

CHILE - CHILE'S LAKES DISTRICT EXTENSION | DELUXE



INTRODUCTION

Stay in deluxe accommodation in Puerto Varas at Hotel AWA, at the southern end of Chile's Lake District, located on the shores of Lake Llanquihue. Enjoy the freedom of choice to choose from an array of included activities from rafting to horse riding. From there you will travel to Chiloe Island, made famous by its UNESCO World Heritage-listed wooden churches. On Chiloe, you will visit the village of Chacao and stay in the luxurious accommodation of Tierra Chiloe in the town of Castro. Castro is famous for its colourful stilted houses called palafitos. With Tierra Chiloe's all-encompassing portfolio of guided tours, you can hike, bike kayak, or sail your way through the charming landscapes of Chiloe.

This extension can be added to our [Signature Patagonia package](#). Contact us for more info.

On this all-encompassing personalised itinerary, Chimu will provide travel logistics for your travel party for the duration of your journey, plus expert guides for all the major sightseeing as per itinerary. Each night you will stay in superior accommodation, handpicked by our experienced team for their creature comforts, convenient locations, and impeccable service.

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DAY 1: Arrival to Puerto Varas

From Puerto Montt, the gateway of the Andean fjords, you will be transferred to your accommodation in Puerto Varas. Known as ‘La Ciudad de las Rosas’ or ‘The City of Roses,’ Puerto Varas is located on the shores of Lake Llanquihue at the southern end of Chile’s Lakes District. Characterised by traditional German architecture, manicured gardens and the pristine lakeside scenery, Puerto Varas is a prime location for adventure sports. Staying in the deluxe Hotel AWA, enjoy the wide range of activities available including fishing, birdwatching, volcano climbing, zip-lining. Kayaking or rafting after your arrival. (D)



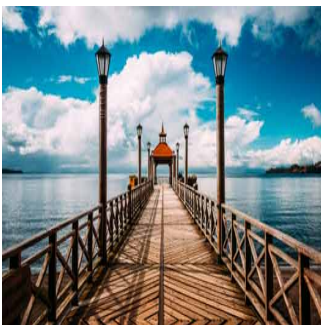
DAY 2: Guided Excursions - Puerto Varas

Choose from the wide variety of full or half day excursions in this wonderful region of Chile. Options include a guided rafting expedition on the Petrohue River, horseback riding or a horse and carriage ride with Condominio Las Tranqueras Stables through local forests inhabited by woodpeckers or fly fishing on the Petrohue, Maullin, Puelo and Rahue Rivers. Alternatively, enjoy kayaking on the Petrohue River or take a hike along one of the many hiking trails. (B,L,D)



DAY 3: Guided Excursions - Puerto Varas

You have another whole full day to enjoy Puerto Varas. Choose from some of the options mentioned on day two or take a half day excursion around Lake Llanquihue to the town of Frutillar. Known as the UNESCO city of music thanks to its year-round program of musical events, Frutillar is undoubtedly one of Chile’s finest cities. Take some time to discover its beautiful houses and gardens, shop for souvenirs and take in magnificent views of the Osorno and Puntagudo volcanos. (B,L,D)



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DAY 4: Puerto Varas to Chiloe Island

You will travel by road and ferry to Chiloe Island, allowing you to enjoy the scenery and keep watch for birdlife during the ferry crossing. On Chiloe Island you will visit the village of Chacao, on the southern shore of the Chacao Channel. After a coffee stop, admire the colourful wooden buildings of the village and the Iglesia San Antonio de Chacao Church. Next you will cross the island to the city of Castro. There, colourful stilted houses called palafitos line the waterfront, and it's home to one of Chiloe's UNESCO world heritage listed churches. You will stay overnight in Castro in the deluxe accommodation of Tierra Chiloe. (B,D)



DAY 5: Guided Excursions - Chiloe Island

Choose from a wide variety of full or half day excursions to explore the island of Chiloe. Two options available include a half day tour of Castro's stilt houses, Mercado Yumbel craft market and local shipyards or a half day kayaking excursion to Pullao Marsh where you might spot migratory birds such as long-billed curlew, cormorants and flamingos as well as dolphins. Your luxury accommodation also has a spa and wellness centre where you can treat yourself to a soothing treatment. (B,L,D)



DAY 6: Guided Excursions - Chiloe Island

Enjoy more of the island of Chiloe with more included excursions available to take from your luxury accommodation in Castro. Perhaps take a guided tour to Quemchi and Aucar to discover more of Chiloe's UNESCO World Heritage listed churches or enjoy trekking in Tantauco Park or to the beautiful bay of Duhatao. There is just so much to explore in this beautiful part of the world so we've provided you with more free time to choose the journey that best suits you. (B,L,D)



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DAY 7: Depart Castro to Puerto Montt

From your hotel in Castro you will be transferred to Puerto Montt airport to travel to your next destination.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Deluxe Hotels/Resorts
Inclusions	<p>Inclusions</p> <p>Airport transfer on arrival in Puerto Montt</p> <p>Deluxe accommodation with all meals and drinks included (excluding premium beverages)</p> <p>One private excursion daily with a local experienced guide from AWA Hotel</p> <p>Two half day excursions or one full day excursion daily in small groups with other hotel guests with a local experienced guide from Tierra Lodge</p> <p>Private guided scenic transport from Puerto Varas to Chiloe Island</p> <p>Airport transfer on departure from Lodge to Puerto Montt Airport</p> <p>Exclusions</p> <p>International and internal flights not indicated</p> <p>Visa and reciprocity fees (if applicable)</p> <p>Travel Insurance</p> <p>Beverages (top shelf)</p> <p>Personal expenses</p> <p>Gratuities for tour guides/drivers</p> <p>Any items not mentioned as included</p>
Difficulty Rating	1 (easy adventure)
Single Surcharge	A single supplement surcharge applies and is subject to availability. Please contact us for more information.
Notes	<p>Prices are based on per person, twin share.</p> <p>Prices are correct at time of publishing but are subject to change at any time.</p> <p>All entrance fees are subject to change without prior notice.</p>

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Price Dependent upon Seasonality and availability at time of booking.

SUSTAINABILITY

Being environmentally accountable is a crucial part of our organisation. Chimu is currently striving towards using less paper, taking several initiatives to do so and tracking our progress along the way. Our goal: A paperless organisation. For this reason, all information given to you will be sent electronically. We encourage those who choose to travel with us to support our aspirations and actions and ask that you reconsider printing out documentation. To view these documents, you can download them to your iPad or portable computer before and during your trip.

Chimu is passionate and dedicated to sustainability measures and understands the crucial part sustainability plays within the tourism industry.

We use local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprint. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you're visiting. Our guides are all highly qualified (most with university degrees) or equip with many years of experience and are paid above the standard wage. Whether it be our knowledgeable local guides, locally produced meals or the transport on tour, we do not use imported goods when local products are available. We aim to minimise our impact on the environment and give as much back as possible to the communities we work in.

While visiting the many national parks, heritage sites, museums and landmarks our travellers are encouraged to explore whilst remaining culturally aware and sensitive. We further encourage you to buy appropriate souvenirs and discourage the buying of anything wrongfully made or taken from the environment i.e. shells and endangered species products. Information on how you can be environmentally conscious, and travel responsibly will be made available in our Travellers Guides and provided during your travels by guides and staff.

For more information on our sustainability policies, including how we are striving towards being a paperless organisation, click [HERE](#)

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