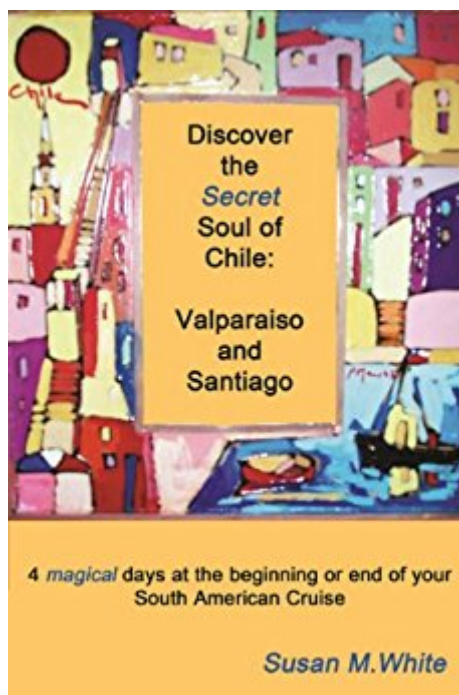


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# Discover The Secret Soul Of Chile: Valparaiso And Santiago...4 Magical Days At The Beginning Or End Of Your South American Cruise



## Synopsis

Written for tourists who have just a few days in Valparaíso and Santiago and want key information to make their trip memorable and seamless. This illustrated guide is full of interesting tidbits, facts about Chile and 10 different "must see/do" adventures per city. With this guide in hand, your visit to these Chilean jewels will be enjoyable and effortless. The guide also includes nuts n' bolts info. - currency, history, transportation from the port, between cities and to the airport, geography, fun facts - anything you might need to know while you're touring. There are mini-maps, pictures, addresses/phone numbers and commentary. There's even a section for wine lovers if you want to tour Chile's wine country. You may be about to take a once-in a lifetime South American cruise that takes you to Valparaíso and Santiago or you may be a tourist or business visitor who wants to have an amazing visit to Chile. This guide is for you. Like the author, you'll trudge up and down cobblestone steps in Valparaíso, climb hills that require you're part billy goat, ride an ascensor (historic cable cars that travel between street levels), learn some of Chile's history and end up at the Open Sky Museum. This outdoor art walk lets you view world-class murals while you sip on a Pisco Sour and learn the truth about the myth that Chileans are born with a paint brush in their hands! You'll also explore fascinating walled gardens between street levels, eat in restaurants with a bird's eye view of the bay, laugh at Pablo Neruda's eccentric sense of humor in his hilltop cottage where he did a lot of his writing and fall in love with Valparaíso - Chile's cultural capital. Santiago is a different kind of experience. It's a big (5 million) somewhat smoggy city with a view of the Andes and dozens of places to explore. Santiago was a 2012 Traveller's Choice Award Winner and will likely be for 2013 as well, as more global travellers adventure to South America. Museums, markets, sculpture park, modern malls, cafes, dance clubs - there's so much to see and do. Santiago has an excellent subway (metro) system that will transport you to most of the places you'll want to visit. And the best shopping on your South American trip (if you're looking for special Artisan's work) is here at Los Dominicos Handicraft Market. Chile is fast becoming one of the most recognized wine producing countries in the world - second only to France at the recent September 2012 Decanter Worldwide Wine Awards in London, England. With over 14,000 wines in competition, only 28 wines received worldwide trophies - and 5 of those international trophies went to Chilean wines. There are several vineyards between the two cities and you may want to extend your visit for an extra day to experience wine country - there are lots of options for tours, tastings, even accommodation at the vineyards. Have this e-book in your hand while you explore - so you don't miss anything on your fun and instructive tours of Valparaíso and Santiago. Go home knowing you've seen two travel jewels in a country of miracles - CHILE - a magical, eccentric, joyous, energizing and unforgettable

country. And "Que tengas un buen viaje" â “ have a good trip!

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## **Customer Reviews**

Took the advice to take the bus from Santiago to Valparaiso . Absolutely NO problems. Very easy and cheap!!Also visited Pueblito Los Dominicos twice and really enjoyed it. A beautiful, very peaceful place away from the hustle and bustle of a BIG city!! Two places to eat , but the one up front offered VERY BAD service while the smaller one in the back offered EXCELLENT service. And keep walking- it's bigger than you realize. Found a fabulous weaver with wonderful scarves and throws. Wish I had bought more!!My family is going to Santiago in July/August and I will give them more of the tips from the book. Worth the money!

Helpful in planning my upcoming trip. Good transport advice. Would have liked a bit more neighborhood advice as to where to stay.

A must read for anyone looking for a new cultural travel destination. In a relatively short book, the

author have covered everything from the basics of local transportation, currency, language, etc. to a quick introduction to the hidden treasures of Valparaiso and Santiago. The use of photos and maps interspersed with personal anecdotes and recommendations made the experience more real for me. I really liked the use of imbedded links throughout the book. The details were available and helped to support the book without duplicating information available from other sources (which is always good). I've never traveled to South America but after reading this book I have a better understanding of what the experience could be. Well worth the price.

This book is too short. Author talks about how walking around the city is wonderful. However, there are no directions and walking tour suggestions. The book does not include any hotel or restaurant recommendations. It does not list museums and instead only list a couple.

Good list of Valparaiso & Santiago highlights. Lots of cruising info I didn't need. Ebook formatting leaves much to be desired. No maps, no links to metro or bus system, and I could only access the table of contents from the front of the book.

A worthwhile read before you go and a great reference guide while you are there. Easy, quick read with lots of interesting tidbits, facts and things to do in Santiago and Valparaiso. Have been there and and wish I'd had this book with me at the time!

This book is aimed at cruisers who arrive by ship in Valparaiso, but it does have good information for other travelers visiting Vina del Mar, Valparaiso, and Santiago, as well. For example, I would never have known about the Dominicas market without this book's recommendation, and we did enjoy visiting that market. L

Great little book that was just what I was looking for. Anyone taking a cruise and wanting to spend a few in Chile should read this book. Thank you.

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