

VIK Delivers World-Class Travel Experience with Vik Chile and the Viña Vik Vineyard: VIK is a MUST when in Chile; an out of this world experience!

VIK is a stunning destination nestled in Chile's Millahue Valley. Vik Chile, the striking retreat, and the remarkable Viña Vik Vineyard and Winery, are the foundation for VIK which, since its debut, has garnered international acclaim, drawing visitors from across the globe to enjoy a pioneering travel experience unlike anything else in the world. As with all Vik Retreats, the breathtaking I I,000 acre property is a celebration of its singular locale and is marked by unprecedented architecture, design, art and décor, environmentally minded practices, warm, attentive service, and a breadth of activities for its guests. With holism as its guiding force, the entire VIK experience is centered on the concept that every element comes together to create a truly exceptional, innovative, and singular stay for visitors; a destination that cannot be missed when visiting.

Upon arrival at VIK, guests are welcomed by an awe-inspiring natural setting, only enhanced by the two visually arresting structures: Vik Chile retreat, and the VIK Winery. Ideally perched on a hilltop in the middle of this most picturesque valley, with the Andes Mountains in the distance, Vik Chile boasts 360-degree views out across the surrounding vineyards and nature. It's floating, sculptural roof of bronzed titanium, which was inspired by the mountains, the wind, and the work of Frank Gehry and Richard Serra greets guests as they arrive. Conceived by innovators Alexander and Carrie Vik, in association with architect Marcelo Daglio, Vik Chile's design is extraordinary and playful, and, as with all Vik Retreats, completely unique and inspiring in its conception. The essence of VIK invites visitors to indulge in a true escape, through artistically immersive guestrooms, each with individual design and décor, world class wine offerings helping to change the landscape for Chilean wines, a superb dining experience marked by vibrant flavors of Chilean cuisine, among a range of activities from the leisurely to the vigorous, for every type of traveler going far beyond guests high expectations.

Upon entering the retreat, guests are welcomed through transparent living spaces and a central patio Zen garden surrounded by a border of brightly colored flowers and an undulating topiary hedge. The convivial living room welcomes guests to congregate and unwind while surrounded by remarkable works including paintings by Roberto Matta, one of Chile's most beloved artists, and a diptych from Anselm Kiefer's iconic "Secret Life of Plants" series. Across from the living room, just past the Zen garden, is Milla Milla, VIK Vineyard's signature restaurant, which is overseen by Executive Chef, Rodrigo Acuña Bravo. The transparent restaurant features a dramatic constructivist wine cava wall and a painting, "Holism," conceptualized and painted by Alex Vik. Utilizing the freshest local and seasonal ingredients through true "farm to table" and "zero kilometer" practices, Milla Milla offers a menu which changes daily and takes guests through a culinary journey imagined by Chef Acuña Bravo, whose meals are as delicious as they are beautiful. Guests enjoy dishes from herb crusted sole and wild boar tenderloin to blueberry soup, grilled zucchini and homemade strawberry sorbet. Both the dining room terrace and the striking stone infinity pool below, extend out over the valleys and lake offering dramatic views. Offering the ideal vantage point for supreme relaxation visitors are often found poolside enjoying the South American sun, swimming above the terrain, or practicing yoga surrounded by unrivaled views.

Each of the retreat's 22 suites is marked by unique design-forward concepts and an extensive collection of artwork including many site specific installations by Chilean and international artists offering true discovery through their singular décor. Guests might enjoy anything from a hammock style vessel bathtub found in the VIK Suite, to hand-painted tiles depicting a panoramic image of the vineyard found in the Azulejo Suite, to a large-scale painting of hands holding wine glasses in the Graffiti Suite, among many other striking pieces of art.

Set within the vines, the VIK Winery can be seen from the Vik Chile retreat, where guests can admire its primary architectural element, its uniquely transparent, stretched fabric roof. Designed by celebrated Pritzker Prize candidate Chilean architect Smiljan Radic in collaboration with Alex and Carrie Vik and the team at VIK, the winery was thoughtfully designed to have minimal impact on the surrounding landscape. Its roof gives the impression of an enormous sleek white wing suspended over the underground structure. Traversing through the vines to arrive at the winery, guests discover an awe-inspiring sloping plaza of running water streaming towards the building. This magnificent water mirror features an imaginative river rock sculptural installation by Smiljan Radic and his sculptor wife, Marcela Correa, which visitors enjoy as they move across walkways cut into the space, absorbing the picturesque surroundings.

Upon entering the winery, visitors are immersed in the VIK experience, and guided through the internal workings of the intricate wine making process. Descending to the lower level of the fermentation hall, they move past the large stainless-steel tanks, their gaze drawn down a long colonnade through the malolactic barrel cellar to the naturally lit back wall of the distant tasting room. Guiding them into the tasting room are extraordinary works of art, where a massive stone altar to VIK wines commands the eye. Here, the team's wine experts present various aspects of the different wines from the vineyard, including VIK, it's premier wine, as well as La Piu Belle and Milla Cala. Guests taste varietals by individual block traveling the diverse vineyard through the tasting, engaging in discussions about the uniqueness of each as well as tasting the various vintages. For younger guests the team hosts "smell don't taste" wine classes, as well as tastings of yogurts created with VIK's grape varietals, allowing children to dip their toes into oenology and enjoy an experience along with their entire family. Following the tastings, lunch is enjoyed in the Milla Milla Pavilion, the culinary garden, where the team cultivates approximately 250 different organic varieties of fruits, vegetables and herbs throughout the year or at Milla Milla at Vik Chile. For those interested in more indepth exploration of VIK's wines and the cuisine of the MIllahue valley, field oenology classes are available, and Chef Acuña Bravo and his team offer various cooking classes where participants learn how to make signature dishes as well as tastings such as cheese and chocolate pairings,

The beauty of Millahue, or "place of gold", is celebrated in all aspects of VIK, notably in the Wine Spa, which was imagined as a true sanctuary highlighting the nature and diversity present in its exquisite surroundings. The holistic spa invites visitors to enjoy a unique wellness experience carefully designed to renew physical and mental energy with special therapies that perfectly fuse aromas, textures and sound, offering an outstanding breadth of sensation that leave guests feeling rejuvenated. The fitness center, which is located just steps from the wine spa, is another layer in the wellness experience offered at the property, featuring both technologically advanced equipment and expansive views out across the infinity pool and hills. Those seeking to take their wellness experience outdoors are encouraged to explore the many hiking trails, take runs through the vineyard, horseback ride through the vines, or mountain bike through the vineyard valleys, investigating the many beautiful treasures nestled within the destination. The weather at VIK is so good almost all year around making outdoor experiences most appreciated. Other activities available include capture the flag, paintballing, hot air ballooning, meetings with local artists, barbeques and picnics in the vineyard, birdwatching, among endless opportunities to wholly enjoy the remarkable destination.

Viña Vik Vineyard has the capability to host events ranging from weddings to business meetings to team building getaways and tailored retreats of any size. Fusing its unmatched backdrop with a multitude of activities, singular décor, world-class wine and culinary offerings, it is a destination for all, and promises an experience, which visitors cherish for a lifetime.

VIK is accessible via the Santiago airport, which is serviced daily from international airports around the world. The property is a two-hour drive from the airport and reservations can be made by contacting reservations@vinavik.com or +56 9 5 668 48 53.

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