

Colombian Lost City Trek

Factbox	
Prices start from :	£ 3,059
Travel between :	01 Dec 24 and 01 Dec 24
Board Basis :	As per Itinerary
Duration :	11 nights
Book by :	31 May 24
Includes :	All International & Domestic Flights with Baggage 2 Nights stay at Hotel Parque 97, Bogota in a Standard Room with Bed & Breakfast Panoramic City tour and Monserrate 5 Nights & 6 days Lost City of the Inca Trek 4 Nights Post Trek stay at Hilton Santa Marta in a Balcony Room with Bed & Breakfast Return Transfer in Bogota & Santa Marta



Detailed Itinerary

Highlights: Bogota - Santa Marta

Hotels Featured:

- ☑ Hotel Parque 97 Suites 4\*
- ☑ Hilton Santa Marta 4\*

Itinerary:

**Sun 01 Dec 2024: Bogota Colombia**  
Flight from Gatwick Airport via Madrid Barajas Intl Airport to Bogota El Dorado Airport

**Mon 02 Dec 2024: Bogota**  
Private Transfer Airport to Hotel  
Stay at Hotel Parque 97 Suites for 2 nights

**Tue 03 Dec 2024: Panoramic City tour and Monserrate**  
This panoramic tour will allow you to experience Bogot culture from its different taps. You will be able to discover the main tourist areas and get to know the most popular places in the city such as parks, historic squares, restaurants, special cafes, and other spaces where you will enjoy life in the Colombian capital. city. You will see a beautiful landscape in Monserrate, 3200 meters above the sea. Once you finish the tour, you will be an expert in getting to know Bogot and you will be ready to decide what your favorite areas were, return in the future, and enjoy the city just the way you want.  
Important information:  
\*This tour starts in Candelaria and ends in Parque de la 93  
\*The arrival times of this tour depend on the traffic.  
\*Seats are assigned in order of arrival  
\*The itinerary is developed regardless of weather conditions  
Product Code: 138242P6  
Candelaria - 2:00 pm  
Shared tour  
Duration: 6 hours  
Meeting Point: Candelaria, Calle 16 # 4 - 23 In front of Juan Valdez Coffee 14:00  
What's Included  
Inclusions:  
Colombian Tasting  
Walking tour of the main attractions of La Candelaria  
Transportation roundtrip  
Panoramic tour of the main areas of Bogot  
Bilingual coordinator (Spanish and English)  
Ticket to Monserrate Hill (Funicular or Telefrico)  
Exclusions:  
Lunch  
Entrance to attractions or museums not described  
Hotel pick up or drop off  
Meeting and Pick up  
Meeting Point

**Wed 04 Dec 2024: Santa Marta**  
Private Transfer Hotel to Airport  
Flight from Bogota Dorado Airport to Santa Marta Simon Bolivar Airport  
Upon arrival in Santa Marta, transfer (30-45 min.) to a centrally located hotel. In the evening, briefing and preparations for the coming trek to the Lost City. Night in hotel.

**Thu 05 Dec 2024: Lost City Trekking: Donde Adan lodge(480 m)**  
Morning pick up at hotel and transfer, in 4WD cars, driving northeastwards along the Caribbean coast. After 1-1.5 hours, leave the paved road and here the adventure begins! After about a 1-hour drive on a dirt road, through a beautiful landscape, the village of El Mamey (150 m) also called Machete Pelado appears. Lunch will be served upon arrival and then the hike to Ciudad Perdida starts. This day's hike is exposed to the sun or the rain, therefore it is important to have a good amount of water and sun cream!. Tropical fruit will be offered along the trek. The group will take the river trail, which is a more pleasant walk than the main road. This trail follows the Quebrada del Alto Mamey river valley for about 1 hour and then ascends steeply (1,5 h) to El Mirador pass (640 m) which has a great view down to the Mamey town and the Buritaca River. From this point, a constant descent (1,5 h) to the Quebrada Honduras river, where the Donde Adans lodge is located. It is possible to take a swim in a beautiful natural

river pool at the lodge. Dinner will be served in this rustic lodge. Night in hammocks.

#### **Fri 06 Dec 2024: Trekking: El Paraiso lodge (870 m)**

This is a longest day on the program. After an early breakfast, the ascent begins right away taking a well marked trail that gently gains altitude up to Mumake pass (680 m). Before the pass, there is the invisible border between Colonos lands (Peasants not originally from the area) and the Kogis Indigenous territory. From now on, the trek will be done in an area protected and ruled by this tribe. There are also Wiwas Indians, original from another sector of the Sierra, had settled in these valleys and now are running some of the lodges. It is also noticeably the change from extensive farmland into a better-preserved and much less exploded area. From the mountain pass, there is a relative quick descent to the Buritaca river valley (430 m), where the only Kogi settlement on the trek is placed. This settlement is called: Montangi and is a perfect spot to get an glimpse into the local life style and traditions. After about 1 hour, a river crossing over a hanging bridge, leads to a second ascent (2 h) up to Koskunguena pass (824 m) and then back down to the Buritaca river (743 m) for a last crossing.

The last part of the day is an almost flat area up to El Paraiso rustic lodge (870 m), the place for the night. This lodge is just by the shores of the Buritaca river, a fantastic place to relax and swim.

Night in hammocks. To Mumake pass: Ascent: 200 m / Descend: 250 m / Highest altitude: 680 m To Koskunguena pass: Ascent: 394 m / Descend to Buritaca River: 77 m / Ascent to El Paraiso Lodge: 127 m / Highest altitude: 824 m / Distance: 13.6 Km / Activity duration: 7-8 h Included meals: Breakfast, Picnic, Dinner

#### **Sat 07 Dec 2024: Trekking: Lost City (1175 m)**

Very early departure taking the trail on the right margin of the Buritaca river for about 25 min. up to a crossing, once on the other margin, the archaeological stairway begins ascending rather steeply to the first terraces of the Lost City (1175 m). From here begins a journey through time, to one of the most interesting archaeological sites of Colombia pre-Hispanic period.

The Lost City of the Tayrona is worldwide known. Its original Indigenous name is Teyuna and is one of the three large citadels of the vanished Tayrona civilization. Teyuna is the only city that has been discovered until now and thus partially restored. Tayronas cities were connected by a complex network of trails, from the Caribbean coastal area to the high mountain in the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta. The Tayrona had a well-developed social organization and an effective system of products and goods exchange between the different settlements. Although there is no precise information on the role of Teyuna in the Tayrona culture, it is believed that it was a place for religious worship and a center of political power.

During 4 hours visit to the archaeological complex, the group will learn about the different types of terraces and how the city was divided into areas according to hierarchy and types of work. During the visit, it is possible to see the home of a Kogi Mamo (shaman-wise person) who lives in the same traditional way, as it is thought the inhabitants did. It is also believed that the Kogis are descendants of the Tayronas, pushed to the higher lands during the Spanish conquest. After the visit, hike down to El Paraiso Lodge to have some lunch and then continue (4,5 h), back on the same trail as the day before, but this time a bit further out, crossing the hanging bridge and down the Buritaca River valley, passing once again the Montangi Kogi settlement to Mumake lodge (389 m), just at the foot of the Mumake pass. Night in hammocks.

To Lost City: Ascent: 305 m / Descend: 305 m / Highest altitude: 1175 m / Distance one-way: 1,9 Km / Activity duration: 5 including a 3-hour visit.

Ascent to Koskunguena pass: 77 m / Descend to Mumake lodge: 481 m / Highest altitude: 870 m / Distance one-way: 7,5 Km / Activity duration: 4 h

Included meals: Breakfast, Picnic, Dinner

#### **Sun 08 Dec 2024: Trekking: El Mamey (150 m) Santa Marta**

Last trekking day! From Mumake lodge (389 m), the ascent being right from the front step, leading up to Mumake pass (680 M) and after descending to Quebrada Honduras river to ascent (1,5 h) to the last pass: EL Mirador (640 m) and then to the final destination El Mamey town (150 m). Upon arrival, there will be lunch and then a transfer to a hotel in Santa Marta (2-2,5 h). Night in hotel.

Ascent to Mumake pass: 291 m / Descend to Donde Adan lodge: 200 m / Ascent to El Mirador pass: 160 m / Descend: 490 m / Highest altitude: 680 m / Distance: 14,2 Km / Activity duration: 4-5 h Included meals: Breakfast, Picnic

#### **Mon 09 Dec 2024: Departure from Santa Marta**

Pick-up at the hotel and transfer to Santa Marta airport (30-45 min).

End of services.

Included meals: Breakfast

INCLUDED

Private group

Local Spanish speaking guide trekking guide

Transfers from airport to hotel and back in Santa Marta

2 nights in shared double rooms in the City of Santa Marta

Shared transport to and from the head of trail for both Shared and private groups

Hammocks or mattresses for the Lost City trek (mattresses according to availability)

Entries to the Lost City

Cook for campsite

Meals as specified in the day-to-day itinerary

Pack animals for cargo during the Lost City trek for groups between

2 to 5 PAX - Max. 10 Kg. per person

Excluded

Local English-speaking translator for the trek (Only translator, not a guide. Can be booked for a whole group - ask for a quote) Separate airport transfers in case of multiple arrival/departures

Personal gear

Insurance

Tips

Everything not mentioned in the "Included" list

SIERRA NEVADA DE SANTA MARTA - LOST CITY TREK:

Lodge: Donde Adan (no website) or similar

Lodge: Paraiso (no website) or similar

Lodge: Mumake (no website) or similar

SANTA MARTA: Hotel Casa Carolina or similar

Stay at Hilton Santa Marta for 4 nights

#### **Thu 12 Dec 2024: Departure**

Private transfer from Hotel to Airport

## Prices and Departures:

Deposit: £500PP

☑ Y22762 Gatwick from £3059pp

☑ Y22795 Manchester from £3059pp

# Terms and Conditions:

Based on 2 Adults Sharing/Group Rates Available

