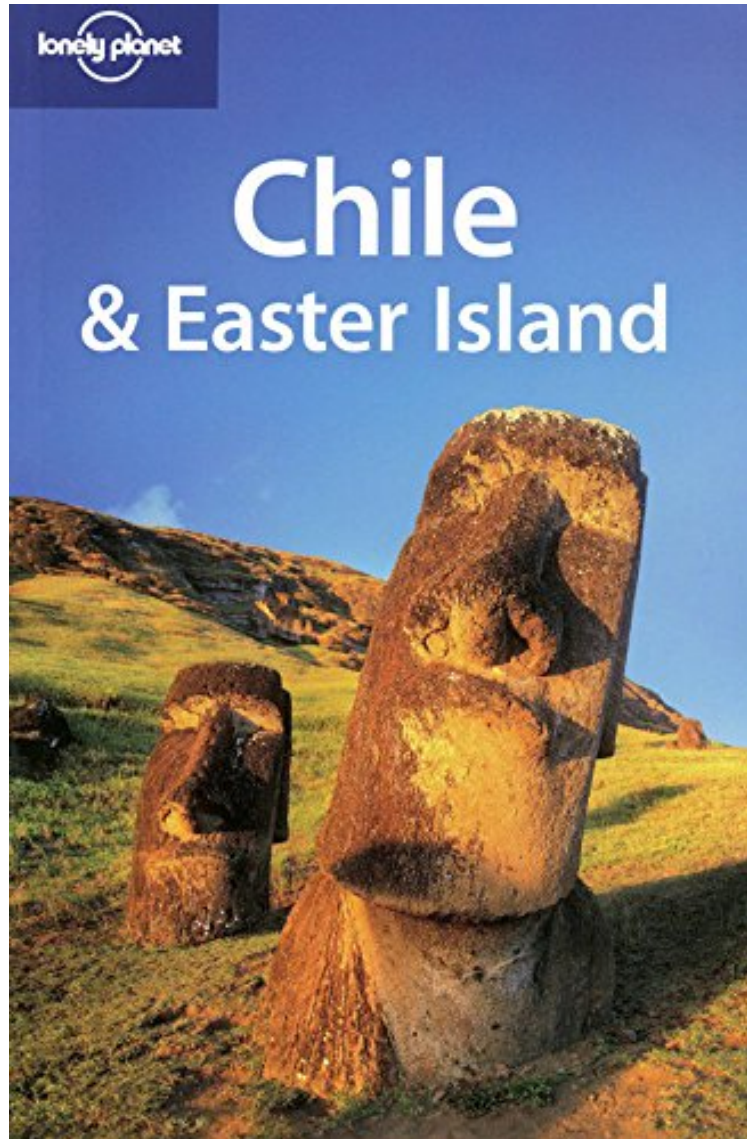


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great GuidebookBy AmandaI travel a lot, and Lonely Planet guides are always some of my favorites -- I got my first one when I traveled around Europe in 2006. I like that they select restaurants and accommodations in a variety of price points; the descriptions are short but colorful and helpful. I

actually really enjoy reading the entire book -- even about places I don't intend to go. On a fun note, this particular book led us to one of the littlest out-of-the-way restaurants you can imagine. If I had found it on my own, I never would have gone there, but I kept telling my boyfriend, "No, let's do it, the guidebook mentioned it, it must be worth it." And it was! That meal was one of our most memorable evenings.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Not sure about lonely planet books. By Rufus2269 I have looked at other brands of travel books, but haven't yet found one that really stands out above all the others. Lonely planet books seem to be "as good as any" however, I often make an effort to stay in their recommended places, or try recommended restaurants, and seriously, 9 out of 10 times the recommendations suck. Either the hotel isn't not as it's described, the eating places in the books are mostly bad, with an occasional exception. In my experience, they have seldom been worth the effort to go there. I don't know who chooses the places to eat in these books, either they have low standards, or terrible taste. I have given up following their recommendations as I find better selections by using trip advisor or asking locals.

7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Decent guide, lacks color.... boaring to read. By Carlos Frao Medinal went to Santiago with my family for a 2 week vacation break on September 2010. The Lonely Planet Guide had sufficient info so you didn't miss the most relevant landmarks. However it's a non-stop bible of words with very few pictures, no color, and few distinct or unusual places to visit. I prefer Time Out guides any time of the day. The guide content was mostly up-to-date, but there are a lot a cool places not mentioned, specially around Vitacura, La Dehesa, Providencia and Las Condes which are the modern, financial districts where everything hip and cool takes place. Seems to me the contributors are way on the conservative/traditionalist side. Don't get me wrong, Santiago has lots of history, but it is no Buenos Aires or Paris where you can spend days just watching ancient landmarks. I think the guide missed on the opportunity to exploit all of Santiago's new developments and attractions. Restaurant guide is decent at best, explanations on how to move around are very basic and they do not reflect the complex Santiago Metro and Metrobus systems. This is a big city, with hundreds of lodging accommodations, especially apartments, and this guide misses big time on this aspect. I had to look elsewhere for hotel advice. One crucial aspect I think this guide forgot to mention are the ski resorts near Santiago... Valle Nevado, Valle del Colorado, Farallones, etc. They are a "must visit" and the guide barely mentions this fact. All things considered it is a Country Guide, not a City Guide, so probably it is impossible to cover every aspect of Santiago and its surroundings. If you plan to move along this vast nation then maybe the LP Guide may suit you well, BUT if Santiago is your primary destination than you are better off with a simple Tourist Map given for free at most Metro Stations... that's the only guide I carried along my 2 week stay and boy did I cover the city.

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