

COLOMBIA - COLONIAL CARTAGENA



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Daily

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4 Days

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INTRODUCTION

A fantastic taster of Colombia's colonial and historic city of Cartagena de Indias. Just walking through the city's narrow yet remarkable streets, there is enough evidence to understand why Cartagena is included in UNESCO's World Heritage Sites.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Cartagena

On arrival in Cartagena, transfer to you hotel
(private car, bilingual guide)



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DAY 1: Arrival in Cartagena

The beautiful city of Cartagena lies within massive fortifications on Colombia’s northern coast. The walled city and fortress were designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1984. The old town is a maze of cobbled streets, plazas, churches and bougainvillea-covered balconies. Its rich architecture includes Spanish colonial buildings, the Palace of the Inquisition, the Clock Tower and the Castle of San Felipe de Barajas.



DAY 2: Cartagena - Walking tour

Half day visit to the city’s colonial district, starting in Parque Bolívar, which is surrounded by large trees and four fountains with a statue of El Libertador in the center. Around the square, the Museo del Oro, which exhibits pre Hispanic objects, and the Palace of the Inquisition, recognizable from its baroque entrance door. The meetings of the tribunal took place in the palace, and it housed the prison and torture chambers for the alleged opponents of the Catholic Church. The visit continues to the Santo Domingo church and the cathedral.



DAY 3: Cartagena


Free day for individual activities.



DAY 4: Cartagena

Transfer to the airport for your flight out of Cartagena.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Standard
Inclusions	<p>Accommodation with breakfast everyday, Private transfers & excursions with bilingual speaking guide, Entrances to museums detailed on the quotation.</p> <p>Not Included: Internal Flights, Airport Taxes, Extra expenses not indicated in description, Tips.</p>
Difficulty Rating	1 (easy)
Single Surcharge	FROM US\$235 - Subject to season and availability, contact us for more details.
Notes	Contact us for more details.
Price Dependent upon	Season and Availability

SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you’re visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu’s “Pass it on” programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures’ offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure’s internal

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processes are also structures to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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