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JUST BACK FROM

COLCHAGUA VALLEY, CHILE

Located in the heart of the central zone, Colchagua Valley is an iconic wine producing region in Chile.

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WHY GO?

West of Santiago lies an important wine region in Chile. Blessed with coastal breezes and vine-ready soil, the Colchagua Valley is home to Chilean wine pioneers, boutique innovators, and award-winning giants. A recent visit revealed culinary, cultural, and accommodation winners — including new openings and notable expansions that will enhance any trip to the Colchagua Valley wine region of Chile.

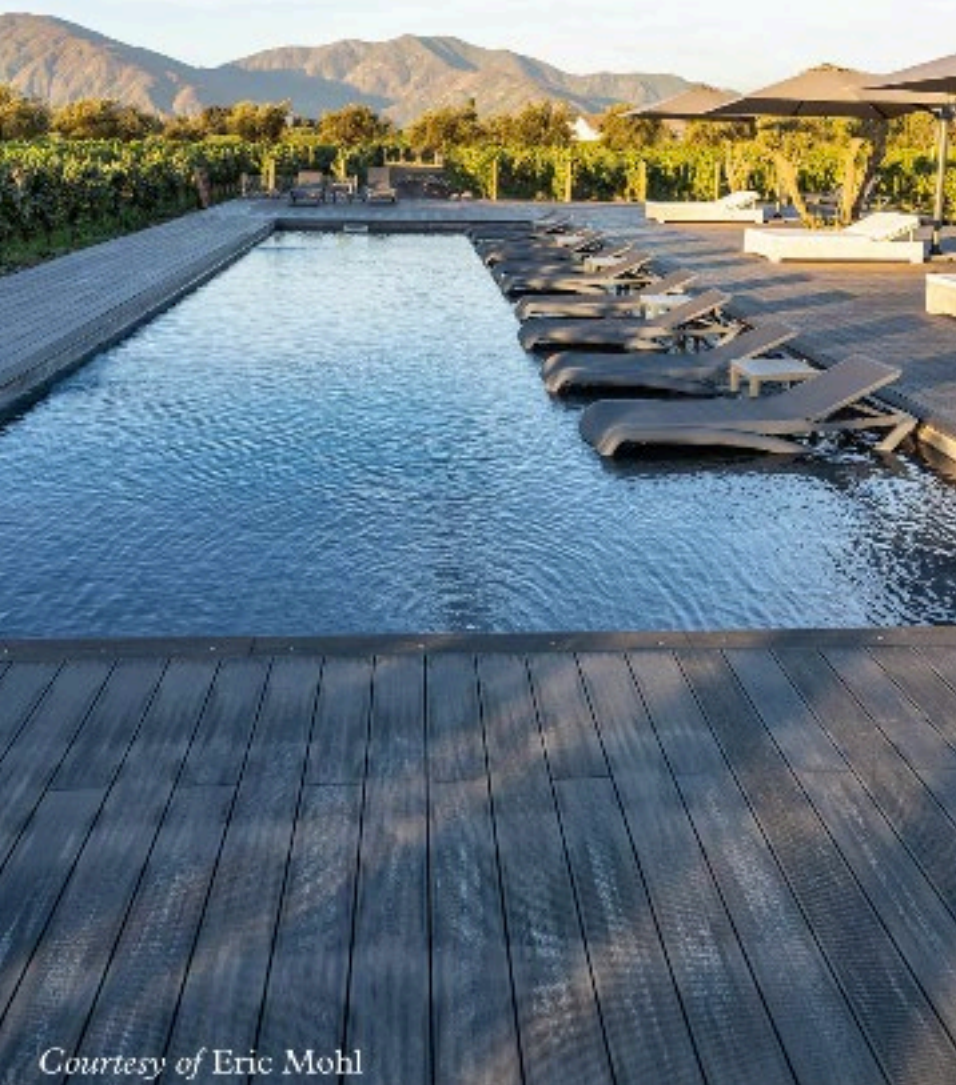


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STAY, VIBO WINE LODGE

The newest addition to your hotel options in the Colchagua Valley is also the hippest. Vibo Wine Lodge offers accommodation in eight minimalist metal rectangles scattered among Malbec vines. Each loft-like space has a private patio with an outdoor bathtub.

There's an outdoor lap pool and Jacuzzis and Vibo, which is part of the Viu Manent Winery, has easy access to Rayuela, the excellent onsite restaurant.



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EAT & DRINK, RAYUELA

Lunch at Rayuela, the restaurant of the historic and still family-owned Viu Manent, is the perfect capper after a tour and tasting at the winery. Restaurant chefs lean hard on seasonal ingredients and present dishes made with fish and seafood from Chiloe Island, including oysters. Their homemade bowtie pasta in a simple sauce of summer tomatoes is addictive. And don't miss the ice cream, made with leaves from the large fig trees that shade the restaurant's outdoor tables.





EAT & DRINK, FOOD AND WINE STUDIO

For nearly two decades, chef Pilar Rodriguez has been raising the food bar in the Colchagua Valley at her Food and Wine Studio restaurant. Choose a three, five, or seven-course meal paired with Chilean wines and get ready for dishes like crab croquettes topped with zingy pickled beets on a bed of avocado cream or rich lamb confit with carrot puree, Dijon mustard, and grilled onion.





IT'S TIME TO GETAWAY TO CHILE!



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