



ESSENTIAL COLOMBIA

BOGOTÁ | PEREIRA | CARTAGENA

10 DAYS
from
\$3,499

CAD\$, PP, DBL, OCC.

TOUR OVERVIEW

- ▶ Roundtrip international and domestic airfare from Toronto*
- ▶ Welcome assistance upon arrival and departure at all airports
- ▶ Private transfers and portage between airport and hotel
- ▶ 9 nights accommodation
 - 3 nights in Bogotá
 - 3 nights in Pereira
 - 3 nights in Cartagena
- ▶ Breakfast daily and one lunch
- ▶ Hotel taxes and service charges
- ▶ Airport and departure taxes**

Highlights

- Private city tours in Bogotá and Cartagena
- Unique Coffee Farm experience
- Full-day excursion to Islas de Rosario Archipelago

Optional Add-on Tours

(PRICED SEPARATELY)

- Zipaquirá Salt Cathedral
- Salento and Cocora Valley tour

*Add-ons from other cities available upon request.

Pricing as indicated valid October 10, 2019, subject to availability at time of booking. Alternative dates available upon request. All itineraries are fully customizable.

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Colombia is becoming one of the most interesting destinations in Latin America, home to seven UNESCO World Heritage Sites. From the historical La Candelaria district of central Bogotá, to the walled city of Cartagena, this 10-day journey will give you a taste of modern cities, glittering Caribbean beaches, and coffee plantations for an excellent combination of culture and history.

Day 1

TORONTO – BOGOTÁ Fly from Toronto to Bogotá. Welcome by local representatives and private transfer to your hotel. *Best Western Plus 93 Park Hotel, Superior Room* ★★★★★

Day 2

BOGOTÁ Enjoy breakfast at your hotel. This morning, your guide will pick you up from your hotel and begin a private tour of the historic center of **Bogotá**. Walk along the streets to spot Plaza de Bolívar, National Capitol, Casa de los Comuneros, Casa de Nariño and the Santa Clara Church Museum. Continue on to visit the **Gold Museum** showcasing thousands of metalwork from various Hispanic cultures. Visit **Quinta de Bolívar**, the colonial house that served as a residence to Simon Bolívar after the war of independence. Take a cable car to the top of **Monserrate** for wonderful views of the city. Return to your hotel and enjoy the rest of your day at leisure to explore on your own. *Best Western Plus 93 Park Hotel*

Day 3

BOGOTÁ After breakfast, enjoy your day at leisure. We recommend an optional popular day trip outside of Bogotá to tour of the spectacular **Zipaquirá Salt Cathedral**, one of the most notable achievements of Colombian architecture. *Best Western Plus 93 Park Hotel*

Day 4

BOGOTÁ – PEREIRA Enjoy breakfast, then private transfer to Bogotá airport to board your flight to **Pereira**, located in the heart of the **Coffee Gold Triangle**, giving you an opportunity to explore the lush coffee plantations of the region. Welcome by our local representative and private transfer to your hotel. *Sazagua Hotel Boutique, Junior Suite* ★★★★★

Day 5

PEREIRA After breakfast, you will be picked up from your hotel to start your private **coffee farm** experience. Explore the plantation and live through the experiences on a coffee farm; see how they sow seeds, harvest and gather, peel, thrash, toast and mill coffee beans the traditional way. Return to your hotel to enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. *Sazagua Hotel Boutique*

Day 6

PEREIRA Enjoy breakfast at your hotel. Today, take your day at leisure. Many optional tours are available including a tour of Salento and Cocora Valley to see unique Bahareque architecture and visit Cocora National Park to see the world's tallest Palm, the wax palm. On this optional tour, continue to the Botanical Gardens and Butterfly Park to experience an abundance of flora and fauna, especially varieties of hummingbirds and unique butterfly species. *Sazagua Hotel Boutique*

Day 7

PEREIRA – CARTAGENA After an early breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight to **Cartagena**, the highlight of Colombia. Designated a UNESCO World Heritage site, the walled city has a wealth of character that will capture your senses; from its well-preserved colonial architecture, romantic atmosphere, vibrant flora, balmy temperature, excellent cuisine and amazing sunsets over the Caribbean to its warm and inviting people. Welcome by our local representative, transfer to hotel. *Hotel Bantú By Faranda Boutique, Superior* ★★★★★

Day 8

CARTAGENA After breakfast at your hotel, begin your private tour of the most important monuments of the city. Visit the modern neighbourhoods of **Bocagrande** and **Manga**; see the fortress of **Castillo de San Felipe de Barajas** built by the Spanish during the colonial era to protect the city. Visit the **Museum of San Pedro Claver**. After your tour concludes, return to your hotel and explore the city on your own. *Hotel Bantú By Faranda Boutique*

Day 9

CARTAGENA After breakfast, transfer to the beautiful **Islas del Rosario** archipelago located an hour and half south of the Bay of Cartagena. Populated with a great variety of reef fauna, white sandy beaches and beautiful crystal-clear waters make the scenery truly spectacular. Take the opportunity to swim, snorkel or relax in a hammock. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Return to your hotel and overnight. *Hotel Bantú By Faranda Boutique*

Day 10

CARTAGENA – BOGOTÁ – TORONTO After breakfast, transfer to the airport to board your flight to Bogotá and your connecting flight to Toronto.

For tourist entry into Colombia, taxes are paid locally upon entry before proceeding to Immigration Control. Exceptions apply. Yellow Fever vaccination certificate required for entry from other Latin American countries.

**Airport and departure taxes are included, subject to change at any time. Pricing based on two passengers travelling together. Optional tours and activities not included. Blackout periods apply. For terms and conditions, refer to page 43. Visit travel.gc.ca for important information about your destination(s).

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