

ITINERARY SUMMARY (A fully detailed itinerary is available on request)

Thursday 23rd January (Day 1) London - Bogota

Depart London for El Dorado International Airport, Bogota

Transfer to the 4-star B3 Virrey Hotel

For the rest of the day free to relax after your flight

Friday 24th January (Day 2) Bogota

City tour with English Speaking Guide: The tour will cover the main sites of interest in this capital city including a visit to the Gold Museum and cable car ride to enjoy a panoramic view over the city.

Included: Transport; English speaking guide; Entrance fees including Gold Museum; Bed & Breakfast.

Saturday 25th January (Day 3) Bogota

Private coach with guide to the old colonial town of Zipaquirá (49km from Bogota), driving through the beautiful Sabana countryside. Upon arrival we visit the Salt Cathedral of Zipaquirá, considered Colombia's greatest wonder. Then we have a short city tour of the town before returning to Bogotá.

Lunch is included in the traditional Andrés Carne de Res Restaurant, generally considered to be one of Colombia's top restaurants.

Included: Transport; English speaking guide; Entrance fees; Lunch; Bed & Breakfast.

Sunday 26th January (Day 4) Bogota to Medellin

Transfer from hotel to airport for flight to Medellin

Transfer from airport to 4-star BH El Poblado Hotel.

The rest of the day is free for you to explore or just relax.

Included: Transport; English speaking guide; Bed & Breakfast.

Monday 27th January (Day 5) Medellin-Guatapé-Medellin

Full Day El Peñol and Guatapé tour with English speaking guide. We will have a tour of the municipality and the reservoir, which supplies 30% of Colombia's water. In the municipality of Guatapé we will have a tour with a specialist local guide, who will explain the area's culture.

Included: Private transport, guides, refreshments and buffet lunch at the Los Recuerdos hotel in Guatapé; Bed & Breakfast.

Tuesday 28th January (Day 6) Medellin

Panoramic tour of Medellin with English speaking guide

Included: Excursion with guide; Snack; Transport; Bed & Breakfast

Wednesday 29th January (Day 7) Medellin-Cartagena

Transfer from hotel to airport for flight to Cartagena

Transfer from airport to 4-star Almirante Hotel. This is close to the beach but within easy reach

of the town centre. The rest of the day is free for you to relax or explore Cartagena

Included: Transfers; Flight; Guide; Bed & Breakfast

Thursday 30th January (Day 8) Cartagena

Visit to the walled city and the Getsemaní neighborhood with English speaking guide. We will visit the majestic Church of San Pedro Claver built to honour the patron saint of slaves, the missionary Peter Claver. We will then proceed to the Palace of the Inquisition, which served as headquarters to the Court of the Holy Inquisition. Inside we will see prison cells and torture chambers: the actual passing of the sentences used to take place in public, in the middle of the plaza. Next, we continue to visit the Getsemaní neighbourhood. This neighbourhood, near the Cartagena Convention Centre, is an example of the cultural mix that gave rise to the city; the streets are full of foreigners and Colombians from other areas seeking a bar or club to dance salsa and cumbia. Getsemaní saw the start of the revolt against Spanish rule in the early 19th century. Lunch at Santísimo Restaurant is included.

Included: Entrance fees, Excursion, Guide, Transport, Water bottle, Lunch, Bed & Breakfast

Friday 31st January (Day 9) Cartagena

Full day Isla del Encanto: 60 minutes by boat from Cartagena. Inside the Corales del Rosario Park is located Isla del Encanto, a private island with approximately 300 metres of beach where you can relax and enjoy the sun, sand, sea and lunch, which is included.

Included: Transfers between hotel and pier; Return boat crossing to the island; Lunch; English speaking guide; Bed & Breakfast. A pier departure tax is not included and is payable directly to the pier.

Saturday 1st February (Day 10) Cartagena

Tour of San Basilio de Palenque with English speaking guide: San Basilio de Palenque the town where women called "Palenqueras" come in colourful dresses to the city to sell typical sweets and fruit. Palenque is a place where music, language, medicine and other everyday traditions constantly remind the continent that centuries ago this was founded by escaped slaves and it was the first town in America where their freedom was recognised by the Spanish crown. Lunch is included.

Included: Excursion; Guide; Local Guide; Transport; Lunch; Bed & Breakfast

Sunday 2nd February (Day 11) Cartagena

The day is free for you to relax/explore/shop or attend meetings.

Included: Bed & Breakfast

Monday 3rd February (Day 12) Cartagena – London or Stay in Cartagena

Transfer from Hotel to Rafael Nuñez International Airport if returning to the UK.

Included: Transport, Guide