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Introduction

Parque Futangue offers an unusually broad range of experiences for guests of every interest and ability — from quiet walks beneath ancient trees to summit climbs above 1,000 meters (3,280 ft), private fly-fishing waters, and cultural excursions in the surrounding valleys.

Guided excursions are included in the All-Inclusive program, with two exceptions that carry a supplement: the kayak excursion on the Río Calcurrupe and select full-day fly-fishing trips. (The All-Inclusive program does include a half-day fishing excursion at Laguna Pichi during fishing season.) Guests on other programs may book guided excursions à la carte during their stay, or explore the park independently.

Most excursions take place inside Parque Futangue and are operated by our own team. We also curate a selection of experiences in the wider Lago Ranco area — some operated by trusted external guides, others organized as direct visits to small family-run businesses and artisans of Mapuche descent. These off-park experiences are subject to availability and season.



Excursion Information

Guided excursions take place in small groups, shared with other guests. Private departures are available on request, subject to availability and an additional daily cost; these must be arranged before arrival.

Each evening, between 7 and 9 p.m., our excursions team welcomes guests in the hotel lounge for a personalized planning session.

These sessions have two purposes:

- ▲ To share trail information and recommendations for guests who prefer to explore the park on their own.
- ▲ To present the next day's guided excursions and confirm bookings. Some excursions carry a supplement depending on your stay package. Cancellations are free of charge until 9 p.m. the evening before; after that, a 100% fee applies.

The daily program offers one full-day excursion with a box lunch (5 to 7 hours) and two half-day excursions (2 to 4 hours each).

After the morning outing, guests return to the hotel for lunch before heading out again in the afternoon.

Our guides recommend activities based on your stay package, your interests, and the day's weather. If there is something specific you would like to do during your visit, let us know — the more we know in advance, the better we can shape your time at the park.

Guided excursions are organized into three categories:

- **Soft Adventure**
- **Active Experience**
- **Fly Fishing**

A full-page background image of a lush, dense forest. Tall, slender trees with thick canopies of green leaves fill the frame. Sunlight filters through the leaves, creating a dappled light effect on the forest floor. In the lower center, a person wearing a backpack and red boots is seen from behind, walking along a dirt path that leads into the woods.

01.

Soft Adventure

Designed for guests seeking gentler walks, slow rides, and time on the water — alongside opportunities to encounter the native forest of Parque Futangue and the cultural traditions of the Lago Ranco region.



| SOFT ADVENTURE

Darwin Trail

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Trekking
DISTANCE:	2 km (1.2 mi)	DIFFICULTY:	Easy
SEASON: OCTOBER TO APRIL			

Temperate rainforests are layered worlds — every shade of green, every depth of shadow, hiding refuges from the streambeds to the highest canopy.

The creatures that live here have spent millennia perfecting the art of disappearing into the leaf litter. Few do it better than Darwin's frog. Its body shape varies as widely as the forest itself, but the most remarkable thing about this amphibian is how it raises its young: the male carries the developing tadpoles inside his vocal sac until they emerge as fully formed froglets — a behavior known as mouth-brooding.

On this excursion, guests have the chance to photograph this small, elusive amphibian, the icon of Parque Futangue's conservation work.

Ranco Waterfalls Tour

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Trekking & vehicle
DISTANCE:	1.5 km (0.9 mi)	DIFFICULTY:	Easy
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

A short drive takes us to the Pitreño entrance of Parque Futangue, where the trail begins. Along the way, the unmistakable call of the Chucaco — one of the region's most emblematic birds — often emerges from the undergrowth.

The path crosses a suspension bridge with a view of the cascade descending from Laguna Pitreño. The route also reaches the Saltos del Riñinahue, the most striking waterfall along the road that follows the southern shore of Lago Ranco.





| SOFT ADVENTURE

Laguna Pichi Trail

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Trekking or cycling
DIFFICULTY:	Easy	DISTANCE:	7 km (4.3 mi) on foot 16 km (10 mi) by bike
CAPACITY:	6 regular bikes + 6 e-bikes		
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

The route opens through open pastures before entering the forest along a gentle path that follows the Río Riñinahue, with views of pools and small cascades along the way. Cyclists set off directly from the hotel.

Inside the old-growth forest, the variety of native trees and shrubs offers a true cross-section of the Valdivian rainforest. The trail ends at a quiet lagoon set against an amphitheater of mountains and waterfalls. From there, a 15-minute spur trail leads to the Pichi Volcano viewpoint and a wide view of the Andes.

Lago Ranco Cruise

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	By boat
DIFFICULTY:	Easy		
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX. GUESTS:	10
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

A five-minute drive takes us to Marina Futangue, on the shores of Lago Ranco, where we board a 28-foot covered launch and set out along the lake’s coastline.

Weather permitting, the route reveals long views of the Cordón del Caulle, the Río Futangue canyon, Volcán Mirador, the Carrán–Los Venados volcanic complex, and a scattering of islands. The crew serves a cocktail and snacks along the way.





| SOFT ADVENTURE

Futangue Meadows Horseback Ride

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Horseback riding
DISTANCE:	15 km (9.3 mi)	DIFFICULTY:	Easy
MIN. GUESTS:	2	MAX. GUESTS:	5
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

Ride across the open pastures of Parque Futangue and discover the Riñinahue valley from a perspective only horseback can offer. The pace is unhurried, winding through grassland and native forest while the guides share the territory's history, biodiversity, and local culture along the way. We pause mid-ride for a snack.

The route ends at the Mirador El Morro, with a 360-degree view across the valley and a stretch of Lago Ranco.



Birdwatching

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Trekking
DIFFICULTY:	Easy		
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

The forests, rivers, and wetlands of Parque Futangue support a rich resident bird population, and a half-day walk with a guide is the simplest way to meet them.

The Chucao announces itself before it shows itself — a sharp, melodic call from the underbrush. Andean condors circle the high ridges. Along the rivers, ringed kingfishers fish from low branches and torrent ducks navigate the rapids. The Hued-hued, harder to spot, gives itself away with its distinctive low call. Bring binoculars if you have them. We can lend a pair if not.





Termas de Chihuido & Lago Maihue

DURATION:	Full day	FORMAT:	By vehicle
DIFFICULTY:	Easy		
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX. GUESTS:	12
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

We head into the Andean foothills to the rustic, time-worn Termas de Chihuido, set beside the Río Llifén. The thermal pools — ringed by native forest — owe their appeal to their simplicity and direct connection to the landscape.

From there, we visit the lesser-known Lago Maihue, with its dark volcanic beaches and ancient petrified logs. The day closes at Maqueo Sabores Étnicos, a small project that works with native Chilean forest fruits like murta (Chilean guava) and maqui berries. The combination of soak, scenery, and local flavor makes for one of the area’s most quietly memorable days.

Karülafken Cultural Visit

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	By vehicle
DIFFICULTY:	Easy		
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX. GUESTS:	12
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

Turismo Karülafken is a community-led project dedicated to sharing the identity and traditions of the Mapuche people of the Lago Ranco region.

The visit opens a window into the daily rhythm of a Mapuche family — their relationship with the territory, the Valdivian rainforest, and the natural cycles that shape their year.

Conversation moves slowly through the spiritual significance of land and water, traditional practices, and the ways knowledge passes from one generation to the next.

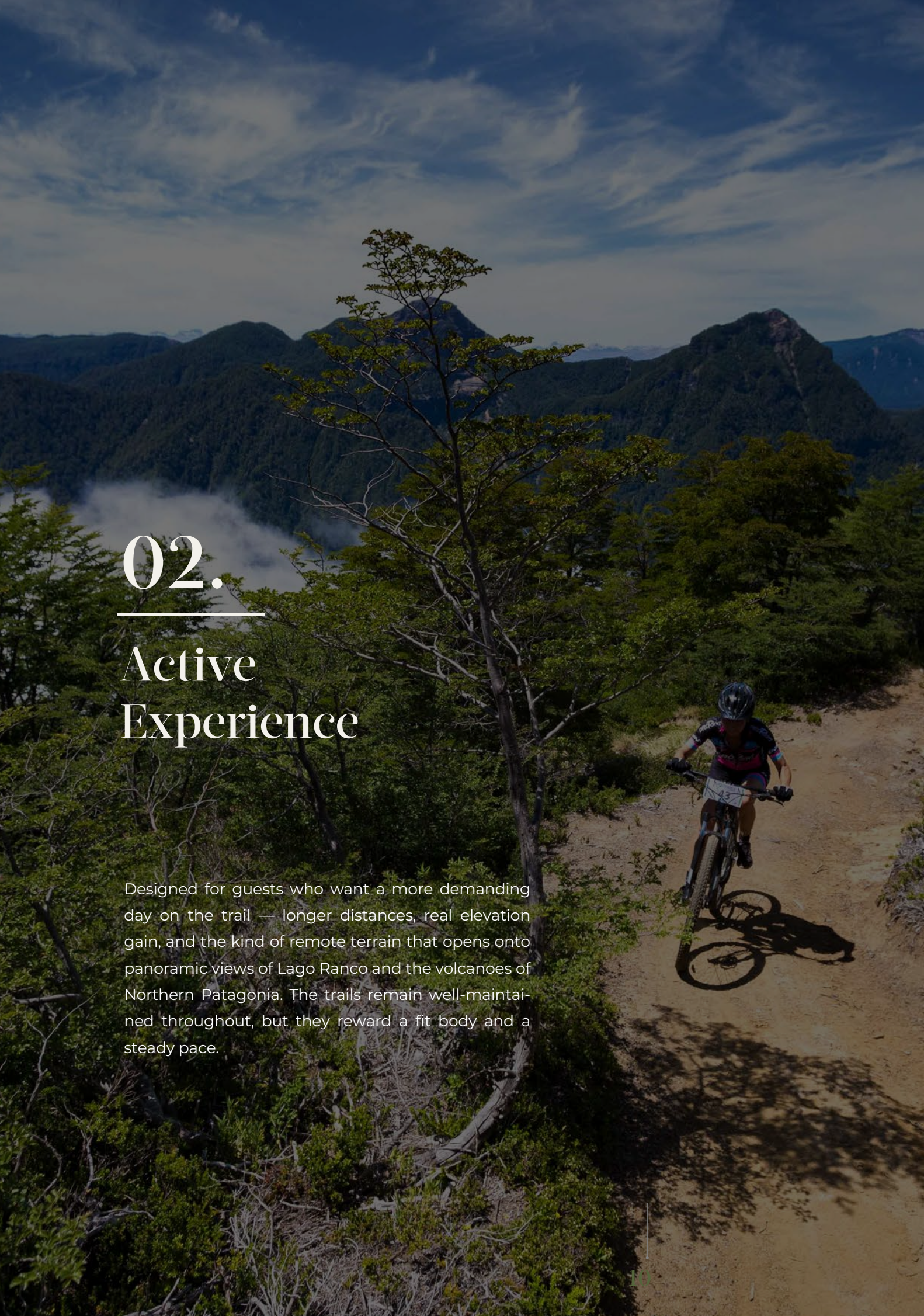
Mapuche Gastronomy & Local Crafts

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	By vehicle
DIFFICULTY:	Easy		
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX. GUESTS:	12
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

In the village of Llifén, we are received by doña Margarita at Küme Yeal, a small family restaurant dedicated to traditional Mapuche cooking. The visit centers on a hands-on cooking session using ingredients from her own garden, where seasonal local produce is turned into traditional dishes alongside the techniques and stories that go with them.

The morning closes with a shared mate — the herbal infusion that anchors social life across southern Chile and Argentina — and a quiet conversation about the Mapuche worldview and its relationship with the land.

On the way back, we stop to see some of the finest wool weaving and woodwork by local artisans.

A full-page background image showing a mountain biker riding down a dirt trail. The rider is wearing a helmet and a jersey with the number 43. The trail is surrounded by dense green vegetation and trees. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a blue sky with scattered clouds. A layer of mist or low clouds is visible in the valley between the mountains.

02.

Active Experience

Designed for guests who want a more demanding day on the trail — longer distances, real elevation gain, and the kind of remote terrain that opens onto panoramic views of Lago Ranco and the volcanoes of Northern Patagonia. The trails remain well-maintained throughout, but they reward a fit body and a steady pace.

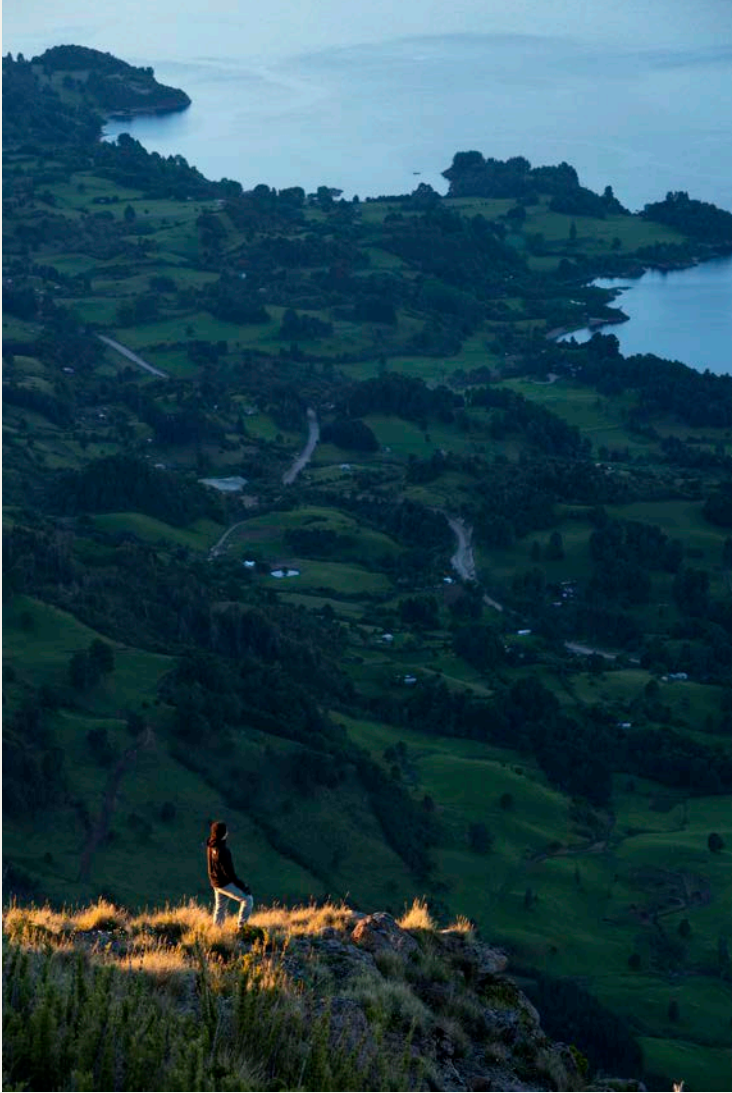
Cerro Mayo Summit

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Trekking
DISTANCE:	8 km (5 mi)	ELEVATION:	1,287 m (4,222 ft)
DIFFICULTY:	Moderate to challenging		
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

The climb to the summit of Cerro Mayo — 1,287 meters (4,222 ft) — opens onto a 360-degree view of the Andes, with several of Chile and Argentina's tallest volcanoes visible on a clear day.

Along the way, the guides share what they know about the native flora and fauna of the Valdivian rainforest, recognized as one of the world's 34 biodiversity hotspots for its rare combination of endemism and ecological vulnerability.

In winter, when conditions allow, we make this excursion on snowshoes.





| ACTIVE EXPERIENCE

Altas Cumbres

DURATION:	Full day	FORMAT:	Trekking/ E-bike
DISTANCE:	13 km (8 mi)	DIFFICULTY:	Challenging
ELEVATION:	1,390 m (4,560 ft)		
CAPACITY:	Up to 6 e-bikes		
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

The highest viewpoint in the park sits at 1,390 meters (4,560 ft). The trail starts at El Vado, climbs to Laguna Pitreño, and then follows the Altas Cumbres ridge through stands of lenga, coigüe, and mañío — three of the signature trees of the southern Chilean forest.

The final fifteen minutes are a steep climb up wooden steps. The reward at the top is a 360-degree view across the Río Futangue valley and Lago Ranco. The effort is real, but so is the silence at the summit.

Campos de Lava

DURATION:	Full day	FORMAT:	Trekking/ E-bike
DISTANCE:	16 km (10 mi)	DIFFICULTY:	Challenging
CAPACITY:	Up to 6 e-bikes		
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

The Campos de Lava trail leads through one of the park’s most unusual landscapes: the still-visible legacy of the 1922 Cordón Caulle eruption, when lava reshaped this corner of the Andes.

The route begins at Laguna Pichi and climbs steadily through native forest for 8 km (5 mi) before reaching the edge of the lava fields. The forest along the way is old-growth Valdivian rainforest, home to endemic species found nowhere else in southern Chile.





| ACTIVE EXPERIENCE

Laguna Pitreño

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Trekking/ E-bike
DISTANCE:	1,040 m (3,412 ft)	CAPACITY:	Up to 6 e-bikes
DIFFICULTY: Moderate to challenging			
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

A steep trail climbs through the cordillera to this glacial lagoon at 1,040 meters (3,412 ft), the gateway to two further hikes — the Altas Cumbres viewpoint and the Sendero del Cielo (Sky Trail).

The trail circles the entire shoreline, with viewpoints opening onto Lago Ranco and Cerro Mayo along the way. The name Pitreño comes from the Huilliche language and means “eye of water.”

In winter, when conditions allow, we hike this route on snowshoes.



Cerro Polloihue

DURATION:	Full day	FORMAT:	Trekking
DIFFICULTY:	Challenging	DISTANCE:	12 km (7.5 mi)
SEASON: OCTOBER TO APRIL			

The trail starts at the Volcán Queñe viewpoint, with a wide view across the Riñinahue valley, and then climbs steadily through native forest into the cordillera, opening onto some of the park’s most striking terrain.

The first major landmark is La Aleta de Tiburón (Shark Fin) — a vertical rock formation rising from the ridgeline, with 360-degree views of Lago Ranco and the Cordón Caulle.

Hikers with energy to spare can continue to a viewpoint above Laguna Polloihue, a glacial remnant set dramatically beneath the steep walls of the surrounding peaks.





| ACTIVE EXPERIENCE

Laguna Pichi Kayak

DURATION:	Half day	FORMAT:	Sit-on-top kayak
DIFFICULTY:	Easy		
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX GUESTS:	8
SEASON: YEAR-ROUND			

Departing from the lagoon dock either morning or afternoon depending on conditions, the route paddles to Playa El Encanto for a short stop with views of the surrounding mountains and waterfalls.

The return is a quiet paddle along the shoreline. The lagoon is small enough to feel intimate and large enough to disappear into — and the light, like everything here, changes with the season.





| ACTIVE EXPERIENCE

Río Calcurrupe Kayak

DURATION:	Full day	FORMAT:	Touring kayak
DIFFICULTY:	Moderate	DISTANCE:	16 km (10 mi)
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX. GUESTS:	8
SEASON: NOVEMBER TO APRIL			

Twenty-five kilometers (15 mi) from the hotel, the Río Calcurrupe is the principal tributary feeding Lago Ranco — a 16 km (10 mi) descent from its source at Lago Maihue, threading through forested mountains and the wide valleys of Northern Patagonia.

This excursion is operated by a partner outfitter, requires advance booking to confirm availability, and carries an additional cost.

Río Bueno Rafting

DURATION:	Full day	FORMAT:	Rafting
DIFFICULTY:	Easy (Class III rapids)		
MIN. GUESTS:	4	MAX. GUESTS:	12
SEASON: OCTOBER TO MARCH			

The Río Bueno is born at Lago Ranco and runs west to the Pacific. It is one of the region's most emblematic rivers — both for the landscapes it cuts through and the power of its rapids.

The rafting trip puts in at Puerto Nuevo, where the river begins, about 50 minutes from the hotel. The descent is run by an external outfitter with certified professional guides; the program covers all transfers, safety gear, a riverside picnic, and photo and video documentation of the day.



A fly fisherman in a river with a forest background. The fisherman is wearing a cap, a light-colored shirt, and waders, and is holding a fishing rod. The background is a dense forest of tall trees. The text '03.' is overlaid on the image.

03.

Fly Fishing

Parque Futangue sits at the heart of one of southern Chile's most diverse fly-fishing watersheds, with private access to a network of lagoons and rivers both inside the reserve and across the Lago Ranco basin. The waters hold strong populations of resident rainbow and brown trout, with the occasional Chinook salmon in the Río Calcurrupe during the autumn run.

Most fishing is done from boats with a maximum of two anglers per guide, with wading on selected rivers and streams. Each excursion includes a professional guide, transfers, snacks, and full equipment.



| FLY FISHING

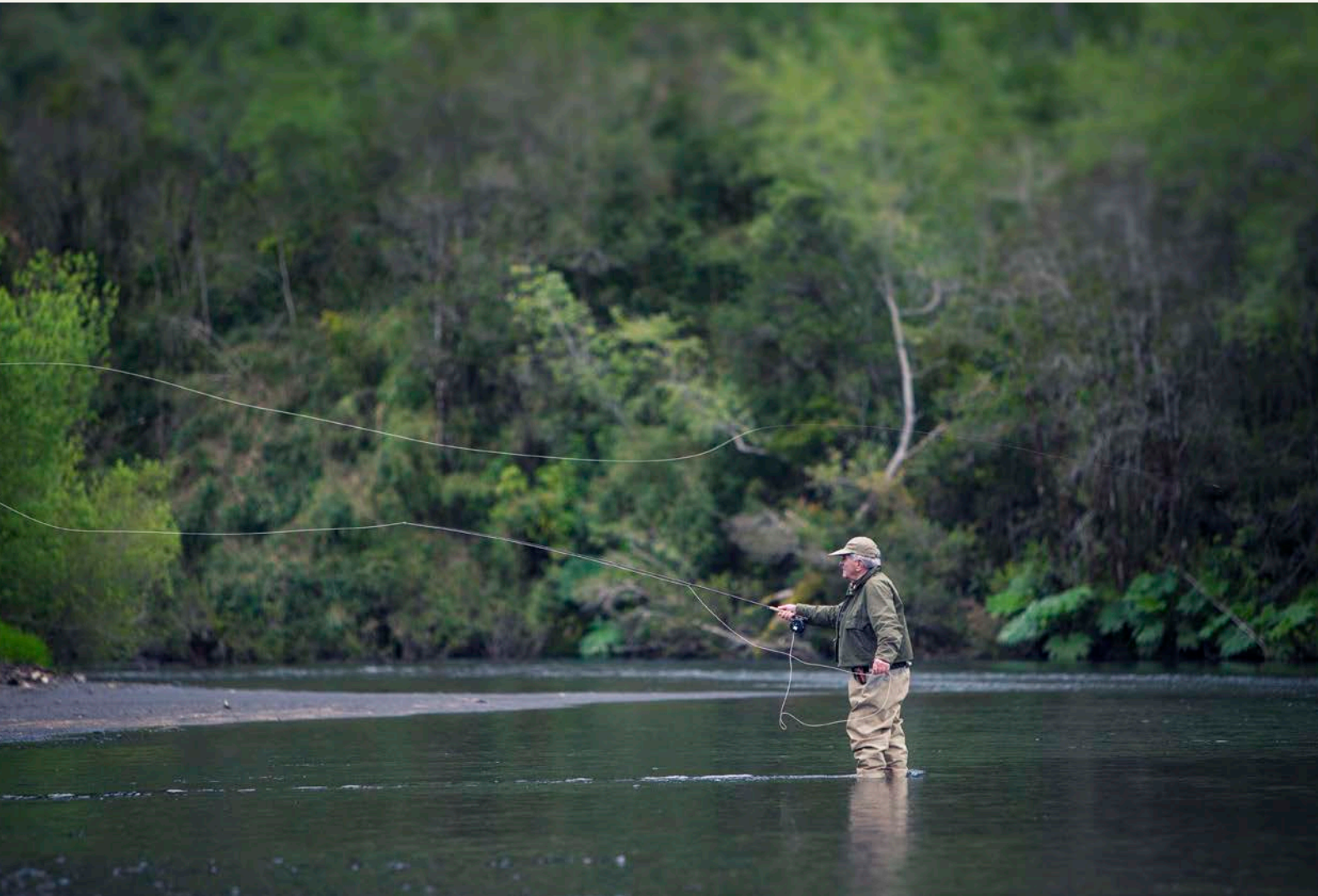
Laguna Pichi

DURATION:	Half day or full day
FORMAT:	Boat & shore
DIFFICULTY:	Easy
SEASON: SECOND FRIDAY OF OCTOBER — FIRST SUNDAY OF MAY	

An 8 km (5 mi) trail through ancient forest leads to Laguna Pichi, a body of water held in a natural amphitheater of mountains and waterfalls. Anglers can also drive to a point near the lake, where a covered shelter — equipped for cooking on the open fire — serves as a base for assembling gear and breaking between sessions.

Fishing is primarily from the boat or wading along shore near the main inflow, with rainbow and brown trout populating the lagoon (introduced in 1946 and 2002 respectively).

Both dry-fly and streamer presentations work well here, depending on conditions.

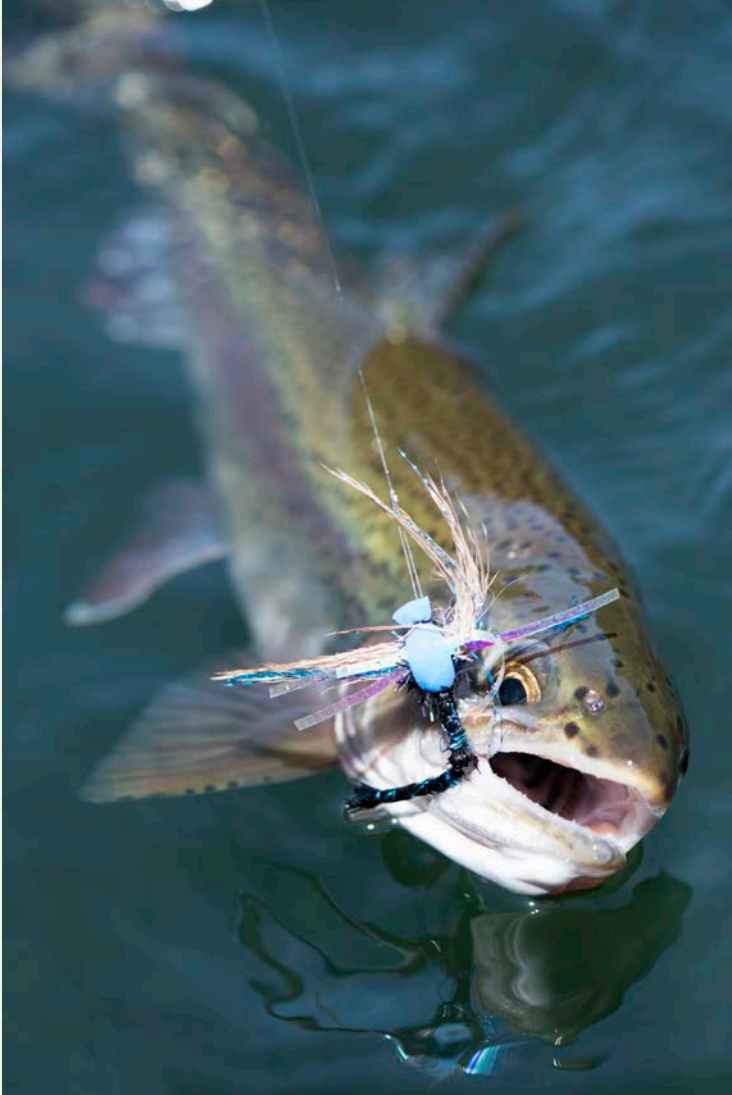


Laguna Negra

DURATION:	Half day
FORMAT:	From boat
DIFFICULTY:	Easy
SEASON: SECOND FRIDAY OF OCTOBER — FIRST SUNDAY OF MAY	

Tucked behind the southern hills of Laguna Pichi, Laguna Negra is reached only by boat — and once there, it belongs to whoever is fishing it.

The lagoon is known among guides for the dragonfly hatches that gather along its reed beds, where casting tight to the edges with a dry fly or small streamer can produce some of the most rewarding fishing in the watershed. It pairs naturally with a morning at Laguna Pichi for a full day on two distinct waters.





| FLY FISHING

Laguna Pitreño

DURATION:	Full day
FORMAT:	From boat
DIFFICULTY:	Challenging (1.5-hour uphill hike to reach)
SEASON: SECOND FRIDAY OF OCTOBER — FIRST SUNDAY OF MAY	

For anglers who have already fished the lower lagoons and want to push further into the reserve — or who are traveling with non-fishing companions willing to walk a beautiful trail — Laguna Pitreño is the next step.

The fishing here is exceptional, but the access is part of the experience. The road does not reach the lagoon; the only way in is a 1.5-hour climb on foot, or by ATV at an additional cost. The reward is one of the most isolated waters in the watershed, set against a backdrop of cliff and forest. Advance booking required.



Laguna Los Coipos

DURATION:	Full day
FORMAT:	By boat
DIFFICULTY:	Easy
SEASON: SECOND FRIDAY OF OCTOBER — FIRST SUNDAY OF MAY	

Smaller than Laguna Pichi but holding its own population of rainbow and brown trout, Laguna Los Coipos rewards anglers willing to travel a little further for solitude. There are rarely other visitors — just the anglers, the guide, and the surrounding old-growth forest.

A picnic is served at midday on a wooden dock with views across the water, and a short trail climbs through the forest to a viewpoint that gives non-fishing companions their own quiet morning.





| FLY FISHING

Río Calcurrupe

DURATION: Full day

FORMAT: Boat & wade

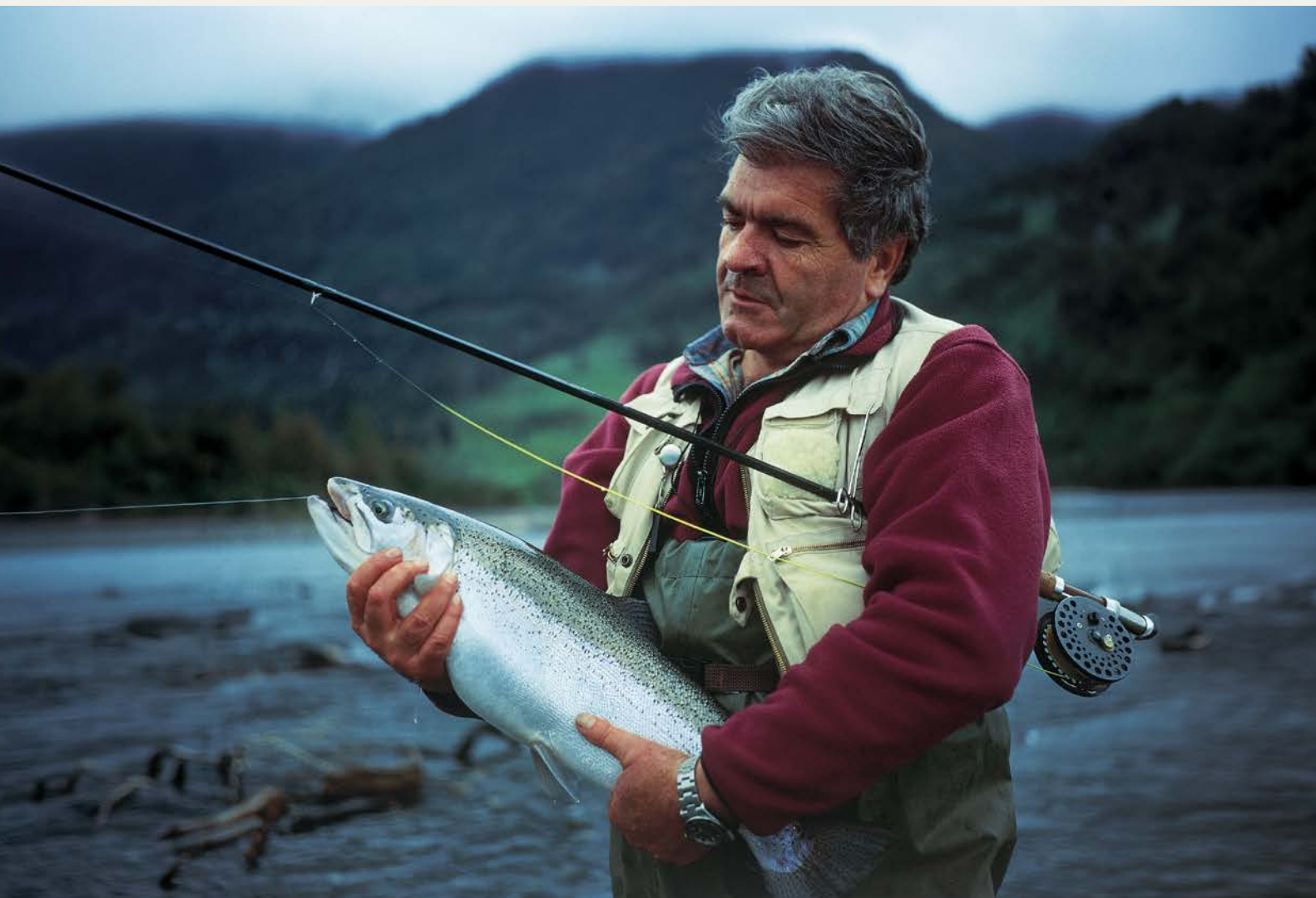
DIFFICULTY: Moderate

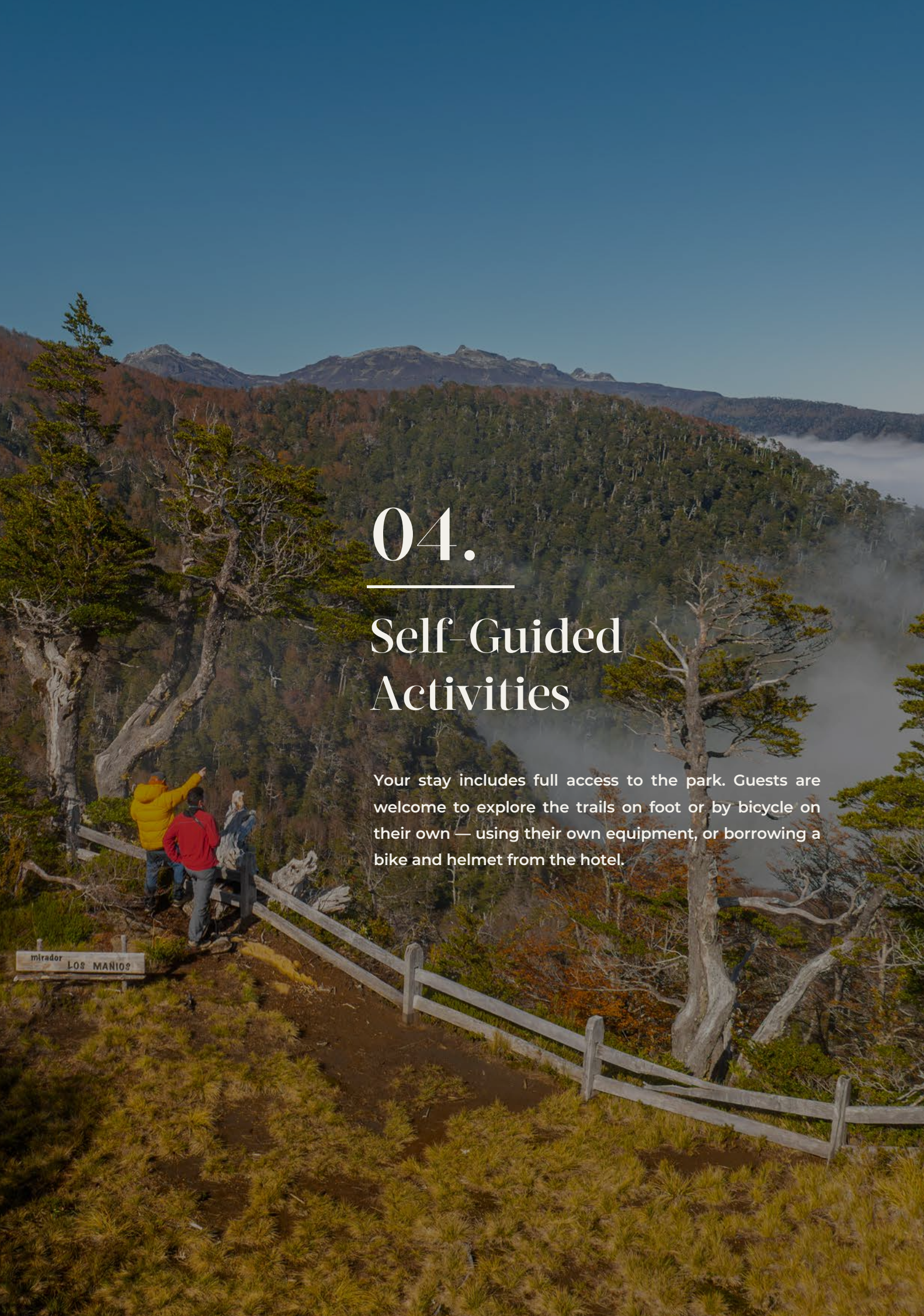
SEASON: SECOND FRIDAY OF OCTOBER — FIRST SUNDAY OF MAY

The Río Calcurrupe runs from Lago Maihue to Lago Ranco — a clear, fast river of riffles and pools that ranks among the most storied fly-fishing waters in southern Chile.

Resident rainbows and browns hold throughout, and in autumn the river receives runs of sea-fattened Chinook salmon — fish that have spent years feeding in the Pacific and return at trophy size.

Fishing is from drift boat with expert guides and boatmen, with wading possible across many sections. The early months of the season tend to fish best.





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Self-Guided Activities

Your stay includes full access to the park. Guests are welcome to explore the trails on foot or by bicycle on their own — using their own equipment, or borrowing a bike and helmet from the hotel.

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Self-Guided Activities



All trails described in the guided excursions section can be walked or ridden independently, with the exception of the Darwin Trail.

A few practical notes on access:

- The trails in the Pitreño sector and the Cerro Polloihue trail require a 4x4 vehicle from the hotel.
- The trailheads for Laguna Pichi and Piedras Quemadas can be reached by vehicle (4x4 not required but recommended) or by bicycle from the hotel. From there, the lagoon and the lava fields are accessed on foot.

Self-guided exploration carries its own responsibility — we are not able to guarantee guest safety on independent outings, so we ask guests to take a few simple steps before heading out:

- Register your departure at the park reception.
- Check trail opening and closing hours.
- Confirm the difficulty level of the route.
- Review the day's weather and dress accordingly.
- Speak with the excursions team for safety recommendations specific to your plan.



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