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EXCURSIONS

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• TOURS & DETOURS •



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Chiloé Natural's Commitment



Chiloé Natural is an invitation to discover the fascinating world of Chiloé, an archipelago located off the coast of southern Chile. This region attracts adventurers from all over, searching for authentic and unique travel experiences. In Chiloé, the rich local culture is intertwined with stunning landscapes and a vibrant community, and visitors can immerse themselves in ancient traditions while enjoying the island's natural beauty and country life.

Chiloé Natural's team offers the organization and operation of unforgettable private trips, designed to captivate travelers with the wonders of Chiloé Island. Whether it's the magic, picturesque coastal towns, or impressive natural parks, Chiloé Natural is committed to creating memorable experiences. We invite travelers to embark on a journey of discovery and be surprised by the magic of this extraordinary destination.

Cyril Christensen



CERTIFICADO DE COMPROMISO



CHURCH ROUTE

Dalcahue & Quinchao Island

This excursion will take us from the city of Castro to the city of Dalcahue, where we will board a ferry to Quinchao Island, the largest of the archipelago. Visiting Curaco de Velez and the heritage church of Achao, which dates back to around 1730, we will then continue to Villa Quinchao, where we will find the largest of the heritage churches in a small village. Afterward, we will return to Dalcahue before visiting its Heritage church and authentic handicraft fair. Our return to Castro will be around 5:30 pm.



CHURCH ROUTE

East Coast. Coastal Villages

On this excursion, we head off from Castro towards the north. At the halfway point between Castro and Ancud, we take the road towards the East, which will lead us to the city of Quemchi. Quemchi holds deep roots for the writer and National Literature Prize winner, Francisco Coloane. We will visit his House Museum and then continue our journey towards Aucar Island, also known as the Island of Navigating Souls according to Coloane. Access to the island is through a wooden walkway that spans more than 500 meters (1640 ft.) Next, we will proceed to Colo, where the smallest of the heritage churches of Chiloé is located. From there, we will head to Tenaun and San Juan, both of which have heritage churches and a shipyard where wooden boats are made. During our return to Castro, we will make a stop in Dalcahue to visit its heritage church and crafts fair. The approximate time of our return to Castro is 5:30 p.m.





CHURCH ROUTE

Lemuy Island

We will travel to the southeast of the island to the port of Huicha, where we will cross by ferry to Lemuy Island. Lemuy Island is home to 8 wooden churches, 3 of which are World Heritage Sites.

From there, we will begin our tour through the island's surprising landscapes to see the 3 heritage churches on this island: Ichuac, Aldachildo, and Detif churches. We can also appreciate the islands of Quehui and Chelin from a beautiful viewpoint and explore various parts of the island.





NATURE & CULTURE

Chiloe National Park & Chonchi



You will be picked up at the hotel after breakfast, and we will head South along the Pan-American Highway for 20 km to towards the city of Chonchi. We will visit Chonchi in the afternoon when we return to Castro.

Continuing West, we will reach the Cucao area, southern gateway to the Chiloé National Park. This park spans over 42,000 hectares (104.000 acres) and borders the Pacific Ocean. We will hike the El Tepual trail before having lunch. After lunch, we will return to Chonchi to visit its World Heritage Church and traditional town. The approximate return time to the hotel in Castro will be at around 5:00 p.m.



TREKKING & FAUNA

Tepuhueico Park



Parque Tepuhueico is a project located in the heart of the island of Chiloé, encompassing 20,000 hectares (50.000 acres) of native forest. During our visit, we will have the opportunity to explore its trails and visit notable attractions such as the Myrtles Cathedral and a waterfall that originates from Lake Tepuhueico. This excursion is a must-visit for nature enthusiasts, as it offers a chance to immerse oneself in the beauty of the flora, fauna, and overall natural environment found within the park. There are frequent sightings of fascinating species, including Pudus and Darwin's Foxes, making it an exceptional destination for birdwatching. If time permits, we may also visit Chonchi and enjoy a cup of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate after lunch. We can expect to return to Castro around 5:00 p.m.



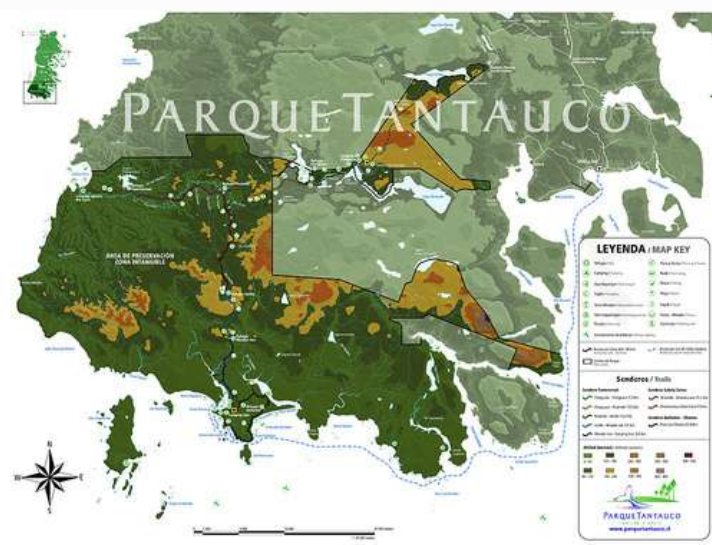


TREKKING

Tantauco Park

(Yaldad area)

We will start the day by traveling to the southern part of the island. About 14 km (9 miles) before reaching Quellón, we will turn onto a path that leads us to the Yaldad sector, which serves as the northern entrance to Tantauco Park. There, we will embark on a 2-hour walk of medium difficulty along the Yaldad River, heading towards the park's Visitor Center. At the Visitor Center, we will have the opportunity to enjoy a gourmet picnic lunch on the shores of the lake that shares the same name. After lunch and exploring the Visitor Center, we will proceed to hike the Evergreen Trail, which is suitable for beginners. After completing the trail, we will return to the park's entrance gate and make our way back to Castro, with an estimated arrival time of approximately 5:30 p.m.





NATURE AND CULTURE

Puñihuil Penguin Colony & Historic Ancud

This excursion takes us to the northern part of the island of Chiloé, known for its incredible landscapes and rich local history.

We will begin by visiting Puñihuil Bay, which has been declared a Natural Monument. It is the only place in the world where Humboldt and Magellanic penguins nest side by side. We will board a boat that will take us to the islets, where we will spend half an hour observing not only penguins but also other animals and birds that nest and live in the area, such as species of cormorants, pelicans, wild geese, and the occasional sea otter. Following lunch, we will proceed to the city of Ancud, which was once the capital of Chiloé. Here, we will visit its fort and the "Friends of the Churches Foundation," which plays a crucial role in the restoration and promotion of Chiloé's UNESCO World Heritage Churches.

In the afternoon, we will return to Castro.





CITY TOUR

Castro & Chonchi

This excursion will take us to visit two important cities on the island: Castro and Chonchi. Both cities have Heritage Churches and boast a unique Chilote beauty. During the excursion, we will explore stilt houses, waterfronts, markets, and the most notable points of each of these emblematic cities of Chiloé. This is a half-day excursion of approximately 4 hours.





SPECIAL INTERESTS

Kayaking the Fjord of Castro

We will start the activity with a brief introduction and a safety talk about the activity we will be doing and the correct use of the equipment. We will kayak for approximately 3 hours (level 1), visiting the Pedro Montt Palafitos and the Ten Ten point. Depending on the tide and weather conditions, our guide will decide if it is possible to cross to the Quento/Tongoy sector or if we will stay on the west bank of the fjord and go up the Gamboa River.

We will have a healthy and energetic snack on board before returning to the dock where we started our kayaking.





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SPECIAL INTERESTS

Kayak @ Dawn in the Sunken Forest of Chepu



This is one of our favorite activities. It is surreal to kayak in the mist of the sunken forest of the Chepu River. The land sank in 1960 due to the strongest earthquake recorded by humans, and a tsunami flooded the valley, leaving logs of dead trees as mute witnesses of this natural catastrophe. For this exclusive excursion, we leave Castro in the afternoon and stay at an agrotourism in Chepu. We will have an early dinner and rest to prepare for an early start the next day. We will head to the dock, still dark, where we will get into our kayaks and enjoy a hot drink and a snack. Then, we will begin paddling upstream towards the sunken forest of Chepu. We will paddle for 2 to 3 hours among dead trees and the river fog at that unique time of day. After that, we will return to the agrotourism to have a country breakfast with local products to replenish our energy before returning to Castro at lunchtime.



SPECIAL INTERESTS

Birding on the Archipelago

The island has interesting freshwater, saltwater, and estuarine ecosystems, making it a perfect refuge for a wide variety of bird species. That is why these places of high ecological value are considered “hotspots” for bird watching. Chiloé Natural offers various outings to locations with high sighting rates such as Caulín, Putemun, Pullao, Curaco de Vélez, among many others. Through these outings, you can marvel at the beautiful designs, shapes, and colors of the birds and learn about the roles they play within the different ecosystems they inhabit. Depending on your bird list and interests, we can tailor an itinerary to help you find the species you are looking for.





SPECIAL INTERESTS

Knife Forging

Metalworking is one of the oldest trades. While Chiloé may not have the natural resources for it, blacksmithing and forging techniques are crucial for creating tools, decorations, and everyday items. You can gain hands-on experience and learn the basics of blacksmithing to create your own knife in an intense one-day workshop. You'll work alongside a blacksmith and iron forger to bring your imagination to life and create your own unique knife.





SPECIAL INTERESTS

Horseback Riding



The horseback adventure will kick off with an informative briefing at the corral. This session will enlighten you on the natural tendencies of horses and the bond they form with humans through gentle training. Understanding this connection will guide you on how to approach and engage with the horses. After the talk, we will set off on a ride in a secure area, exploring the scenic beaches, fields, and rural paths of the Rilan Peninsula. The activity duration varies from 3 to 7 hours, depending on the chosen route. Essential gear like leg warmers and a safety helmet will be provided, and a snack or lunch will be included, depending on the itinerary. We suggest reserving your horseback ride in advance to ensure smooth coordination and the best selection tailored to the tides.

Chilote Cooking Class



In the afternoon, we will return to your hotel.



Pricing



Dalcahue & Quinchao Island

1 guest: USD\$ 420.-
2 guests: USD\$ 230.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 165.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 163.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 140.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 125.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 115.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 105.- per person.

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tours@chiloenatural.com*



East Coast. Coastal Villages

1 guest: USD\$ 410.-
2 guests: USD\$ 225.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 170.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 165.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 140.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 122.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 110.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 105.- per person.

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Lemuy Island

1 guest: USD\$ 450.-
2 guests: USD\$ 250.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 185.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 180.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 155.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 138.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 125.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 115.- per person.

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Chiloe National Park & Chonchi

1 guest: USD\$ 425.-
2 guests: USD\$ 245.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 180.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 170.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 147.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 135.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 125.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 120.- per person.

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Tepuhueico Park

1 guest: USD\$ 488.-
2 guests: USD\$ 285.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 215.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 200.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 175.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 155.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 145.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 135.- per person.

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Pricing (cont.)



Tantauco Park

1 guest: USD\$ 435.-
2 guests: USD\$ 250.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 185.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 175.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 170.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 165.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 150.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 140.- per person.

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Puñihuil Penguin Colony & Historic Ancud

1 guest: USD\$ 420.-
2 guests: USD\$ 250.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 190.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 183.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 175.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 160.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 145.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 135.- per person.

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City Tour Castro & Chonchi

1 guest: USD\$ 360.-
2 guests: USD\$ 190.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 135.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 130.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 110.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 95.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 85.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 80.- per person.

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Kayak Fjord of Castro

1 guest: USD\$ 270.-
2 guests: USD\$ 150.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 125.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 120.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 115.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 113.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 107.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 100.- per person.

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Kayak @ Dawn in Chepu

1 guest: USD\$ 625.-
2 guests: USD\$ 375.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 350.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 315.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 307.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 295.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 275.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 250.- per person.

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Pricing (cont.)



Birding on the Archipelago

1 guest: USD\$ 473.-
2 guests: USD\$ 278.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 210.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 205.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 180.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 165.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 150.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 145.- per person.

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Knife Forging

1 guest: USD\$ 295.-
2 guests: USD\$ 175.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 150.- per person.



Horseback Riding (Half Day)

1 guest: USD\$ 265.-
2 guests: USD\$ 145.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 120.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 115.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 113.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 107.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 100.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 95.- per person.

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Horseback Riding (Full Day)

1 guest: USD\$ 385.-
2 guests: USD\$ 200.- per person.
3 guests: USD\$ 185.- per person.
4 guests: USD\$ 182.- per person.

5 guests: USD\$ 175.- per person.
6 guests: USD\$ 172.- per person.
7 guests: USD\$ 170.- per person.
8 guests: USD\$ 163.- per person.

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Chilote Cooking Class

4 guests: USD\$ 275.- per person.
5 guests: CLP\$ 220.- per person.
6 guests: CLP\$ 180.- per person.
7 guests: CLP\$ 160.- per person.
8 guests: CLP\$ 145.- per person.