

## COLOMBIA HIGHLIGHTS 9 Days/8 Nights



### **DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN BOGOTÁ**

Upon arrival in Bogotá, you will be welcomed by a Tourcan Vacations representative and transferred to a pleasant and well-located hotel where you will spend the next two nights.

**Overnight at Hotel Casa Deco (standard) / Hotel La Opera (superior) / Hotel the Orchids (deluxe) or similar**

### **DAY 2: BOGOTÁ**

Breakfast is served at the hotel.

Enjoy a Half Day Bogota City tour and Monserrate Hill.

We begin with a walk to Bogotá's main square, the Plaza de Bolívar and the government buildings around it, before entering the nearby "Candelaria" old town, the colonial center of the city. We will then visit the San Francisco Church and the world-famous Museo Del Oro (closed on Mondays), which contains more than 30.000 pre-Columbian gold artifacts. We end with a trip by cable car to the summit of Monserrate hill, Bogotá's best-known landmark, with a wonderful view of the whole city and the savanna beyond.

Return to the hotel.

**Overnight at Hotel Casa Deco (standard) / Hotel La Opera (superior) / Hotel the Orchids (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



### DAY 3: BOGOTÁ - VILLA DE LEYVA

After breakfast, check-out of the hotel.

Our third day starts with an early morning departure from Bogotá northwards. After 2 hours, we arrive at one of the most significant national monuments in Colombia: the “Boyacá Bridge”. On this bridge Simón Bolívar won his most decisive battle against Spanish settlers. Upon arrival in Villa de Leyva, we will visit the main square and enjoy the magic of this beautifully preserved colonial town.

**Overnight at Hotel Posada de San Antonio (standard) / Hotel Plazuela de San Agustin (superior) / Hotel El Duruelo (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



### DAY 4: VILLA DE LEYVA - ARMENIA (COFFEE REGION)

Breakfast is served at the hotel.

Transfer back to Bogotá, on our way we will visit Ráquira, a village of quaint and colorful small houses, famous for its pottery and ceramics. Arrival in Bogotá. You are driven to the airport to board the flight to Armenia. On arrival, transfer to a coffee growing farm located near Armenia where we will spend the next two nights.

**Overnight at Hacienda Combia (standard) / Bosques del Saman (superior) / Hotel Sazagua (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



**DAY 5: ARMENIA (COFFEE REGION)**

After breakfast, enjoy a trip to the Cocora Valley. With breathtaking landscapes which will be explored by a horse riding or walking trip, this is one of the most beautiful places in Colombia. Here we will find the impressive “Palma de Cera”, the Colombian national tree and one of the tallest species of palm in the world. On the way back to Armenia we will visit Salento, a picturesque village in the middle of the coffee growing region.

**Overnight at Hacienda Combia (standard) / Bosques del Saman (superior) / Hotel Sazagua (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



**DAY 6: ARMENIA (COFFEE REGION) - MEDELLIN**

After breakfast overland transfer from the Coffee Zone to Medellin, on the way there, you will pass through some spectacular landscapes. Transfer from your hotel in the coffee Zone to your hotel in Medellin. (Duration: Armenia – Medellín: 7 hours). Upon arrival the remainder of the day will be at leisure.

**Overnight at Hotel Campana Boutique (standard) / Hotel Diez (superior) / Hotel Park 10 (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



**DAY 7: MEDELLIN - CARTAGENA**

After breakfast, depart on a Half Day City tour. This guided visit will cover all the most important main sights of this beautiful and modern city. The tour starts in the heart of the center by exploring the San Antonio Park, Plaza de San Ignacio, the traditional Avenida La Playa and the Sculpture Park, which contains more than 20 sculptures, donated by Maestro Fernando Botero, a son of Antioquia and Colombia’s best-known artist. Thereafter our tour continues to the “Pueblito Paisa” a scale-replica of a typical Antioqueño village. From there it will be possible to enjoy a wonderful view of Medellín and its surroundings. Duration: approximately 4 hours. Afterwards transfer to the airport in Medellin and flight via Bogotá to Cartagena de Indias. Welcome by the local travel guide. Transfer to hotel. The remainder of the day will be at the tourist’s disposal.

**Overnight at Hotel Monterrey (standard) / Hotel Bovedas de Santa Clara (superior) / Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



**DAY 8: CARTAGENA**

After a good night's sleep, and a hearty breakfast, we will take a half-day tour around Cartagena--one of the most impressive urban centers in Latin America awaits us. It is an ancient city constructed in the Spanish colonial style and surrounded by high defensive walls. Don't be surprised if you find yourself falling in love with Cartagena's intoxicating mix of history and Caribbean charm. The tour takes us around all the historic buildings and plazas of the old city, including the "La Popa" Convent and San Felipe Castle. The afternoon will be free for exploration of the old city or to bathe in the Caribbean Sea.

**Overnight at Hotel Monterrey (standard) / Hotel Bovedas de Santa Clara (superior) / Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara (deluxe) or similar**

**Meal: Breakfast**



**DAY 9: CARTAGENA - DEPARTURE**

Breakfast is served at the hotel. Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Bogota, and connecting flight back home.

**Meal: Breakfast**



## END OF SERVICES

### Included in the tour cost:

- ✓ Private tours and excursions as described in the program with local English speaking guides.
- ✓ Private transfers with English speaking drivers.
- ✓ Bogota: 2 nights at Hotel Casa Deco (standard) / Hotel La Opera (superior) / Hotel the Orchids (deluxe) or similar
- ✓ Villa de Leyva: 1 night at Hotel Posada de San Antonio (standard) / Hotel Plazuela de San Agustin (superior) / Hotel El Duruelo (deluxe) or similar
- ✓ Armenia: 2 nights at Hacienda Combia (standard) / Bosques del Saman (superior) / Hotel Sazagua (deluxe) or similar
- ✓ Medellin: 1 night at Hotel Campana Boutique (standard) / Hotel Diez (superior) / Hotel Park 10 (deluxe) or similar
- ✓ Cartagena: 2 nights at Hotel Monterrey (standard) / Hotel Bovedas de Santa Clara (superior) / Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara (deluxe) or similar
- ✓ Domestic flights: Bogota / Armenia - Medellin / Cartagena / Bogota (taxes not included)
- ✓ Daily breakfast
- ✓ Entrance Fees where indicated

### Not included in the tour cost:

- ✓ International flights and flight taxes
- ✓ Domestic Flight departure tax
- ✓ Travel and medical insurance
- ✓ Tips and gratuities
- ✓ Extra meals, beverages
- ✓ Early check-in and late check-out
- ✓ Items of personal nature such as telephone calls, laundry, etc
- ✓ Services not mentioned in the program

## HOTELS

City Name	Standard Hotel	Superior Hotel	Deluxe Hotel
Bogota	Hotel Casa Deco	Hotel La Opera	Hotel the Orchids
Villa de Leyva	Hotel Posada de San Antonio	Hotel Plazuela de San Agustin	Hotel El Duruelo
Armenia	Hacienda Combia	Bosques del Saman	Hotel Sazagua
Medellin	Hotel Campana Boutique	Hotel Diez	Hotel Park 10
Cartagena	Hotel Monterrey	Hotel Bovedas de Santa Clara	Hotel Sofitel Santa Clara

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