



## Equipment list for a Patagonia Fishing Trip.

In the last ten years I have spent 25 weeks fishing in Patagonia, Argentina. During that time I have developed an equipment list for a Patagonia fly fishing trip.

### Personal Equipment list

- Sunglasses (2)
- Extra eyeglasses
- Rain jacket
- Duct tape, small ½ roll
- Meds, Roloids, vitamins, sleeping pills **See #1 below**
- Scarf
- 4 fishing shirts **See note #2**
- Pants (2) denims (1), flats fishing pants (3)
- Fleece vest
- Patagonia Nano puff coat
- 2-3 evening shirts
- 5 socks/ travel shoes
- Capilene long underwear 1 bottom, 1 top, mid and light weight
- Capilene tops (4), lightweight, like t-shirts
- Fingerless gloves
- Warm hat or stocking cap
- Fishing sandals optional
- Shorts (1)
- Toiletries, comb, shampoo, sunblock
- 2 hats, fishing
- Camera, charger, extra battery and cards
- Hand warmer packets

### Items to add if you are camping during your trip

- Pillow bag, stuff clothes in to make a pillow
- Baby or disinfectant wipes for overnight camping
- Small flashlight for camping nights and a tent light

- Camp shoes, slip on shoes work best

### **Note # 1**

I carry the following OTC and prescription drugs in case of problems....

- Zicam, in case a cold comes on
- Benadryl, antihistamine
- Z Pack, antibiotic
- OTC sleeping pills
- Cipro for bacterial infection
- Prednisone for swelling and allergies
- Promethazine for nausea
- OTC constipation and the runs medicine

**This is what my Doctor has recommended for me only. Check with your MD and create your own personal list based on those recommendations. Do not rely on my list.**

### **Note #2**

Check about getting laundry done if needed. If so don't overdo the clothes. What I have listed above is my maximum amount, I may cut back if need space and can get laundry done

### **Fishing Stuff**

- Fanny pack or fly vest
- Line cleaner
- Rods 6,7,and 8 weight, fast action
- 3 reels 2 floating, 6 and 7 wt,
- 2 sink tips, 250 and 300 grExtra lines, 250 grain sink tip, floating
- 3 fly boxes, 2 for streamers one for dries
- Forceps and nippers, 2 pairs
- Boat dry bag
- Waders/boots
- Spool of Flourocarbon for streamer leaders, 12 to 16 lb. test

- Flies
- Leaders 9 foot, 2X, 3x and 4x
- Tippet, 3-5X
- Fly Floatant
- Wading Staff
- Stripping basket

I have refined my Equipment list for a Patagonia fly fishing trip into those items I carry on and those that I leave in my checked bags. **Important note-as of this writing on any flight from Buenos Aries to Patagonia you can't carry on any sporting equipment.** Those fishing items that I have carried on traveling to Buenos Aries have to be placed in my checked bags when heading south.

## Roller Carry On

In this I carry essential items that I need and can't borrow or buy if they lose my checked luggage

- Toothbrush, comb
- Rain jacket
- 2 reels, 1 float, 1 sink
- Flies, not all of them just a selection that will get me by
- 1 set of clothes
- Sunglasses
- Extra glasses
- Fleece vest
- Hat, fishing and stocking
- Sleeping pills, vitamins, carry all of your prescription drugs, I've had customers have it stolen from checked bags
- Camera
- Rod Tube with all rods

## Additional Travel items that I carry on

- Passport, Global Entry Card is applicable
- Airline tickets
- Tip money, \$50/day for guides and \$15-30 for staff
- Extra Cash

## Final Notes about Argentina Travel

Carry cash in larger bills, \$50-100's

When changing airports from Ezeiza (EZE) the international airport to Jorge Newberry (AEP) National **airport give yourself a minimum of three hours.** Anything less and you are likely to miss your next flight.

While in Buenos Aires be aware of your surroundings. Pick pockets aren't uncommon, I've heard of fellow travelers losing money. The most common method is for one person to squirt ugly smelling substance on you. Then a nice looking couple comes to your assistance and relieves you of your wallet.

Fly fishing in Patagonia is the trip of a lifetime. Wonderful rivers, great people, superb food and wine all combine to make Patagonia the finest fly fishing trip available. I hope my equipment list for a Patagonia fly fishing trip helps you enjoy your journey.

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