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Best Chile Ski Tour: Tres Valles, Portillo, and Ski Arpa

7 Days / 6 Nights

Our most popular skiing/snowboarding tour takes you to two of South America's best ski resorts and includes two exhilarating days of cat skiing. Accompanied by comfortable accommodations, great food, and the best of South American hospitality, this is surely the ski trip of a lifetime.



Day 1–3: Santiago to Tres Valles

Your Upscape representative will meet you upon arrival at Santiago's airport to transfer you to Farellones, part of the "Tres Valles" of the central Andes. The Tres Valles includes the largest skiable area in Chile, with over 6,180 acres of in-bound terrain. The slopes are suited to all levels of skiers, and advanced-level skiers and boarders can use an inter-valley lift pass to access all three valleys, more complicated runs, and backcountry bowls. After checking in at the hotel*, you can head right out to the slopes where you'll spend the next three days shredding powder. Most international flights arrive in the morning, so you can usually be skiing by noon.

Meals: breakfast (days 2-3), dinner (days 1-3)

Accommodation: Chalet Valluga

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*Note: Early check in is not guaranteed and is dependent on availability in the hotel.

Day 4: Tres Valles to Los Andes

After a few hours of skiing in the morning, we will make our way to our north base in Los Andes where we will be spending the next three nights. Along the way, we'll stop at San Esteban Winery, one of the Aconcagua Valley's best local wineries, to experience excellent Chilean wine. In the late afternoon, we'll check in to your hotel in the town of Los Andes.

Meals: breakfast, dinner

Accommodation: Termas de Jahuel



Day 5: Ski Portillo

Today you'll visit Portillo, South America's oldest and most famous ski resort, first opened in 1948. Portillo has the ambience of a "boutique" ski resort, with limited hotel capacity, no lift lines and open slopes. There are slopes to fit any level of skiing expertise, and for the more advanced skiers and boarders there is an abundance of back country bowls.

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Return to Termas de Jahuel for the evening.

Meals: breakfast, dinner

Accommodation: Termas de Jahuel



Day 6-7: Ski Arpa

Experience two full days Snowcat Skiing at the incredible Ski Arpa. A place unlike any other in the world, Valle el Arpa is sweet music to the skier's soul. Unparalleled vertical snow conditions and views of both Mt. Aconcagua and the Pacific Ocean are sure to make for an unforgettable adventure. In an anything-but-typical day, you'll ski over 13,000 vertical feet of some of the best untracked powder in the world. Intermediate or advanced level of skiing experience required. At the end of the last day, you will be transferred to the Santiago airport in time for your departing flight.

Meals: breakfast (days 6 -7), box lunch at Arpa (days 6-7), dinner (day 6)

Accommodation: Termas de Jahuel

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Accommodations:

- **Chalet Valluga (3 nights):** Located within the village of Farellones, at only a few minutes' distance from all four major ski resorts, Chalet Valluga is a cozy, inviting escape. The Chalet was designed to provide its guests with personalized attention and a comfortable stay. The hotel has 12 rooms and two apartments, all with their own bathroom and housekeeping service. More importantly, the guests have views of the gorgeous valley and glacier "La Paloma" from the outside terrace. Valluga is attended by its owners, who organize special activities like barbecues and cheese & wine hour for its guests.
- **Termas de Jahuel (3 nights):** This recently renovated, historic, 4-star landmark resort is nestled in the foothills of the Andes, near San Felipe and is about a 60-minute drive from Ski Arpa. Termas de Jahuel features indoor and outdoor thermal pools, massage and steam baths and is a relaxing oasis after a hard day on the slopes. Visitors to Termas de Jahuel will find cozy, ultra-comfortable guestrooms that are fully stocked with amenities such as mineralized spring-water showers and satellite TV. Trails through the scented forest wind around the resort, which is matched by the elegant resort offerings: dining area, bar, and restaurant.

What's Included:

- Private, round trip transportation in comfortable vehicle with bilingual driver
 - *Note: Transportation between your hotel in Farellones to Colorado and La Parva resorts is provided by your hotel (not Upscape). Transfers to Valle Nevado are at an additional cost.*
 - *Note: Transport to Ski Arpa may be with other Upscape passengers*
- Six (6) nights lodging as detailed in itinerary
- Two full days of cat skiing at Ski Arpa (approx 4 runs per person per day)
- Some meals, as detailed in itinerary
- Winery tour and tasting

General Notes:

- Lift tickets for the Tres Valles area are not included in the package price. This is to avoid inconveniences and allow flexibility to change a day's skiing resort in case of inclement weather, road closures, or other unforeseen circumstances.
- About Equipment Rental: Ski/snowboard equipment (boots, poles, skis, snowboards) are not included in package price, and Upscape does not rent this equipment. Your driver from Santiago will be happy to take you to one of our recommended ski rental facilities on your way to the mountains. Please note that ski shops are not connected with Upscape and there is no way to guarantee the type or brand of equipment available. Most clients prefer to bring their own equipment.