

BOZA ARQUITECTOS

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Santiago, Chile

# RENATO POBLETE RIVER PARK

Category: Parks/ Plazas  
Location: Santiago, Chile  
Project Year: 2015



dms 33°25'27.8"S 70°40'43.9"W  
elevation 536 m

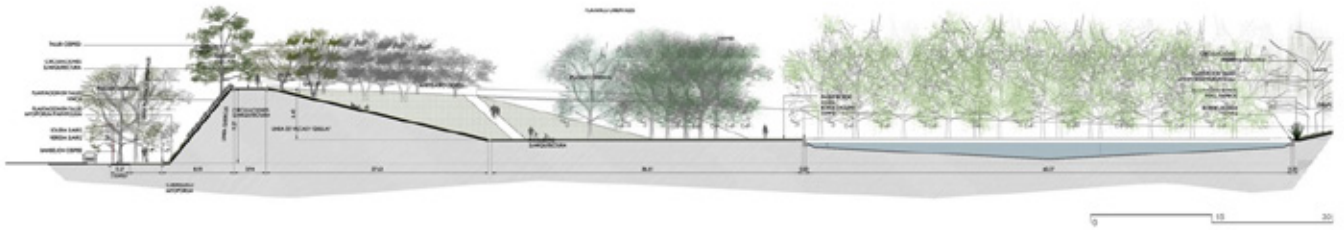
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The project of the fluvial park in Santiago was conceived in 2001, with the main objective of recovering the riverside of the Mapocho River in the west part of the city, what is called km 34, through the implementation of movable dykes along its 34k of shores, running from east to west through the city of Santiago. It was inaugurated on January 21, 2015 and its objective is to form a body of calm water from the Mapocho River, which allows nautical activities with smaller boats without motor, ie kayaks, rowboats and small sailboats.

The construction of the park had to face different difficulties. The first was to generate a new arm of the river, which was not a lagoon or a pond but a calm extension of the river that followed its cap. The second was to demand that the park had high standards of quality, despite being in a marginal and low-income area of the city. Finally, the design and execution of the park had to be highly efficient in environmentally rehabilitating a degraded industrial area. The original riverbed has three movable pneumatic locks that accumulate the

water in order to achieve the necessary level in the interior. Then it goes through a filter to decrease the sediment and become transparent. After a couple of days in the lagoon, the water returns to the bed of the Mapocho river. This technology, together with a program of ludic activities and the great contribution of social cohesion that this project represents for the sector in which it is located, make the park an important performative landscape infrastructure for the city of Santiago.



Transversal Section



The bridge





Public square



## Credits:

### RENATO POBLETE RIVER PARK

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