



CHILE'S LAKE DISTRICT

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Chile, Latin America



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Journey Overview

Nothing prepares you for the wildness of Chile's Lake District. Discover a vast, unspoiled landscape filled with spectacular contrasts of ancient forest, fertile farmland, sapphire-blue lakes and glowing volcanoes. Find a hiker's paradise with pristine national parks and nature parks begging to be explored. Channel your inner huaso (cowboy) and learn to ride horses Chilean style through remote areas of the Cordilleras. Fly-fish on the banks of impossibly clear rivers. Marvel at the indigenous Mapuche culture still thriving in charming lakeside villages.

Journey Highlights

- Discover an adventure lover's paradise in Chile's Lake District
- Hike, ride, sail or kayak through the diverse landscape
- Immerse yourself in the luxury of Hacienda Hotel Vira Vira
- Feast on organic farm-fresh menus paired with exceptional Chilean wine

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Temuco - Pucón.

Arrive into Temuco, the gateway to the Chilean Lake District. Then, travel overland to Pucón, a lakeside town at the foot of Volcano Villarrica. Stretch your legs in the gardens and drink in the theatre of snow-capped mountains and glistening lakes. Wander through the hotel's working farm and dairy. Here, an organic vegetable garden, flourmill, beehives, Mapuche-bred hens, and a state-of-the-art cheese-making facility supply most of the ingredients used for the lavish breakfast buffet and tasting menus. As dusk falls find your spot in the open-air bar and indulge in surprising twists on South American classics, like the zingy ginger pisco sour.

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Days 2-3: Pucón.

Venture forth and explore the Lake District for two whole days. Choose from the exceptional menu of activities included with your hotel stay and led by some of Chile's most experienced guides. Or simply explore your own way. Rise early for a meditative yoga session. Ride by horseback through the majestic Cordilleras and even learn to ride Chilean style from *huasos* (cowboys) at a local ranch. Head upstream to sail on Lake Villarrica, or test your courage with some of the best rafting in the world. Trek to the summit of smoking Volcano Villarrica, then reward yourself by bathing in the therapeutic hot springs that are prolific in the region. Try your hand at fly-fishing on the Liucura River from your own terrace. Journey to remote communities and uncover the culture of Chile's largest surviving indigenous group, the Mapuche. Marvel as local weavers spin vibrant rugs from natural, hand-dyed yarn. Back at the hotel, watch the staff harvest and mill wheat from the gardens for homemade bread, and learn the art of cheese making using milk from the dairy cows. And after each adventure-filled day, soothe your muscles in the fire-heated wooden hot tubs that line the river's shore and relish exceptional Chilean wine.

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Day 4: Pucón - Depart Temuco

Rise early to watch the glow of Volcano Villarrica in the distance, try your luck at some final fly-fishing, or stretch out with yoga. Then private transfer to Temuco airport for your onward journey.

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