

## Tierra Chiloe Excursions

The hotel has a team of guides offering a handful of tailored half-day and full day outings for our guests.

Day trips are scheduled and designed to allow our guests to discover the magic, culture and nature of the archipelago through a different angle each day, by alternating a variety of outings such as cultural trips, boating, horseback riding, biking, trekking and nature observation, providing our guests the opportunity to visit the unique sites that along our guests to comprehend and appreciate this wonderful archipelago called Chiloé.

Tierra Chiloé has its own vessel named "Williche" for use during maritime outings on the archipelago's ocean, channels and fjords.

## B o a t i n g

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On many of Tierra Chiloé's excursions, weather permitting, guests will be able to sail the waters of the numerous channels separating the islands of Chiloé where the main attractions are unbeatable views and a vantage point that is entirely different from what one enjoys while traveling overland.

The vessel "Williche" was tailor-made entirely out of wood for the hotel by local boat builders who employed ancient techniques traditionally used by island craftsman.



## C h o n c h i - Q u e h u i

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We will travel by van to the village of Chonchi where we will take a walking tour of the historic neighborhood, stopping to enjoy the old homes along the way. This visit also includes the old local museum, the church (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) and the waterfront.

We will then board our vessel Williche, en route to the islands of Lemuy, Chelin and Quehui, navigating along the coastline in order to view the islands from the inland sea. Our next stop will be the islands of Chelin and Quehui. We will return home aboard the vessel Williche.

Duration: Full Day (6 - 7 hours).

Difficulty: Easy.

## M e c h u q u e I s l a n d

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We will depart by van en route to the village of Tenaún for a tour of the town. From there we will board our vessel Williche sailing up to Mechuque Island where we will tour the inner channels, admiring small islands and isles. Afterwards, we will take a walking tour of Mechuque village and return by boat to the hotel.

Duration: Full Day (6 - 7 hours).

Difficulty: Easy



## B y l a n d

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### **QUINCHAO ISLAND**

This is a short trip by van to the village of Dalcahue where we will board a ferry to cross the channel over to the Island of Quinchao. On the Island we visit some churches declared UNESCO World Heritage Sites in addition to several famous villages such as Curaco de Velez, Achao, and other smaller attractive towns such as Quinchao and San Javier. During the trip we have a special chance to stop at scenic overlooks of the countryside and ocean, Chiloé architecture, local crafts and history, along with other surprises. We will take in one more panoramic view of that side of the archipelago and then begin our trip back to the hotel.

Duration: Full Day (6 hours).

Difficulty: Easy.

### **RILÁN**

We will travel by van to the village of Rilán where we will see the local church under reconstruction, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, but prior to getting there we will wind in and out of inland roads with gorgeous views of the archipelago and other smaller villages such as Curahue, Quel-Quel, and Yutuy, providing us with a closer glimpse of local culture.

Duration: Half day (3 hrs)

Difficulty: Easy.

### **CASTRO**

We will travel by van to Castro, the capital of Chiloe, a welcoming and vibrant city where past and present meld. We will visit the main square, a church declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site, a typical country market with handicrafts, scenic overlooks and, of course, the classic view of the Chiloé stilt houses (*palafitos*). Before returning to the hotel we will stop at the village of Nercón, where we will get to see another UNESCO World Heritage Site church under reconstruction and, nearby, the mastery of local carpenters at one of the coastal shipyards.

Duration: Half Day (3 hours).

Difficulty: Easy.

### **DOS LAGOS**

We will head southbound to the Chiloé National Park, near Lake Cucao, where we can walk along the forest trails lined with Tepu trees and views of the Pacific Ocean. On the return trip we will stop by Lake Huillinco and visit the Vilupulli Church, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

- Rain boots and gear required.

Duration: Full day (6-7 hours)

Difficulty: Easy.

### **Las Compuertas Forest**

We will head to the northwest where we will step into one of the densest forests in all of Chiloé. The change in landscape is radical and we will soon be surrounded by trees and rivers. This trek will take us along a streambed where we will have the opportunity to enjoy a forest full of different species of ancient trees, moss and birds.

- Rain boots and gear required.
- Duration: Half day (3 hours)  
Difficulty: Easy - Moderate



## Horseback riding

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### **SAN JOSÉ**

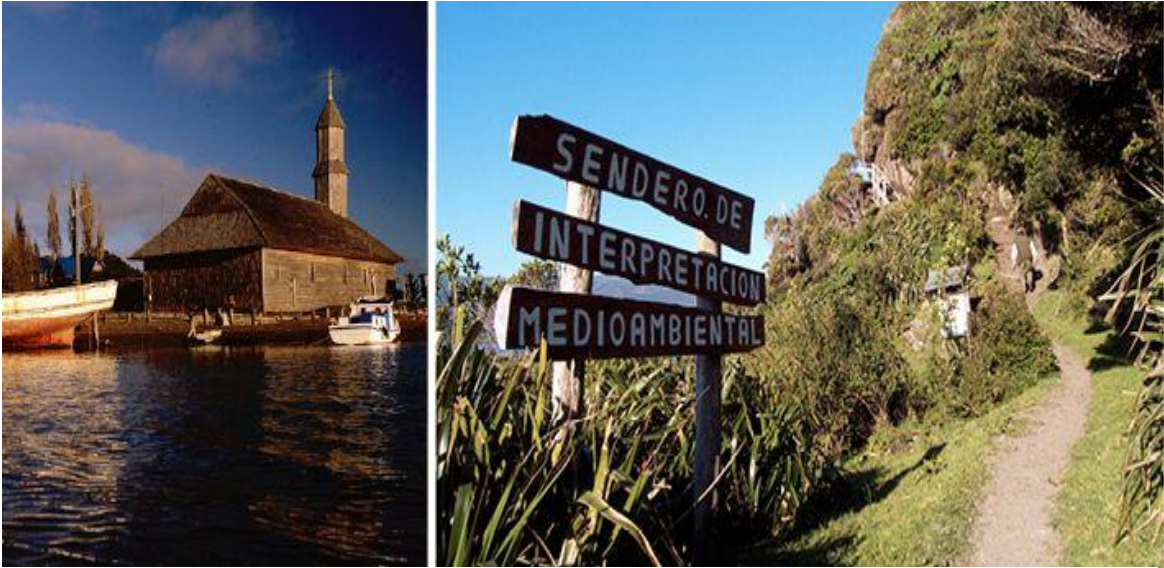
Departing from the hotel we will take the trail leading to the northern end of the beach, taking advantage of low tide and enjoying an incredible view of the inland sea, typical Chiloé farmhouses, washed up tree trunks and rookeries. We will then ride onward to the town of San José for about an hour before reaching the local chapel, and then head back down to the hotel.

Duration: Half Day (2 - 3 hours).  
Difficulty: Easy - Moderate.

### **Quilquico**

Departing from the Hotel we will take the trail leading to the southern end of the beach. This trail will take us very close to the Pullao wetlands where we may have the chance to do some migratory bird watching. Further on we will arrive at the local blacksmith's house, where we can see some tools and instruments typically used in Chiloé to work the land. From there we will ride up the trail while enjoying a wide panoramic view, ending up in the village of Quilquico. After winding along several inland trails crossing over fields, we will return to the hotel.

Duration: Half Day  
Difficulty: Easy - Moderate.



In van and boat

## **CHEPU**

We will depart by van from Tierra Chiloé headed northbound, crossing Chiloé fields until we reach the Chepu river, where we will take a local boat cruise to admire an underwater forest. We will then embark on a slightly difficult trek overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Duration: Full day (6 hours)  
Difficulty: Easy – Medium