







Latin America / Chile

# Chile Lakes + Volcanoes Bike Tour

The District at the Gates of Patagonia

#### TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Cycle a landscape where volcanoes may as well be mile markers, with Villarrica, Choshuenco, and Osorno guiding every ride
- Stay at three hotels inspired by their natural surroundings: a mystical property in the ancient forest of the Lakes District, a conservation lodge inside Parque Futangue, and architectural accommodations on the banks of Lake Llanquihue
- Spend an afternoon learning the principles of indigenous cooking from a Mapuche chief
- Visit picturesque Petrohué Falls, the dramatic waterfall named for the mist that rises from the rushing water











#### ARRIVAL + DEPARTURE

### **Arrival Details**

- → Airport City:
  - Temuco, Chile
- Pick-Up Location:
  Pucón
- © Pick-Up Time: 9:00 am

### **Departure Details**

- \_ Airport City:
- Puerto Montt, Chile
- Drop-Off Location: Puerto Montt airport
- © **Drop-Off Time**: Mid-morning

**NOTE:** DuVine provides group transfers to and from the tour from the pick-up and drop-off locations stated on the itinerary. In the event your train, flight, or other travel falls outside the arrival or departure times or locations, you may be responsible for extra costs incurred in arranging a separate transfer.

### **Emergency Assistance**

For urgent assistance on your way to tour or while on tour, please always contact your guides first. You may also contact the Boston office during business hours at +1 617 776 4441 or emergency@duvine.com.

#### **Travelers Take Note**

To show you all our favorite parts of Chile, this tour has transfers on multiple occasions including a longer transfer on Day 5. We like to think of it as an opportunity to see more of the country en route to your next ride. All activities are subject to weather conditions.

A very limited number of e-bikes are available on this tour. Requests will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis.



### Tour By Day



# Pucón Pre-Night

Arrive in Pucón and settle into Casa Solaria, a centrally located property just a short walk from the lakeshore beaches and popular shops of Pucón. The next day, enjoy your included breakfast before meeting your DuVine guides in the hotel's lobby. The amount listed is the starting price and subject to availability. If interested please inform your travel specialist during the booking process or inform your tour coordinator at least 45 days prior to tour.

Inclusions: Hotel, Breakfast
Accommodations: Casa Solaria

Price per person in double occupancy: \$200

Price in single occupancy: \$300



# Welcome to Chile!

Meet your guides in downtown Pucón where it's hard to notice anything but the beautiful snow-capped Villarrica volcano. Begin with a bike fitting and safety briefing before our first spin towards Lake Caburgua. Like an amazing illusion, Villarrica is a constant companion on our ride through rural Chilean landscapes lined with farmhouses and evergreen forests. We're headed for Huife hot springs—the geothermal waters are a soothing soak for sore legs after a morning full of climbing. After lunch, a transfer takes us to our first exceptional hotel in Chile's Lake District. Settle in before a dinner designed from ingredients straight out of the hotel's organic vegetable garden.

**Meals**: Lunch / Dinner **Destinations**: Pucón, Huife

**Accomplished**: 27 miles / 43 km, elevation gain: 2,712 feet / 827 meters **Longer Option**: 39 miles / 63 km, elevation gain: 3,475 feet / 1,059 meters

**Accommodations: Rakau Lodge** 



# **Mapuche Cooking and Culture**

A short transfer takes us to this morning's ride: start pedaling from the outskirts of peaceful Catripulli and proceed up to the town of Curarrehue where Villarrica feels close enough to touch. If you're keen for a challenge, keep riding all the way to the Chile-Argentina border—it will provide more context for our afternoon with a Mapuche chief. The Mapuche are an indigenous people to parts of Patagonia, and their deep connection to these Andean forests have informed their culinary culture: learn about traditional Mapuche foods and the cooking rituals that have endured for millennia. This afternoon, opt for more miles or hop in the van and head to the hotel, where you can soak in the hot tub, treat yourself to a massage, or sip a Chilean vintage before dinner.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Catripulli, Curarrehue, Rucananco

**Accomplished:** 24 miles / 32 km, elevation gain: 984 feet / 300 meters **Longer Option**: 54 miles / 87 km, elevation gain: 4,943 feet / 1,507 meters

**Accommodations: Rakau Lodge** 



### Los Ríos Trio: Ranco, Calcurrupe, and Nilahue

This morning, we'll transfer south through the Chilean countryside to Futrono, located right on the shores of Ranco Lake. Begin a ride that follows the lake's eastern shoreline on traffic-free roads, moving from the glassy waterfront into more dynamic terrain with a few gentle hills. Stop for lunch in the quiet little village of Llifén, then get back on the bike and pedal alongside the Calcurrupe and Nilahue rivers—here, the currents are more wild, sometimes shaded by rainforest and at other times flowing into wide-open lakes. Our destination is Futangue Park, a protected nature reserve within a remarkably biodiverse portion of Northern Patagonia. Our hotel is exclusively located within the park, and you're free to spend the evening as you wish: head out to explore the miles of trails, hit the spa, or dine on wild and local ingredients at the hotel restaurant.

**Meals:** Breakfast / Lunch

Destinations: Futrono, Llifén, Futangue

Accomplished: 26 miles / 43 km, elevation gain: 1,660 feet / 506 meters

**Accommodations: Futangue Hotel & Spa** 



# Hiking Parque Futangue

Futangue Park's natural beauty deserves to be appreciated from every perspective, so today we're setting aside our bikes to explore on foot. We'll hike Pitreño Lake, a six-mile trail that climbs to a glacial lagoon—and though the gradient is gradual, we'll end up over 3,000 feet above sea level overlooking Ranco Lake and Mount Mayo. At the top, we're rewarded with the most scenic picnic lunch to fuel the rest of the trek around the lagoon. Later, regather for a cooking class where we learn to make a traditional Chilean pastry: *empanadas de pino*. A local chef teaches us the secret to perfecting both the flaky dough and harmony of savory flavors in the filling, and we'll enjoy our handmade dinner fresh out of the oven.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Futangue Park, Pitreño Lake

**Accomplished:** 3-4 hours hiking

**Accommodations: Futangue Hotel & Spa** 



### The Land of Lake Llanguihue

Today begins with a transfer of approximately two hours from Futangue to the gates of Patagonia. Arrive in the port town of Puerto Octay in time for lunch, then start cycling from the shores of Lake Llanquihe—or for a more leisurely ride, pick up the route from Las Cascadas. Either way, it's a day full of scenery that includes surprising German architecture and beautiful bodies of water, all presided over by the snowy pinnacle of the Osorno volcano. After checking into our sleek sustainable hotel, regather for a lesson on making Chile's national drink—the Pisco Sour—before settling in for dinner overlooking Lake Llanquihue.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Puerto Octay, Las Cascadas, Ensenada

**Accomplished:** 23 miles / 37 km, elevation gain: 1,444 feet / 440 meters **Longer Option**: 45 miles / 72 km, elevation gain: 2,726 feet / 830 meters

**Accommodations: Hotel AWA** 



### Osorno Volcano and Petrohué Falls

Our last day of cycling truly hammers home why this region of Chile is known as the Lakes and Volcanoes District. After breakfast, ride right from the hotel towards Petrohué Falls, tucked into Osorno's foothills. The approach is unspeakably beautiful with the volcano's conical peak appearing to rise directly out of Lake Llanquihue. Pedal past the villages of Ensenada and through Vicente Pérez Rosales National Park, home to the lava-etched Petrohué Falls. Here, we'll hop off our bikes and walk up the Petrohué River's basalt banks to the waterfalls at its source. After our moment of zen (and plenty of photos), ride to the town of Petrohue for lunch in the dining room of a historic lodge. Choose to pedal the rest of the way back to AWA, or catch a lift in the van and rest up for this evening's festive farewell dinner.

Meals: Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner

Destinations: Villa las Cascadas, Petrohué Falls, Petrohue

**Accomplished:** 20 miles / 32 km, elevation gain: 1,118 feet / 341 meters **Longer Option**: 40 miles / 64 km, elevation gain: 1,814 feet / 553 meters

**Accommodations: Hotel AWA** 



### **Goodbye to Chile**

Sadly, our week of cycling has come to an end and it's time to bid the Lakes and Volcano District farewell. After breakfast, your guides will transfer you to the Puerto Montt Airport to catch your flight back to Santiago—or wherever your next destination may be.

Meals: Breakfast

