

SANTIAGO DE CHILE

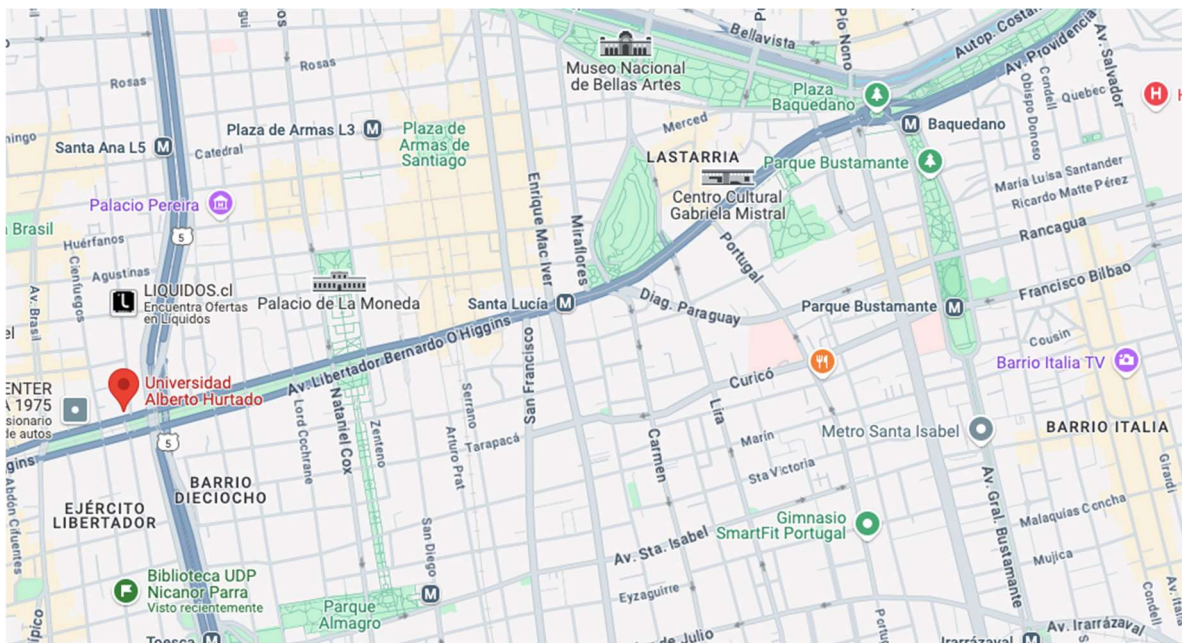
There are many websites where you can find tourist information about Santiago and its surroundings. Some of them:

<https://chile.travel/en/>

<https://chileestuyo.cl/>

<https://site.visitsantiago.org/>

The congress will be held at the Biblioteca Nicanor Parra of the Diego Portales University (October 28 and 29) and at the Alberto Hurtado University (October 30).



I. Hotels with special rates

The organization has contacted some hotels in Santiago that should offer a discount to those attending the congress:

<https://www.mrhoteles.cl/en/>

<https://hoteldiegodevelazquez.com/>

<https://capitalhoteles.cl/en/hotel-bellet-english/>

<https://www.dahoteles.com/es/da-providencia>

The subject of the reservation email must be:

"INDL-7: Conference attendee reservation", or
"INDL-7: Reserva asistente conferencia"

The contacts are:

1. Enrique Carrasco (MR. Hoteles) - ventas3@mrhoteles.cl
2. Mónica Garrido (Diego de Velásquez) - mgarrido@hoteldiegodevelazquez.com
3. Rodrigo Castro (Capital Hoteles) - reservas@capitalhoteles.cl
4. María Quintero (Diego de Almagro) - maria.quintero@dahoteles.com

II. Attractions

1. Cerro San Cristóbal: It offers panoramic views of the city and the Andes Mountains. You can go up on foot, by cable car or funicular.
<https://parquemet.cl/>
2. Cerro Santa Lucía: A park in the center of the city with trails and viewpoints. It is a historical place (where Santiago was founded) interesting to visit and explore. <https://www.monumentos.gob.cl/monumentos/monumentos-historicos/cerro-santa-lucia-santiago>
3. Plaza de Armas: The historic heart of Santiago, surrounded by important buildings such as the Metropolitan Cathedral and the National Historical Museum. <https://www.monumentos.gob.cl/monumentos/zonas-tipicas/plaza-armas-congreso-nacional-su-entorno>
4. Museum of Memory and Human Rights: A museum that commemorates the victims of human rights violations during the Pinochet dictatorship.
<https://mmdh.cl/>
5. Bellavista neighborhood: Known for its nightlife, street art, and the house-museum of Nobel Prize winner Pablo Neruda, La Chascona.
<https://disfrutasantiago.cl/barrio-bellavista/>
6. Bicentenario Park: A large park with green areas, lagoons, and trails for walking or picnicking. It also has food trucks and restaurants in the surrounding area.
<https://vitacura.cl/parque-bicentenario/conozca-el-parque-bicentenario/>
7. Vineyards: Consider an excursion to nearby vineyards like Viña Concha y Toro or Viña Undurraga, which offer tours and tastings.
<https://enoturismo.conchaytoro.com/visitas-y-tour-vina-concha-y-toro/>
<https://undurraga.cl/visitanos/>

8. Pueblito los Dominicos Fair Craft center in the commune of Las Condes.
<https://santiagoando.com/centro-artesanal-pueblito-los-dominicos/>
9. Mirador Costanera Center: Observe Santiago from the tallest skyscraper in Latin America. <https://skycostanera.cl/es>
10. Yungay neighborhood. <https://www.admagazine.com/articulos/barrio-yungay-en-santiago-que-hacer>

III. Places of interest near Santiago

Valparaíso

Valparaíso is one of the most emblematic cities in Chile, famous for its vibrant culture, colorful architecture and impressive port. Its hills, full of colorful houses and urban art, offer panoramic views of the ocean and the city. The city is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, reflecting its rich history and cultural legacy.

Viña del Mar

Just a few minutes from Valparaíso, Viña del Mar is known as the "Garden City" for its large green spaces and beautiful beaches. It is an ideal destination to enjoy the sun, with beaches such as Playa Acapulco and Playa Reñaca.

Cajón del Maipo

Cajón del Maipo is a beautiful natural destination located just an hour from Santiago, known for its stunning mountain landscape and serene environment. This Andean canyon offers a variety of outdoor activities, such as hiking, biking, and rafting on its crystal-clear rivers.

IV. Suggested bookstores

- METALES PESADOS: <https://metalespesados.cl/>
- EDITORIAL LOM: <https://lom.cl/>
- FERIA CHILENA DEL LIBRO: <https://feriachilenadellibro.cl/>
- ALTAMIRA: <https://www.nuevaltamira.cl/>
- TAKK:
https://www.instagram.com/libreriatakk?utm_source=ig_web_button_share_sheet&igsh=ZDNlZDc0MzlxNw==

V. Gastronomy

1. Mercado Central (Central Market): Ideal for trying fresh seafood. Don't miss the ceviche and paila marina.
2. Barrio Lastarria: Offers a variety of bars and restaurants with international and Chilean gastronomic options.
3. Barrio Italia: Known for its bohemian atmosphere and its rich cultural and gastronomic offer.
3. Pizzerias and grills: Santiago has excellent options to try pizzas and grilled meats. Recommended places are La Fuente Alemana and Don Peyo.
4. Café de la Plaza: Ideal to enjoy a good cup of coffee and Chilean desserts.
5. Food trucks and markets: In October, there are festivals and markets with a wide variety of street and gourmet food.

VI. Climate

In October, Santiago is in spring, so the weather is very pleasant. Temperatures usually vary between 10°C in the morning and 25°C in the afternoon. Bring light clothing but also a jacket for cooler nights. It's also a good idea to bring sunscreen, as the sun can be strong.

VII. Security

Santiago is a relatively safe city for tourists, but as in any big city, it is important to keep an eye on your belongings, especially in crowded places and on public transportation. Keep your valuables in a safe place and avoid displaying expensive items. It is suggested not to use your cell phone on the street.

VIII. Transport

1. Metro: It is one of the most efficient ways to get around the city. The system is extensive and connects many important areas. A card called BIP Card is used, which can be purchased at any metro station.
2. Buses: They complement the metro system and are an economical option to get around. The same card is used.

3. Taxis and transportation apps: Like Uber and Cabify are available and safe. There are also traditional taxis that you must take from official stops.

4. Bicycles: Santiago has several cycle paths and it is possible to rent bicycles through bicycle sharing systems such as Bike Santiago.

IX. Exchange Rate and Payment Systems

1. Exchange rate: The Chilean peso (CLP) is the official currency. Be sure to check the current exchange rate before your trip. ATMs are widely available and accept credit and debit cards.

2. Credit/debit cards: They are accepted in most establishments. Be sure to inform your bank about your trip to avoid being blocked for suspicious activity.

3. Cash: Although you can use cards in most places, it is useful to carry some cash for small shops, markets or public transport.

X. Access to the Airport to and from the Center of Santiago

<https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/>

1. Taxi and Private Transportation Services

- Taxis: There are official taxi services that operate from the airport. You can find taxi ranks in the arrivals area. It is advisable to use official taxis and avoid those offered inside the terminal.

- Transportation Apps: Services like Uber, Cabify and Beat are available and are a popular and convenient option. You can request a vehicle through the application in the area designated for these services.

2. Transfer Shuttle

- Transfer Services: There are companies that offer shared or private transfer services between the airport and different parts of the city. These services can be booked online in advance or directly at the airport.

3. Subway

- Metro Line 1: Santiago metro line 1 connects with the airport through a combination of train and bus. You must take a connecting bus from the "Pajaritos" metro station to the airport. The closest metro station to the airport is "Pajaritos", where you can take

the "Pajaritos Transfer Center" that will take you to the airport in approximately 30 minutes.

4. Buses

- Airport Buses: Several bus companies offer routes between the airport and the center of Santiago. Among them are:
- Centropuerto: Offers a frequent bus service between the airport and the center of Santiago, with stops at key points such as Terminal Alameda and Terminal Los Héroes.
- Turbus: Offers services similar to those of Centropuerto, with routes from the airport to various areas of Santiago and other nearby cities.

Access to the Airport from Other Locations

- From Viña del Mar and Valparaíso: You can take intercity buses that take you to Santiago and, from the bus terminal, use the metro, taxis, or transfer to get to the airport.
- From other cities: Most major cities in Chile are connected by direct domestic flights to Santiago, making access to the airport easier.

XI. Holidays

On Saturday, October 26 and Sunday, October 27, municipal elections will be held in Chile. Additionally, October 31 and November 1 are also holidays.

XII. Additional Tips

- Language: Spanish is the main language, but in tourist areas you may find people who speak English.
- Tips: It is not mandatory, but 10% is usually left in restaurants if the service has been good.