Colombia

Colombia Highlights

Travel TAGs

Cultural Immersion | Nature | Local Cuisine

Overview

04 Nights in Bogota
02 Nights in La Macarena
03 Nights in Pereira
02 Nights in Cartagena



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Inclusions / Exclusions

Inclusions

- **Transfers**
  - Transfers Airport – Hotel – Airport in each city.
- **Excursions**
  - Excursions described in the itinerary.
- **Meals**
  - Daily breakfast at the hotels.
  - Meals described in the itinerary.
- **Others**
  - Accommodation in the detailed hotels or similar.
  - Permanent assistance in each destination.
  - Caño Crystals Tax (Airport Tax, Contingency Plan, Income National Natural Parks, Income Municipality).
  - Air Ticket Bogota – La Macarena – Bogota.

Exclusions

- **International or domestic air fares.**
- **Services and non-mentioned meals in the itinerary. Drinks.**
- **Early check-in, late check-out and hotel extras.**
- **Personal expenses.**
- **Tips for guides and hotel staff.**
- **Processing of visa or consular values (When required).**
- **Dock taxes and unspecified taxes.**
- **Zarpe Pier Taxes in Cartagena: USD 10 per person.**
- **Entrance to the Oceanario in Cartagena: USD 10 per person.**

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Rates

Economy

Date	DOUBLE	Transfers	Excursions
10/Jun/2025 – 31/Dec/2025	From USD 4,250	Private	Private
21/Jan/2026 – 30/May/2026	From USD 4,725		

Superior

Date	DOUBLE	Transfers	Excursions
10/Jun/2025 – 31/Dec/2025	From USD 4,385	Private	Private
21/Jan/2026 – 30/May/2026	From USD 4,872		

Notes:

- *The program operates starting on Mondays or Wednesdays.*
- *Yellow Fever vaccination is mandatory in order to enter Caño Cristales and La Macarena.*
- ***Rates does not apply for high season** such as: Eastern, New Year´s eve, fairs or congresses in the city, consult with our advisors about these dates and the respective fares.*

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Hotels

Hotels in Bogotá

Economy Category:	**Faranda Express Belvedere – Standard Room**
Superior Category:	**Best Western Plus 93 – Standard Room**

Hotels in La Macarena

Economy/Superior Category:	**La Fuente – Standard Room**

Hotels in Pereira

Economy Category:	**GHL Hotel Abadía Plaza – Standard Room**
Superior Category:	**Soratama – Standard Room**

Hotels in Cartagena

Economy Category:	**GHL Relax Corales de Indias – Standard Room**
Superior Category:	**Holiday Inn Express – Standard Room**

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Itinerary Details

Day 1: Bogotá (- / - / -)

Welcome and assistance at El Dorado International Airport. Transfer to the hotel and check-in.

Overnight in Bogotá.

Day 2: Bogotá (B / - / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

City tour

At the agreed-upon time, we will commence the Panoramic City Tour through the historic center of Bogotá, also known as "La Candelaria". During this tour, we will visit the Gold Museum where you will have the opportunity to explore approximately 34,000 pieces of pre-Hispanic gold and over 25,000 pre-Columbian artifacts. Following that, we will proceed to the Mint House and Botero Donation, showcasing works by the internationally acclaimed Colombian artist Fernando Botero across various artistic mediums such as painting, drawing, and sculpture. The tour will conclude with a panoramic route, where you'll discover the landmarks surrounding Bolívar Square (The Primatial Cathedral, Nariño's House, Liévano Palace and the Palace of Justice).

Return to the hotel.

Important note: The Gold Museum is closed on Mondays; the Mint House and Botero Donation are closed on Tuesdays.



Overnight in Bogotá.

Day 3: Bogotá (B / L / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Zipaquirá and Guatavita Tour

At the agreed-upon time, we will begin the tour to the Sacred Lagoon of Guatavita and the Salt Cathedral of Zipaquirá: a comprehensive circuit that takes us through the renowned “Sabana de Bogotá” region. Our first destination will be the Salt Cathedral of Zipaquirá, one of Colombia’s prime tourist sites, acclaimed as Colombia’s first wonder. This remarkable structure is built 180 meters deep within a salt mine. Afterward, we'll journey to Guatavita’s Sacred Lagoon, known historically and globally for the legend of “El Dorado”.

Return to the hotel.

Overnight in Bogotá.

Day 4: Bogotá – La Macarena (B / L / D)

Breakfast at the hotel.

In the morning hours, a transfer will be arranged to El Dorado International Airport to board a charter flight (included). The appointment time at the airport is 5:00 am.

La Macarena (Caño Cristales)



Upon arrival at Macarena Airport, a warm welcome awaits you. An induction talk will be conducted by environmental authorities. You will then be accommodated at the appropriate lodging, where a room will be provided for changing clothes and storing luggage. An alternate site designated by environmental authorities will be visited. A delicious lunch is included as part of the itinerary. Afterward, you’ll return to the hotel to complete the check-in process.

Note: This tour must commence on Thursdays or Saturdays due to air operations between connections.

Overnight in La Macarena.

Day 5: La Macarena (B / L / D)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Cajuche Spring (Caño Cristales)

Beginning of the journey with a 20-minutes boat ride on the Guayabero River, enjoying the scenery, then we change to Pickups 4x4 with a ride duration of 20 minutes towards the Cajuche spring. Coormacarena or National Parks will assign the respective path, which will be visited according to permission. Typical lunch (Included), which is taken during the walk; this will be wrapped in banana leaves "Bijaos" in order to avoid waste. Return to La Macarena town in the same way as we entered the area. Integration night: shows of folkloric arts and gastronomy of the region. Typical music and dance will be performed and later on, there will be an integration of young people from the region with visiting tourists. Dinner (Included).

Overnight in La Macarena.

Day 6: La Macarena – Bogotá (B / - / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

La Macarena Mountain Trail (Caño Cristales)

The morning marks the beginning of our journey to explore a trail in Caño Cristales. The specific trail will be determined in accordance with authorized permits granted by the environmental authorities. Around midday, we will make our way to the airport for a charter flight (included). The departure time is estimated to be between 12:00 pm and 5:00 pm, taking us back to Bogotá.

Upon arriving in Bogotá, we'll be greeted by airport assistance at El Dorado International Airport. From there, we'll proceed with a seamless transfer to the hotel for the check-in process.

Overnight in Bogotá.

Day 7: Bogotá – Pereira (B / - / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to El Dorado International Airport to take flight (not included), to the city of Pereira. Arrival in the city of Pereira, assistance at the Matecaña International Airport and transfer to the hotel to carry out the respective check-in.

Overnight in Pereira.

Day 8: Pereira (B / L / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Salento and Valle del Cócora

At the agreed-upon time, our journey begins towards Cocora Valley and we weill appreciate the beautiful landscape of the place. We entered the town of Salento previously. Once we arrive at the Valley, we will have a welcome cocktail (Canelazo) and assistance from a specialized eco-guide from Cócora who makes an introduction to the Cócora Natural Reserve. Walking, transfer to the palm forest where we can appreciate the biodiversity of fauna and flora of the place where we will take the ecological path of the highest wax palm in the world and national flagship tree where we will do the ritual of the wax palm of Quindío, which It consists of knowing the history of how the aborigines worshiped this palm. Then, the planting of palm seedlings continues. In the Valley you can do optional activities such as ecological horseback riding, walks to exclusive and very special places in the valley, have a delicious typical lunch in a restaurant in the Cócora Valley (Included), and have a barista show of origin coffee in the town from Salento at Café Jesús Martín. Transfer to the typical town of Salento where we will have a Walking tour visiting its colonial streets, artisan workshops, and the viewpoint of Cocora.

Return to the hotel.



Overnight in Pereira.

Day 9: Pereira (B / L / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Visit Coffee Farm and Santa Rosa Cabal Hot Springs

At the agreed time the journey to the Coffee Farm located in the municipality of Santa Rosa de Cabal begins average of 1,500 meters above sea level in soils of the volcanic origin of the Central Cordillera of the Colombian Andes. The tour begins in the company of a local expert, taking tourists through explaining what the coffee process is like from sowing, selective manual harvesting, and pulping. After this, we will roast special coffee beans on a wood stove in the kitchen of the typical peasant house where we can have an authentic coffee experience. On the way, there are several stations with viewpoints, beautiful landscapes, and natural surroundings of the place while we enjoy a cup of coffee. Finally, we go to the innovative process of drying the coffee bean and then to the beneficiary, ending in the main house where we are fired with a delicious coffee lemonade. We will take our Delicious Typical lunch (Included), and later we will move to Termales de Santa Rosa de Cabal, we will enter the spa and have free time to enjoy the facilities of the place and take a comforting thermal bath. At the agreed time, return to the accommodation hotel.

Overnight in Pereira.

Day 10: Pereira – Cartagena (B / - / -)

Breakfast at the hotel and transfer to the Matecaña International Airport to take a flight (not included) to the city of Cartagena.

Assistance at the Rafael Núñez Airport and transfer to the hotel to carry out the respective check-in.

City tour

At 2:00 p.m., a panoramic tour of the residential neighborhoods of Bocagrande, Castillogrande and Manga will begin. We will visit San Pedro Claver Church, we will continue to the San Felipe de Barajas Castle, the most important work of military engineering in Spain in America and that protected the city from pirate attacks. At the end of this visit, you will return to the hotel on Santander Avenue where you can see the bastions and walls of the historic center and visit the Las Bóvedas artisan center.

In the afternoon return to the hotel.



Overnight in Cartagena.

Day 11: Cartagena (B / L / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Del Rosario Islands (Majagua Island)

Full day on the islands to enjoy their crystal-clear waters, and can make dives with tank or snorkel (additional cost). At the Muelle de los Pegasos you will board a speedboat or yacht, with a panoramic tour of the Bay of

Cartagena and Bocachica, where you can admire a beautiful landscape with the forts of San Fernando and San José. Along the Island of Barú, you will reach the base island in the Rosario Islands. Free time to enjoy the sea and the facilities.

Note: they are not included port and coralia taxes (USD 10 per person) and entrance to the Oceanarium (USD 10 per person).

Overnight in Cartagena.

Day 12: Cartagena (B / - / -)

Breakfast at the hotel.

Transfer to Rafael Núñez Airport to take a flight (not included) to the following destination.

End of our services.

About our itineraries

The itineraries are planned with great care, although, for operational reasons, it may be necessary to change the sequence of activities in the itinerary or the specified route, and though such cases are exceptional, in general the itinerary should be treated only as a basic guideline.

Legend

B=Breakfast L= Lunch D= Dinner BL= Box Lunch

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Important Remarks

- Rates per person in double accommodation, in American dollars.
- **RATES** valid for the dates detailed above, except on Public Holidays or Special Season.
- Ask us for other dates, additional nights or extensions.
- No reservations have been placed. Hotels may vary according to availability.
- All prices are subject to change without previous notice.
- For other travel dates or itinerary variants, contact us.
- Exploratours reserves the right to confirm similar hotels, prior coordination with the client, in case any of the above indicated options are not available.

