# **Essential Colombia Tour in 10 Days**

Highlights • Bogota • Zipaquira • Coffee Culture • Cocora Valley • Cartagena • Caribbean Beaches • Rosario Islands Boat Tour



La Candelaria Neighborhood, Bogotá



## Day 1 • Bogotá Arrival

Assistance, meet and greet at Bogota airport upon arrival by your personal English-speaking tour guide. Private transportation to your selected hotel for registration. 3-Nights hotel stay in Bogota.

### Day 2 • City Tour and Gold Museum (B)

Private guided half-day city tour of Bogota. 08:30 Pickup from the hotel by your English-speaking tour guide. Transfer to La Candelaria neighborhood. La Candelaria keeps the magic of the colonial era alive and is the most popular neighborhood in

Bogota. To walk around the cobbled paths of the city center, is to step back in time and witness an area where architecture, art and culture perfectly combined. We also stop by the Congress, the Bogota Cathedral, the Justice Palace and the Town Hall. In addition to all of the sights mentioned above, this tour makes a stop at Bogotá's incredible Museo de Oro, home to one of the world's largest collections of Pre-Columbian gold objects. Transportation back to your hotel in the afternoon. Balance of the day at leisure. For lunch, we recommend visiting www.harrysasson.com restaurant.

#### Day 3 • Bogotá (B)

Free day. Explore the city on your own or book one of our favorite tours in Bogota.

**Emerald Gem Tour**: Monday-Friday (2 hours). Service Description. Learn about the glamorous world of emeralds. Emeralds are green precious gemstones. For more than 4,000 years, emeralds have been among the most valuable of all jewels on Earth. Our expert tour guide will take you into the heart of Colombia's precious stone commerce. Visit the picturesque emerald market, one of the many workshops and one of the presentation centers. You will have the opportunities to admire and to touch many precious jewels. Become an expert on the subject and admire how artisans create wonderful jewels.

**Salt Cathedral and Lagoon of Guatavita Tour**: Tuesday-Sunday (full day). Service Description. Journey to Zipaquira with a visit to the famous Salt Cathedral. The cathedral was constructed 120 meters underground in an abandoned salt mine. We also visit the picturesque main square in Zipaquirá's and the legendary lagoon of Guatavita 3,000 meters. Go hiking with your tour guide along the shores of the lake also known as the source of El Dorado (gold treasure) legend.

For dinner and a traditional dance show, we recommend visiting www.mynameis.com.co

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Cocora Valley



## Day 4 • Bogota • Pereira • Coffee Tour (B/D)

After breakfast, pickup from the hotel and private transportation to the Bogota Airport (driver only). Assistance, meet and greet by your personal English-speaking tour guide upon arrival. Private transportation to www.haciendavenecia.com. Welcome-dinner.

14:30 enjoy a guided group tour SIC through the Venecia coffee plantation. The coffee tour starts from the Hacienda's main lounge. Hear about several key issues relating to the coffee production. Learn about the origin of the coffee, the history, the harvesting process (coffee plantation tour) and the elaboration process. Coffee tasting included. This region is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

3-Nights accommodation at Hacienda Venecia.

## Day 5-6 • Hacienda Venecia Coffee Farm (2B)

Two free days. The hacienda maintains eight hiking trails within its boundaries. Enjoy trekking on breathtaking mountain routes, visit

spectacular valleys and go through lush coffee plantations. The trails offer various levels of difficulty. Always consult trail conditions with your hotel staff before leaving the hotel!

Optional guided excursions (not included): 1. Self-guided Bird Watching Tour, 2. Cacao Workshop and Chocolate Tour, 3. Horseback-Riding Tour, 4. Salento and Cocora Valley full day tour: Visit one of the most picturesque and traditional villages in the coffee region. See the contrast of nature in the Cocora Valley where you will see the tallest palm in the world, also Colombia's national tree. 5. Nevados National Park and Hot Springs full day Tour: Discover the Nevados Park 4,000 meters and the Páramo Ecosystem with its unique biodiversity. Enjoy a relaxing bath in a hot springs located in midst the Colombian nature and 3,500 meters high before returning to your hotel.

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Cartagena de Indias



# Day 7 • Manizales • Pereira • Cartagena (B)

Free day. Hotel checkout noon. Pickup from your hotel and private transportation to the Pereira Airport. Departure to Cartagena. Assistance, meet and greet at the Cartagena Airport by your personal English-speaking tour guide. Private guided transportation to your selected hotel for registration.

Whether you come to Cartagena to splurge on its many fine hotels and restaurants, to explore its 500 years of history, or to sunbathe on its popular beaches, you will discover an enchanting place you are unlikely to forget. 3-Nights hotel accommodation in Cartagena.

## Day 8 • Cartagena City Tour • San Felipe Fortress (B)

After breakfast, pickup from the hotel by your personal English-speaking tour guide for a panoramic city tour of Cartagena. Cartagena, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is the Venice of Colombia and the country's most romantic city, with one of the most impressive old towns in the Western Hemisphere. A walk through Cartagena's inner walled city feels a bit like stepping onto the set of a 16<sup>th</sup>-century movie, complete with cobblestone streets and grandiose balconies overflowing with flowers. El Castillo de San Felipe de Barajas is a Cartagena must-see, and one of the military wonders of the world. Be sure to check out its dark underground tunnels and peek through its many lookouts. Transfer back.

For dinner, we suggest visiting www.carmencartagena.com restaurant.

## Day 9 • Motorboat Excursion to Rosario Islands (B/L)

After breakfast, pickup from your hotel for a guided group excursion SIC to the Tropical Rosario Islands. Service Description. Pickup from hotel and shuttle transportation to Santa Cruz pier. Departure by speedboat towards the Rosario Islands and Majagua Island. Spend a full day of fun, sun and beach. Enjoy a tasty welcome fruit cocktail upon arrival. Enjoy swimming in the clear Caribbean waters of Colombia and Program can be customized. For further assistance or reservation, please contact your travel agent.

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Gente de Mar Beach



Day 9 • Motorboat Excursion to Rosario Island (continuation) Walk along its beautiful sandy beaches. After a fresh seafood lunch (Fish, coconut rice and a great dessert is served) sign up for an optional snorkeling tour (not included). Admission to the island's aquarium U\$13 per person (not included). Return to your hotel in Cartagena in the afternoon. Transportation from the Santa Cruz pier to your hotel.

#### Day 10 • Cartagena Departure (B)

Pickup from your hotel a pre-coordinated time. Private transportation from your hotel to the Cartagena Airport

(driver only). Drop off at the airport main entrance. Departure from Cartagena, Colombia.

## **Option STC. Category Superior Tourist Class**

- 3-Nights Bogota Hotel Vilar America www.hotelvilaramerica.com
- 3-Nights Manizales Coffee Region Hacienda Venecia Coffee Lodge www.haciendavenecia.com
- 3-Nights Cartagena Hotel Casa Mara www.casamara.com.co

## **Option SFX. Category Superior First Class and Deluxe**

- 3-Nights Bogota Cite Hotel www.citehotel.com
- 3-Nights Manizales Coffee Region Hacienda Venecia Main House www.haciendavenecia.com
- 3-Nights Cartagena Conrad Cartagena by Hilton www.hiltonhotels.com

We also offer historic boutique-style-hotels amidst the walled-center of the city of Cartagena de India such as the www.anandahotelboutique.com, www.bantuhotel.com or www.hotelcasaquero.com.

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### Prices 2019

Valid from January 2 to December 20.2019.

Prices are not valid during congresses, festivals, official holidays or any other mayor events.

#### Essential Colombia Tour in 10 Days. Our Program Includes:

9-Nights hotel accommodation • Assistance, meet and greet • Private transportation • Private and regular guided tours as per program • Motorboat group excursion to the Rosario Islands SIC • 11-Meals included: (B) 9 Breakfasts, (L) 1 Lunches & (D) 1 Dinner • Local English-speaking tour guides • Admissions, fees and taxes • Local assistance by Amigo Vacations Colombia.

#### **Option STC. Category Superior Tourist Class.**

## Based on **2-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,084

## Based on **3-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,044 Land price per person in Triple... USD \$994

#### Based on **4-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$978 Land price per person in Triple... USD \$928 Single supplement add on double prices... USD \$329

## Option SFX. Category Superior First Class and Deluxe.

### Based on **2-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,336

#### Based on **3-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,288 Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,258

### Based on **4-participants**:

Land price per person in Double... USD \$1,228 Land price per person in Triple... USD \$1,198 Single supplement add on double prices... USD \$678

Prices are subject to change. Terms and conditions apply.

Program can be customized. Group quotations upon request.

Many other hotels in all categories are available upon request.

### Not Included:

International and domestic flights. Optional meals and optional services.

Travel and medical insurance. Tips for tour guides US \$5.00 pp/day and for drivers US \$2.50 pp/day.

#### Optional Domestic Flights (Not included).

Bogotá-Pereira • Avianca 9805-Daily Flight • 10:19-11:19

Pereira-Cartagena • Viva Air 8286-Daily Flight • 17:43-18:55

Airfare taxes included from... USD \$198

Airfare and seats are subject to availability at time of booking and are subject to change without notice!

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