

HARAS AMPASCACHI

Criadores de Caballos Peruanos de Paso

Cabalgatas de Alta Gama





Trail “Los Toros” (The bulls)

This trail starts at place called “Toro muerto” (Dead Bull) crossing the north part of the “Pampas of Achala” (a large plateau in the heights) , through a variety of wild landscapes, flora and fauna to finally arrive at the rural small town of “San Jerónimo.”

FEATURES

- Discover the Peruvian Paso Horse lineage, its breed, training and ride.
- Stay in the Haras Ampascachi, a familiar “Estancia” with its own unique style, very comfortable dedicated to the breed and training of the Peruvian Paso Horse lineage.
- Discover the most amazing landscapes of the northeast of Argentina on horseback: The Pampa de Achala and the Traslasierra Valley.
- Combine the adventure of camping in nature with the comfort of the exclusive Estate.
- The Argentinean gastronomy in the “Haras Ampascachi” and the unique experience of enjoying an authentic Argentinean roast in nature.

ITINERARY

7 days, 6 nights, 4 days on horseback

Day 1: Haras Ampascachi

We arrive to Cordoba International Airport and transfer to “Haras Ampascachi Ranch”. Once there we can enjoy the place’s facilities, rest, watch a documentary about Peruvian Paso horses (if we like so) and savor our prestigious gastronomy. At the end of the day we taste a delicious dinner to finally proceed to a refreshing rest.

Day 2: Haras Ampascachi

After breakfast and during this day we introduce the riders to the guide, we check all the necessary equipment and the paths of the trails that we are going to take; we select the horses that accompany us along the journey, looking for the best horse that complement the ride’s characteristics and personality, in order to achieve a symbiosis between the horse and the rider, once we achieve this particular symbiosis, we can enjoy Peruvian Paso Horse’s unique characteristics. A long this day we also practice and take short lessons of Peruvian Paso Horse’s riding and we take a short ride by de surroundings paths. This short ride does not form part of the seven days on horseback riding planning

During the selection, the coordinator is in charge to evaluate that the riders can execute the necessary skills, to carry this horseback riding journey out with a complete level of security. We end this day of preparation with a companionship dinner to celebrate the beginning of the equestrian experience.

Day 3: “Toro Muerto” (Dead Bull) - Cattle Hacienda “Taruca Pampa” (5 hs. on horseback ride)

After the breakfast we transfer our riders by van to “Toro Muerto”, where our horses wait for us ready to start the journey. Toro Muerto is a place located at the foot of the “Sierras Grandes” (mountainous chain composed by big and large hills) this place is crossed by “Panaholma River” well – known for its beautiful waterfalls and deep, clear still waters, this is the scenery where our trail begins.

From this place we start to penetrate into the “Sierras Grandes” going by magic paths and crossing the region of the “MARVELS”, area where the river Panaholma jointly with the hills, shape unique landscapes, of lot of beauty, with plentiful of clear still waters and cascades.

Around noon we arrive to a mountain post where we have our lunch stop to taste a “Creole barbecue” (asado criollo) After lunch we go to the Cattle Hacienda called “Taruca Pampa”, this Hacienda receives its name after an important river that crosses it: “The Taruca Pampa river” where you can fish trouts. The Taruca Pampa River joins The Mina Clavero River and both together form The Panaholma River.

We finish this day making night at the posts of this cattle hacienda, where we savor a typically Creole barbecue (asado criollo)

Duration: 5 hs. (on horseback ride)

Level of experience: Beginner.

Grounds: Diverse, mountains and pampas in the height.

Roads: Wide paths, non roadway, typical prints of pampas in the height.

Obstacles: Accessible (we ford).

Ascents and Slopes: Accessible.

Small streams with little depth and little current

Day 4: Cattle Hacienda “Taruca Pampa” (5 hs. on horseback ride)

After the breakfast we leave with the intention of exploring part of the great territory conformed by 4000 hectares of this Hacienda, where the inexhaustible variety of landscapes, surprise us stride to stride.

At the Taruca Pampa Hacienda, we can admire the prairies where the cattle pasture. The cattle breed is the main activity of this Hacienda, and at the same time the riders can observe the “gauchos” daily work and join them in their activities such as cattle drive.

During this day we go through the Taruca Pampa River. In this marvelous river, the riders can take baths and we also have the possibility of fishing trouts.

At the end of the day the riders can spend the night at the posts of the Taruca Pampa Hacienda enjoying a delicious Creole barbecue (asado criollo).

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Day 5: Cattle Hacienda “Taruca Pampa” - San Jerónimo (5 hs. on horseback ride)

The following morning, after having breakfast, we leave the Taruca Pampa Hacienda to continue our trail toward the small town of San Jerónimo, we go through rural, wild and beautiful landscapes and very particular mountain formations, for instance “La cueva de los Gauchos” (The Gaucho´s cave)

This part of the trail used to belong to the old colonial Royal Roads, which in those times, were used to spur on cattle of those cattle producers from the mountains toward the cattle fairs located in the outskirts of what today is Cordoba Capital City.

La cueva de los Gauchos (The Gaucho´s Cave) is a natural formation made of stone erosion, located in these mountains and is able to give shelter up to 15 people with their horses; the villagers say, that this cave was the same one used by the muleteers to camp and shelter when they were moving cattle along the royal roads toward Cordoba Capital City.

Around noon we enjoy a Creole lunch in the mountain post called “La Quelita.” After lunch we continue the trail until our endpoint of this day, “The Mysterious small town of San Jerónimo.”

When we arrive to San Jerónimo we are able to visit its ancient Chapel and then we enjoy a comforting dinner, at San Jeronimo we receive lodge to spend the night at those fraternally homes volunteered by the inhabitants of this beautiful small country town, they are humble but very comfortable and hygienic, with the warmth and simplicity that characterize people from this place.

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Day 6: San Jerónimo (5 hours on horseback riding)

We start this day with typical country breakfast, after the breakfast we return to our mounts to carry out a complete day for the surroundings of San Jerónimo; we explore the northwest area of the Pampas of Achala right next to the limits with “La Sierra de Los Gigantes” (The Giant’s hills). This area combines landscapes of pampas, mounts, narrow canyons and streams, while we go crossing different cattle establishments, mainly sheep and goats; this is the central activities of this region. At the half of the journey we take a break to enjoy a Creole lunch with the logistics and the quality inputs that characterizes the service of Haras Ampascachi. After having lunch we undertake the return to San Jeronimo with our horses for roads different to those that were used before.

When we get to destination a Transfer service by van is waiting for us to move us back to Haras Ampascachi, where we enjoy the farewell dinner and afterwards a refreshing rest.

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Day 7: Haras Ampascachi

The program ends and we say goodbye to Haras Ampascachi with a typical country breakfast. Transfer service to Córdoba International Airport.

DATES AND PRICES

2010 dates: - please contact us -.

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Please, ask for rates

Note: Prices and dates may vary for different reasons. Please check when you book to make sure.

Additional per extra day at Haras Ampascachi: - please contact us -.

Included

- All the horses and related equipment, Peruvian Paso horses from our own stables, saddles, reigns, saddlebags, canteens, rain gear, helmets, gaiters(if it is necessary).
- Camping gear: Sleeping tents, cots, sleeping bags with personal sheets, bath Kit (towels, soap, toothbrushes, razors), lights, dinner tent, complete tableware, cooking elements, bath tent, porta-potty, camp shower with hot water. We have a GPS device for geographic information.
- Services: Land transportation according to itinerary, lodging at Estancias or Mountain Hotels according to itinerary, logistics, satellite phone for emergencies, digital maps for the

GPS.

- Meals: The 1st day the dinner is included, lunch is optional depending on arrival time (surcharge 40 €/person). The other days all the meals as mentioned in the program: Lunch during the rides (local creole meal, soft drinks and a set amount of wine); dinner in the mountain accommodations (appetizers, main dish, dessert, set amount of wine and soft drinks, traditional “mate” tea, coffee or tea).
- Activities in the Haras Ampascachi: Golf, swimming-pool, tennis, trekking and cooking classes.

Not Included

Warm clothing, personal flashlights, luggage/equipment insurance, airport taxes, trip cancellation insurance, medicine or any additional costs due to changes in schedule or itinerary that are not responsibility of HARAS AMPASCACHI, medicine, doctor’s fees, hospitalization expenses, transportation not specified in the particular program paid for any type of evacuation (air, water, land) and any other expense not specified in the program.

WARNING

The route may be modified for security reasons, weather and circumstances beyond our control like natural disaster, local celebrations, strikes, etc... The local staff will do their best to find the best solutions even if it includes modifying the itinerary.



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