

Chiloé Island, Los Lagos, Chile

Chiloé is a world apart — a misty island of rainbow palafito stilt houses, hand-built wooden churches recognized by UNESCO, and a seafood culture rooted in centuries of Chilote tradition. Ships anchor offshore and tender into Castro's downtown waterfront, putting you within walking distance of the island's best.

 Tender port

 Typical call: 8–10 hrs

 Chilean Peso (CLP)

 Spanish

📅 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor offshore; small boats land at Castro's downtown pier

Best For: UNESCO architecture, palafito stilt houses, Chilote food & handicrafts

Walk to center: Immediate — tender dock is steps from Plaza de Armas

Don't Miss: Iglesia San Francisco de Castro and the Gamboa palafito waterfront

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ \$3–8 USD (short rides) · 📱 **Rideshare** ✅ Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Palafitos & Iglesia San Francisco** — Walk the Gamboa and Pedro Montt waterfront to photograph the iconic colorful stilt houses, then climb to Plaza de Armas...
 - **UNESCO Wooden Churches Circuit** — Chiloé has 16 UNESCO World Heritage wooden churches across the archipelago.
 - **Puñihuil Penguin Colony** — The islets of Puñihuil are the only place on Earth where Humboldt and Magellanic
- penguins nest together.

 - **Chiloé National Park** — On the island's wild Pacific coast, this park protects ancient evergreen Valdivian rainforest, peat bogs, and coastal...
 - **Castro Food & Market Tour** — Taste Chilote specialties — curanto, milcao, chupe de jaiba, seafood empanadas — at the Mercado Municipal and...

BEST WALKS

- **Waterfront Palafitos to Plaza de Armas** 1.5 km · 30–45 min · Easy (some uphill) — Start at the tender pier at the Feria Artesanal, walk south along Ernesto Riquelme street to view the Gamboa palafito stilt houses...
- **Pedro Montt Palafito Strip** 1 km · 20 min · Easy — Head north from the tender dock along Avenida Pedro Montt for a longer stretch of palafitos with direct water reflections — best light...
- **Waterfront to Palafitos** ~2 km · 1 hr · easy — From the tender dock, walk north along the Costanera waterfront past the Feria Artesanal to the Gamboa palafito neighborhood.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		73°	57°	8d
Jun		66°	50°	8d
Aug		69°	50°	8d
Sep		73°	54°	10d
Oct		74°	57°	16d

 **DAYLIGHT & 🌳 MONEY**

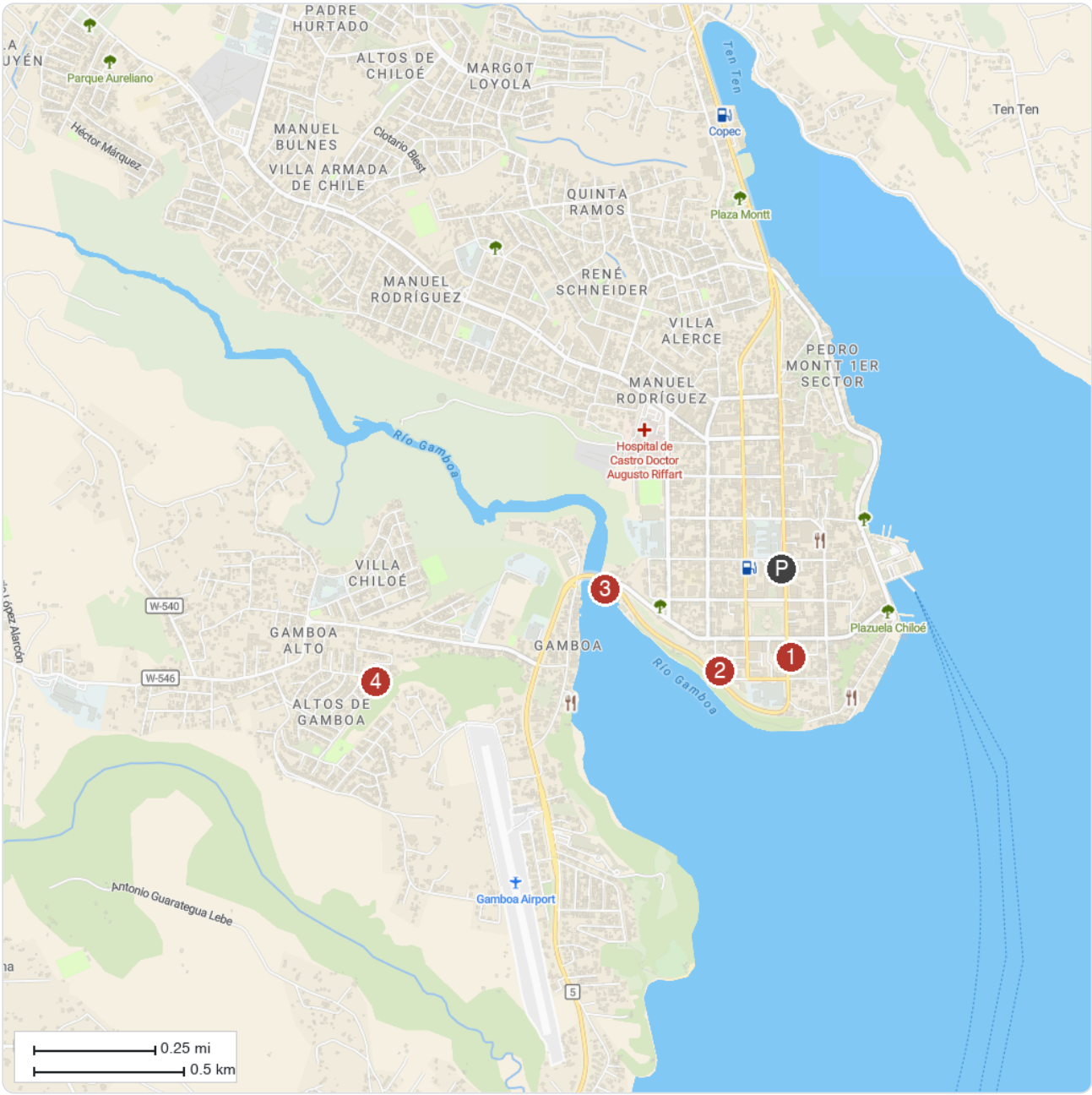
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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Chiloé Island, Los Lagos, Chile — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1

Municipal Museum Castro

Castro's museum showcases local history, culture, and traditional crafts.
- 2

Mirador Chacabuco

Chacabuco viewpoint offers panoramic views of Castro and the bay.
- 3

Mirador Gamboa

Gamboa viewpoint provides stunning vistas of Castro's stilt houses.
- 4

Cabañas el Isleño Castro Chiloé.

This is a lodging complex with traditional Chiloé-style cabins.
- P

Cruise port / terminal