

Ski Chile Ski Chillán



world class skiing – snow from June to September - ski the Andes – quiet slopes – ski in/ski out hotel – relaxed atmosphere - no queues – expert tuition – first rate hospitality

Experience one of the great skiing destinations in the world - unrivalled in the southern hemisphere.

Ski or board, Chillán is as popular with boarders as it is with skiers.

Chillán is Chile's most extensive resort and has the longest lifts and pistes in the southern hemisphere.

Enjoy friendly slopes, great snow, beautiful scenery and no crowds.

This is a Pura *handpicked* holiday with an activity rating of *medium* and a comfort rating of *premium*.



Cruising the slopes of Chillán.



"We had an absolutely wonderful time skiing in Chile. One of the best holidays ever. The hotels and skiing at Portillo and Chillán were fantastic. Thanks for all of your advice and guidance at the planning stage." Toni M.

Suggested Holiday Itinerary

Saturday | Chillán | **arrive on the slopes**

Arrive today in the south of Chile.

If you are not driving, you can come to the airport in Concepción or the train station in Chillán and we can arrange transfers (extra payable).



Enjoying the empty slopes of Chillán

The following description is of a complete ski week in the five star Gran Termas Hotel though there are other accommodation options nearby to suit other budgets.

Arrive in time for a soak in the hot springs.

The Gran Termas is a five star hotel and, in terms of the overall quality of rooms, service, food and décor, is the best ski hotel in Chile.

Having said this, you should probably expect the sort of standard of a good four star hotel in Europe.

Whilst here your lift passes are included as well as breakfast and dinner.

You have a choice of two restaurants for dinner. One is a buffet, the other more formal. (d)

Sunday | Chillán | **ski in the Andes**

Chillán is the most extensive and serious ski resort in Chile.

The setting is stunning – spread across the slopes of a dormant volcano, surrounded by forests and with its own hot springs.

The resort combines wide slopes, great off-piste, and South America's longest chair lift as well as enough variety to satisfy any group of skiers.

Chillán offers 10,000 hectares of skiable terrain spread over the slopes of two volcanoes in the heart of the Chilean Lake District.

From the top of the resort (2,700m) you look out across the beautiful Andes.

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Ski Chillán



Off-piste in Chillán.



An aerial view of the resort

It has wide slopes, great off-piste, and South America's longest chair lift as well as enough variety to satisfy any group of skiers.

With nine lifts (one triple seat, three double seats and five surface) it has the longest run in South America, at 13kms.

The hotel is ski in/out and besides, it has its own volcanic hot springs – wonderful after a day on the slopes. (b,d)

Monday | Chillán | **ski in the Andes**

Of the 35km of groomed runs, 30% are for beginners, 40% for intermediate and 30% for experts.

If you are interested in lessons, instructors are a mix of locals and North Americans & Europeans who come here in their off season.

Many instructors have English as a first language and come from the best northern hemisphere resorts.(b,d)

Tuesday | Chillán | **ski in the Andes**

The large outdoor pools are fed by natural volcanic hot springs and are a lovely way to relax after a day on the slopes.

The hotel has dedicated lifts serving the spa and hot spring area so you can come and go from your room in your bathrobe and slippers.

For some real pampering, book in for a massage or treatment in the modern spa facility. (b,d)

Wednesday | Chillán | **ski in the Andes**

If you fancy a change there is a cross-country skiing area as well as dog-sledding, both of which can be great fun. (b,d)

Thursday | Chillán | **ski in the Andes**

After a week at the resort you should be really relaxed and at home. (b,d)

Friday | Chillán | **ski in the Andes**

Enjoy your final day of skiing. (b,d)

Saturday | travel | **move on**

Check out of your hotel today, if you want you can ski all day today before moving on to your next destination. (b)



Lovely runs including some forested, wide slopes and no crowds.



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Ski Chile

Ski the Andes



Holiday Information

How long?

7 nights as per this version but can be shortened or extended to suit. We can tailor your full ski holiday to Chile.

How active?

As energetic as you want, with plenty of opportunities for relaxing or trying alternatives to ski.

How comfortable?

Lovely five star hotel in Chillán with all of the facilities one would expect.

In addition, the hotel has its own spa and natural hot springs. There is a bar which hosts live music and events every evening.

We can tailor this holiday to include lower grade hotels if you prefer.

How independent?

Whilst at Chillán you ski in/out so really there is no need for anyone to look after you.

You have access to our agents on the ground in case of need.

How responsible?

Pura Aventura is passionate about the places it visits. To help preserve the integrity of these destinations we:

- Keep groups small to minimise environmental impact.
- Work directly with local businesses and organisations to directly benefit local economies. We use small, locally owned hotels and restaurants. We know the owners except in the large cities.
- Work with local guides so that our holidays are more interesting for clients and more beneficial locally.
- Make payment to suppliers before our clients arrive.

When to go?

The ski season generally runs from late June to the end of September. You can expect 80% clear days.

Snow conditions at the start of the season are usually good though clearly there is greater risk of there not being enough snow at this time of year.

The middle two weeks of July are peak season in Chile so probably best avoided because of cost, conditions are very good though.

Into August and you are in high season, the conditions are usually very good in all resorts.

Late August/early September is when resorts drop to low season and is a great time to go for best combination of conditions and price.

By mid-September the snow in Chillán usually gets pretty soft so better to stick to the higher, drier snow of Portillo or Tres Valles if you are travelling late in the season.

Not based in the UK?

We are very happy to discuss your requirements if you are not travelling to and from the UK.

Please call us on **+44 1273 676712** between 9am and 7pm GMT weekdays.

Not quite right?

If this holiday's not quite right for you, call us to discuss your ideas or consider:

Ski Chile: Ski Group A two week small group skiing holiday to Chile which combines all of the main resorts (Chillán, Portillo and Tres Valles).

Ski Chile: Ski Portillo A week skiing the venerable old master of Chilean resorts. Small, beguiling and wonderful.

Prices & departures

2010	Jun - Sep from us\$1,380pp
2011	Jun - Sep from us\$1,480pp
Flights	Prices above do not include international flights. We can arrange these for you (<i>guide price £700 - £900 depending on season</i>) or you can arrange your own.
Prices include	Seven nights' five star hotel staying in a seventh floor twin/double; Lift passes; Breakfasts and dinners (b,d) as per itinerary.
Not included	Travel; transfers; personal expenses; equipment hire; tips. <i>Price varies according to season, hotel, room grade and length of stay. For a quote, please call.</i>
Please note	Whilst we keep this itinerary as up to date as possible, the definitive list of our departure dates & prices can be found at www.pura-aventura.com/departures

Prices are per person, based on two sharing.
Prices may be subject to change: please confirm at booking

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