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Chile in one week: exciting day tours from Santiago



- Nights:** 8
Passengers: 2
Price: USD 1,800 CLP for 2 people (10% discount will be applied to all tours when booking the package)
Hotel: Depending on your wishes regarding luxury, location and price, we can suggest great hotels for you.

What's included:
⊕ 7 day tours around Santiago
⊕ Private transportation
Price does not include:
⊕ Hotel
⊕ lunches and dinners
⊕ Optional gratuities for guides & drivers
⊕ Items of personal nature
⊕ Travel insurance

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Short overview of the tours*:

Day 1: Tour to Valparaiso

Day 2: Concha y Toro & Santa Rita vineyards

Day 3: Morning Horseback riding

Day 4: Santiago City Highlights & Observatory

Day 5: Emiliana & Bodegas Re vineyards

Day 6: Andes Day Hike

Day 7: Pomaire & Isla Negra

(*)The exact sequence of the tours can be adjusted to comply with opening hours and days.



DAY 1: Tour to Valparaiso

Take in the faded grandeur of this unique harbor town, nestled between the sea and the forested coastal mountain range. In 2003, Valparaiso, meaning “the valley of paradise”, was declared a world heritage site by UNESCO.

In this carefully crafted private tour, we show you all the hidden nooks, backstreets and peculiarities of Valparaiso. Upon arrival we take a funicular (the oldest stems from 1883) up the hills and we have coffee in one of the many cozy restaurants. We explore the little backstreets with street-art and stroll through the bohemian labyrinth of colorful streets. Take your time to nose through the many artisan jewelry shops and galleries. From up in the hills you can take in the colorful vistas of this avant-garde town and take unique pictures. After an exquisite lunch (not included in the price), if time permits, there is the option to do a boat trip through the bay and to meet the enormous sea lions that rest on buoys and shipwrecks. The trip finishes with a visit to Pablo Neruda’s house La Sebastiana followed by our return to Santiago.

You will be picked up at 08.30 and returned by 19.00 max to your hotel (2 hour drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/culture/valparaiso/>

DAY 2: Concha y Toro & Santa Rita vineyards

The internationally renowned vineyard Concha y Toro origins back to 1883. The founding father is Don Melchor Concha y Toro. He brought the first vines that were planted from the Bordeaux area in France to Chile and fortunately they grew prosperously in the Maipo Alto region.

Santa Rita equally dates back to the 1880’s and plays an important role in Chilean history in its battle against the Conquistadores. Admire the old hacienda style land house and enjoy your wine while you stroll through the old cellars. Lunch can be enjoyed... in either of the two vineyards in their gourmet restaurants.

You will be picked up at 08.45 and returned by 18.00 max to your hotel (1 hour drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/culture/santiago-city-highlights/>



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DAY 3: Morning Horseback riding

Join us for a 3 hour horseback riding trip through Santiago's rugged Cordillera, guided by local Arrieros (cowboys). Take in the stunning vistas and admire the abundant flora & fauna from horseback. We will cross rivers, scale mountains, have a short break along the river side, enjoy a small snack in the gorgeous surroundings and then savour a picnic lunch once back at the ranch. You will also have the chance to share an Argentinean herbal tea called "mate".

We use the small but sturdy criollo horses who make anybody feel at ease. No previous experience is required. To make your trip more pleasant, we will lend you chaps and a helmet. Please wear long trousers, long sleeves in the summer for sun protection and closed shoes.

You will be picked up at 10.00 and returned by 16.00 max to your hotel (35 min drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/horses/horseback-morning-tour/>

DAY 4: Santiago City Highlights & Observatory

Santiago City Highlights

Let us take you through history of time from the old Spanish colonial city of Pedro de Valdivia to a modern vibrating hub in Latin America. Come and see the highlights of Santiago with us on a 3 to 4 hour walking tour!

Stroll through the maze of fruit, vegetable and meat stalls at *La Vega*, admire the art-nouveau-London-train-station-style-like construction of the fish market *Mercado Central* and let yourself be led you through the city. On our walking tour you can appreciate the neo-classical *Moneda Palace* (seat of the government), the *Plaza de Armas* (main square) and the *Santa Lucia Hill*, where Santiago was founded in 1541 by Pedro de Valdivia.

We will have lunch in an exquisite gourmet wine restaurant, with plenty of opportunities to taste some sips (or more) of Chile's famous wines! After lunch, we indulge ourselves in the bohemian ambiance of the *Bellavista* neighbourhood, where you will have the possibility to spend some leisure time shopping, visit the Cerro San Cristobal Hill, have dinner in one of the many restaurants in the street of Concepción, or we can chaperone you back to your hotel.

You will be picked up at 10.00 and returned by 15.00 max to your hotel.

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Observatory

The Chilean Sky is famous for its crystal clear vision of the infinity of our universe. Let yourself be taken out of this world getting a glance of the immense skies above us, not even lifting a toe off the ground.

This private observatory located in the Andes at a 40 min drive from Santiago, offers an impressive introduction into the world above and around us. We will be warmly received by our hosts for our boutique tour.

First, an experienced astronomer takes us by the hand through a presentation with interesting and astounding facts about the universe, the planets and the stars.

Then, leaving the theoretic part behind, we get a chance to observe the night sky with our bare eyes. Moving onwards in technology we use binoculars, and bigger telescopes until we finally get to use the high-tech telescopes of the observatory.

In order to touch reality again you will be served wine, cheese and other refreshments. Join into discussion with the other members of the group, in order to share experiences and impressions.

The tour is available on Saturdays, subjected to weather conditions. You will be picked up at 19.30 and returned by 24.00 max to your hotel (1/2 hour drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/various/observatory/>

DAY 5: Emiliana & Bodegas Re

For those who do not like to spot steel tanks on the production site of a vineyard, then Emiliana & Bodegas RE is the best choice for you! Immerse yourself in nature and get introduced to the ancient ways of wine production!

The Emiliana vineyard is a pioneer in organic bio-dynamic wine making in South America. During the tour you can spot sheep, alpacas & chickens that roam freely followed by a tasting of their premium wines, 2 white & 2 red. Nice detail: in their wine shop, you can also buy homemade honey, olive oil and alpaca wool!

Bodegas RE reintroduces ancient ways of producing wine in immense amphorae. Combining traditional ways with today's knowledge enables them to produce beautiful premium wines! Bodegas RE belongs to the Morandé family, 9 generations of wine producers in Chile.

We will have lunch on the way in a gourmet restaurant.

You will be picked up at 09.00 and returned by 17.00 max to your hotel (1 hour drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/wine/emiliana-bodegas-re/>



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DAY 6: Andes Day Hike

Enjoy a beautiful day in out in one of the private pristine parks in the Andes, close to Santiago. Within only a 1 hour drive you get to step into the magical world of pine trees, wild streaming rivers with blue melted glacier water, rocks and the extraordinary Andes Mountains.

The Nature Park has its own ecological system due to its unique geographical location, in a valley admits the Andes slopes. We can spot 500 different plant species and various animal species, such as different types of rodents and foxes. Numerous eagles reside in the park and when lucky we can also spot a Chilean condor.

Halfway the hike we cross a river to continue at the other side, or you can opt to walk the same path back. After a 2 or 3 hour hike, we enjoy a tasty picnic lunch or Chilean Asado (BBQ) in a magnificent setting, with the accompaniment of some the prestigious Chilean wines.

You will be picked up at 09.00 and returned by 15.30 max to your hotel (1 hour drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/andes-day-hike/>

DAY 7: Pomaire & Isla Negra

Join us for a visit to the most famous little artisan ceramic producing village of Pomaire!

For centuries this village has been a handcraft producing community, starting with the first indigenous tribes that settled there late 1500's and started to work the clay. It is the best spot for getting some nice souvenirs!

After noosing around in Pomaire, we head to the coast where we pay a visit to Isla Negra, hometown to the museum beach house of Pablo Neruda. This eccentric former diplomat lived a turbulent life and is one of Chile's most famous poets. His museum beach house is a must-see, full with collected memorabilia from his trips abroad.

You will be picked up at 10.00 and returned by 19.00 max to your hotel (1.5 hour drive from Providencia).

<http://www.chileofftrack.com/culture/pomaire/>

