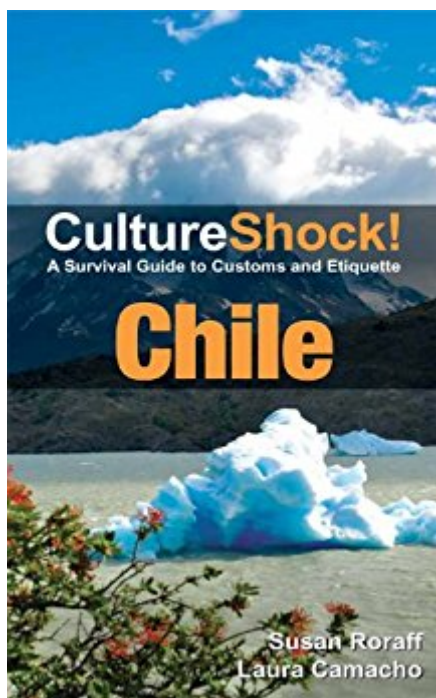


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# CultureShock! Chile



## Synopsis

CultureShock! Chile is your one-stop guide to settling in the country and adapting to life in a new land. Learn from the authors'™ experience as they share insights into the Chilean work etiquette, navigating the class system, setting up home and using the estufa and califont as well as what generally makes the people tick in this South American nation. Discover the country's™ myriad attractions from the Atacama Desert to beautiful La Serena. Sample Chilean fare such as prietas and cazuelas and wash it all down with a glass of red wine from one of the many excellent vineyards. Having overcome its turbulent political history, Chile now struggles to balance its traditional values with the demands of a modern economy. CultureShock! Chile is essential reading for anyone who plans to be in Chile for an extended period.

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## Customer Reviews

The title of the book is fitting with its content - it's a crash course for the expat on the history and culture of Chile. That being said, I found it to be mostly focused on the culture of Santiago, and upper class culture at that. As someone who will be moving to Southern Chile to teach English, I was

hoping for a more well-rounded overview of the lives of Chileans at all so-called social rungs, not a guide for how rich westerners can mingle with rich Chilean city folk. I do recommend it, however, as it is a quick read that contains a lot of information, especially for people who will be moving to the capital. Just don't expect it to be the bible of Chilean culture.

Anyone who is visiting Chile really could benefit from this book. This has information about the history of the government, the industry, people's likes, dislikes, customs, and above all is very accurate. One person reviewing this book mentioned how very well researched and true to life this book is. I bought it before leaving the US to serve a 2 year senior mission in Chile with my wife and it has been a real anchor to understanding the people and the culture. We work with people from the poorest to the richest neighborhoods and I found it to be invaluable in understanding important celebrations and precautions. These people are unique to other Latin Americans and this book describes the rich culture, the unique political and economic richness and also touches on the kindness and humility of the people. I believe the saying "proud but humble" really tells volumes. This book brings your visit experience to life and helps to really know who these people are.

This is not a book that was thrown together quickly, but a thoughtful book with broad coverage and good research. I found myself rereading nearly all of the chapters. The book has already helped me during my professional stay. BTW, the Kindle edition is wonderful to use. I read the Kindle chapters on my iPhone whenever I have some downtime. I've even used it as somewhat of a reference source.

This is the best travel guide that I have come across. It covers the geography, climate, history, and customs in a very entertaining and personal way.

As an anthropologist and long-time resident of Chile, I strongly recommend this book to anyone who plans to spend time here. In fact, I've made it required reading in a 'culture course' I teach for North American university students here in Chile. This book is not another travel guide, but rather an insightful and very accessible look into the intricacies of Chilean culture. A quick look through the table of contents shows its range of topics, and the Cultural Quiz at the end is a must!

Clearly written with useful traveling wisdom fully mindful of the people, history, and traditions of Chile. I learned much from this book.

There is so much information about every aspect of living or even traveling to a different country, it is very helpful.

We attended a wedding in Chile. This was helpful in understanding relationships. It helped to know that it is better to dress conservatively.

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