

# **Patio Vivo**

# Theme/Place:

Outdoor play - Chile

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### **Context and objectives:**

Schoolyards in Chile are usually large cemented areas. We transform these spaces into Patios Vivos (living schoolyards) with play structures and nature so that every day boys and girls can play, enjoy, and learn outdoors while developing physical, social, and emotional skills.

#### Method:

Patios Vivos are designed through the collaboration between the school community, taking into account its culture and the space of the schoolyard. Based on community participation and analysis of its use, we design the Patio Vivo with an educational intention. Finally, we install it and work with the community to activate it. Each schoolyard is unique!

#### **Results:**

Increase in free play, active play, risky play, and play in contact with nature in schools in Chile.

39,923 students benefited; 87 Learning Landscapes in 9 regions of Chile; 2,106 trained teachers.

Patio Vivo has been recognized by UNICEF for its innovative work in Early Childhood and awarded the Energy Globe Award for its contribution to the environment.

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