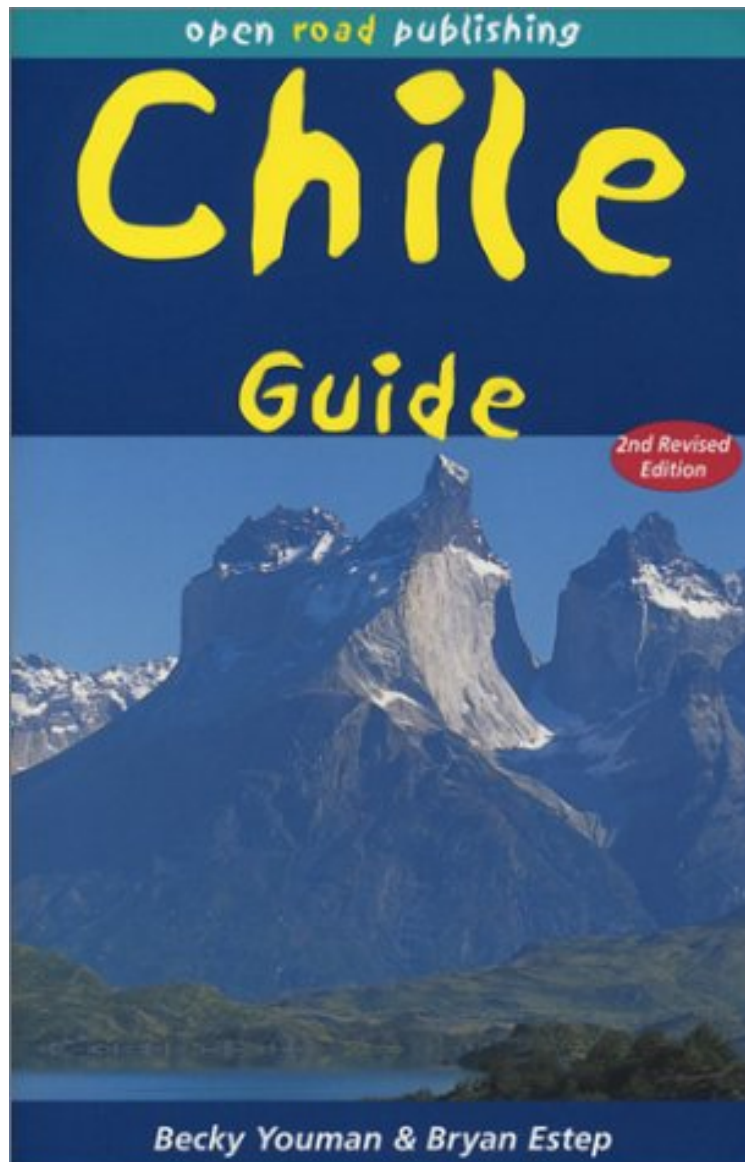


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4 of 6 people found the following review helpful. You don't need this book to be a travelerBy Dr. LubaBeing a travel snob, this book's premise appealed to me--travel like a local, not some poor tourist shmuck. Unfortunately, the book did not live up to the promise.I traveled to Chile with three books--the Rough Guide, the Lonely Planet Guide, and this

one. I found the first to be the most useful of the lot--it's information was up-to-date and accurate, and it gave detailed information on the entire country, not just those bits that can be reached by bus and appeal to the back-packer. The Lonely Planet was thorough, but poorly organized; the accommodation listings were extensive, but no recommendations or detailed descriptions were given. This guide book was not useful, except perhaps as a door stop. It is very heavy, but does not contain much information. Rather, it is printed on heavy stock, and in big letters--this may be nice in a coffee table book, but not in something you have to lug around while traveling. I will give it credit for having good information on hotels in the few towns it covered, but it did not justify the purchase price and the weight. I left it behind in Chile. I wouldn't buy it (or any other book in this series) again, nor would I recommend it.

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By Soren Dayton
I just got back from Chile and I must say, I don't know what to think about this book. For example: it was the only guide book that I took with me into the Torres del Paine. And that was the right choice. On the other hand, it doesn't offer enough information about basic things, like cheap places to stay. For example, in Punta Arenas, the things in my price range aren't even mentioned in this book. They only start above it. but it does have some helpful insight about planning and seeing things in Chile. If you get this, it should certainly be along with other things like LP and Footprints. Then it can be a really good auxiliary resource.

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By Ted
Having just returned from Chile with this book as my primary reference guide, I found myself continually borrowing other guidebooks. Simply put, it contains too little information. I also found some of the authors' opinions a bit stronger than what I care to have when travelling an unfamiliar country. The two standards, Footprints and Lonely Planet, remain for me the best guides to South American travel. I regretted carrying this one along enough to have donated it to a hostel in Punta Arenas. Admittedly, the guide takes a fun approach, and has interesting and readable content. However, because it lacks the depth of more veteran sources, I recommend this guide only as a supplemental reference.

A comprehensive guide to one of the few countries in the world offering such incredible biodiversity and extensive, beautiful national parks. traveller's delight: clay-baked seaside deserts, fertile orchard patched valleys, mossy rainforests and rugged glacier-topped mountains. Readers will discover flocks of pink flamingos, Andean mountaintops revered by the ancients, wild rolling rivers perfect for exciting rafting trips, and colonies of penguins. Santiago, the capital and cultural centre of the country, is exhaustively treated, with more than 90 hotel and restaurant reviews. treatment, as are the many captivating beaches for those looking to relax in the sun or cool off in the ocean. Adventure seekers are shown the best routes for skiing and trekking through beautiful Andean canyons.