

COLOMBIA

ANCESTRAL ROOTS & ETHNO-CULTURAL

11 days 10 nights



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Rate per person.
- Accommodation for 11 Days / 10 Nights.
- Unused services are non-refundable.
- Cancellation or no-show penalties apply as follows:
- Cancellation 15 days prior to arrival: 20% penalty of the total plan value
- Cancellation 14 to 8 days prior: 30% penalty
- Cancellation 7 to 3 days prior: 40% penalty
- Cancellation 2 or 1 day prior: 60% penalty
- Rates are subject to availability and change at the time of booking.
- Cancellations are not accepted once confirmed.



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INCLUDED

- Private transportation according to the number of passengers
- Airport transfers (IN-OUT)
- Internal transfers throughout the entire itinerary
- Development of the program "Tatacoa Desert: Sculpted Sand Under the Stars"
- Development of the program "Tierradentro: Ancestral Necropolis"
- Development of the program "San Francisco Pyramid and La Jagua Enchantment Route"
- Development of the program "El Dorado - Bogotá City Tour - La Candelaria"
- Development of the program "San Agustín: Magical and Ancestral"
- Development of the program "Majestic and Sacred Isnos"
- Development of the program "Popayán: The White City of Colombia"
- Development of the program "Ethno-Cultural Tour Silvia Cauca - Misak Ethnicity"
- Development of the program "Cali City Tour and Salsa Tour"
- Development of the program "Finlandia Tour"
- Development of the program "Salento Tour - Cocora Valley and transfer to Pereira Airport"
- Specialized local guides in each region (Spanish language - bilingual service available at an additional cost)
- Accommodation in double and triple rooms at assigned hotels
- Meal plan: breakfasts only
- Meals at Misak indigenous rural house (one breakfast, two lunches, one dinner)
- Travel assistance card



NOT INCLUDED

- Meals not specified in the itinerary
- Bilingual guide service
- Any other expenses not specified in the purchased plan.



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DAY 1 – EL DORADO AIRPORT RECEPTION – BOGOTÁ CITY TOUR – LA CANDELARIA

Reception at El Dorado International Airport by the guide and private transfer to the hotel in Bogotá. Private transportation for the city tour, including visits to Chorro de Quevedo, La Candelaria, Plaza de Bolívar, Plaza Mayor, the Cathedral (inside), Plaza de las Hierbas, Botero Museum (inside), Gold Museum (inside), Emerald Museum (inside), Monserrate (inside), and San Alberto Coffee (inside), Bogotá.

LA CANDELARIA HISTORIC CENTER

Enjoy a visit to the La Candelaria district, focused on history, culture, architecture, and heritage, while exploring its most emblematic sites. During the tour, you will walk through the old Santa Fé de Bogotá, discovering its stories and its mystical, colonial, and religious character. The visit includes the main tourist and cultural attractions within La Candelaria: La Concordia Market Square (general explanation of Colombian gastronomy and typical fruits), Chorro de Quevedo Square, the Cultural Block along Calle 10 and Calle 11, and the Gabriel García Márquez Cultural Center.

PLAZA DE BOLIVAR

Discover Colombia's main administrative and political center, the epicenter of public powers and institutions. This is the most important square in the country, surrounded by landmark buildings such as the National Capitol, Liévano Palace (Bogotá City Hall), the Palace of Justice, the Catholic Street, and the monument to Simón Bolívar.

GOLD MUSEUM

The museum houses one of the most important collections of pre-Columbian gold artifacts in the world, presenting the historical legacy of Colombia's indigenous communities. Its permanent exhibition features more than 35,000 pieces, making it one of the largest and most significant collections worldwide.



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DAY 2 – DESERT: SCULPTED SAND UNDER THE STARS

Early morning transfer to El Dorado International Airport.

- Domestic flight Bogotá – Neiva.
- Reception at Neiva Airport.
- Departure to Villavieja – approximately 45 minutes driving time.

BEGINNING OF THE COLONIAL ROUTE OF VILLAVIEJA

- Guided visit to the main square, chapel, paleontological museum, local architecture, and riverwalk.
- Panoramic tour of the Cardón Valley.

ECO-TOURISM HIKE – RAINBOW TRAIL AND EL CUZCO

One of the most representative landscapes of the desert and an area of outstanding geomorphological value, known as the “Fossil Cemetery,” where remains of prehistoric animals such as Megatherium and Purussaurus have been found. Other points of interest include the El Cuzco Viewpoint, El Estrecho del Cuzco, Estoraque Mayor or “Witness of the Land,” La Catedral Estoraque, erosional formations (cárcavas), El Chulo Cave, El Cardón Hill, the Eye of the Desert, and the Tree of Love. The route also includes visits to iconic desert attractions such as the cosmic windows or sidereal gateway, the sand zoo, a cactus sweets factory, and local desert handicrafts.

ECOTOURISM HIKE: THE TRAIL OF THE HOLES

A completely different landscape characterized by gray-colored soil, known as the “gray zone” of the Tatacoa Desert, caused by deposits of sandstone and siltstone. Notable formations include Los Altares, the Valley of the Ghosts, the Twin Towers, small remnants of tropical dry forest, a natural spring waterfall, and opportunities for birdwatching.

07:00 PM – Astronomical Observation Talk: Sky interpretation led by astronomer Javier Fernando Rúa Restrepo, who will introduce the millions of stars that make up the Milky Way and the different constellations that frame the night sky. Through telescopes, we will observe details of the Moon and selected planets.

09:00 PM - ransfer to the hotel and rest



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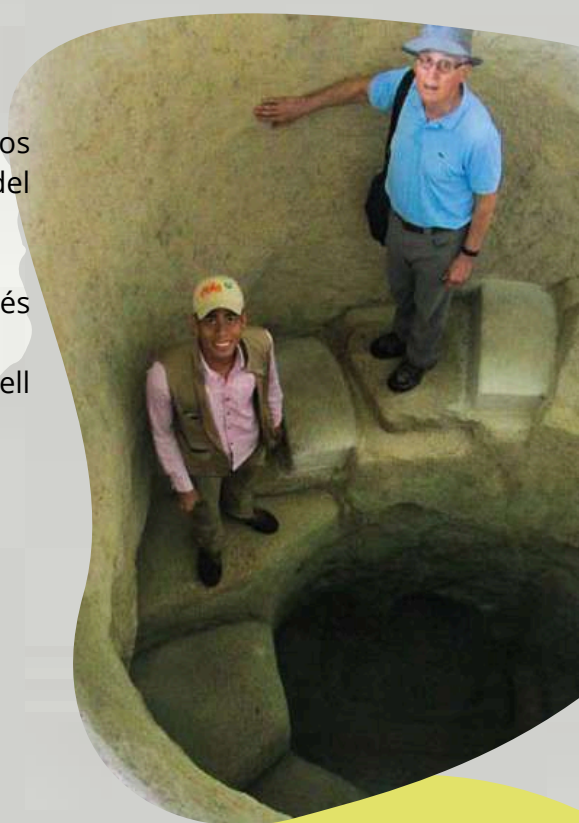
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DAY 3 – TIERRADENTRO: ANCESTRAL NECROPOLIS

- 05:00 AM – Departure to Tierradentro, approximately 4 hours of travel. Breakfast en route.
- 09:00 AM – Arrival at the village of Pisimbalá.
- Visit to the underground funerary structures known as Hipogeos at the archaeological sites of Alto de Segovia and Alto del Duende.
- Visit to the El Tablón stone statuary.
- Visits to the Altos del Aguacate Hypogea and the San Andrés Hypogea.
- Visit to the Archaeological and Anthropological Museums, as well as the Ethnographic Museum.
- Rest time and free evening.
- Overnight at a tourist lodge.



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DAY 4 – SAN FRANCISCO PYRAMID AND LA JAGUA ENCHANTMENT

- 07:00 AM – Breakfast at the hotel.
- **08:00 AM – Visit to the San Andrés de Pisimbalá Indigenous Reserve**, including the doctrinal chapel.
- **09:00 AM – San Francisco Pyramid.** A stepped elevation with underground tunnels and galleries, an ancestral symbol of the region.
- **10:30 AM – Departure to La Jagua**, passing through Gigante. Approximate travel time: 3 hours.
- 12:00 PM – Technical stop for lunch – at the traveler's own expense.
- **02:00 PM – “La Jagua Enchantment” tour.** La Jagua is a small and welcoming town characterized by adobe and clay-tiled houses lining its main street. In the central square, local residents built a large fountain, beneath which a witch silhouette made of stone pavers can be seen on the ground, complete with a pointed hat, broom, and a wart on her nose, located directly in front of the church. This setting invites visitors to experience ancestral traditions and mystical stories inherited from the colonial period.
- **02:30 PM – Visit to the workshop of master artist Emiro Garzón**, a renowned sculptor and painter who arrived in La Jagua and found in it the perfect inspiration to unleash his creativity, giving life to remarkable sculptures through his artistic hands.
- **03:00 PM – Visit to the Arte Fique Workshop:** an association of artisans from La Jagua dedicated to fique fiber weaving, a fine example of collective craftsmanship. After a meticulous process, they produce beautiful handmade items, especially bags that have proudly reached international markets.
- **04:00 PM – Departure to San Agustín** – approximate travel time: 2 hours.
- 06:30 PM – Arrival in San Agustín – rest at Hotel Yuma.



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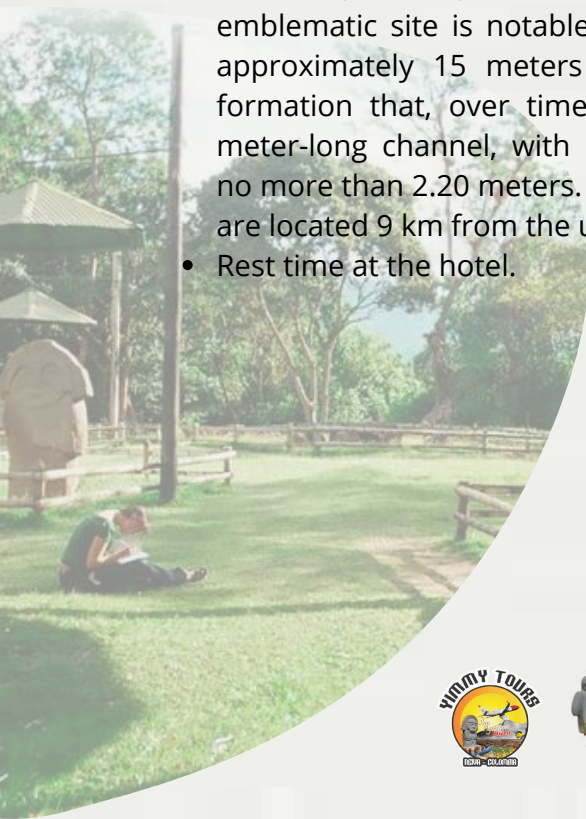
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DAY 5 – SAN AGUSTÍN: MAGICAL AND ANCESTRAL

- 07:00 AM – Breakfast at the hotel.
- **08:00 AM – Visit to the San Agustín Archaeological Park:** The park features approximately 130 statues, artificial mounds, megalithic tombs, ceremonial shrines, and sacred centers. At the entrance, visitors will find the Archaeological Museum, which preserves small-scale statues, ceramic pieces, tools, and selected ornaments. The tour continues through the Forest of the Statues, where 35 sculptures are displayed, highlighting deities associated with agriculture, rainfall, and the sun, represented alongside feline masks. The visit includes Mesitas A, B, and C, the Lavapatas ceremonial fountain, Alto del Lavapatas, the Forest of the Statues, and the museum. Approximate duration of the visit: 4 hours.
- **Eco-archaeological tour to the La Chaquira viewpoint,** La Pelota, Purutal, and the Magdalena River Narrows. This emblematic site is notable because the river narrows to approximately 15 meters when it encounters a rocky formation that, over time, has been carved into a 40-meter-long channel, with its narrowest point measuring no more than 2.20 meters. The Magdalena River Narrows are located 9 km from the urban center of San Agustín.
- Rest time at the hotel.



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DAY 6 – SAN JOSÉ DE ISNOS: MAJESTIC AND SACRED

- 07:00 AM – Breakfast at the hotel.
- **07:30 AM – Departure to San José de Isnos.**
- **08:30 AM – Visit to Salto del Mortiño waterfall.** This waterfall has an approximate drop of 170 meters. The stream, known as La Chorrera, runs through part of the urban area of the municipality of Isnos. Approximate duration: 45 minutes. Includes: glass bridge. Does not include: Halcón swing.
- **10:00 AM – Visit to the Alto de las Piedras Archaeological Park.** Located in the Las Delicias rural area, approximately 10 km north of Alto de los Ídolos, this ceremonial center rises on a small hill shaped by crescent-like terraces. It is part of the San Agustín National Archaeological Park and is recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Approximate duration: 45 minutes.
- 12:00 PM – Lunch at the traveler's own expense.
- **02:00 PM – Visit to the Alto de los Ídolos Archaeological Park.** This archaeological site covers an area of 13 hectares and features 12 funerary mounds, 23 statues, and 8 sarcophagi distributed across two plateaus connected by a 300-meter ceremonial ramp. It is one of the most important sites in the Upper Magdalena region, renowned for its tombs, lined funerary corridors, and human and animal sculptures symbolizing guardians of death. Approximate duration: 2 hours.
- **04:00 PM – Visit to the Mayu Ancestral Viewpoint.** A highlight of southern Huila, this themed agricultural estate offers interaction with rural life, nature, and traditional farming practices. It also features a privileged viewpoint overlooking the Magdalena River Canyon, where the Central and Eastern mountain ranges converge.
- 05:00 PM – Return to San Agustín and rest at the hotel.



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DAY 7 – POPAYÁN: THE WHITE CITY OF COLOMBIA

- 07:00 AM – Breakfast at the hotel.
- **08:00 AM – Departure to Popayán**, approximately 4 hours of travel – 174 km.
- **01:00 PM – Arrival at Hotel La Plazuela in Popayán.**
- 03:00 PM – Historical and contemporary city tour of the “White City of Colombia.” During this approximately 3-hour tour, we will appreciate the architecture of the historic center, former Catholic religious cloisters, churches, iconic buildings, and a panoramic viewpoint overlooking the Pubenza Valley.

Popayán is recognized as a UNESCO Creative City of Gastronomy; during the tour, we will enjoy tastings of traditional local products such as empanaditas, carantanta, tamal, and cahapus. The tour is conducted on foot to fully appreciate the city's architecture. The historic center functions as an open-air museum, telling the story of the conquest, noble families, scholars, and independence heroes. As a university city, Popayán offers a diverse culinary scene found in popular markets and traditional restaurants; visitors are encouraged to take time to explore the local food markets.

- Return to the hotel and rest.



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DAY 8 – ETHNO-CULTURAL TOUR SILVIA, CAUCA – MISAK ETHNICITY

- **07:00 AM – Breakfast at the hotel.**
- **07:30 AM – Departure to Silvia, Cauca. Approximate travel time: 1.5 hours – 52 km.** Silvia is the cultural center of the Guambian communities of the Misak ethnicity, who live in nearby villages such as La Campana, Guambia, and Caciques. This indigenous community preserves ancestral traditions, including their distinctive white-and-blue traditional clothing, the use of hats, their own language, and their renowned weaving skills. Visit to local craft workshops, where we will appreciate the vibrant colors and the living traditions of Guambian culture—an ideal setting for observation and photography. Throughout the visit, there is a meaningful cultural exchange that allows us to connect with the ancestral spirituality still preserved within the Misak community.
- **Traditional lunch at a rural family home.**
- **Cultural exchange with local families,** learning about the sheep wool process, the use of traditional looms, and the making of typical hats.
- **Traditional healing ritual:** a holistic experience intended to restore body and spirit through ancestral sounds played on drum and flute.
- **Dinner at the rural family home.**
- Rest and overnight accommodation in a traditional rural house of the Misak ethnicity.
- Departure to Cali – approximate travel time: 3 hours.
- Arrival at the hotel in Cali and rest.



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DAY 9 – CALI CITY TOUR AND SALSA EXPERIENCE

- **Private transfer: Cali – Salento, 4h 05min, 207 km.**
- **Cali City Tour:** Guided tour of the city's main attractions with a professional guide. The city tour begins along Avenida del Río, visiting the El Gato monument by renowned artist Hernando Tejada. Visits include: La Merced Church (inside), Calima Gold Museum (inside), Cali Cultural Center, Caicedo Square, Boulevard del Río, San Francisco Square, La Ermita Church (inside), San Pedro Cathedral (inside), the Municipal Theatre, Jorge Isaacs Theatre, Jairo Varela Square, the Cali River, and the Cerro Cristalesa viewpoint. The tour then continues to the Sebastián de Belalcázar viewpoint, honoring the city's founder, followed by a visit to Cristo Rey Hill, offering a panoramic view of the entire city. To the south, we visit sports complexes, as Cali is recognized as "The Sports Capital of the Americas." The tour continues through San Francisco Square, Caicedo Square, the Historic Center, and concludes in the bohemian and colonial neighborhood of San Antonio.
- **Cali Salsa Tour:** This experience invites you to dance, play music, and discover the history of the city through its songs. Learn why Cali is known as the World Capital of Salsa. Led by a friendly and passionate local guide, the walking tour takes you through the places where salsa culture was shaped, recounting the key moments that defined the city's musical evolution. Dance, play instruments, taste local flavors, and experience Cali through all your senses.
- **Return to the hotel in Cali and rest.**



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DAY 10 – FINLANDIA AND COCORA VALLEY TOURS

- **Breakfast at the hotel.**
- **Departure to Finlandia** – approximate travel time: 3.5 hours – 205 km.
- **Visit to Finlandia:** One of the towns most favored by visitors for its peaceful atmosphere and its beautiful Antioquian colonial architecture. According to local history, the town was founded by early colonizer Felipe Meléndez along with several companions, who named it by combining the Latin fila (daughter) and the English landia (Andes): Finlandia, “Daughter of the Andes.”
- **Departure to Salento** – approximate travel time: 30 minutes.
- **Jeep tour to the Cocora Valley:** We will visit La Red or Malla, El Nido del Loro, the Cocora sign, Las Alas del Cóndor, and the Valley of Wax Palms—iconic landmarks of the Cocora Valley.
- **Arrival at the hotel and rest.**



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DAY 11 – SALENTO TOUR AND TRANSFER TO PEREIRA AIRPORT

- **Visit to Salento:** Discover the charm of the most traditional and colorful town in the Coffee Region. Its colonial streets, flower-filled balconies, and the famous Calle Real invite visitors to stroll among history and local handicrafts. From here begins the journey to the majestic Cocora Valley, home to the impressive wax palm trees, Colombia's national symbol.
- At the scheduled time, transfer to Pereira Airport – approximate travel time: 1 hour.
- End of our services.



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