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INCOMING STUDENTS

Manual for Foreign Students
at the Universidad de
Santiago de Chile

WELCOME!

We hope this is an unforgettable experience. Here is necessary information you will need during your stay and your exchanging process.

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YOUR FIRST TRIP

Comodoro Arturo Merino Benitez Airport

CENTROPUERTO BUS



Schedule

**Airport > Los Héroes Subway
(Metro) Station**
From 05:55 AM until 10:30 PM

**Los Héroes Subway (Metro) Station
> Aeropuerto**
From 06:00 AM until 11:30 PM

Every 10 minutes, 365 days a year
Telephone number:
+56 2 2601 9883

Where does it depart from?
Public hall, ground level, gate 6.

Fare
1,700 CLP (approx. 2.6 USD)
Two-way fare: 3,000 CLP (approx. 5
USD)

AIRPORT TAXI



Schedule

24/7, 365 days a year.

Telephone number
+56242225278

Where do they depart from?
From the airport:
Public hall, ground level
International Terminal
Domestic Terminal

Fare
According to distance travelled



WHAT TO DO AT THE UNIVERSITY?

What to do within the first few days

1. Inform your school of origin about your arrival. They are waiting to hear from you.

2. Participate of one of the welcoming informative events. You will be informed promptly. To the event you must bring: your Student Visa stamped on your passport and the health insurance required for your stay..

Don't forget to bring your passport with the Chilean visa stamped. You have to provide, as well, a printed copy of your health insurance.

3. You will have to go to the office of the career or program that you chose. They will help you to select your courses.



NECESSARY DOCUMENT

How to legalise your stay in Chile

VISA REGISTRY

Every foreign student that wants to study in Chile must obtain a student visa. This visa does not allow you to carry out any type of paid activity. To obtain the visa, you will have to begin the procedure at the Chilean Consulate in your country of origin and arrive in Chile with your permit already issued.

Students have 30 days upon arrival in Chile to validate the visa at the National Immigration Affairs Headquarters (Jefatura Nacional de Extranjería) and International Police (Policía Internacional). You will receive the Visa Registry Certificate, which is the document that allows you to obtain a Chilean Identity Card.

Where?

852 Eleuterio Ramírez
"Universidad de Chile"
Metro Station
(Línea 1- Red)
Telephone number:
+56225657863
Business hours
Monday to Friday
from 08:00 AM until 2:00 PM

What do you need to take with you?

1. Passport
2. CLP \$ 800 (this amount can vary)
3. Certificate from the Chilean Consulate, if you have one
4. Your address in Chile
5. The university address

3363 Libertador Bernardo O'Higgins

IDENTITY CARD

To get your Chilean Identity Card you have to go to the closest Civil Registry and Identification Service Office (Servicio de Registro Civil e Identificación) with your Visa Registry Certificate.

Where?

Some addresses of the Civil Registry and Identification Service Office are:

Santiago Centro

Huérfanos 1570
2nd floor
Santa Ana Metro Station
Telephone number: +562 27822385

Providencia

543 Miguel Claro
Telephone number: +562 22357716.

What do you need?

1. PValid passport with stamped student visa
2. Visa Registry Certificate.
3. Photocopy of the relevant pages from your passport.
4. Photocopy of the Visa Registry Certificate.
5. **CLP \$ 4.050**



TNE - NATIONAL STUDENT CARD

This card allows regular students to receive a discount on public transport. To be eligible for this benefit you must be a regular student enrolled in an undergraduate program officially recognised by the Ministry of Education and have a Chilean RUN, a unique identity number. To apply you have to go to the TNE Office located in the "Patio de los Naranjos" (Orange Trees Courtyard" inside the school campus. You will received further information during the welcoming informative event.

Where?

Patio de los Naranjos at the Universidad de Santiago de Chile, TNE Office.

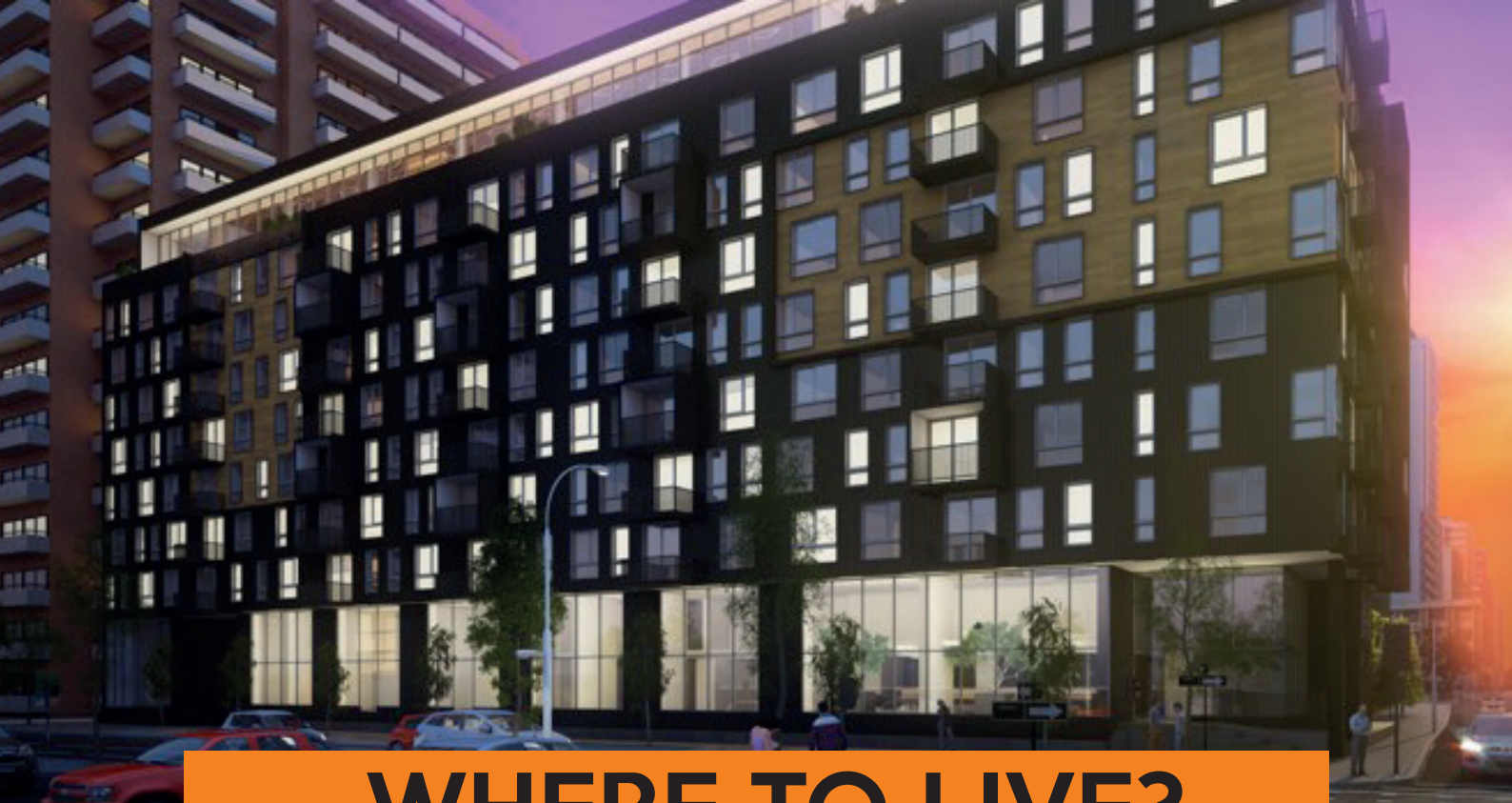
Business hours:

Monday to Friday
from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
and 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

What do you need?

1. Photocopy of the enrolment of the current semester or a Regular Student Certificate
2. Make a deposit in Banco Santander, for the amount indicated in the USACH TNE Office. Account N° 19.03590-8 in the school's name.
3. Photocopy of your Chilean Identity Card
4. The picture is taken in the place and on the date indicated by the person in charge of the USACH School Pass.





WHERE TO LIVE?

Generally, foreign students choose two types of accommodation in Santiago, depending on their interests: private student residences or shared houses/flats. All the information shown in this section has only an informative purpose, thus any services acquired are of the student's sole responsibility.

Housing websites

CompartoDepto
www.compartodepto.cl

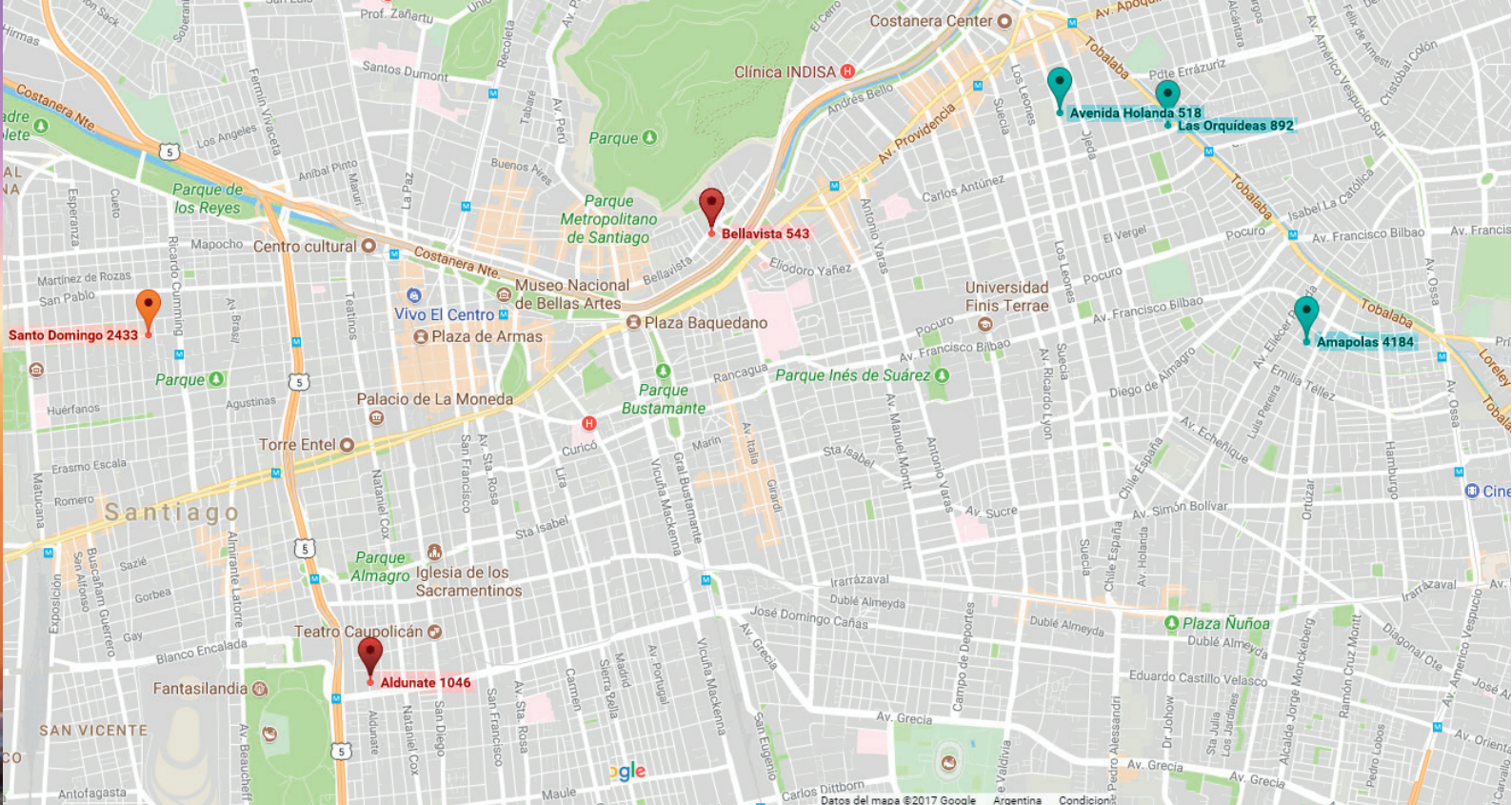
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www.goplaceit.com/cl/

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**SANTIAGO EXCHANGE
NETWORK**

<https://santiagoexchange.com/>

Private student residences

Private companies or private individuals that provide lodging services for university students. There are three main companies in Santiago which provide these services with different prices and methods.



Casa Amarilla Santiago

Address: 2433-2445 Santo Domingo,
Telephone number: (56 2) 696 4070
Mobile phone: (56 9) 9536 2673
Email: mail@casamarillasantiago.com
Website: www.casamarillasantiago.com

Residenciales El Puntito Residencia Sector Parque O'higgins

Addresses: 1046 Aldunate
(near Parque O'higgins)

Residencia Sector Bellavista

Addresses: 0543 Bellavista
(near Bellavista neighbourhood)

Telephone number: (56 2) 8818711
Mobile phone: (56 9) 9536 2673

Residencial Universitaria

Addresses
Sede Amapola
4184 Amapolas, Ñuñoa
Sede Orquídea
892 Orquídeas, Providencia
Sede Holanda
518 Holanda, Providencia

Telephone number: (56 2) 2095603
Mobile phone: (56 9) 250 9810
Website: www.residenciasuniversitarias.cl





UNIVERSIDAD DE SANTIAGO DE CHILE

The Universidad de Santiago de Chile is public education institution, which goes back to the former Escuela de Artes y Oficios (literally School of Arts and Crafts) founded in 1849.

In 1981, after the higher education reform, its campus was settled in its current location in Estación Central, where its educational, research and extension activities.

It is one of the 11 Chilean universities that were part of the 2016 QS World Universities Rankings, therefore validating our school's prestige.

For more information, please check:
<http://admission.usach.cl/>

170 years

Educating people and
shaping the country.

64 UNDERGRADUATE
STUDIES PROGRAMMES

45 MASTER'S DEGREE
PROGRAMMES

17 DOCTORATE
PROGRAMMES

At the Universidad de Santiago de Chile, a credit is a value unit equivalent to one class period (45 minutes) for an academic period, based on activities of every type; theoretical, laboratory activities, workshops, among others.

The cost per credit for visiting students (those that conduct mobility in an independent way, outside an agreement or network) is US\$100 per hour/credit.

34 hectares (approx. 84 acres) for 23,000 students.

Our campus is located in the Estación Central ward and has two direct accesses to Metro stations on Line 1: Estación Central and Universidad de Santiago.

Classrooms

If you want to know the location of your classroom, visit:

<http://salasusach.herokuapp.com>

UdeSantiago Map



- Bathrooms
- Dining room
- Cafeteria
- Parking lot

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- 1 Usach Stadium
- 2 Dressing rooms
- 3 Tennis courts
- 4 Sport House
- 5 Kindergarten

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- 6 Faculty of Technology
- 7 Department of Industrial Engineering
- 8 School of Arts and Crafts
- 9 Aula Magna
- 10 Department of Urban Engineering
- 11 Vice-rector of Student Management and Development
- 12 Student Federation
- 13 Sports Department - Heated swimming pool

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- 14 "Salón Bulnes" Information Complex
- 15 Healthcare Centre
- 16 Department of Artistic Talent Development
- 17 Department of Electrical Engineering
- 18 Department of Physics
- 19 Main Library

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- 20 Department of Geographic Engineering
- 21 Department of Finances
- 22 Fundación Planetario Building
- 23 3412 Ecuador Ave. Administrative Building

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- 24 Faculty of Administration and Economics
- 25 Classrooms Wing
- 26 Computer Science and Computing Management Services
- 27 Academic Registrar
- 28 Faculty of Medical Sciences Dean's Office
- 29 IT Laboratory of the Faculty of Administration and Economics - CAP Function Room

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- 30 Head Office
- 31 Faculty of Humanities Library
- 32 USACH Radio
- 33 Day-nursery
- 34 Parainfo Classrooms

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- 35 Faculty of Humanities
- 36 Faculty of Chemistry and Biology
- 37 Faculty of Engineering
- 38 Department of Chemical Engineering
- 39 CITE CAMP Building
- 40 Department of Mechanical Engineering
- 41 National and International Events Centre (CENI)
- 42 Faculty of Medical Sciences
- 43 Department of Mining Engineering, former ENAMI
- 44 Nuevo Mundo Classrooms

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- 45 Schools of Journalism and Psychology
- 46 A Level (secondary school) Programme Building
- 47 CECTA Building
- 48 School of Architecture
- 49 Department of Philosophy and Education



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Most important dates of the year

Calendar for
undergraduate courses

2nd
WEEK OF
MARCH

**FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES
FIRST SEMESTER**

Activities only for
exchange students

4th
WEEK OF
JULY

**END OF CLASSES
FIRST SEMESTER**

**OFFICIAL
WELCOME**

1st
MONTH OF
THE SEMESTER

2nd
WEEK OF
AUGUST

**FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES
SECOND SEMESTER**

**INFORMATIVE
SESSION**

2nd
WEEK OF
THE SEMESTER

2nd
WEEK OF
DECEMBER

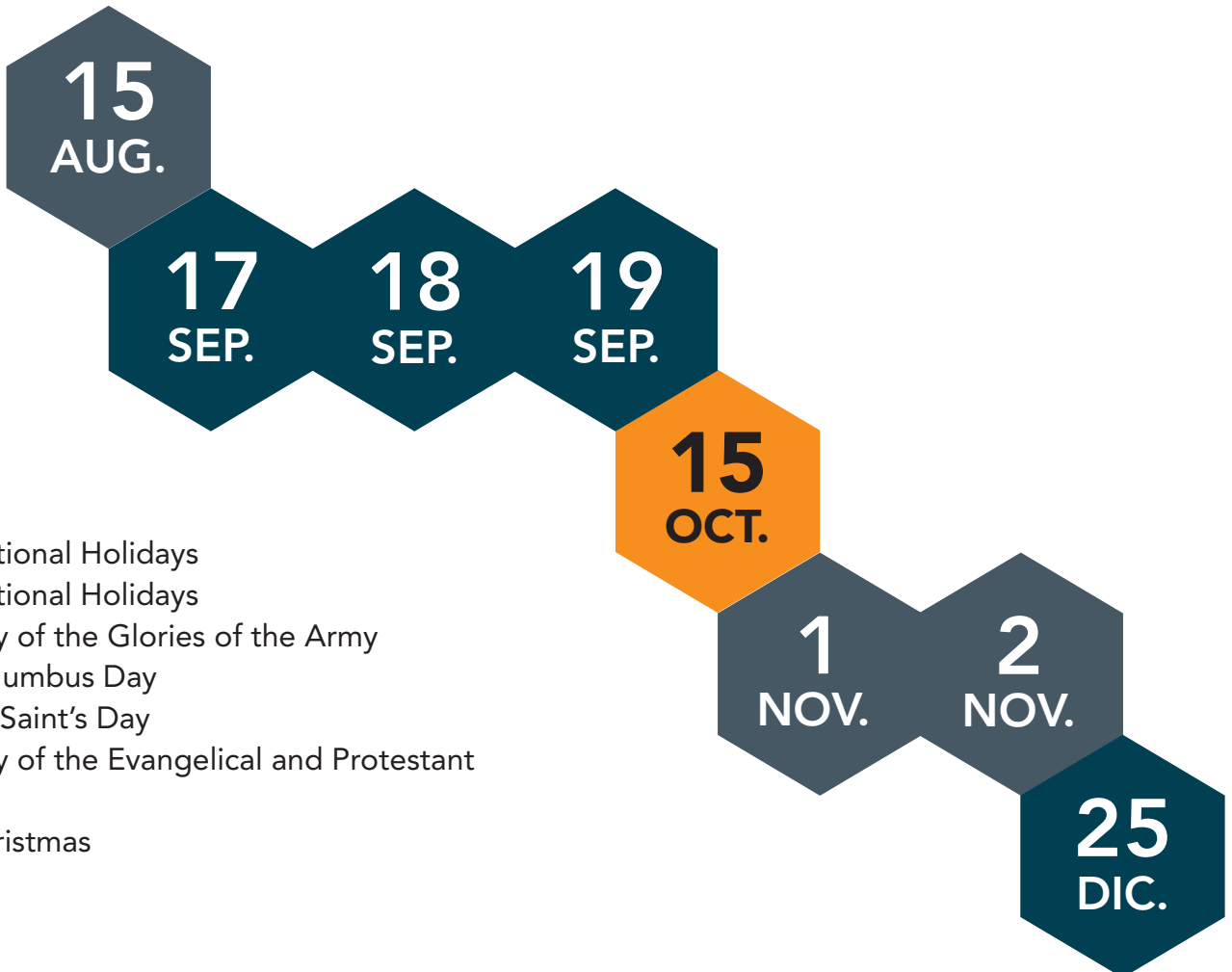
**END OF CLASSES
SECOND SEMESTER**

**WE WILL INFORM YOU
THE OFFICIAL DATES!**

Chilean Holidays



- 01/01** New Year
- 19/04** Good Friday
- 20/04** Easter Saturday
- 21/04** Easter Sunday
- 01/05** Labour Day
- 21/05** Naval Glories Day
- 02/07** Saint Peter and Saint Paul
- 16/07** Solemnity of Virgen del Carmen
- 15/08** Assumption of the Virgin



- 17/09** National Holidays
- 18/09** National Holidays
- 19/09** Day of the Glories of the Army
- 15/10** Columbus Day
- 01/11** All Saint's Day
- 02/11** Day of the Evangelical and Protestant Churches
- 25/12** Christmas



EXPLORING CHILE

A place worth visiting

Chile is a country located on the west coast of South America, which stretches from the Andes mountain range to the Pacific Ocean.

The long and narrow Chilean territory provides for a country of contrasted charm, from the driest desert in the world to the millenary glaciers in the most southern areas on the planet.

Chile offers a natural adventure, with its enchanting desert covered with flowers, daydream woods, legendary islands and lands which are challenge for even the most adventurous people.

LANGUAGE Spanish
CURRENCY Chilean peso (CLP)
WEATHER Desert in the north, Mediterranean in the central zone, Temperate in the south, among others.

5 THINGS YOU MUST KNOW ABOUT CHILE

1. TRICONTINENTAL

There are Chilean territories in Oceania, America and the Antarctic

2. THE BEST PLACE

Winner of the award for the Best Tourist Destination at the World Travel Awards 2016

3. CHILEAN WINE

Lauded export wine producer, due to one-of-a kind grapevine strains unique to our country.

4. LAND OF TALENTS

Gabriela Mistral, Pablo Neruda, Roberto Matta, among others, were born here.

5. EIGHT RESERVES

8 worldwide reserves of biosphere supported by UNESCO are located in Chile.

UNMISSABLE LOCATIONS IN CHILE



SAN PEDRO DE ATACAMA



VALPARAÍSO



VIÑA DEL MAR



CONCEPCIÓN



PUCÓN



TORRES DEL PAINE



VALLE DEL ELQUI



RAPANUI



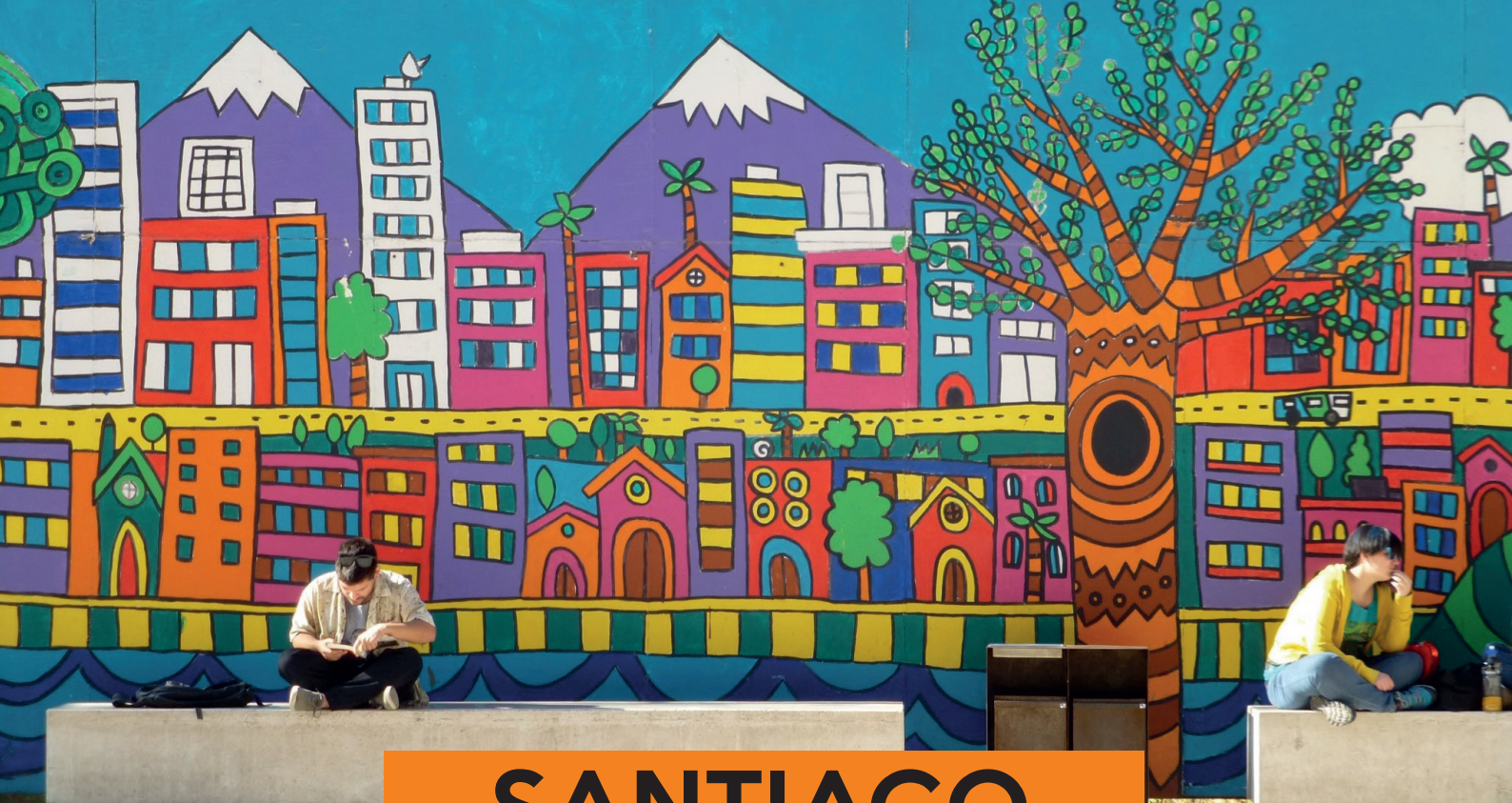
SIETE TAZAS



VALDIVIA



CHILOÉ



SANTIAGO

A country turned into a City

Santiago is the capital city of Chile and the Metropolitan Region. Its “big city” nature makes it a place which offers a complete experience, from the modernity of its buildings, to the historical combination of popular neighbourhoods, which bring with them the best of Chile’s culture and traditions.

Since it is a deep valley, it is surrounded by mountains, which offer exciting activities in ski resorts during winter, as well as

extreme sports opportunities, such as trekking and climbing surrounded by nature in Cajón del Maipo.

Since it is located in the middle, Santiago is only a couple of hours away from the coast, so Valparaíso, Viña del Mar and other coastal destinations such as San Antonio, Rocas de Santo Domingo and Isla Negra are readily available.

DEMONYM	Spanish	3rd	2nd	3rd
SUBDIVISION	37 wards	BEST LATIN AMERICAN CITY FOR QUALITY OF LIFE	BEST CITY FOR DOING BUSINESS IN LATIN AMERICA	SAFEST CITY IN LATIN AMERICA
INHABITANTS	7.036.792			

UNMISSABLE LOCATIONS IN SANTIAGO



Historical Centre of Santiago

It is the area with the most historical heritage in the city. Plaza de Armas, --the city's main square- and its surroundings, hide on every corner the history of Chile. Old buildings such as the Town Hall of Santiago, the Cathedral of Santiago, the National Historical Museum, Courts of Law, among others, are part of the historical route, along with the classic Paseo Ahumada.



Sky Costanera

Inaugurated in 2015, Sky Costanera offers a 360° view of the city at 300 meters (almost 1,000 feet), at the 61st and 62nd floor. This viewpoint has turned into a must visit destination, not only for tourists, but also for those who love the Metropolitan Capital and fantastic sky-high views. It is all ages friendly and there is also a 4,000 CLP discount fare for students.



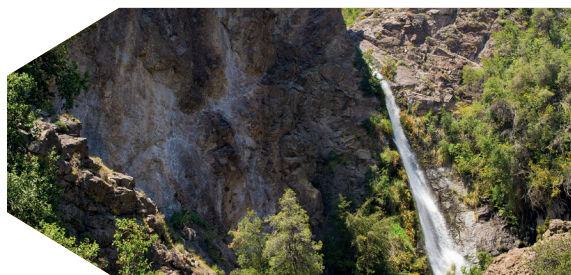
Traditional neighbourhoods

From cultural mazes, art outdoors, bohemian streets famous for their night displays, to corners where everything can be found; traditional cuisine, authentic products, antiques and avant-garde displays. All of this can be found in Lastarria-Bellas Artes, Italia and Bellavista neighbourhoods.



Santiago Metropolitan Park

It is the biggest urban park in the city with an area of 712 hectares (1,759 acres) divided in the San Cristóbal, Blanco, Chascarillas, Pirámide and the El Bosque Santiago hills. It is made up of big green areas, picnic zones, viewpoints, pools, the National Zoo and the iconic Virgin of the Immaculate Conception in the top of the San Cristóbal hill.



Parque Cordillera Association Network

It is a network which offers visitors the opportunity to follow more than 110 Km (68 miles) of paths, made up of five mountain range natural parks; Parque Puente Ñilhue (Lo Barnechea), Parque San Carlos de Apoquindo (Las Condes), Parque Aguas de Ramón (La Reina-Las Condes), Parque Cantalao (Peñalolén), and Parque Quebrada de Macul (Macul).



MOVING AROUND THE CITY

Santiago's mass transport system

Transantiago

Santiago's public transport system (Transantiago) includes all the public transport buses in the city, both physically and in terms of fees, operated by seven licenced companies, as well as the Metro de Santiago and, the recently added, Tren Central (Metro Tren).

Website: <https://www.transantiago.cl>

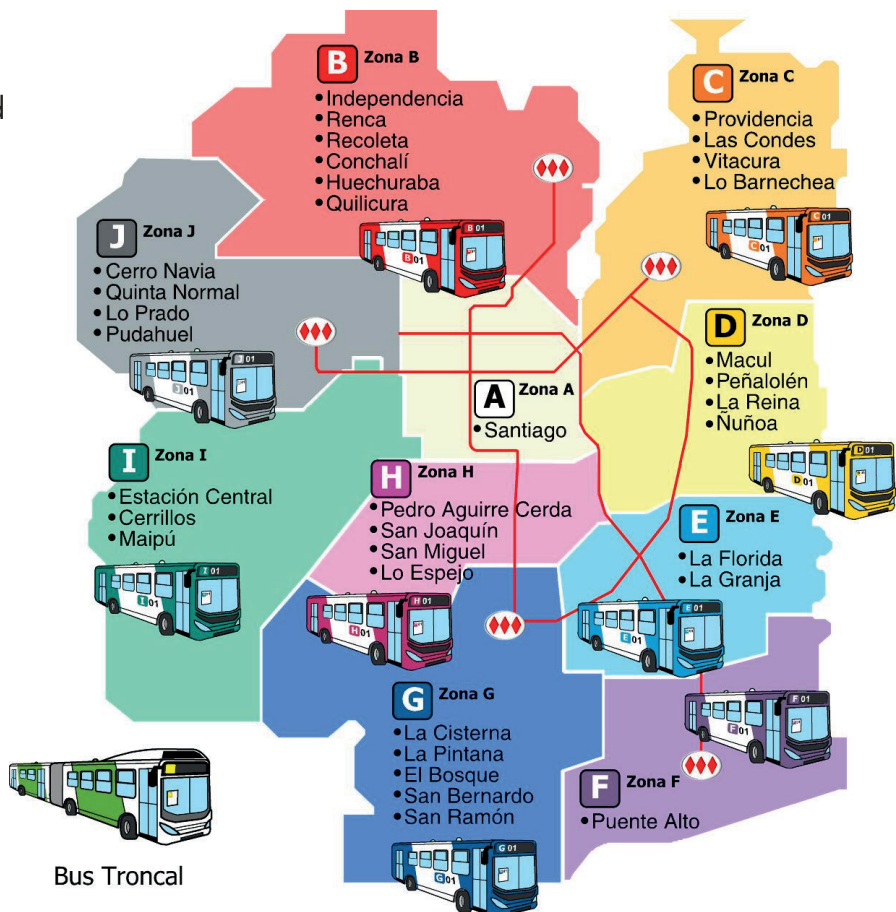
Fare

Adult: 700 CLP-780 CLP (around 1USD) depending whether on rush hours or non-rush hours.

Students: 220 CLP (around 0.30 USD)

Payment System

The payment is made with a BIP Card or TNE (National Student Card), which are refilled at BIP! points or in refilling centres located at subway/underground stations and other associated stores.

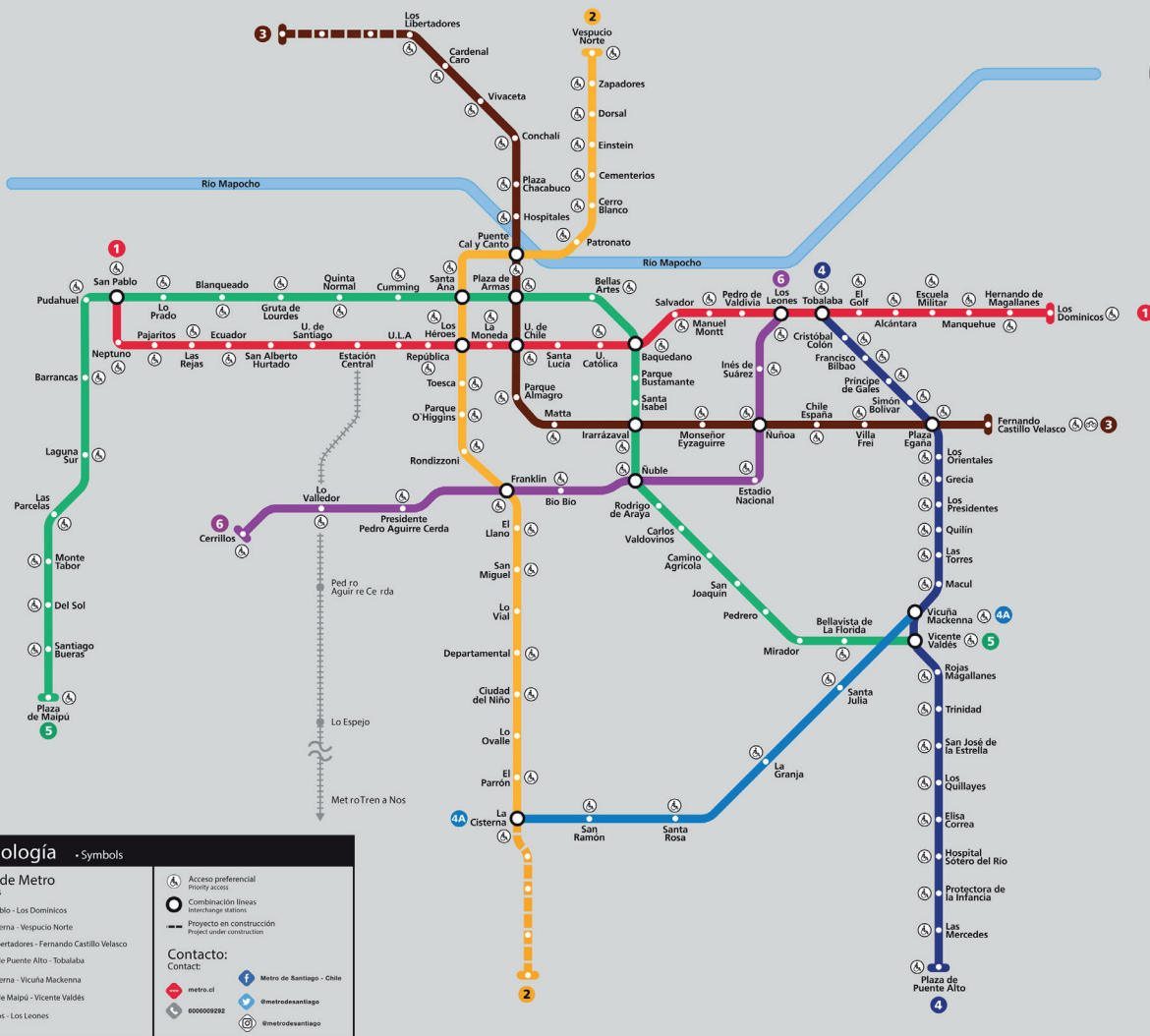


Metro de Santiago

Metro de Santiago is the metropolitan subway/underground. Its network covers large parts of the city. It is one of the most modern systems in Latin America, transporting around 2,500,000 passengers daily. It has seven main lines; Line 1 (Red), Line 2 (Yellow), Line 4 (Blue), Line 4A (Light-blue), Line 5 (Green), Line 6 (Purple), and the recently inaugurated Line 3 (Brown).

Website: <https://www.metro.cl/>

Plano Red de Metro Metro Network





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