishing season runs from November through May, which translates to late spring, summer and the beginning of autumn in the northern hemisphere.

During the summer months, late December through early March, the average daytime temperatures vary between 66 F and 77 F. Nighttime and early morning temperatures are usually cooler so you may need an extra layer of clothing before the sun warms thing up. Spring and autumn are a bit





cooler with daytime temperatures reaching into the 70's F with the morning and nighttime lows in the low 60's F. Having a vest or jacket handy is typically suggested for the evenings and mornings.

Much like the mountain regions in the western US and Canada the weather in northern Patagonia can be unpredictable and has the possibility of changing throughout the day. For that reason we recommend that you have the ability to layer your clothing as weather conditions dictate. Packing a fleece or rain gear is always a good idea.

Other Excursions

Due to our close proximity to San Martin de los Andes our guests can experience a cultural immersion through a variety of different activities. We offer numerous options for visitors seeking either outdoors or lifestyle experiences. The great fishing combined with numerous outdoors and lifestyle activities makes SCL the ideal location for a family vacation.

Check Spring Creek Lodge's Excursions Catalog for more information.