

Kat's Great Adventures

Colombia - Bogota, Coffee Region and Cartagena Culture and Nature Tour 2022

Guided Tour

7 Days / 6 Nights



This seven day trip includes visits to the most famous and beautiful areas of Colombia. Start the tour by visiting Bogotá. Continue to coffee region and stay at an authentic Coffee Hacienda. End the tour in the charming Cartagena.

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Itinerary Day to Day

Day 1: Arrival in Bogotá

Reception at the airport and transfer to the hotel. The hotel is located in the tourist area of Parque 93 known for its great restaurants and great atmosphere. At arrival you will receive a welcome call from one of the team members.



Day 2: Bogotá – Full day city tour Duration 6-7 hours

Full day private city tour to the historic part of Bogotá. After breakfast, enjoy the historic center of the city on foot. Meeting with the guide in the hotel lobby. Start the tour in the charming colonial area known as La Candelaria. From here visit the world famous gold museum, the Plaza Bolivar and go by cable car to the Monserrate Sanctuary, at 3152 meters, overlooking the city. A quick visit to the museum of the famous Colombian artist Botero is also an option.

Day 3: Hacienda and Coffee Tour

Pick up at the hotel in Bogotá and a morning flight to Manizales or Pereira. Meeting in the airport with the staff and transfer downhill to a lush and quiet valley with beautiful views to the coffee plantations to the Hacienda Venecia. Hacienda Venecia has different types of accommodations according to the budget. All of them very charming and authentic. The Hacienda has around a hundred years of history and it is preserved with great respect for the family's history. The architecture shows a traditional Bahareque construction, typical of the period of Antioquian colonisation, consisting of bamboo and clay walls with red tiled roofs. The Hacienda is dotted by beautiful gardens, terraces, pool and a bamboo quiosco perfectly suited to enjoy the charm and smell of the coffee fields. Lunch in the charming kitchen. In the afternoon, you will have a guided tour of the Hacienda Venecia's own coffee plantations and coffee factory. The coffee farm has won several prizes for its excellent coffee and during this tour you will see how the coffee is produced, processed, and finally learn how to make a really good espresso!





Day 4: Orchid tour at “La Romelia” Farm

After breakfast, transport to Finca La Romelia. Finca Romelia is a family project that was born out of Jose and Marisa’s love of nature. They have dedicated most of their lives to agriculture and to the collection, study and conservation of orchids amongst other plants as a hobby. This has always been done hand in hand with the restoration of the native flora and preservation of the wildlife. Once arriving to the finca the tour starts along the natural paths that cross the crops, native forests and water sources at the farm. Afterwards, the most vivid part of this tour begins: the guided tour to the orchid nursery and farmhouse. This unique experience opens the mind of the visitor to the wonders of the agricultural production, and is a great example of how it can go hand in hand with conservation and protection of native flora and fauna. The visitors will

enjoy more than 6000 orchid plants, an interesting variety of carnivorous plants and around 122 species of wild birds. On top of this, you will find small forests, fresh water bodies that cross between the mountains, and avocado, yucca and citrus crops. All of this is accompanied by spectacular views of the mountains. Lunch at the Farmhouse and return to Venecia. Rest of the day free to relax by the pool or to explore the surroundings at the Coffee Farm.

Day 5: Cartagena and City Walk

We leave the coffee farm and head for the Caribbean! Transfer to the nearest airport and domestic flight to Cartagena. From the airport you are picked up and driven 20 minutes to a hotel in the historic part of Cartagena. In the late afternoon/early evening, walk the old town of Cartagena with a private English speaking guide. It is a romantic city, full of legends and history, immaculately preserved by an impressive 13 km long stonewall. The old part of the city is a declared World Heritage Site, with its maze of cobble alleys, huge balconies, massive churches and charming plazas. There will be plenty of photo opportunities and the chance to appreciate the beautiful evening illumination of this romantic city.



Day 6: Cartagena and City Tour

In the morning, meeting with the guide and continue exploring historic Cartagena. Start the tour by visiting the San Felipe Fortress, the most technically advanced military building during Spanish colonial times, then visit the old “Popa” Monastery where you will have a wonderful view of the city. Between these two places, visit the popular marketplace of Bazurto where fruits, vegetables and fish are traded by the locals, most of them descendants of the slaves of the colonial times. Cartagena is perhaps Colombia’s most beautiful and interesting town. It was founded in 1533 and was, during the colonial period, the main Spanish port on the Caribbean coast and primary gateway to South America to receive slaves and to send treasures to Europe. In the

evening there will be free time for shopping, and perhaps to enjoy a drink on the old fortress walls, overlooking the sunset on the Caribbean.

Day 7: Cartagena – Transfer to the airport for flight connection

Transfer to the airport for your international connection or domestic flight. End of service.

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Route



Technical Characteristics:

Route Profile: Easy. Sightseeing and cultural activities designed for people who are generally fit and are comfortable walking up to 6 hours per day.

Travel Season: Any date on request from January 2 to December 31, 2022

Price per Person

Double Occupancy	\$ 950.00 USD
Single Supplement	\$ 230.00 USD
Domestic Flight Tickets**	\$ 220.00 USD

*Group rates available for this tour. As this is a guided tour, the pricing improves with more people participating. Please ask us for details

**Approximate price per person for all the needed domestic flights in the program. Please note that the final price of the tickets will be confirmed upon reservation.

Accommodation:

3* hotels and charming Coffee Hacienda

Included:

- Local English speaking guides during tours
- Private transportation throughout the entire program
- 2 nights in shared double rooms in Bogota
- 2 nights in shared double rooms at Hacienda Venecia
- 2 night in shared double rooms in Cartagena
- Meals as specified in the itinerary (6 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 2 dinners)
- All entrance fees

Not Included:

- Domestic and international flights
- Meals not mentioned in the program
- Alcoholic and soft drinks
- Personal expenses
- Tips
- Everything not mentioned in the "Included" list

