



HARAS  
AMPASCACHI

Criadores de Caballos Peruanos de Paso



High-End Rides





## Star-shaped Rides

The Star Rides are based at our Haras and allow you to discover the sceneries of different areas. All of them start off from our facilities in the morning and return back in the afternoon. They offer the riders different levels of difficulties.

This is a six-day program that combines the adventure of exploring the Traslasierra with the experience of enjoying the warm hospitality of our Haras Ampascachi.

### **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 devoted to the breed and training of the Peruvian Paso Horse lineage.
- Discover on horseback, one of the most beautiful and wildest sceneries in the Province of Córdoba, like “Pampa de Achala” and Traslasierra Valley. The Province of Córdoba is geographically located in the centre of the Argentine Republic.
- Combine the adventure of camping in nature with the comfort of the exclusive state.
- The Argentinean gastronomy in the “Haras Ampascachi” and the unique experience of enjoying an authentic Argentinean roast in nature.

### **ITINERARY**

6 days, 5 nights, 4 days on horseback

#### **Day 1: Haras Ampascachi**

You will be welcomed at our Haras where we will meet up with the riding coordinator to get started with the preparations. During the day we will introduce you to the guide and we will choose the horses that will accompany us during the trip. We close the day of preparation with a group dinner full of friendship to celebrate the start of the riding experience.

**Day 2: Around the Mountains of los Nonos (5 hours on horseback riding )**

We will go through Las Calles, which is a small village surrounded by the Nono river, Las Rabonas creek and the Sierras Grandes range. Its dense vegetation offers different contrasting shades of green. We continue up North toward the town of Nono, which is one of the oldest in the Valle de Traslasierra. It has dirt roads, a church traditionally facing the town square and a general store, all of which take us back to the old days. At noon we arrive at a traditional Country Post to enjoy a traditional Creole meal, scented by the rrefreshing mountain air. We arrive at Haras late in the afternoon and get ready to share a relaxing dinner at the main house.

**Day 3: Los Algarrobos (5 hours on horseback riding)**

We will part to northeast toward the beautiful landscapes that the post known as El Alto has to offer until we reach Los Algarrobos, a typical mountain town, with a small creek and a quaint Creole chapel. We ascend up to the peak of Cerro El Mogote, where we unload to enjoy a delicious Creole lunch together on a privileged stage. Since El Mogote has been over 2000 meters (6500 feet) above sea level, it allows us to take in an impressive view of the countryside and the wildness of the Sierras Grandes and its valleys. From here we go on to the last stretch of the route, getting back to Haras in the afternoon. There we will rest while dinner is prepared, which will surely be accompanied by the stories of the group's experience.

**Day 4: To los Sauces River and La Viña Lake (4 - 5 hours on horseback riding)**

This trail was thought up to enjoy the calm nature of the area and the rhythm of a Peruvian Paso horses hooves marching along. We go west to cross over toward San Huberto, a quite mountain spot with little houses speckled amongst the vegetation. We continue going through different groves where forests of pines and eucalyptus trees change over to natural hills of black acacia, locust, chañar and espinillo trees. We continue the ride alongside the river, enjoying the different views its harmonious outline offers, until we reach the soft meadows that are born along with it. We arrive back at Haras for lunch and have the rest of the day open.

**Day 5: Los Nogales (5,5 hours on horseback riding)**

The ride goes up steep trails that dive into the typical landscapes of the Altas Cumbres (High Peaks), going around oddly shaped stone blocks. We finally arrive at "Los Nogales" Estancia, where we dismount to enjoy a satisfying lunch and get strength for the return trip. After this stop we get back on the horses to retrace the path back to Haras, where we arrive in the afternoon. After some rest and refreshments we share the Farewell Dinner, livened up with a musical show and the solidarity that provides such a shared experience, among the horses and nature.

**Day 6: Haras Ampascachi**

We say good bye to "Haras Ampascachi" after a typical mountain breakfast (Creole bread, sausages, croissant, yogurt, and cereals). Transfer to Cordoba airport.

Extra days optional: The Rocsen Museum, stay in the spa "El Quenti", trip to Camino de los Artesanos, Citytour, etc... (check prices)

## **HORSES**

The Peruvian Paso Horse originally comes from Spain and has a medium size. Its peculiarity is the gait called “paso llano” (smooth gait), also known as broken ambling, where same side legs rise at the same time. The result is a rhythmic and smooth pace in which the horse’s gravity centre remains practically motionless providing a comfortable and harmonious ride reaching up to 12 km/h. These qualities added to its endurance and rusticity, create an exquisite mixture of elegance and smoothness on the Peruvian Paso Horse gait, which allows riders to enjoy long rides without suffering the impact on his body.

## **COMFORT LEVEL**

Haras Ampascachi is a high level establishment, dedicated to the breed, training and sale of the Peruvian Paso Horse, which also welcomes visitors from all over the world giving them the opportunity to experience its particular life and work style. The beautiful colonial estate was built in the mid 19th century and has been restored conserving the original materials and architecture.

## **RIDING LEVEL**

The rider needs medium level riding skills with good control of the horse. The terrain varies from plains to mountainous regions, with wide trails and countryside crossings. The rides go uphill, downhill passing some minor obstacles like small streams with little depth and current.

Riding Standards:

- Riders: 100 kg (220 lbs) maximum body weight
- Only 1 rider per horse
- Saddle: Peruvian o Chilean (very comfortable)

## **CLIMATE**

This region welcomes the traveler with its privileged climate. It is located on one of the territories with the kindest climate within Argentina. Its weather conditions can be described as “Mediterranean”. During the summer season the days are warm but the nights display a pleasant temperature decrease. It gets drier during winters, although it never gets badly cold. Strong and windy storms are frequent during the month of summer.

## **Rates for Star-shaped Rides** **Please, ask for rates**

\*Price per person based on four people. This includes all the activities described in the tour package.

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

**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: We have dinner tents to have our meals while riding during the day. Our logistic team take care to have ready in each resting point, the structure to enjoy our typical meals.
- 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: All the meals mentioned in the program are as follows: Lunch during the ride (local Creole meal, soft drinks and a set amount of wine); Dinner in the camp (appetizers, main entrée and dessert, set amount of wine and soft drinks are included); 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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