



La Araucanía · Chile

Pucón

Traveler's guide

Villarrica volcano, lakes, hot springs, rivers and araucaria forests: Pucón is Chile's adventure-tourism capital.

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Nature

Pucón lies at the foot of the Villarrica volcano, one of the most active in South America, its smoking crater visible from the lake. All around: ancient araucaria forests in Huerquehue National Park, turquoise rivers such as the Trancura and Liucura, dozens of natural hot springs and the Ojos del Caburgua, crystal-clear pools in the middle of the forest.



Activities

- Villarrica volcano ascent with a certified guide (year-round, best from October to April)
- Rafting and hydrospeed on the Trancura, kayaking on the lake
- Trekking in Huerquehue, Villarrica and Cañi, snowshoeing in winter
- Zipline, canyoning, paragliding and horseback riding
- Termas Geométricas, Huife and Los Pozones hot springs, Mapuche culture in the Lake Caburgua communities

When to go

December to March for summer and water activities; September to November and April for fewer people and autumn colours; June to September for skiing and snowshoeing at the volcano ski centre.

How to get there

Temuco airport (La Araucanía, ZCO) is 1 h 30 by car or shuttle, with daily flights from Santiago (1 h 20). By bus from Santiago: 9 to 10 hours overnight with Pullman, Turbus or JAC to the Pucón terminal. From Villarrica, 25 minutes on route 199. In Pucón everything is walkable or by bike; excursions usually include transport.

Activities in this destination

Trekking · Volcano · Rafting & hydrospeed · Kayak, sailing & fishing · Hot springs · Zipline & tree climbing · Canyoning & rappelling · Paragliding · Horseback riding · Snow & snowshoeing · Mapuche culture · Nature & photography · Stargazing · Full-day excursions · Food & wine · Family & inclusive

Experiences

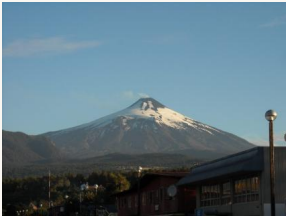


Villarrica volcano ascent

Volcano · 8 h · Hard · 2–8 people

Climb one of South America's most active volcanoes and admire the Araucanía from 2,847 m.

Your guide: Matías Curihual



Villarrica volcanic caves

Volcano · 4 h · Easy · 2–10 people

Walk through a lava tunnel with helmet and headlamp, suitable for the whole family.

Your guide: Matías Curihual



Huilo Huilo from Pucón

Full-day excursions · 10 h · Easy · 4–12 people

Full day in the biological reserve: Huilo Huilo waterfall and the Magic Mountain forest.

Your guide: Matías Curihual

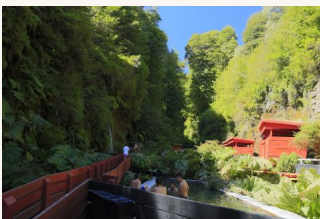


Andean lagoons, Villarrica National Park

Trekking · 6 h · Hard · 2–8 people

High-altitude trek to turquoise lagoons with views of three volcanoes.

Your guide: Matías Curihual

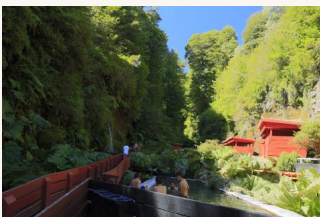


Huife hot springs

Hot springs · 3 h · Easy · 2–10 people

A relaxing afternoon in thermal pools by the Liucura river.

Your guide: Matías Curihual



Geometric Hot Springs & Mapuche culture

Hot springs · 6 h · Easy · 2–6 people

A relaxing day at Chile's most beautiful hot springs, with a stop at a Mapuche ruka.

Your guide: Matías Curihual

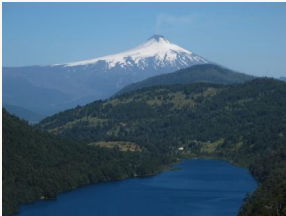


Mapuche cultural tour

Mapuche culture · 5 h · Easy · 2–10 people

Spend an afternoon in a ruka: worldview, weaving and traditional food.

Your guide: Matías Curihual



Snowshoe trek on the Villarrica volcano

Snow & snowshoeing · 4 h · Moderate · 2–8 people

A winter hike on the volcano's slopes among snow-covered araucarias.

Your guide: Matías Curihual



Huerquehue National Park trek

Trekking · 7 h · Moderate · 1–10 people

The Los Lagos trail among thousand-year-old araucarias and mountain lagoons.

Your guide: Matías Curihual



Canyoning: waterfalls and rappelling

Canyoning & rappelling · 4 h · Hard · 2–8 people

Hike through rivers and waterfalls with rappels and jumps in a native-forest ravine.

Your guide: Camila Rojas



Family float on the Lower Trancura

Family & inclusive · 2 h · Easy · 2–12 people

A gentle raft descent for children from 5 years old.

Your guide: Camila Rojas



Hydrospeed on Pucón's rivers

Rafting & hydrospeed · 3 h · Hard · 2–8 people

Ride the river on a board, the most intense experience on the Trancura.

Your guide: Camila Rojas



Sunset kayak on Lake Villarrica

Kayak, sailing & fishing · 2 h · Easy · 1–10 people

A gentle paddle facing the volcano, perfect for families.

Your guide: Camila Rojas



Rafting on the Trancura river

Rafting & hydrospeed · 3 h · Moderate · 2–12 people

Class III and IV rapids on the most famous river of the Araucanía.

Your guide: Camila Rojas

Guides

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Matías Curihual **PRO**

Guía de montaña certificado, 12 años subiendo el Villarrica

Trekking, Volcano, Hot springs, Mapuche culture · Español, English · 12 years of experience

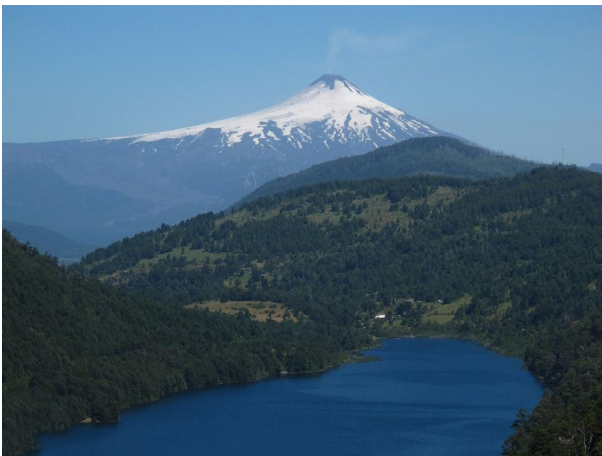
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Camila Rojas

Rafting, canyoning y kayak en el Trancura y el lago Villarrica

Rafting & hydrospeed, Kayak, sailing & fishing, Canyoning & rappelling, Family & inclusive · Español, English, Français · 9 years of experience

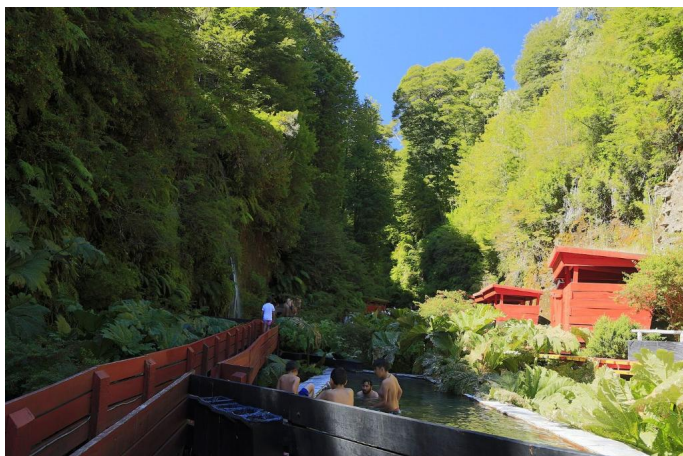
Photo gallery



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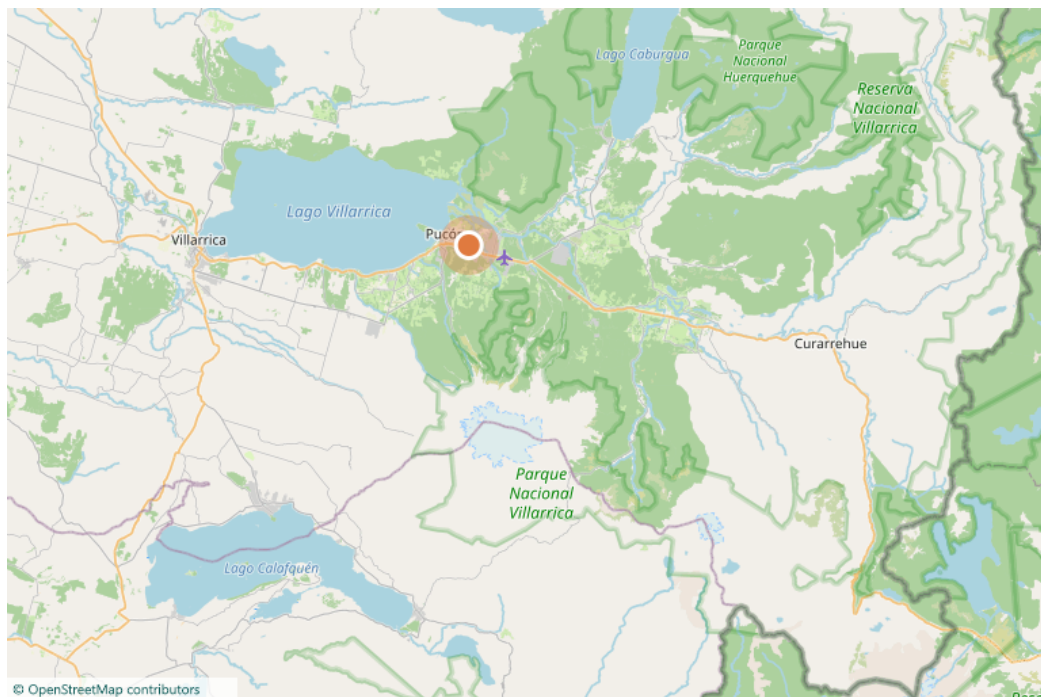


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