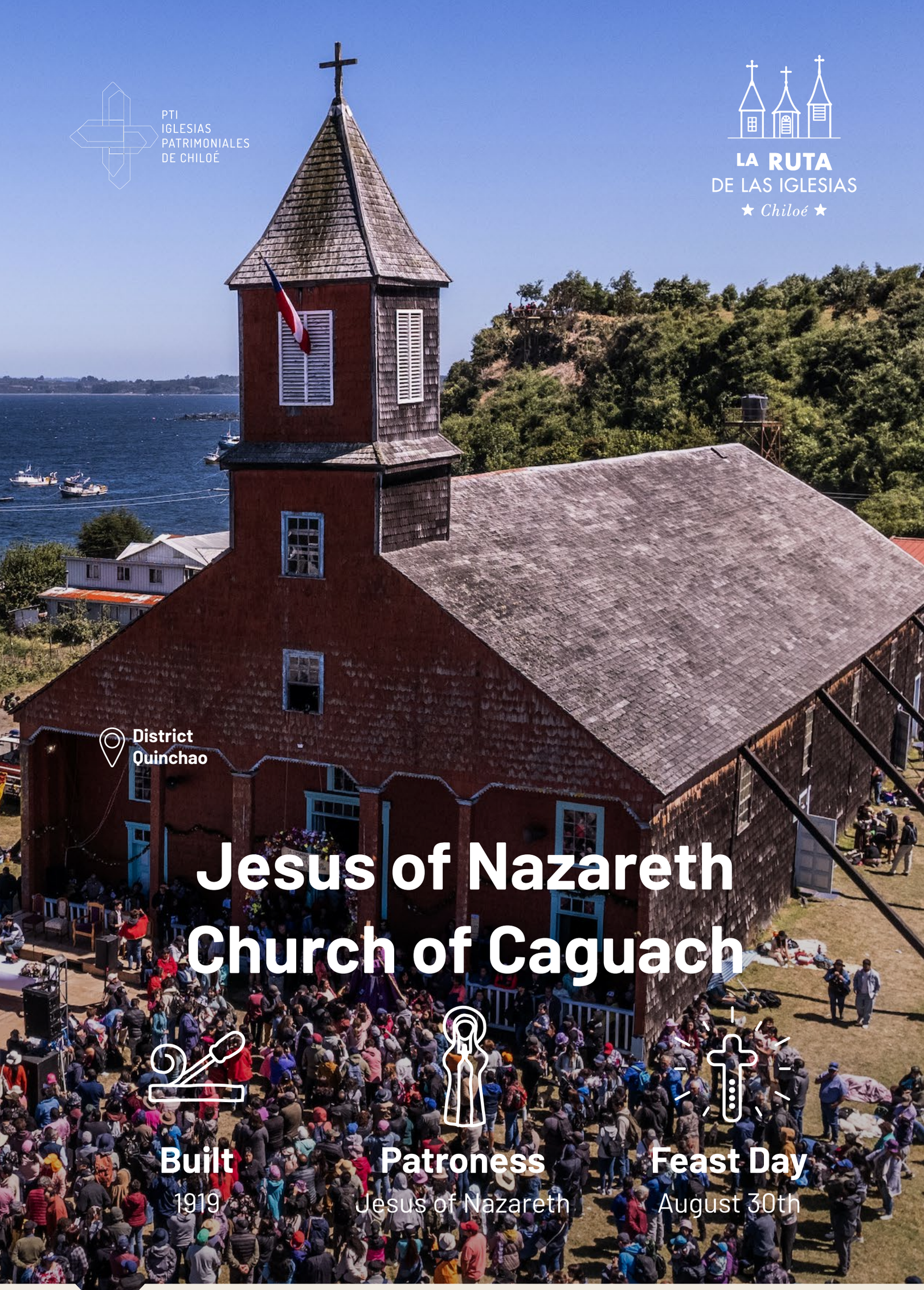

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District
Quinchao

Jesus of Nazareth Church of Caguach

Built
1919

Patroness
Jesus of Nazareth

Feast Day
August 30th

The Church

Among the churches that comprise the World Heritage Site, the one in Caguach **is the most remote from the main island,** making it the most difficult to access. Nonetheless, **it is also the site of the most significant religious celebration in all of Chiloé.** Every August 30th, the feast day of Jesus of Nazareth mobilizes thousands of faithful from across the archipelago.

The image of Jesus of Nazareth of Caguach, with its natural hair and purple cloak, is the most venerated and replicated. According to legend, at the end of the 18th century, the inhabitants of the islands of Caguach, Alao, Apiao, Tac, and Chaulinec were in constant conflict. To unite these communities, Franciscan priest Hilario Martínez brought them the image of the Nazarene from Tenaún, intending that they organize a joint festival. However, failing to agree on which island should keep the image, it was decided to hold a rowing boat competition. The rowers from Caguach emerged victorious, thus the image remained in their care.

In 1919, a fire destroyed the chapel of Caguach, but the image of the Nazarene was unharmed, and the community immediately began work to erect a new temple. For some years now, the feast of the Nazarene is also celebrated on the third Sunday of January, allowing more people the opportunity to pay homage to the archipelago's most popular image.

Area attractions

Check out this capsule and discover the attractions of the area!

Humedal Villa Quinchao

In Chiloé, this biodiversity oasis captures the essence of wetlands. Home to unique species and tranquil landscapes.

Mirador Alto La Paloma

Without a doubt, the best view of Achao.

ACHAO

Chequian

Village in Chiloé that charms with its rural landscape and traditions. A place where time seems to stand still among fields and sea.

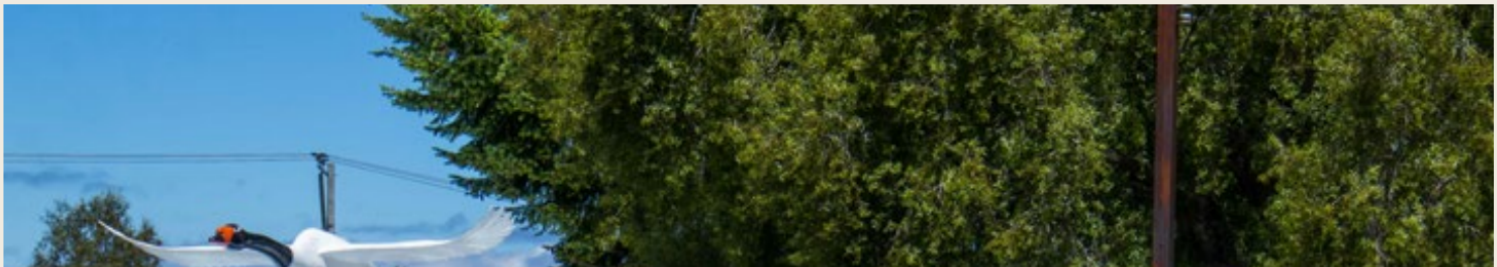
Palqui Estero

Stream in Chiloé, a haven of biodiversity and landscapes that inspire tranquility. Perfect for nature lovers.

PISCIS

Curaco de Vélez

Coastal town in Chiloé, famed for its tranquility, oysters, and traditional architecture. A journey to the island's heart.



BIENVENIDO
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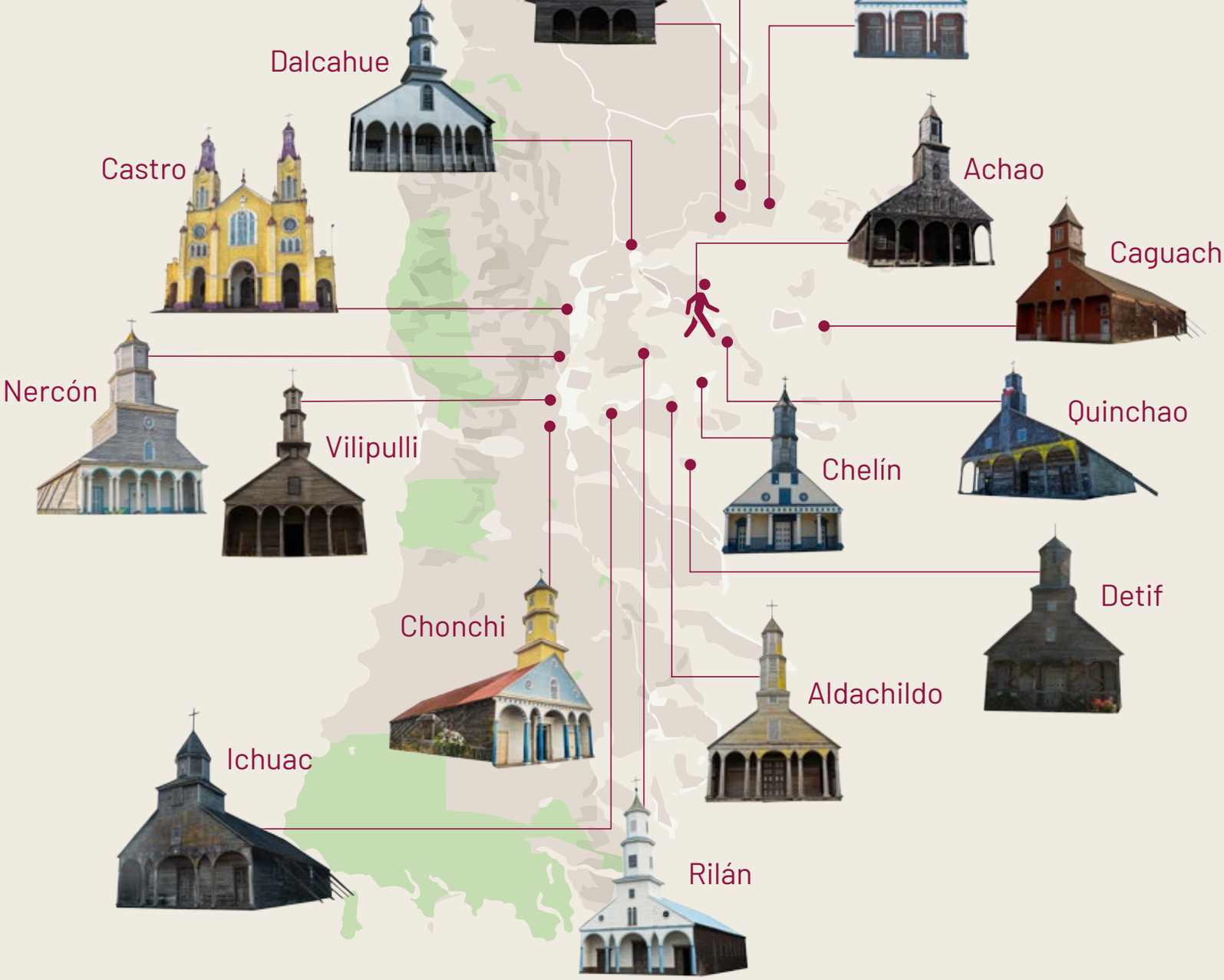
Humedal de Curaco

Ecological sanctuary in Chiloé, home to birds and biodiversity. A vital space for wildlife observation and natural connection.

The Churches Route



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