CARTAGENA FOR TRAVELERS EXCLUSIVE MOMENTS



CARTAGENA DEINDIAS

From its foundation in 1533 in the sixteenth century and throughout the Spanish colonial era, Cartagena de Indias was one of the most important ports in America. From this period comes most of its artistic and cultural heritage. On November 11, 1811, Cartagena declared independence from Spain. This day is a national holiday in Colombia and the city, it is celebrated for four days known as the "Fiestas de Independencia".

Cartagena has been a city mainly associated with pirate history, because it was there that there were numerous attacks by pirates from Europe, who found in the city a suitable place to plunder during the time of Spanish administration, which made it at the time, become the most fortified city in South America and the Caribbean, becoming almost as reinforced as the Gulf of Mexico itself in its time. At present his viceregal architecture is maintained.

Over time, Cartagena has developed its urban area, conserving the historic center and becoming one of the most important ports in Colombia, the Caribbean, and the world, as well as a famous tourist destination. Currently, the total population of its head is 971,700 inhabitants, being the fifth most populated municipality in the country. Its historic center, the "Walled City", was declared National Heritage of Colombia in 1959 and by Unesco World Heritage Site in 1984. In 2007 its military architecture was awarded as the fourth wonder of Colombia.



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- P R I V A T E - CITY TOUR

Panoramic tour around the city, in which you will know why Cartagena was the economic epicenter of the Spaniards in South America, that turned it the target of pirates and corsairs in the Caribbean that in turn caused the most heroic and fearsome naval battles of the continent, and therefore this city was walled and fortified with the largest defense system in the Caribbean.



You will visit the Convent of "LA POPA" founded and built from 1606-1611, which is located on a mountain at 140mts altitude and where the patron virgin of the city (Virgen de la Candelaria) is located, and then reach the largest fortification of the Caribbean The Fortress of San Felipe de Barajas, which witnessed and executioner in the most epic naval battle of the Caribbean in 1741 against Admiral Vernon, and finally will make a journey of approximately two hours walking in the old city visiting its squares, churches, and monuments being part of this magnificent city of the Colombian Caribbean.





PRIVATE CITY TOUR: Knowing the walled city, its fortifications, squares, churches, and walking through its streets, is a delight for those who enjoy history, culture, architecture, or simply for those who want to have a little more information and tour the city. It can be interesting for children and families to hear the stories of the naval battles against corsairs and pirates that arrived in the city.

(This tour is customizable to your liking)

Includes: Specialized guide service in english/spanish, tickets to the convent "de la popa" and the Fort of San Felipe de Barajas, transportat hotel/tour/hotel exclusively for you, a bottle of water for each person.

Does not include: Lunch, Additional services not described before **Duration:** 4 Hours (this tour also can be: Cycling tour or walking tour).





The Rosario Islands are a group of 28 islands that form an archipelago that belongs to the Corales del Rosario and San Bernardo National Natural Park, which is an area protected by the Colombian national government. This protected area comprises an extensive marine area off the coasts of the states of Sucre and Bolívar, with an approximate area of 120,000 hectares in total only in the jurisdiction of Cartagena.



There are many ways to get to the Rosario islands, we recommend the best options:

1- Private Boat/Yacht Tour in which you will have full control of the tour, from the time of departure and return, the places you want to visit and what time to spend in each of them. You will have at your disposal the crew of the boat and a professional bilingual guide who will assist you during the trip to guide you and recommend the places to visit. (see detail below).

2- Group tour to a private island, this tour begins at 8:00 am from the pier (changes depending on the island) where you will take a boat that will take you to enjoy a day of rest/fun on a Caribbean island just for you and a select group. Includes typical lunch, welcome cocktail, and use of island facilities. (See detail on next page).





PRIVATE BOAT/YACHT TOUR. This option is for those who like to manage their own time, the places they want to visit, and the time they want to spend in each place. If you want to spend time alone with your family and friends and to enjoy a beach day with style and luxury.

(This tour is customizable to your liking)

Includes: Private Motor Boat/Yacht, with high quality sound, boat crew (captain and assistant), specialized bilingual guide english/spanish, Drinks on board the boat (water, beer, and soft drinks) (4 of each drink per person), Transportation Hotel/dock/Hotel exclusively for you, and **only for Yachts includes bottles of wine. Does not include:** Drinks on the islands, Additional services not described before. **Duration:** 7-8 Hours



GROUP TOUR TO A PRIVATE ISLAND	ΟΡΤΙΟΝ
Isla Islabela	Basic Option
Isla del Pirata	Basic Option
Isla Gente de Mar Diamond Plan**	VIP Option
Isla Gente de Mar Emerald Plan**	Basic Option
Sport Baru Emerald Plan**	Basic Option
Sport Baru Deluxe Plan** (Lobster)	VIP Option
Bora Bora (Beach Club)	Basic Option
Bona Vida Catamaran (unlimited non-alcoholic drink)	VIP Option
Baru Playa Eco Beach Resort	Basic Option
Isla Coralina ** (only old city)	VIP Option
Agua Azul** (Luxury Resort)	Luxury Option

All tours to the islands include:

1) Typical lunch (fried fish, accompanied with coconut rice, salad, and patacones) with a non-alcoholic drink. 2)Welcome cocktail and the use of the facilities of private beaches or islands. 3)Prices are estimated since the islands have not yet given their post COVID prices No tour includes: Pier departure taxes, valued at COP 18,500 or approximately USD 6.

*Includes stopping at the oceanarium (does not include tickets).



**Includes pick-up at hotels within the tourist area (Bocagrande-Castillo Grande-Crespo-Morros).





PRIVATE TOUR mud volcano

Ecological tour to visit the Totumo, which is a mud volcano where people usually go to take a mud bath while they do a relaxing massage and enjoy the healing powers of this natural mud, which has an approximate depth of about 200mts but due to the density of the mud it is impossible to sink in (similar to the Dead Sea).







PRIVATE TOUR TO THE MUD VOLCANO: This ecological experience offers its visitors the opportunity to immerse themselves in mud and receive massage just as if they were a natural SPA. This experience is carried out in a "volcano" 14 meters high and where you can never touch the bottom of the volcano due to the high density of the mud. A tour designed for those seeking new experiences and for families with children who will obviously enjoy getting muddy.

(This tour is customizable to your liking)

Includes: Specialized bilingual English/Spanish guide service, Tickets for the Mud Volcano, Transportation Hotel/Tour/Hotel exclusively for you, a bottle of water for each person. **Does not include:** Additional services not described before. **Duration:** 4 - 5 hours.



Mangrove

You will visit the municipality of "La Boquilla", is a municipality of fishermen; Where the people go out to sea early in the morning before the sun rises to their fishing to bring sustenance to their family, where the local Cartagenero usually goes to rest on weekends, to eat their Typical favorite food: Fried mojarra with and avocado coconut rice salad. In that pictures place a mangrove forest opens its way, where we will find 3 different types of mangroves (Red, Gray and Black) which are intertwined to each other to form a natural barrier to prevent erosion of the waves and at the same time it creates a natural refuge where animals (fish and birds) come to put their young so that they can grow protected and away from the great hunters.



This is a natural environment where you can watch birds and try your luck with the nets and try to catch something in the style of the natives of these lands who for years have perfected the art of fishing with nets. In addition, you will be able to enter into the tunnels that through the centuries have formed naturally from mangroves that intertwine their branches creating a natural bridge that allows animals to cross from one island to the other.

This tour is done in canoes made by hand by the natives, and they are in charge of cleaning and maintaining the mangroves. They have inherited from their ancestors the protection of this sanctuary, which serves as a natural shelter where fish enter to lay their eggs and they grow healthy and away from predators until they are adults to go out to sea, also for migratory birds that are calculated that 20 species of birds such as the osprey, the seagulls and pisingos among others come to Cartagena annually.





PRIVATE TOUR TO THE MANGROVES: Los manglares de Cartagena mas que una experiencia de ecoturismo de avistamiento de aves y aprendizaje del ecosistema, es también una experiencia cultural al poder compartir con la comunidad que durante siglos han resguardado este santuario, recibiendo clases de pesca artesanal con redes. (This tour is customizable to your liking)

Includes: Specialized bilingual English/Spanish guide service, Transportation Hotel/Tour/Hotel exclusively for you, a bottle of water for each person, Canoe trip through the mangrove swamp, fishing training, cold coconut water.

Does not include: Lunch, or additional services not described in the tour **Duration:** 3-4 Hours.



$PALENQUE_{T O U R}UE$

Visit the first free town of America; Village founded by African slaves who escaped from their owners and who in 1713 received independence and / or freedom from the Spanish crown.

This population was declared an oral and intangible heritage of humanity by UNESCO in 2005, thanks to the fact that they still preserve their African roots, such as their Palenquera language, their religious rites, their traditional and music, medicine and dance. On the guided tour you will visit the houses of the most representative people of the town and you will appreciate dance and typical Palenquera music, also you will have the honor to have lunch and enjoy the delicious traditional food of PALENQUE.



Located 60km away is San Basilio de Palenque, where you can interact and be part of the culture, playing and dancing to music from Palenquera, also enjoying its gastronomy and evoking the deeds of **the best athlete in the history of Colombia Antonino Cervantes "Kid Pambele."**





PRIVATE TOUR TO PALENQUE: This cultural adventure will allow you to see, hear and taste African culture in America. This community has preserved its roots for more than four centuries, during which time this community has been the cradle of the best athletes in the history of our country. An experience like this is reserved for those who enjoy African culture, its history, music, and gastronomy.

(This tour is customizable to your liking).

Includes: Specialized bilingual English/Spanish guide service, Transportation Hotel/Tour/Hotel exclusively for you, a bottle with water for each person, Local guide in Palenque, Dance and music show.

Does not include: Additional services not described before. **Duration:** 4-6 Hours.



THE REAL CARTAGENA TOUR

Outside the Cartagena's walls we'll introduce a different world; a world where you'll smell the Caribbean environment and the real culture of the people from Cartagena (Los Cartageneros); first of all, you'll visit Getsemany, the closest neighborhood outside the walls which is a place where the poorest people used to live in the middle age (Black people, workers, and sailors), you'll walk through the colorful streets and houses while you appreciate the Caribbean culture of the native people of Getsemany (Getsemanicense).



Then you'll go to the Public Market of Cartagena that looks more like an Indian Market because of the chaos, food, species and rare things you'll discover here; so you will smell, touch, and if you are brave you could trie some exotic food (only made in Cartagena) and trie also tropical fruits, while you're mixing with the local people buying and haggling.

Then, we will do a panoramic tour in which we will go to some neighborhoods of the city to see the realities of our city.

Therefore, we invite you to immerse yourself in the reality of our city, touching and trying our culture.





PRIVATE TOUR THE REAL CARTAGENA: The Bazurto tour is a unique opportunity to see in its pure state the culture of the people of Cartagena. Here you can see and taste what they eat, the music they listen to, their social environment, and if you go through you can buy something or ask for a discount. This tour is special for those who like to immerse themselves in the culture of the communities they visit and see life from another point of view.

(This tour is customizable to your liking).

Includes: Specialized bilingual English / Spanish guide service, Transportation Hotel / Tour / Hotel exclusively for you, a bottle of water for each person, purchase of fruits, and food tasting at a local restaurant.

Does not include: Lunch, additional services not described before. **Duration:** 3-4 Hours

COVID-19 Protocol: We recommend that you follow the procedures and recommendations at the end of this document.

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AVIARY TOUR

In the national aviary, you will be guided through the modern and representative display of birdlife in natural environments, you will know the Colombian diversity which is the first country in diversity of bird species in the world. Colombia has almost 20% of species identified worldwide. It currently has 1,913 species, of which 76 are endemic.

This aviary contains 170 native bird species, 20 exotic bird species, and 2000 specimens. Three endemic species: Paujil piquiazul (Crax Alberti), Caribbean Guacharaca (Ortalis garrula), and the Colombian Guacharaca (Ortalis colombiana).



It has three conservation and preservation programs for threatened species: Condor de los Andes, Aguila arpia, paujil piquiazul.

Three ecosystem environments: Tropical rainforest, coastline, and desert And four special environments: Condor of the Andes, herons, and storks, lake of migratory birds, and exotic birds.

21 exhibitions Represented in immersion aviaries, radial aviaries, open enclosures, marshes and lakes that are immersed in various landscape, vegetable and water environments that express life zones.





PRIVATE TOUR TO THE NATIONAL AVIARY: This experience is for those who love nature, bird watching, and especially for children and family. You cannot miss the opportunity to see unique species, in controlled environments to be as similar as possible to their natural environment, in addition to a special show at the end of the tour.

(This tour is customizable to your liking).

Includes: Specialized bilingual English / Spanish guide service, Transportation Hotel / Tour / Hotel exclusively for you, a bottle of water for each person, entrance tickets to the aviary. **Does not include:** Lunch, additional services not described before. **Duration:** 4-5 hours.



BIOSAFETY PROTOCOL





passengers cannot open the doors (Drivers are in charge of opening and closing them)



The driver or Guide / Assistant will be in charge of the suitcases



Mandatory shoe disinfection before boarding vehicles



Hand disinfection every 2 hours



50% vehicle capacity



Distance with driver and guides of at least 1.5mts



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