

Best of Colombia 11 Days Tour

with *GUIDECUADOR TRAVEL*

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Trip Overview



Your host

GUIDECUADOR TRAVEL 

 Available all year round

 Group size: 1-9999

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About this trip

See the **Best of Colombia** highlights with all comfort, this is a customized tour to enjoy and discover every magical place in Colombia. Hotels, Transportation , Sightseeing and Local flights are included.

So you don't have to worry and just let us take you around to make you live Colombia as a dream!

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What's included

✓ Hotel	10 Nights in a Twin Room , hotels mentioned in program
✓ Guides	English Speaking Guide
✓ Meals	Specified in program
✓ Transportation	Transportation for the entire trip
✓ Air Tickets	Local Air Fares (1 checked bag included up to 21 kilos)
✗ International Flight	
✗ Extras	All extra meals, activities , flights not mentioned in program
✗ Personal Expenses	All personal Expenses.
✗ Gratuities	Gratuities for the Guides and Staff.
✗ Local flight to Bogota	Local flight from Santa Marta to Bogota is NOT INCLUDED in this program (if applies)

Packages & Add-Ons

Available packages

Price Per person	\$3,550
Price per person sharing a TWIN room (2 Beds + Private Bathroom)	

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Itinerary

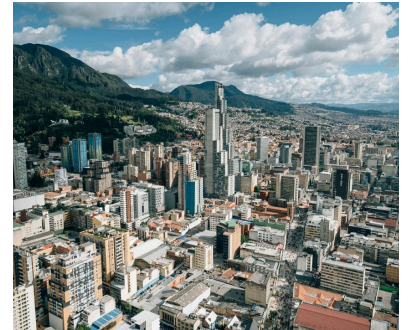
Day 1 Getting to Bogota

This is the arrival day to Colombia and its capital. You will clear customs then our transport will be waiting for you at the international arrivals area to take you to the hotel selected and take a rest after a long day travel!

Depending of the arrival time, you can explore some areas on your own or simply relax and adjust to the City elevation over 8,000 feet.

Hotel: 3* (ASK FOR HOTEL UPGRADES IF NEEDED)

Meals: B



Day 2 Discover Bogota on a Bike

Today you will visit one of the largest and cosmopolitan cities of South America!! Our tour starts at the Candelaria area (Bogotá's old town) and we will bike around the city visiting places such as; Plaza Bolívar, Catedral de Bogotá, Casa Nariño, Calle 7, San Francisco Church, Parque los Periodistas, Coffee Factory, Fruit Market & the Graffiti tour.

Then we will go to visit Monserrate Hill (Cable Car) located at the East side of Bogotá, where you will enjoy a marvelous view of the entire city populated by over 11 million people. Finally, back to the hotel for overnight.

NOTE: IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE OR NO DESIRE TO JOIN THE TOUR BY BIKE, JUST NOTIFY US IN ADVANCE, SO WE CAN STILL DO THE SAME CITY TOUR BOGOTÁ WALKING AND PARTS BY CAR.



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Meals: B

Day 3 Zipaquira Church & Guatavita

Early in the morning you will go by car to Guatavita Area and its sacred lagoon, this will take around 1 hour from Bogota and at the lake you will do a hike for 1 hour enjoying the Andean landscapes and the lagoon.

After this you will go to Zipaquira town not far away from the first stop, at this point you will have some time to explore this magical and colorful town (here you can get something to eat and enjoy with a local beer o juice). This town was the second home town of the famous Colombian writer Gabriel Garcia Marquez.

Then you will visit on the most seeing places in the entire Colombia known as La Catedral de Sal Zipaquira. This is cool place to visit that is located 300 feet underground together with one of the oldest salt mines of south America, by 1950 start the construction of the magical wonder that represents the Catholicism in south America.

This tour is Self-Guided (multi- languages), it has 22 stations where trough a device (provided at the entrance) you will go on your pace getting to know about this magical place. Then you will meet our transportation to take you back to Bogota and enjoy on your own the rest of the afternoon in the City.

OVERNIGHT: Tequendama Hotel *** (ASK FOR HOTEL UPGRADES IF NEEDED)



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MEALS: Breakfast

Day 4 Getting to Salento – Coffee Tour

Early in the morning, you will be transferred to Bogotá Airport for a local flight to Pereira. Upon arrival, you will be driven to the picturesque village of Salento, renowned for its colorful town and unique houses.

In the afternoon, you will visit a local coffee farm, located just a short distance from Salento. Known as Buenos Aires, this farm has been producing coffee for over 100 years. Throughout the visit, you will gain insight into one of Colombia's most significant industries.

A guided tour of the entire farm will be provided, and at the end of the tour, you may enjoy as many cups of high-quality coffee as you desire (all included in the program).

Finally, return to Salento for an overnight stay.

Hotel: 3* (ASK FOR HOTEL UPGRADES IF NEEDED)

Meals: B



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Day 5 Cocora Valley Tour

On this day you will enjoy visiting the Cocora Valley and the surroundings on a Jeep Old Style Willy (if available, depending of the season , this activity can be done on a private car).

On this park we can walk for 1 hour or more depending of you and the weather conditions to look for the Giant Oil Palm Trees (One of the most famous trees in the country). Here you can hike up to 5 hours if the entire group decide or just 1 hour.

Finally, drive to Pereira for a local flight to Medellin

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Meals: B

Day 6 Exploring Medellin

Morning transport to Pereira , then take an early flight to Medellín (approximately 30 minutes). Upon arrival, we will provide a guided tour of the city, including Comuna 13, where you will learn about the history of Pablo Escobar and the lives of the locals.

Next, you will take a cable car ride to admire the city from above, visit the Botero sculptures, explore Parque Lleras, and discover a few other notable spots along the way.

At the end of the day, you can relax and enjoy the gardens at the hotel.



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Meals: B

Day 7 Guatapé Town & El Peñol Rock

In the morning, depart for a visit to one of the most famous areas in all of Colombia.

The excursion begins in downtown Medellín, heading toward the picturesque town of Marinilla, where you can try a traditional Paisa snacks. Afterward, we will continue on to Guatapé Lake, where you will board a motorboat for a tour around the area.



During the tour, you will enjoy breathtaking views perfect for photographs, as well as glimpse one of Escobar's former houses, along with residences of other wealthy families.

Next, we will visit a place called La Réplica, a charming little village where you can take beautiful photos and purchase souvenirs. Afterward, we will head to the famous gigantic rock known as El Peñón de Guatapé, a natural formation created 80 million years ago.

Standing over 220 meters (700 feet) high, this rock can be accessed by climbing over 720 steps. While the climb is not difficult, the stunning views of the entire valley from the top are truly spectacular!

You will then have the opportunity to enjoy a typical lunch on your own. Finally, we will visit the town of Guatapé, where you will have plenty of time to explore on your own, take as many pictures as you like, or pick up a beautiful souvenir. At the end of the day, you will

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take a flight to Cartagena for an overnight stay.

Hotel: 3* (ASK FOR HOTEL UPGRADES IF NEEDED)

Meals: B

Day 8 Isla del Rosario Tour

Today we will take you on a full day excursion to visit Isla del Rosario and several nearby islands, you will enjoy sailing and motor sailing for approximately one hour and a quarter to the Rosario Islands.

We stop at an idyllic beach with turquoise waters and white sands in the Natural National Park of the Rosario Islands, where you can swim enjoying and practice snorkeling, if you wish, admiring the fascinating underwater life with its colorful tropical fish and various types of coral.

Meanwhile, on board, the crew prepares a delicious seafood rice for you to enjoy in such an exclusive environment.

Finally, you will sail back to Cartagena. The rest of the afternoon will be free for you to explore the city at your leisure.

Hotel : 3* (ASK FOR HOTEL UPGRADES IF NEED IT)

Meals: B -L



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Day 9 Cartagena City Walking Tour

After breakfast, it will be time to check out! We will then begin a city sightseeing tour of Cartagena, where you will explore the city's highlights with our guide, including the Castillo de San Felipe, the Getsemaní neighborhood, the commercial area, and the downtown, which still retains much of its charm from the 16th century.

Next, our transport will take you to Santa Marta, located on the northern coast of the Colombian Caribbean (approximately a 3-hour drive). Along the way, you will enjoy stunning views of the Caribbean and small villages nestled along the coast.

Finally, you will arrive at the hotel in the heart of Santa Marta, where you will have plenty of restaurants and bars to enjoy during your free time.

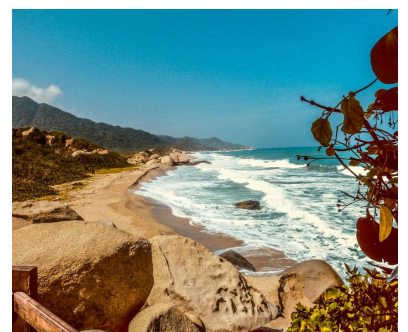
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Meals: B

Day 10 Tayrona Park Tour

In the morning, we will set off for Tayrona Park, located about an hour from Santa Marta by car. Upon arrival, our guide will provide an overview of the itinerary and share information about the park itself.

The program includes a 2-hour hike to Cabo San Juan (6 km), with visits to Arrecife, Arenillas, La Piscina, and San Juan. Although the hike



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can be challenging, it offers stunning views along the way.

Upon reaching Cabo San Juan, you will have time to relax, take pictures, and enjoy the beach. If desired, you can have lunch at a local restaurant (approximately USD 10, not included).

For the return journey, if you are feeling tired, you may choose to take a horse ride back for about USD 15 each way, or you can continue hiking back to the starting point.

Afterward, we will return you to your hotel in Santa Marta.

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*******IMPORTANT INFO*******

Tayrona National Park (including its beaches in Santa Marta) closes every year 3 times in the following dates: *1 to 15 February / 1 to 15 June / 18 October to 2 November* If your tour program is affected by these dates , instead we visit Minca Area as follows:

After an hour's drive, we will begin a two-hour hike through the lush jungle of Minca, immersing ourselves in the rich vegetation of the area and learning about the biodiversity of Santa Marta.

We will stop at a local "hacienda" (estate), where you will discover the process of coffee production and its various derivatives. You will also have the opportunity to enjoy a freshly brewed cup of coffee.

Following this, we will continue to the stunning El Oído del Mundo waterfall, where you can take a refreshing swim. Afterward, we will enjoy lunch, and finally, our transport will take you back to your hotel

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in town, as outlined in the itinerary.

If you want to know more about these 3 indigenous holydays, you can check on line as

- KUGKUI SHIKASA (Mother earth energy renovation)
- SAKA JUSO (The sacred season)
- SAKA JUSO (Earth thanksgiving)

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Meals: B

Day 11 Going Home Day

Our guide will drive you back to Santa Marta's International Airport for your flight home. **END OF SERVICES.**

Please ensure your flight is confirmed in advance.

If you are departing from this airport, you can catch your flight out of Colombia here. Otherwise, if needed, you can also fly back to Bogotá for your international flight home. (Please note that flights and extra nights on this day are not included in the program.)

We hope to welcome you again on one of our other destinations soon!



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