



CARTAGENA CONCIERGE

It's a Lifestyle

Experience Collection

Intro

*Welcome, and thank you for taking the time to explore our Experience Collection.
For more than 20 years, we have been living and working in Cartagena, building
strong relationships with local communities and trusted partners.
This collection brings together a selection of carefully curated experiences designed to
help you discover the city in a more authentic, practical and connected way through its
culture, people and everyday life.*

Menu:

- The Walled City • Cartagena City Sightseeing • Real Estate & Lifestyle • Charter to Rosario Islands & Barú
- La Boquilla • Palenque • Bazurto • Bites of Cartagena • Cooking Class • Coffee Tasting • Golf Escape
- Scuba Diving • Mountain Bike • ATV In Tierra Bomba • Horseback Riding • Birdwatching • Sunset Sailing

The Soul of Cartagena

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Description:

The essence of Cartagena lives within its Walled City, the cultural, historical, economic and social heart of the destination.

Exploring it on foot is the most meaningful way to understand it. Over the course of approximately three hours, guests walk through a network of streets that reveal the layers of the city, from its colonial past to its vibrant present.

Along the way, we visit key and often unexpected landmarks such as the Naval Museum of the Caribbean, the lively neighbourhood of Getsemaní, the restored Serrezuela Circo Teatro, historic plazas, churches and sections of the city walls, each offering not only visual beauty but context and meaning.

Every stop invites interaction with local life, through conversation, shared moments and stories that reflect the city's living culture. Guests are welcomed not just to observe tradition, but to experience it alongside those who shape it daily.

Though centuries old, Cartagena feels unmistakably alive, its energy expressed through music, architecture, gastronomy and the rhythms of everyday life.

For many, this becomes the most meaningful first introduction to the city.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- A passionate local expert
- Authentic Local Encounters
- Soft drinks & snacks
- Access to the Navy Museum

Book Here:



Cartagena City Sightseeing

A Tailored Journey Through History & Culture



Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 180 per person



Description:

Designed to reveal the city's most emblematic landmarks while providing historical depth and cultural context.

Over approximately four hours, this journey takes you through the essential sites that explain how Cartagena was built, defended and transformed into the Caribbean city it is today.

At the iconic Castillo de San Felipe de Barajas, the largest Spanish military fortification in the Americas, you'll discover the strategic defence systems of the colonial era, including attack techniques and artillery operations that protected the city from pirate invasions.

From there, we ascend to Cerro de la Popa, the highest point in Cartagena, offering a 360° panoramic perspective of the city. Once used as a strategic coordination site, it is today home to a revered chapel dedicated to the Virgin of La Candelaria, where locals gather annually for pilgrimage, blending history with living tradition.

The experience then transitions into the Historic Centre for a guided walk through its streets, where Cartagena's story continues to unfold through architecture, plazas and daily life, the vibrant heart of the city that visitors are drawn to explore.

Throughout the journey, guests enjoy local beverages and traditional snacks while the guide enriches the experience through interaction with the community, creating authentic moments of connection along the way.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
 - Expert Local Guide
 - Access to Iconic Landmarks
 - Walking Tour of the Walled City
 - Traditional Local Snacks & soft drinks
- San Felipe Fort & La Popa

Book Here:



An aerial photograph of the Cartagena skyline, showing a dense cluster of modern high-rise buildings along the coast. The city is built on a hillside, with the ocean visible in the background under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. A faint, stylized graphic of overlapping circles is centered over the city.

Real Estate & Lifestyle

Cartagena Property & Investment Insights

Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 200 per person



Description:

This experience offers a structured introduction to Cartagena as an emerging destination for lifestyle-driven real estate investment. It's an opportunity to understand why a growing number of individuals are choosing Cartagena not only as a place to visit, but as a place to live, invest and build long-term presence.

Through curated visits to selected residential and investment-grade properties in areas such as the Walled City, Bocagrande, Getsemaní, El Cabrero and evolving growth districts, guests gain insight into how the city's real estate landscape reflects its broader transformation.

Along the way, we provide context on lifestyle appeal, rental dynamics, neighbourhood evolution, and the factors driving relocation, from the balance of coastal living and urban safety to a vibrant calendar of cultural, gastronomic, and social events that animate the city year-round.

For many, it becomes the first step in understanding Cartagena as a place to belong.

Pre-Screening Option:

Optional Virtual Pre-Screening Call (30 minutes)

Prior to the in-person tour, we offer a virtual consultation to understand your investment goals, budget range, preferred property type and return expectations.

This allows us to pre-select relevant properties and structure a more efficient and targeted on-site experience.

What's Included:

- Curated property selection based on your criteria
- Private transportation between properties
- Bilingual real estate advisor

- Market overview and rental performance context
- General guidance on the purchase process in Colombia
- Local beverage & snacks

Book Here:



Charter to Rosario Islands & Barú

The Ultimate Caribbean Escape



Duration:
7 - 8 Hours

Price:
From US 980 per group up to 6



Description:

Some of the most beautiful beaches of the Caribbean lie just beyond Cartagena, in the white sands and crystal-clear waters of Barú and the Rosario Islands. Reaching them is part of the experience. A scenic one-hour navigation begins across Cartagena's bay, passing the historic fortifications of Bocachica before opening into the Caribbean Sea, where the coastline gives way to secluded beaches, coral ecosystems and island communities.

As you cruise through the archipelago, enjoy a panoramic perspective of Cartagena's coastal dimension, from waterfront residences and private islands to the iconic ruins of Pablo Escobar's former Caribbean retreat. You may engage with the marine environment through snorkelling or swimming, while also connecting with local island life through traditional coastal gastronomy and regional craftsmanship inspired by marine elements such as fish scales, coral and pearls.

The journey then leads toward the vibrant waters of Cholón, where overwater gatherings bring the Caribbean spirit to life. For those drawn to a more secluded rhythm, the experience may shift to one of the area's hidden beaches. Lunch is enjoyed in Barú at a selected seaside setting tailored to your preferences and travel profile.

We make our way back to Cartagena just as the sun begins to set. Watching the skyline appear from the water, bathed in warm Caribbean light, is a beautiful way to close the experience, a final moment that gently brings you back from island time to the rhythm of the city.

Vessel:

30-ft Private Speedboat Capacity Maximum 6 Passengers

* Larger vessels such as yachts and catamarans available upon request.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Private 30-ft speedboat
- Captain and deckhand
- Snorkel masks
- Cooler with ice, Bottled water, local beers & sodas
- Snacks: Chips & Fruits

Book Here:



La Boquilla

Rhythms, Roots & Mangroves



Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 140 per person



Description:

Experience the authentic spirit of La Boquilla, a historic Afro-Caribbean fishing village just outside Cartagena, through a fully cultural and ecological immersion.

Your experience begins with a traditional musical welcome featuring native instruments and a brief performance of regional dances, setting the tone for a meaningful community encounter.

Continue with a guided canoe ride through the mangrove ecosystem alongside local fishermen who share knowledge about biodiversity, traditional fishing practices and environmental preservation. Learn how the community maintains a deep connection to the sea and its natural resources.

The experience concludes with a traditional seafood lunch prepared from the day's fresh catch, followed by a presentation of handcrafted artisanal pieces made from fish scales, coral elements and regional pearls — reflecting local creativity and sustainable craftsmanship.

This is a community-based tourism experience that combines culture, gastronomy and nature in an authentic and respectful way.

What's Included:

- Round-trip transportation from selected areas
- Local guide & Concierge
- Traditional musical welcome & dance presentation
- Canoe ride through the mangroves

- Local fisherman guide
- Traditional seafood lunch (fresh catch of the day)
- Artisanal craft showcase
- Bottled water

Book Here:



Palenque

Roots of Freedom & Ancestral Flavours



Duration:
6 - 7 Hours

Price:
From US 180 per person



Description:

Visit San Basilio de Palenque, recognized by UNESCO as Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity and known as the first free town in the Americas.

Your experience begins with a traditional welcome featuring live music and dance performed with native instruments, accompanied by a tasting of ñeque, the region's artisanal sugarcane liquor. This introduction sets the tone for understanding Palenque's vibrant cultural identity.

During a guided walk through the village, learn the powerful history of how this community was founded by formerly enslaved Africans who fought for their freedom and established a self-governed territory. Today, Palenque preserves its own language (Palenquero), social structure and ancestral traditions, recognized as a Special Cultural Territory of Colombia.

Throughout the visit, you will engage directly with local families, entering their homes to learn about daily life, culinary traditions and generational knowledge. Visit traditional kitchens to discover ancestral recipes, meet the town's healer who works with medicinal herbs and natural remedies, and stop at the local boxing gym, home to the legacy of world champion Kid Pambelé, where you may observe or participate in a light training session.

The experience concludes with a traditional lunch showcasing the flavours that have earned Palenque international culinary recognition.

This is an immersive cultural exchange rooted in history, resilience and living heritage.

What's Included:

- Round-trip private transportation
- Local guide & concierge
- Traditional musical welcome & dance presentation
- Tasting of artisan ñeque liquor
- Guided village walking tour
- Visit to traditional healer
- Visit to local boxing gym (Kid Pambelé legacy)
- Traditional Palenque lunch
- Bottled Water

Book Here:



Bazurto

The Heartbeat of Cartagena

Duration:
3 - 4 Hours

Price:
From US 150 per person



Description:

Step into the most authentic and vibrant commercial epicentre of Cartagena: Mercado de Bazurto.

This immersive experience takes you beyond the tourist zones and into the dynamic marketplace that supplies the entire city and surrounding towns. Here, you will understand how this informal yet highly organised ecosystem operates as the true economic engine of Cartagena.

Walk through bustling corridors filled with fresh seafood, meats, spices, medicinal herbs and tropical produce. Your guide will explain the social dynamics, supply chains and cultural significance of this market within the daily life of locals.

Taste everything that catches your curiosity. From exotic tropical fruits you've likely never seen before, to freshly prepared street food and traditional coastal recipes, this is a full sensory exploration. Discover flavours such as corozo, guanábana, zapote, níspero, and other regional specialities.

More than food, Bazurto reveals the idiosyncrasy of the Cartagenero – expressive, resilient, entrepreneurial and deeply rooted in culinary tradition. Through its kitchens and vendors, you will understand how culture, history and flavour merge in everyday life.

This is Cartagena in its raw, authentic and flavorful form.

(Wear light, breathable clothing and comfortable closed-toe shoes, and bring only your essentials so you can enjoy the experience comfortably.)

What's Included:

- Cultural guide
- Guided market exploration
- Multiple fruit tastings
- Street food tastings
- Bottled water
- Round-trip transportation

Book Here:



Bites of Cartagena

Authentic Flavours, vibrant streets.



Duration:
3 - 4 Hours

Price:
From US 140 per person



Description:

Discover Cartagena through its most authentic recipes as you explore the vibrant streets of the Historic Center.

This experience blends gastronomy, culture and fun in a guided walking tour designed to showcase the true flavours locals grew up with. As we move through plazas, colourful streets and hidden corners, you'll taste the recipes that define Cartagena's culinary identity.

We begin with traditional Cartagena-style ceviche made with fresh local seafood, prepared using coastal techniques and bold Caribbean flavours.

Along the way, you'll sample typical coastal fritos, such as arepa de huevo and carimañola, a variety of tropical fruits native to the region, local drinks & traditional sweets and desserts made daily by Palenque grandmothers, preserving ancestral Afro-Caribbean recipes

Beyond the tastings, your guide will share stories about the city's Afro-Caribbean roots, colonial influences and the cultural significance behind each dish.

This is a lively, flavorful and immersive culinary walk through the heart of Cartagena, perfect for travellers who want to eat like a local while learning about the city's history.



What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Local guide
- Traditional Cartagena-style ceviche
- Typical fried coastal snacks
- Tropical fruit tasting
- Traditional sweet
- Cultural storytelling
- Bottled water

Book Here:



Cooking Class

A Fun, Local & Hands On Culinary Experience



Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 150 per person



Description:

Step inside a real Cartagena family home for an intimate, story-driven culinary experience hosted personally by Cindy.

This is not a commercial kitchen or a restaurant setting. It is a warm, local household where cooking becomes a bridge to understand Cartagena's culture, economy, traditions and daily life.

As we cook together, we share stories about family, about growing up in Cartagena, about tourism, real estate, community development and how the city has evolved over generations. This experience reflects sustainable and community-based tourism values, connecting gastronomy with identity and local entrepreneurship. The menu reflects recipes passed down from my mother, father and grandparents, flavours that define the Caribbean coast of Colombia.

We begin by preparing traditional carimañolas, crispy yuca (cassava) fritters stuffed and fried to perfection, alongside patacones topped with homemade hogao. For the main course, we cook a full traditional coastal spread: fragrant coconut rice, freshly prepared fried local fish, the iconic Posta Negra Cartagenera, slow-cooked beef in a rich caramelised sauce and a refreshing avocado salad to balance the flavours. And to finish, we prepare and enjoy enyucado, a beloved cassava-based dessert, served warm with vanilla ice cream.

Throughout the experience, everything is paired with Costeñita local beers, traditional agua de panela, and bottled water. This experience is ideal for travellers seeking genuine connection, cultural immersion and authentic Colombian home cooking.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Full traditional multi-course meal
- Local beverages (Costeñita & agua de panela)

- Private in-home cooking experience
- All ingredients and preparation

Book Here:



Coffee Tasting

World Renowned



Duration:
2 Hours

Price:
From US 90 per person



Description:

In the midst of Cartagena's vibrant rhythm, this experience offers a more relaxed moment to savour flavours, aromas, traditions, and knowledge in a special setting within the Historic Centre.

Led by expert baristas skilled not only in coffee but also in service, culture and storytelling, this interactive session invites you to explore Colombian coffee in an engaging way. As part of the experience, we also enjoy traditional coffee pairings through a curated tasting of typical Colombian snacks commonly shared alongside a cup of coffee.

Colombia is globally recognised for its coffee, yet many travellers never truly learn how it is meant to be prepared or appreciated. This experience bridges that gap.

Through hands-on participation, you'll discover how coffee is enjoyed across the country while learning how to prepare a cup that preserves the bean's natural properties.

Set in a welcoming and culturally rich environment in the Historic Centre, this is where coffee becomes a shared cultural moment, not just a drink.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Professional barista & concierge
- Brewing techniques demonstration
- A bag of carefully selected local Colombian coffee

Book Here:

- Snacks & water
- Guided sensory tasting



Golf Escape

Tee Off in the Caribbean



Duration:
4 - 5 Hours

Price:
From US 400 per person



Description:

Designed for golfers who want to make the most of their time in Cartagena, this experience offers the opportunity to enjoy the game in a unique Caribbean setting just minutes from the Historic Center.

A short drive (20 to 30 minutes) takes you to Karibana Golf Club, one of Colombia's most renowned golf courses, located along the shores of the Caribbean Sea.

Here, ocean views meet a dynamic playing environment shaped by sea breezes and tropical conditions, adding a natural level of challenge that makes each round engaging and memorable.

Your concierge will pick you up directly from your hotel and accompany you throughout the experience, ensuring a seamless transition from the city to this relaxed coastal setting, while also offering the chance for conversation and local insights along the way.

This is an easy and refreshing escape from the city's rhythm without going far, combining sport, scenery and connection in one enjoyable outing.

What's Included:

- Private round coordination
- Green fee
- Golf cart
- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Concierge
- Bottled water

Book Here:



Scuba Diving

Coral Reefs and Hidden Marine Treasures



Duration:
7 - 8 Hours

Price:
From US 250 per person



Description:

This scuba diving experience is designed for both first-time divers eager to learn and certified divers who want to explore Cartagena's Caribbean marine ecosystem.

The surrounding waters of the Rosario Islands and Barú offer ideal diving conditions, combining warm tropical temperatures with protected coral environments that support diverse marine life.

Accompanied at all times by attentive and certified instructors, participants are guided step by step to ensure both safety and enjoyment throughout the experience.

This is a shared experience, allowing interaction with fellow divers both local and international, creating a relaxed and social atmosphere beneath and above the water.

During the day, you will complete two dives in different reef locations with the opportunities to observe coral formations and marine life as well as some time to relax and enjoy the beach between sessions.



What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Boat transportation
- Full diving equipment
- Certified dive instructor
- Two guided dive
- Soft drinks, Snacks & Lunch
- Beach relaxation time

Book Here:



Mountain Biking

Off the Beaten Path in Tierra Bomba



Duration:
6 Hours

Price:
From US 340 per person



Description:

Designed for those seeking adventure, movement and discovery, this mountain biking experience takes you beyond the city into the authentic island landscapes of Tierra Bomba, just 15 minutes from Cartagena. This journey blends sport, history, culture and nature into one dynamic island experience.

We begin in the Historic Center, where we collect our bikes before heading to Bocagrande to board a boat to Tierra Bomba. From one of the island's highest points, you'll take in panoramic views of Cartagena as a brief cultural introduction sets the stage for the journey ahead.

The ride combines adrenaline and exploration as we navigate rustic trails, natural vegetation, varying elevations and secluded beaches. Along the way, we pass through local island communities, offering a glimpse into everyday life beyond the mainland.

After approximately two hours of riding, we reach Fuerte de San Ángel, where a local guide welcomes us with fresh coconut water and shares stories about this place and Cartagena's early history.

We continue toward Bocachica to visit the impressive Fuerte de San Fernando, a key landmark in the city's colonial defense system and a setting tied to pirate lore and maritime conquest.

Following time to explore, learn and capture the scenery, the experience concludes with a seaside lunch prepared by local chefs specializing in balanced, nourishing cuisine, a moment to relax before returning by boat to Cartagena.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Mountain bike & helmet
- Boat transportation to and from Tierra Bomba

- Bottled water, Fresh coconut water & Seaside lunch
- Concierge & local guide

Book Here:



ATV In Tierra Bomba

Mud, Trails, Beaches & Local Life



Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 260 per person



Description:

What could be more exciting than riding an ATV on an island just across the bay from Cartagena?

This experience spans approximately four hours from hotel pick-up to return. The journey begins at La Bodeguita Pier in the Historic Center, where we board a boat for a short ride to Tierra Bomba Island.

Upon arrival, guests are welcomed with a refreshing drink and a safety briefing before taking control of their ATV. Guided by experienced local experts, who provide both cultural insight and technical support throughout the ride. The adventure begins!

The route takes us through local communities and along off-road trails filled with mud tracks, water puddles and stretches of tropical vegetation. The terrain offers both excitement and immersion, leading us to the beaches of Tierra Bomba and Punta Arena, where guests can enjoy panoramic views of Cartagena and take a refreshing swim in the Caribbean Sea.

After time to relax by the water, we return along similar scenic paths to the starting point before boarding the boat back to the city.

A dynamic experience blending history, culture, nature, beaches and adrenaline, all on the island closest to Cartagena, just 15 minutes away.

What's Included:

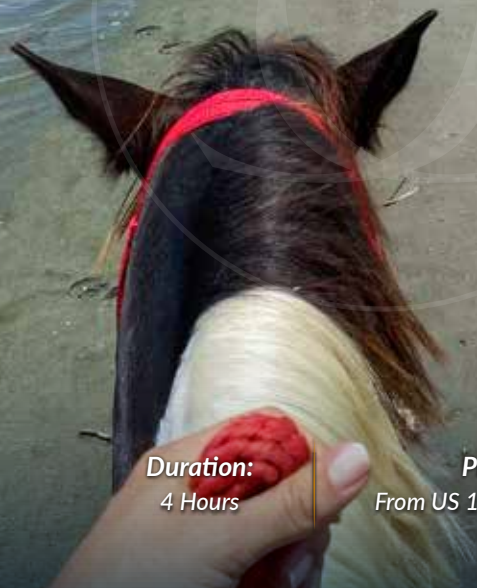
- Hotel pick up and drop off
- Boat transportation to and from Tierra Bomba
- Honda 420 ATV & insurance
- Bottled water, soft drinks and snacks.
- Concierge & local guide

Book Here:



Horseback Riding

Along the Shores of La Boquilla



Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 120 per person





Description:

A serene connection with nature, local life, and one of the most intuitive animals; horses! set within the authentic fishing community of La Boquilla.

Upon arrival, your local guide welcomes you on the beach alongside the horses, introducing each one by name to create a personal connection before the ride begins. After a brief orientation on how to guide and communicate with your horse, you'll set off along the shoreline.



The beach ride lasts approximately one hour and unfolds at your own rhythm, whether you prefer a peaceful walk by the sea or a more spirited gallop depending on your comfort level and riding skills. For those seeking a bit more adventure, and depending on time and conditions, the experience may also include a brief ride through inland trails leading to a scenic viewpoint overlooking the sea and Cartagena's skyline.

Designed for adventurers and nature lovers alike, this experience blends relaxation with exploration in a truly local setting.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Well-trained trote horses suited to your riding level
- The actual ride is for 2 hours

- Bottled water, soft drinks and snacks.
- Concierge & local guide

Book Here:



Note: *Travel time is included in your schedule

Birdwatching

A Sustainable Sanctuary for Nature Lovers



Duration:
4 Hours

Price:
From US 350 per person



Description:

This experience invites you into a deep connection with nature at a private bird sanctuary located in Turbaco, just 45 minutes from Cartagena and home to over 220 bird species, including endemic varieties such as *Forpus spengeli* and *Ortalis garrula*.

To witness birds during their most active and expressive moment, the experience begins early at 5:00 AM with pickup from your hotel. Upon arrival, you'll be welcomed with freshly brewed coffee or natural juice before starting a guided walk through dry forest paths, lagoons and native ecosystems.

As the day begins, observe birds interacting in their natural habitat — singing, feeding, and displaying their unique behaviors — while also encountering other species that inhabit these landscapes.

After approximately 1.5 hours of exploration, return to the sanctuary's main bohío to enjoy a traditional breakfast followed by a brief cultural and ecological talk. The experience concludes with a relaxed return to Cartagena, accompanied by your concierge who continues enriching the journey with local insights.

What's Included:

- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Expert-Guided Birding Experience.
- Binoculars & Field Guides
- Traditional breakfast
- Local juices
- Private Transportation

Book Here:



Sunset Sailing

Golden Hour Getaway

Duration:
3 Hours

Price:
From US 900 per group up to 6



Description:

Sailing at sunset in the bay of Cartagena is an invitation to fully appreciate the ever-changing beauty of the Caribbean as the sun descends into the horizon, transforming the sky into a living canvas; from rich ochre tones to deep shades of purple.

Each evening offers a different spectacle, shaped by season, light and atmosphere, yet always framed by the meeting of sea, sky and city.

Aboard a spacious and elegant classic sailing vessel, your captain will guide you through the bay between Bocagrande and Tierra Bomba, where Cartagena's skyline and the setting sun align in one of the most memorable visual experiences the city offers.

To elevate the moment, enjoy a curated pairing of sparkling wine, a cheese board and traditional snacks, all accompanied by the music of your choice.



What's Included:

- A spectacular Sun-set
- Hotel pick up & drop off
- Classic 32ft sailing vessel
- Captain
- Sparkling wine and soft drinks
- Cheese board and local snacks
- Concierge crew

Book Here:



CARTAGENA POCKET MAP

The best way to explore Cartagena

Our exclusive pocket map has been thoughtfully designed to accompany our clients on an exceptional journey through Cartagena. Within its pages, the Walled City unfolds with its charming streets, elegant plazas, historic landmarks, and centuries-old churches. On the reverse side, a refined nautical map reveals Cartagena and its surrounding islands, offering a broader perspective of this captivating destination. More than a guide, it is an invitation to discover the city with sophistication and ease.



More to do

For those seeking further exploration, we offer access to a wide range of complementary experiences in Cartagena:

- Kitesurf • Surf • Flyboard • Paragliding • Fishing • Dancing Lessons • Shopping Concierge
- Rum Tasting • Fruit Tasting • Tobacco Tasting • Aesthetic & Beauty Treatments • Doctor In-House

Beyond Cartagena

For travelers wishing to extend their journey, our collection Beyond Cartagena will feature immersive multi-day experiences (2 nights or more) across Colombia, including:

- Mompós • Barranquilla • Santa Marta, Tayrona Park & Minca • The Lost City
- La Guajira (Cabo de la Vela & Punta Gallinas) • Montería • San Bernardo Islands • Medellín
- Bogotá • Coffee Region • Los Llanos • Safari in Casanare • Amazonas • Valledupar
- Tierra Adentro • San Agustín

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