

SEPTEMBER 2023 THRU APRIL 2024

EXCURSIONS

2023-24

• TOURS & DETOURS •



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**The Chiloe Natural's
commitment**

Welcome to Chiloé Natural, your gateway to the charming world of Chiloé Island. Located off the coast of Chile, this captivating archipelago attracts adventurers seeking a truly unique and authentic travel experience. Immerse yourself in Chiloé's rich array of culture, where ancient traditions blend seamlessly with stunning, rural landscapes and a vibrant community.



Whether you are attracted by the magic, the picturesque coastal towns or the impressive natural parks, our team of experts is here to organize an unforgettable trip that will leave you captivated by the wonders of Chiloé.

Embark on a journey of discovery with Chiloé Natural and let the magic of this extraordinary destination unfold before your eyes.

Cayit Christensen



CERTIFICADO DE COMPROMISO



NATURE & CULTURE

Chiloe National Park and City of Chonchi.

You will be picked up by your guide at your hotel after enjoying your breakfast and we will head south along the Pan-American Highway for 20 kms.(12 miles). Right after Chonchi, which we will visit during the afternoon on our return to Castro, we will continue west to the Cuaao area on the West coast of the island and, southern entrance to the Chiloé National Park with more than 42,000 has.(105,000 Acres) bordering the Pacific Ocean. We will walk the light El Tepual trail before having lunch* at a local restaurant. After lunch we will return to Chonchi to visit its World Heritage Church. Return to the hotel will be approximately 5:00 p.m.



*Lunch is from a fixed menu with a veggie option. First non-alcoholic drink is included.

CHURCH ROUTE

Dalcahue & Quinchao Island

Our excursion will take us from the city of Castro to the town of Dalcahue, where we will board a ferry to Quinchao Island, the largest island in the archipelago. During our trip, we will visit Curaco de Velez and see the heritage church of Achao, which dates back to around 1730. Next, we will head to Villa Quinchao, where we will find the largest heritage church in a small village. After that, we will return to Dalcahue to visit its Heritage church and authentic Craft Fair. Our return to Castro will be around 5:30 pm.





TREKKING & FAUNA

Tepuhueico Park

Parque Tepuhueico is a nature project situated in the heart of Chiloé Island, covering an area of 20,000 hectares (5000 acres) of native forest. During our excursion, we will take a walk through the park's trails, where we can explore the Myrtles Cathedral, have a glimpse of the beautiful waterfall that drains from Lake Tepuhueico, and enjoy the stunning flora and fauna that is present in the area. It is a perfect place for bird watching, and we may even spot some rare species such as Pudu and Darwin's Fox. If the weather allows, we can also visit Chonchi and enjoy a hot beverage after lunch. Our return to Castro is scheduled for approximately 5:00 p.m. This excursion is a must-see for nature enthusiasts who want to explore the beauty of Chiloé Island.



CHURCH ROUTE

East Coast, coastal villages

We will begin our journey from your hotel and head towards the north. After covering half the distance between Castro and Ancud, we will take the road towards the East that leads to the city of Quemchi. This is where Francisco Coloane, the National Literature Prize winner, has deep roots. We will visit his House Museum and then proceed towards Aucar Island, which is also known as the Island of Navigating Souls, as named by Coloane himself. To reach the island, we will walk on a wooden walkway that is more than 500 meters long. Next, we will head towards Colo, where we will see the smallest heritage church of Chiloé. After that, we will visit Tenaun and San Juan, where we can see more heritage churches and visit a shipyard that makes wooden boats. Finally, we will return to Castro, stopping at Dalcahue to visit its heritage church and crafts fair. We will return to Castro at approximately 5:30 p.m.





NATURE & CULTURE

Puñihuil Penguin Colony & Historic Ancud

Join us on a fascinating journey to the north of Chiloé Island. This historically rich area is home to many captivating sights. Our adventure begins with a visit to the Puñihuil Bay, which is a National Monument due to its unique feature of being the only place in the world where both the Humboldt and Magellanic penguins nest together. We will board a boat and head to the islets, where we will observe penguins, cormorants, pelicans, kelp geese, and the occasional sea otter for around thirty minutes. After a delicious lunch, we will travel to the city of Ancud, which was once the capital of Chiloé. Here, we will visit the fort and the "Fundación Amigos de las Iglesias," which is dedicated to the restoration and promotion of World Heritage Monuments (UNESCO). We will return to Castro in the afternoon, arriving at approximately 5:30 pm.





CHURCH ROUTE

Island of Lemuy

We will travel to the southeast of the island until we reach the port of Huicha in Chonchi, where we will take a ferry to reach Lemuy Island. This island is home to 8 wooden churches, out of which 3 have been recognized as World Heritage Sites. Our tour will start with a visit to the 3 heritage churches, namely Ichuac, Aldachildo, and Detif. We will also get to admire the beautiful Quehui and Chelin islands from a stunning viewpoint, and explore various scenic spots of the island.



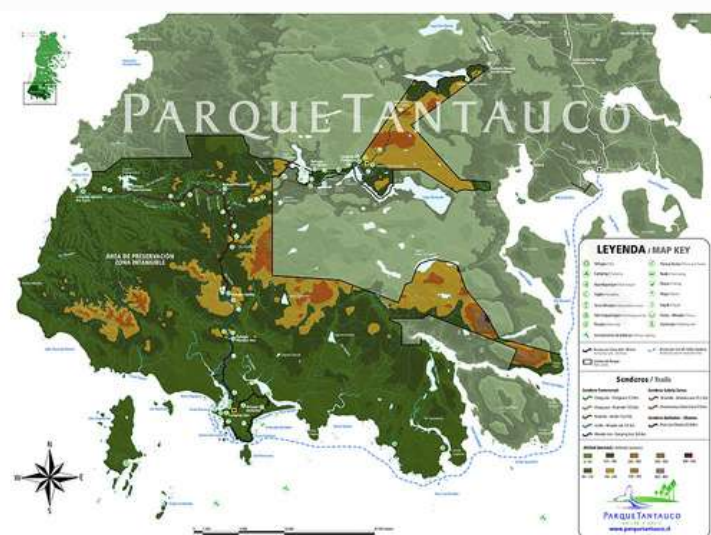


TREKKING

Tantauco Park

(Yaldad area)

We will begin our day by traveling towards the southern part of the island. Just 14 kms (8 miles) before reaching Quellón, we will take a gravel road that leads to the Yaldad sector. This is the northern entrance to Tantauco Park. Once there, we will embark on a 2-hour walk (medium level) along the Yaldad River, which will lead us to the park's Visitor Center. Here, we will enjoy a gourmet picnic lunch while taking in the stunning view of the lake that shares the same name. After lunch, we will explore the Visitor Center before taking the light Siempreverde Trail. We will then return to the gate and head back to Castro around 5:30 p.m





CITY TOURS

Castro y Chonchi

Our excursion will take us to two important cities on the island, Castro and Chonchi, both of which are home to heritage churches and have a unique Chilote beauty. During the tour, we will visit stilt houses, waterfronts, markets, and the most notable points of interest in each of these emblematic cities of Chiloé. This half-day excursion is approximately 4 hours long, and we will take a break at a local coffee shop where you can enjoy a cup of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate





SPECIAL INTERESTS

Kayaking the Fjord of Castro

We will begin the activity with a brief introduction and safety briefing about the activity we will carry out and the correct use of the equipment. We will paddle for approximately 3 hours on kayaks, visiting the Palafitos (houses on stilts) and the Ten Ten point.

Depending on the tide and weather conditions, the guide will decide if it is possible to cross to the Quento/Tongoy sector or otherwise stay on the west bank of the fjord going up the Gamboa River.

We will enjoy a healthy and energetic snack while we are on board before returning to the dock where we began the activity.





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INTERESES ESPECIALES

Kayak at Dawn in the Sunken Forest



Kayaking in the mist of the sunken forest of the Chepu River is one of our favorite activities. It is surreal to witness the logs of dead trees that are mute witnesses of the natural catastrophe that occurred in 1960. The land sank with the strongest earthquake ever recorded by humans (9.5), and a tsunami flooded the valley leaving behind the sunken forest. For this exclusive excursion, we will leave Castro in the afternoon of the previous day and stay at an agritourism in Chepu. We will have an early dinner and rest as we start early the next day. We will head to the pier before sunrise to get into our kayaks, enjoy a hot drink and a snack before we begin paddling upstream towards the sunken forest of Chepu. We will paddle for 2 to 3 hours among dead trees and the river's fog at that unique time of day. After the kayaking experience, we will return to the agrotourism to have a farm breakfast with local products to replenish all the energy before returning to Castro at lunchtime.



INTERESES ESPECIALES

Birding on the Archipelago

The island boasts of unique habitats and ecosystems, making it an ideal sanctuary for a wide array of bird species. These areas of high ecological value are known as "hotspots" for birdwatching. Chiloé Natural offers various excursions to locations with high sighting targets such as Caulín, Putemun, Pullao, Curaco de Vélez, the Pacific Coast, among many others. Through these trips, you can appreciate the beautiful designs, shapes, and colors of the birds and learn about the roles they play in the different ecosystems they inhabit. Depending on your bird list and interests, we will create a tailored itinerary to help you find the species you are looking for.





SPECIAL INTERESTS

Horseback Riding



Horseback riding in Chiloé has been a traditional activity since the arrival of the Spanish conquistadors in the 1500s. They brought horses to this part of the world, and it has since become a popular pastime. At Chiloé Natural, we offer the best and most authentic "riding" experience, whether you're on a pristine beach on the Pacific coast or high in the mountains of the island. We cater to all levels of experience, from the most experienced riders to those who have never ridden before. We can adjust to your needs, interests, and experience level, and even offer additional activities such as moving livestock or making your own knife with a local blacksmith. So come join us for an unforgettable horseback riding experience in Chiloé!

CULINARY EXPERIENCE

Chilote Cooking Class

Join us for a unique culinary experience where you will accompany a renowned local chef to the Castro farmer's market to shop for fresh ingredients. We will then take a ferry to Quinchao Island, specifically to the town of Curaco de Velez, where we will use the facilities of a rural school for our cooking class. During the class, we will prepare a delicious 4-course Chilote meal using the freshest products from the sea and countryside. We will then sit down to enjoy our creations along with a glass of Chilean wine. After lunch, we can stop for a cup of tea or coffee and a piece of cake, a tradition brought by German colonizers in 1850s, before visiting the heritage church in Dalcahue. Finally, in the afternoon, we will return to your hotel.



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Emprendimiento chilote gana concurso Más Valor Turístico

Reconocen emprendimiento turístico gastronómico con identidad que ofrece Chilote Natural.

M. Eugenio Nofel C.

Un grupo de emprendedores turísticos chilotos se reunió en la ciudad de Castro para recibir el premio del concurso Más Valor Turístico otorgado por el Servicio Nacional de Turismo, que reconoce a Chile de un emprendimiento que ofrece gastronomía con identidad y que ofrece Chilote Natural.

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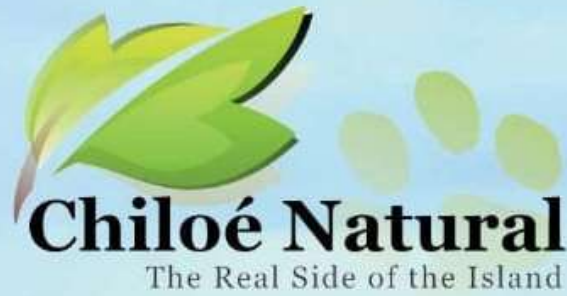


SPECIAL INTERESTS

Knife Forging

Metal working is one of the oldest trades known to man. However, Chiloé lacks this natural resource. Therefore, blacksmithing and forging techniques have become essential to give life and shape to tools, decorations, and everyday items. Through this experience, you will learn the most basic techniques of this art and be able to create your own knife in an intense day of work at a workshop with a blacksmith and iron forger. Imagination is the only limit to what you can create. The best part? You will get to make your own knife with your own hands!





Travel can change the world, but first we must change travel

La apuesta no es volver donde estábamos, sino crear un nuevo futuro para el turismo



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