

## Gink & Gasoline Argentina Hosted Trip February 20th to 27th 2016

### DAY 1 Arrive to Chapelco Airport and Transfer to Spring Creek Lodge -Lunch & Relax - Chimehuin River Float Trip - Wine Tasting & Welcome Dinner

At your arrival to San Martin de los Andes Local Airport (CPC) your guide will be waiting for you to privately drive you to Spring Creek Lodge.

This lodge is Located on the Banks of the Chimehuin River near the town of Junin de los Andes and 40 minutes away of San Martin de los Andes. The lodge is very nice with great food and service.

The facilities are 6 independent Chalet units where you will be accommodated. Each unit has their own two rooms and one full bathroom, large sitting area and covered porch around a group of lagoons overlooking the Lanin Volcano.

The meals will be served at the Club house and common meeting area, which is, a large comfortable dining room along with a bar and sitting area.









After enjoying a delicious welcome Lunch Reception it will be the perfect time to break the ice with Argentine trout, we will do a short float on the waters of famous Chimehuin River waiting for the evening hatch. This river is famous by having the best mayflies hatches of the region and we will be trying to catch some of the chunky brown trout that leave on this waters.

This evening when back at the Lodge it will be the perfect timing to enjoy of Argentina Wine's tasting. You will enjoy an introduction to our wines regions and sample each area with a representative wine label. You will learn some about our wines and the variety and richness of our vineyards. Afterwards the Chef will surprise the group with one of his gourmet creations for dinner, of course accompany for some more of the best wines of our country.



**Lodging:** at Spring Creek Lodge

Meals: Wine Tasting & Welcome Dinner, at Spring Creek

### <u>DAY 2</u> Alumine River Float Trip - Evening Tango dancing Show

This is a large size stream that runs form north to south on a depth canyon on the foothill of the Andes. Today we will float a section of 8 miles of this great stream looking for rainbows and brown trout in a range 18 to 20 inches. This section of the stream is ideal for those who enjoy trying different techniques. We will have suitable water to sight fish for rising trout, drifting and searching until spot those rising fish. Then we will have time to slowly cover the riffles with hopper and droppers; resulting this lot of times as a very effective technique. And then for those who are enthusiastic of streamers fishing we will have the chance to tempt some of the large brown trout of this stream.





Tonight when we're back at the Lodge we will be enjoying a unique Tango Dancing Show. The local Couple of dancers Marcos & Analia will surprise us with their abilities and magic of the tango. All of this will be enjoy on the perfect ambiance of Spring Creek followed by another delicious dinner.



**Lodging:** at Spring Creek Lodge

Meals: Breakfast, at the Lodge Lunch, riverside and Dinner & Tango Show, at Spring Creek

### DAY 3 Lower Chimehuin River Float Trip - Spring Creek Lodge

Today we will float the most productive and inaccessible section of Chimehuin River using our exclusive private access. We will float a stretch of 12 miles of this river which is famous by the best mayflies and caddis hatches of the region making all the trout on the river being looking up to the surface most the times.

Dry flies fishing will be great all day long and we will target rainbows and browns on a range of 16 to 23 inches.

We will return to the Lodge where the chef will be waiting for the group with another tasty dinner ready.



**Lodging:** at Spring Creek Lodge

Meals: Breakfast, at the Lodge Lunch, river side and Dinner, at the Lodge

### <u>DAY 4</u> Walk & wade the upper Malleo River - Local Folk Music Band for dinner at Spring Creek Lodge

Malleo River is famous as one of the best streams of Northern Patagonia for dry flies. This river is a medium size one populated with rainbows and browns in average 16 to 20 inches hiding some trophy brown trout in every corner. We will head to the upper stretched of the stream where some of the best trout of this stream hide.



Your guide will take lunch on a backpack and you will enjoy of a day walking with the amazing view of Lanin volcano behind you all the time. We will fish a mixed of small terrestrials dry flies with some good hoppers and the white water riffles edges.



This evening after fishing the magic time, we will return to Spring Creek to enjoy another delicious dinner while enjoy the private performance of Las Voces del Lanin, this Local Band will perform different style of music from Argentina and South America.

**Lodging:** at Spring Creek Lodge

Meals: Breakfast, at the Lodge Lunch, river side and Dinner, at Spring Creek

### <u>DAY 5</u> through <u>DAY 7</u> Limay Medio three (3) days float trip on "the River of Monsters"

On the morning of Day 5 after enjoying breakfast we will be packing to dry bags that Andes Drifters will provide to take the enough items of your luggage during the Limay Medio float trip and keep them dry and in perfect condition; to enjoy a four days float trip on Limay medio with two (2) nights camping on the river islands with our Deluxe Camp Service.

Every day by evening time we will reach Andes Drifters deluxe camp site. A crew ahead of us will set up tent with cots; inflatable mattress and sleeping bags good for 0 degrees. The camp facilities will provide hot water and hot shower. Toilet tent will be available. Electric power by generator will provide lights to the entire camp and will be available for you to charge any electronic device like cameras, tablets, etc. Also a dinning tent with drinks and Hors D'oeuvres will be waiting for us at our arrival. All of this followed by a Patagonian Lamb cook the iron cross at "the gaucho style" accompany with great wines and fresh salads or a traditional Argentine asado as other regional exquisites prepared by the camp master cock. Then we will enjoy of the firewood and the majestic sky full of stars as only in Patagonia is possible to see.





We will be floating a stretch of 30 miles of the best section of Limay Medio in search of large migratory browns and rainbows trout that populate this river. We will be stopping on Andes Drifters deluxe camp site every night on a different island of the river.

We will be combining two different techniques to feature these trout. First we will be covering pools and runs with shooting heads and swing slim minnows pattern that will be matching two different minnow species that populate this river. Then will be covering drop-offs and riffle's edges with floating lines, here we will be using floating minnow pattern that will carry tinny minnows as trailers. This last technique is really visual and exciting as its gets.







<u>Lodging:</u> Two (2) nights at Andes Drifters Deluxe Camp on Limay Medio River islands <u>Meals:</u> *Breakfast*, at camp; *Lunch*, river side and *Dinner*, at camp

### <u>DAY 7</u> End of Limay Medio River Float - Transfer to Neuquén City - Land Express Hotel - Dinner at Hotel Restaurant

After our last day floating the Limay we will take out and drive to Neuquén City. This city has a large Airport that served by two Airlines (LAN and Aerolineas) that will conveniently allow you to fly to Buenos Aires early next morning.

We will reach our take out on the late afternoon where you will meet back with your main luggage and only one and half hour drive will separate us from the Land Express Hotel next to Neuquén Airport. We will spend the night there and enjoy dinner at the Hotel Restaurant



<u>Lodging:</u> Land Express Hotel next to Neuquén Airport <u>Meals:</u> **Breakfast**, at camp; **Lunch**, river side and **Dinner**, at Hotel Restaurant



#### DAY 8 Departure Day - Fly back to Buenos Aires

After breakfast you will be privately drive to the Neuquén Airport to catch your fly to Buenos Aires.

# This trip of 7 nights and 7 fishing days has a cost of \$ 4,975 per person

#### **INCLUDED ON THE TRIP PRICE**

- All lodging as describe on the itinerary.
- All meals, beer, wine and a selection of spirits available at the Lodge and Camps
- Trip coordinator and driver assistance during the trip
- Fishing guide per two anglers
- All the special services described in the itinerary
- Fishing license
- All flies, tippet material and leaders needed for the trip
- Transportation from/to Local Airports to Lodge, Hotel and Float Trip

#### **NOT INCLUDED ON THE TRIP PRICE**

- International and Local Flights
- Laundry
- Airport transfers in Buenos Aires from and to International Airport and Local Airport
- Gratuities