Suggested Reading List for Chile

Books

Lonely Planet Chile (Lonely Planet)

Preposterously thin and unreasonably long, Chile stretches from the belly of South America to its foot, reaching from the driest desert on earth to vast southern glacial fields. Diverse landscapes unfurl over a 4300km stretch: parched dunes, fertile valleys, volcanoes, ancient forests, massive glaciers and fjords. There's wonder in every detail and nature on a symphonic scale. For the traveler, it's mind-boggling to find this great wilderness so intact. The human quest for development could imperil these treasures sooner than we think. Yet for now, Chile guards some of the most pristine parts of our planet, and they shouldn't be missed.

Travels in a Thin Country: A Journey through Chile (Sarah Wheeler)

Squeezed between a vast ocean and the longest mountain range on earth, Chile is 2,600 miles long and never more than 110 miles wide—not a country that lends itself to maps, as Sara Wheeler discovered when she traveled alone from the top to the bottom, from the driest desert in the world to the sepulchral wastes of Antarctica. Eloquent, astute, nimble with history and deftly amusing, Travels in a Thin Country established Sara Wheeler as one of the very best travel writers in the world.

Chile: A Traveler's Literary Companion (Katherine Silver)

The twenty stories in Chile: A Traveler's Literary Companion — most of which are available here for the first time in English — reveal that the nation that gave birth to two poets who won Nobel prizes in literature is also the home of many world-class prose writers. This collection evokes the diversity of the country's landscape and the complexity of its recent history.

Chile Adventure Map (National Geographic)

The perfect companion for adventure travelers exploring this long and narrow coastal country. The map combines detail with a user-friendly design, including an index of towns, cities, National Parks and Reserves, as well as a clearly marked network of highways, major and minor roads, labeled with distances. In addition, hundreds of well-known and off the beaten path cultural, historical and recreational points of interest, including UNESCO Sites, archeological sites, beaches, lighthouses, monuments, churches, spas and areas for skiing, fishing and surfing. Outdoor adventurers will find mapped hiking trails along with such topographic features as contour lines, elevations and labeled peaks.

Birds of Chile (Álvaro Jaramillo)

This is a field guide covering all species occurring in Chile. Chile holds a great diversity of habitat types, from the Andes in the north to the tundra and sub-Antarctic rainforest of Tierra del Fuego in the south. Chile supports an interesting range of breeding and visiting birds, including nine endemic species. This guide features concise, identification-focused text positioned opposite the colour plates to allow quick and easy reference. Detailed distribution maps are provided for every species, completing the essential field guide to the birds of this spectacular and tourist-friendly country. 'This is the best field guide published thus far to the birds of southern South America.

Wallpaper City Guide Santiago (Rachael Moloney)

What's cool about Phaidon Press' Wallpaper City Guides is that they're small enough to fit in a purse or backpack, and colorful enough to find amidst all the other stuff crammed in there. What's

even cooler is that they cut through all the regular travel-brochurese and focus on the edgiest nightclubs, restaurants, hotels, gyms, spas and stores.' Sky-Delta Airlines, April 2007 'Ultra-stylish.'

Natural Patagonia: Argentina and Chile (Marcelo D. Beccaceci)

Legendary Patagonia, the southernmost region of the Americas, is shown in rich photographs by Argentine naturalist Marcelo Beccaceci. Written in Spanish and English throughout, the book takes readers on a panoramic journey through one of the world's most magnificent and varied landscapes, explaining its formation and the remarkable animals and flora that thrive in the rugged reaches of Argentina and Chile. From the snow-crested peaks of the Andes through arid Argentine steppe lands, deep into the Chilean fjords, the imagery astounds. Beccaceci's reverence for the native wildlife, the focus of his life's work as a conservationist, brings the intimate details of NATURAL PATAGONIA to an international audience. Written in Spanish-English bilingual parallel text and illustrated with 120 color photographs and two maps, the book is fully indexed and includes scientific names.

Chilean Wine, The Heritage: A Journey from the Origins of the Vine to the Present (Rodrigo Alvarado)

Chilean wines have sparked tremendous interest throughout the world and their success is now explained by this account of the origins and development of an industry with a rich 450 years winemaking tradition. Chilean enologist and prolific wine-writer Rodrigo Alvarado searches out the major landmarks and keystones of the history of wine and humankind and weaves them into a highly-readable tale that affords us an in-depth understanding of Chile's long-standing tradition of wine. The text, beautifully illustrated by Chilean artist Raquel Echenique, is required reading for any wine lover looking to become a true connoisseur.

Websites

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