

Day 1

Salta - Surroundings - Camp of Dakar Rally

We visit the surroundings of Salta and its beautiful valley and carry on to our accommodation between Tucuman and Jujuy, the exact location depends on the itinerary of the Dakar Rally next day.

Approx. 200Km

Day 2

Dakar Rally sDaye 4 - Jujuy

We will visit one or two places of the Dakar Rally where they pass on their way to Jujuy. Overnight stay in Jujuy, close to the camp of the Rally. Visit of the camp and talks with the proDayonists in the afternoon.

Approx. 300Km

Day 3

Jujuy - Dakar Rally sDaye 5 - San Pedro de Atacama.

We will observe the start of this day of the Dakar Race and will follow it on direct road to see it on its way to Chile. We will also cross into Chile by climbing up 2000m to cross the Pass Cuesta de Lipan into the desert plains of the Puna where we cross the salt lake Salinas Grandes to get to Susques, and carry on to the plains of the Olaroz Saltlake. After crossing the border into Chile we pass several lagoons with Flamingos, Ducks, Vicuñas and Suris, and climb up to 4800m before we dive down into the Valley of the Atacama desert and the Oasis of San Pedro de Atacama where we spend the night.

Approx. 500Km

Day 4

Start of 6th sDaye of the Rally, San Pedro de Atacama and Surroundings.

We will have an easy day today in this charming oasis in the middle of the Atacama desert and will have the opportunity to visit the Flamingos in the Chaxa Lagoon, the Quito Ruins and to enjoy the sunset in the Valley of the Moon.

Approx. 100 km on tarmac.

Day 5

San Pedro de Atacama - Uyuni

We leave San Pedro towards the north, bordering the mountain range spiked with volcanoes that divides Chile from Bolivia. We pass some smoking volcanoes and get to the border with Bolivia before we ride on through bizarre rock formations and open plains into the dusty town of Uyuni.

Approx. 400 km, 300 km of that on gravel.

Day 6

Uyuni - Colchani - Salt Flats - Fischermans Island - Salt Hotel.

Today is the big salt-lake experience, as we drive across the seemingly endless Salar de Uyuni. Be dazzled by the unearthly lights and bizarre salt formations, and enjoy the easy ride on the almost endless plains of this white sea of salt! Take a break on the Isla del Pescador, a rocky island overgrown with cactuses which rises from the middle of the massive whiteness.

We ride back to the salt producing town of Colchani, where we stay in a stunningly beautiful hotel built entirely of salt.

Approx. 150 km salt and gravel.

Day 7

Salt Hotel - Uyuni - Atocha - Tupiza

After crossing the plains of the Uyuni Salt Flats passing an impressive volcano, we snake through the Andes on winding gravel tracks to reach the colourful fertile valleys surrounding the town of Tupiza. After a couple of dusty rides the warm climate and the swimming pool is just perfect to finish this day.

Approx. 250km gravel

Day 8

Tupiza - Villazon - Abra Pampa - Humahuaca.

Following the Tupiza river and then climbing up into the Puna desert we reach the border with Argentina. Then we carry on through the Puna for a little while before riding down into the Quebrada de Humahuaca where we stay in the colonial town that gives this spectacular valley it's name.

Approx. 300 km, 90 km of that on tarmac.

Day 9

Depending on the itinerary of the first days we will either go to the spectacular mountain village of Iruya or ride to the Salt flats of Salinas Grandes and San Antonio de los Cobres.

Day 10

Return to Salta.

Depending from where we will enjoy our last day riding into Salta coming down from the dry desert mountains into the lush valley of Salta

Approx. 250 km.