



Chilean tourism activities remain active throughout the country

Santiago de Chile. Friday, November 15, 2019. 16.00 hours- The Undersecretary of Tourism and the National Tourism Board reported that Chile is proceeding with three historically important agreements for our nation: the Agreement for Peace; the Agreement for Justice, and the Agreement for a new Constitution. For its part, the tourism sector has received this announcement as a call for unity, with the same commitment that has been placed on boosting our national tourism, which has been affected but that is still operating in a large part of the country.

Thus, authorities reiterated that, despite the situation that Chile has been going through for almost four weeks, touristic activities continue to operate throughout the National territory and the most popular destinations, preferred by international tourists, such as San Pedro de Atacama, Valle Elqui, the islands of Rapa Nui, Juan Fernández Island and Chiloé, the Chilean Patagonia and Torres del Paine National Park, are open and working.

In addition, they reported that cities such as Santiago, Concepción, Valparaíso, Coquimbo and Antofagasta, which continue to be the scene of citizen demonstrations, which has altered the normal operations in their downtown areas, are offering alternatives for tourism in nearby destinations.

In Santiago, authorities reiterated the importance of carrying out well informed tourism due to the social mobilizations that are still occurring, which at certain times tend to impact the regular routines of the city, especially in the city center and downtown area.

Despite this, the Arturo Merino Benítez International Airport is operational and flights are departing and arriving on schedule. The airport transfers and taxi service providers are delivering their services as usual; Bus terminals function normally as well as the provision of tourist accommodation services, with some exceptions in the city center; businesses work partially or have special schedules in the downtown area, however, in other areas, the shopping centers remain open; and public transportation is operating through its buses and metro, as most subway stations are open.

In the case of regions, airports and bus terminals are operating and businesses and public transportation are also recovering their normal operations. A large part of the country's tourist attractions are working and providing options to the various experiences that international tourists demand the most.

Both the Undersecretary of Tourism and the National Tourism Board reiterate the importance of carrying out well-informed and responsible tourism. Their recommendation is to gather background information about destinations that will be visited and to be permanently informed, in addition to adopting a behavior of self-care and being respectful of the rules stipulated by local authorities.



Tourists are called upon to approach the Tourist Information Offices for further information and inquiries, and to always use official taxi services at the airports and tourist service providers certified by Sernatur.

Links of interest:

- **Airport:** <https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/>
- **Public Transportation:** Check the website of the Ministry of Transport <http://www.usuarios.subtrans.gob.cl/>
- **Santiago Metro network:** <https://www.metro.cl/>
- **Recommendations and procedures for entry into Chile:** check the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs: <https://minrel.gob.cl/recomendaciones-para-ingresar-a-chile/minrel/2008-06-19/154047.html>
- **Official site of the National Tourism Board :** www.sernatur.cl
- **Chilean Tourism Information :** <https://chile.travel>