

Puerto Edén, Magallanes, Chile

One of the world's most remote villages, Puerto Edén sits deep in the Chilean fjords — a network of wooden boardwalks connecting the last community of the Kawésqar people, surrounded by temperate rainforest, glacier-carved channels, and the vast wilderness of Bernardo O'Higgins National Park.

Tender port (no pier)

Typical call: 4–6 hrs

Chilean Pesos (no ATMs — cash only)

Spanish (Kawésqar spoken by elders)

One of the world's wettest places

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: Arrive: All aboard:

Excursion: Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor offshore, lifeboats bring you to the village jetty

Best For: Indigenous culture, raw Patagonian wilderness, extreme remoteness

Walk to center: Immediate — village is tiny, all connected by boardwalks with no roads

Don't Miss: The Kawésqar boardwalk village and hand-crafted souvenirs from local artisans

Getting around: Rideshare not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Kawésqar Village Walk & Cultural Visit** — Walk the boardwalk network through the village and, if offered by your ship, meet members of the Kawésqar community.
- Boardwalk & Forest Lookout Hike** — Follow the boardwalks to the edge of the village and into the dense Magellanic rainforest.
- Fjord Wildlife Watching** — Keep eyes on the water and sky while on tender or ashore — Chilean dolphins, marine otters (chungungo), Andean condors, and various seabirds are all...
- Bernardo O'Higgins National Park Glacier Excursion** — If your cruise offers a dedicated excursion into the park, you may get zodiac access to glaciers — including the massive Pío XI Glacier, the largest...

BEST WALKS

- Village Boardwalk Loop** ~1 km · 20–30 min · Easy — From the landing jetty, follow the main boardwalk through the heart of Puerto Edén past homes, the small church, a couple of basic shops, and out to the far end of the...
- Hillside Lookout Trail** ~30 min · Easy–Moderate — A short trail climbs above the village to an open viewpoint overlooking the Wellington Channel and the surrounding fjords.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		48°	40°	15d
Jun		40°	34°	14d
Aug		41°	34°	15d
Sep		45°	36°	11d
Oct		48°	38°	14d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 8:32AM–6:53PM · Jun 9:57AM–5:30PM · Aug 8:59AM–6:37PM · Sep 7:48AM–7:29PM · Oct 6:36AM–8:22PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- No ATMs, no cards. Bring Chilean Pesos in small bills if you want to buy local crafts or anything from the handful of village shops. US dollars are rarely accepted.
- Dress for rain — always. Puerto Edén receives 5,000+ mm of rain per year. Waterproof jacket, waterproof pants, and grippy waterproof shoes are not optional.
- Zero connectivity ashore. No cell signal, no Wi-Fi on land. Your ship's satellite internet is your only link to the outside world.
- Pack it out. This isolated community struggles with waste disposal. Don't leave any trash on the island — bring it back to your ship.
- Ask before photographing locals. The boardwalks run past people's front doors. Always ask permission before pointing a camera at residents, especially children.
- Strict bio-security. Chile enforces tight agricultural rules. Don't carry fresh food, fruit, or seeds from the ship ashore — it's illegal and harmful to the ecosystem.

Puerto Edén, Magallanes, Chile — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



1 **Kaweskar Community** Home to the last remaining descendants of the Kawésqar, Patagonia's traditional seafaring canoe people.

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