

Trip Preparation Checklist: Chile

- Travel Information
- Liability Waiver
- Authorization for Medical Care
- Emergency Contact Information
- Copy of Passport

Suggested Pack List

- Carry-on Daypack
- Camera and/or Laptop
- 2 - 3 Long-sleeved shirts, t-shirts, and pants
- Down Jacket (*or equivalent*)
- Warm Pajamas
- Comfortable Hiking or Tennis Shoes
- Base Layer (*fleece or capilene shirt & pants*)
- 1 Small Pack Towel
- Boxers / Underwear
- Toiletries

Kayak Gear

- Dry Bag / Backpack
- Kayak Gear Bag (*stuff inside kayak if flying w/ kayak*)
- PFD, Sprayskirt & Paddle
- Dry Top or Dry Suit
- Throw Rope & Safety Whistle
- Helmet & River Shoes
- 1 - 2 Base Layer Tops (*polypro*)
- River Pants / Shorts
- 2 Carabiners
- Sponge & Nose Plugs (*optional*)

Travel Gear & Electronics

- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen
- Watch
- Flashlight / Headlamp
- Tent or Hammock (*if camping*)
- Sleeping Bag & Pad
- Travel Cookware (*mug, utensils*)
- Video or Digital Camera (*laptop optional*)

Travel Tips: Flying with Gear

Flying with your paddle may be as expensive as \$US150. We have a couple of suggestions to save costs:

1. Organize a group paddle bundle. If there are 10 paddles and it costs \$150, then your rate is \$15/paddle if you can share.
2. Package your paddle with a couple of long bags or other equipment and wrap together. Brace and pad your paddles well with gear and tape, tape, tape. Other gear such as your life jacket or shoes can protect paddles from breaking. Lots of things make good paddle bags. We suggest wrapping your paddles in a tarp that you may use later during your trip.
3. Kayaks – PKRAMA will deliver your specified kayak to our Santiago Airport rendezvous or have it available for you at our home base in Pucon.
4. Kayak Gear - Label everything. With limited trailer space, over-packers may handicap our travel experience and the trailer load.
5. Additional Items to Consider - Fishing tackle, frisbees for throwing or playing disc golf, music, games you can play with a group, a guitar... If it fits in your bag and you can get through customs, you can bring it.
6. Are you a coffee lover? Good coffee is hard to find in Chile (one of the very few drawbacks of this amazing place). Please bring your own. (Pro Tip: Our staff and guides LOVE to receive coffee beans as a gift!)
7. Spending Money - We recommend a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. Reliable ATMs are located at banks, pharmacies, airports, bus stations, and major supermarkets. (Pro Tip: Notify your bank regarding your travel location and dates to avoid having your card declined.

Travel Tips: Pack Like a Pro

- Bags will ride on a trailer with heavy dirt road dust. We will bring tarps to help cover bags. Consider methods to keep your bags secure from heavy dust. Maybe large trash bags and duck tape.
- We have limited trailer space when we are on the road, so be prepared to either pack light or leave some of your belongings at basecamp.
- Weather – the northern region will be a warmer climate with sunny days and cool nights. Pucon coldest weather would be cold rain and winds.