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## Jewels of Colombia

March 3-12, 2026

10 days from \$6,897 total price from Miami

(\$6,695 air & land inclusive plus \$202 airline taxes and fees)



An Exclusive Small Group Tour for Alumni and Friends of Princeton University



#### Dear Princetonian,

We invite you to experience the beauty, rhythm, and vibrant culture of Colombia from Bogotá to Cartagena, with some hidden gems along the way. Begin in Bogotá, Colombia's capital and one of the largest cities in Latin America, exploring its colonial historic center, museums, and trendy neighborhoods. Venture outside the city to the Zipaquira Salt Cathedral, an underground marvel constructed inside a salt mine.

Journey on to Medellín, "City of Eternal Spring," wandering the flower-filled parks and plazas and enjoying opportunities to try the local cuisine. Participate in a local coffee experience and explore the nearby town of Santa Elena, known for its flower farms and stunning nature reserve.

End the journey in beautiful Cartagena on the Caribbean coast, witnessing the UNESCO-designated San Felipe Fort and the white-sand beaches, turquoise waters, and abundant marine life of the Rosario Islands. Before departing, take one last chance to indulge your senses in a rum- and chocolate-tasting experience. For those wishing to extend their time in paradise, a "Cartegena on Your Own" post-trip extension is available.

Space is limited to just 24 participants. Reserve your place today!

With kind regards,

Bridget & Clair

Bridget St. Clair

Director, Alumni Education and Travel

Princeton University

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Colombia warmly welcomes visitors to experience its wealth of indigenous cultures, Spanish Colonial heritage, and Caribbean vibe. The country beckons – and our small group is poised to discover its many jewels, from Bogota to Medellin to Cartagena, with some hidden gems along the way.



#### **Physical Activity Level**



Walk 2-4 miles per day, often uphill, on cobblestones, or on uneven terrain in natural settings; steep grades and many stairs throughout tour; Embarkation/disembarkation from multiple boats in Rosario Islands; high elevation in Bogota (8,700 ft)

#### Your Tour at a Glance

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Bogota	Sofitel Bogota Victoria Regia Hotel	Sup. First Class
2-3	Bogota	Sofitel Bogota Victoria Regia Hotel	Sup. First Class
4-6	Medellin	NH Collection Medellin Royal	Sup. First Class
7-9	Cartagena	Hotel Casa Don Luis	Sup. First Class
10	Depart Carta	gena for U.S.	

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.

**Day 1: Depart U.S. for Bogota, Colombia** Arrive in the Colombian capital and transfer to your hotel. As guests' arrival times may vary greatly, there are no group activities or meals planned.

Day 2: Bogota After a briefing this morning on the journey ahead, set out to discover Bogota, one of the largest cities in Latin America. Begin with a walking tour through the colonial district of La Candelaria. Founded in 1538, La Candelaria became the core of Bogota as the city grew up around it. Explore Bolivar Square in the heart of the city, stroll through a local market, and visit the Gold Museum, featuring the world's largest collection of pre-Hispanic gold work. Visit the Botero Museum, housing paintings and sculptures by one of the country's greatest artists, along with his collection of mid-19th century works by such artists as Monet, Corot, and Renoir. Next you will have the opportunity to try your hand at tejo, an immensely popular sport in which players toss a steel disc at a target ringed with gunpowder-stuffed paper that explodes when hit. Tonight enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. B,L,D

Day 3: Bogota/Zipaquira/Usaquen Head outside of the city for an excursion to the Zipaquira Salt Cathedral, a Roman Catholic church some 600 feet deep in a salt mine. Constructed entirely of salt by miners seeking solace as they labored at their dangerous profession, the cathedral today holds masses and weddings. Above ground, visit the surrounding town of Usaquen, stopping for lunch at a local restaurant. Return to Bogota for a late afternoon and evening of independent exploration and dinner on your own. You are invited to join your tour director on a walk through the trendy and lively Zona Rosa pedestrian neighborhood, alive with shops, restaurants, and cafés. *B*,*L* 

**Day 4: Bogota/Medellin** Fly this morning to Medellin, Colombia's second largest city known for its welcoming residents, flower-filled parks and plazas, great food, and many cultural attractions. Upon arrival in the "City of Eternal Spring," so named for its temperate climate, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before touring the popular Manrique neighborhood, known for its colorful murals. Late this afternoon, check in to your hotel and have time to relax before dinner with your fellow travelers. *B,L,D* 



Colombia's lush coffee-growing region

**Day 5: Medellin** Begin your in-depth exploration of Medellin with a walk around Botero Square, an inviting plaza melding art, nature, and culture, with 23 outdoor bronze sculptures of human figures, animals, and inanimate objects by Fernando Botero. At the Museo de Antioquia, explore a noted collection of pre-Columbian, colonial, and modern art, as well as paintings and sculpture by native son Botero. This afternoon, get a taste of Colombia's cultural identity during a local coffee experience and tasting of the beloved brew (Colombia ranks third in world coffee production, after Brazil and Vietnam). Return to your hotel late this afternoon and dine tonight at a local restaurant. *B*,*D* 

**Day 6: Medellin/Santa Elena** Spend today in the beautiful colonial town of Santa Elena, known for its profusion of flower farms, along with the rich

traditions that have accompanied flower growing in the area for generations. Visit a *finca* (farm) to learn about the cultivation process and see a variety of plants. After lunch at the farm, move on to Parque Arví, Santa Elena's stunning nature reserve. Board the iconic Metrocable gondola system for a view of Medellin's steep hillside neighborhoods. Dinner tonight is on your own in this city known for its robust food and restaurant scene. *B,L* 

Day 7: Medellin/ Cartagena This morning fly to the Caribbean port city of Cartagena, an important center of political and economic activity during the Spanish Colonial era and today a commercial center for the Caribbean, as well as a major city and beach resort. After lunch, explore Cartagena's Historic Center, featuring the UNESCO-designated 16<sup>th</sup>-century San Felipe Fort. Strategically located atop



Medellin's Metrocable.

#### **Post-Tour Extension**

March 12-14, 2026

#### Cartagena – On Your Own

2 days/2 nights from \$495 total price Single Supplement: \$345

> Discover more of this alluring Caribbean city at your own pace.

#### **Your Tour Price Includes**

- 2 nights' accommodations at Hotel Casa Don Luis (Superior First Class)
- 2 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport

San Lazaro hill to defend against attacks by land or sea, in 1741, San Felipe, considered the most impressive of Spain's New World fortifications, successfully repelled British Admiral Vernon's force of 23,000 men and nearly 200 ships. Visit the 16<sup>th</sup>-century San Pedro Claver Church, now a museum featuring pre-Columbian, Afro-Caribbean, and religious art. Check in at your colonial-style hotel located within the walls of the Old City before enjoying dinner together tonight. *B,L,D* 

**Day 8: Cartagena/Rosario Islands** Board a boat today bound for the nearby Rosario Islands, an archipelago comprising 27 coral islands with pristine white-sand beaches ringed by turquoise Caribbean waters. Part of Colombia's protected national park system, the islands feature prized coral reefs with an abundance of sea fauna and flora. Upon arrival, set out on a guided walk and canoe tour, followed by lunch together. This afternoon, take time to enjoy this small patch of paradise at your own pace: swim, snorkel, or simply relax on the beach. Dinner is on on our own tonight back in Cartagena, a city known for its fresh seafood, traditional Colombian dishes, and inspired fusion cuisine. *B,L* 



Scarlet Macaw

#### **Your Tour Price Includes**

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities; all flights within itinerary
- 9 nights' accommodations in Superior First Class hotels
- 20 meals: 9 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 5 dinners
- House wine with dinners
- Coffee and Tea with breakfasts and lunches
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, all drivers, and Tour Director



Fruit seller in Cartagena

**Day 9: Cartagena** This morning see local life up close in the vibrant, artsy neighborhood of Getsemani, where friendly residents, street performers, vendors, artists, students, and travelers all meet in an upbeat convergence. The afternoon is free for lunch on your own and independent exploration. Tonight, celebrate your Colombian adventure with a rum-and chocolate-tasting experience, followed by a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers. *B*,*D* 

**Day 10: Depart for U.S.** Transfer to the Cartagena airport for flights to the U.S. and connect with return flights home. *B* 

#### Tour Departs: March 3, 2026

Prices include int'l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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Atlanta, New York, Orlando, Tampa	\$7,197
Baltimore, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles	\$7,297
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