

# Colombia

## Bogotá



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## HISTORY

Bogota was founded by the Muisca people long before the Spanish arrived. The Spanish era began when Gonzalo Jimenez de Quesada and his expedition arrived, founding the town on August 6, 1538 near the Muisca capital, Bacata. The town was named Santa Fe de Bogota, combining the traditional name and Quesada's hometown back in Spain, Santa Fe. During the early years Santa Fe de Bogota was governed from Santo Domingo (today's Dominican Republic) and later fell under Lima, Peru. In 1717 Santa Fe became the capital of the newly created viceroyalty consisting of multiple states. After becoming independent the name became shortened to just Bogota.



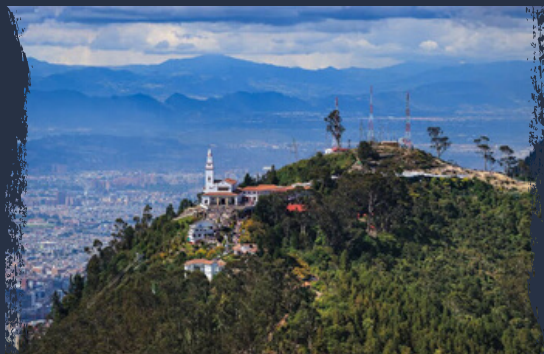
### Places to visit

#### Place 1- Monserrate

Monserrate is a high mountain which rises over 3,152 metres above sea level.

It dominates the city centre of Bogotá, the capital city of Colombia. On the top you'll find a church with a shrine, which are devoted to El Señor Caído. It is a major tourist attraction as well as a pilgrim destination.

**Opening hours-** Monday-Saturday 6:30am-00:00am  
Sunday&holidays 5:30am-5:30pm



#### Place 2- Museo del Oro

The gold museum is the most popular and the most interesting museum in the city. It's home to more than 30,000 pieces of gold. It is filled with artefacts from Colombian pre-Hispanic times. Learn how these people discovered, mined, and then worked the metals, making jewelry, masks, bowls, offerings and armour.

**Opening hours-** Thursday-Saturday 9:00am-6:00pm  
Sunday&holidays 10:00am-4:00pm  
Mondays=closed



#### Place 3- La Candelaria

La Candelaria is the historic heart of the city. These colourful, bohemian streets are a major attraction between tourists. Follow the streets past colourful Spanish colonial buildings and universities. Check out the pop art and go into a few cathedrals. There are many cafes and restaurants accompanied by many artists and musicians out in the streets.



# HOTELS

## A Bogota on Holidays

Low budget hotel offering plain rooms plus a rooftop terrace and complimentary breakfast.

**Tel:** +57 321 3004741

**Location:** Cra. 83 ## 24 a 46, Bogotá, Colombia

**Stars:** 2-star hotel

**Website:** <http://www.abogotaonholidays.com>



## Habitel

Medium budget hotel offering a spa, fitness centre, restaurant, bar...

**Tel:** +57 1 4199999

**Location:** Av. El Dorado ##100-97, Bogotá, Cundinamarca, Colombia

**Stars:** 3.5-star hotel

**Website:** <https://www.hotelhabitel.com>



## Hotel Movich Buro 26

Refined rooms in a chic hotel offering free breakfast, spa, fitness centre, free parking...

**Tel:** +57 1 5215050

**Location:** Ac. 26 #102-20, Bogotá, Cundinamarca, Colombia

**Stars:** 4.5-star hotel

**Website:** <https://www.movichhotels.com/es/hotel-buro26->



# RESTAURANTS

## Taco Chip

Low budget fast food restaurant with great typical South American/Mexican/Colombian food.

**Tel:** +57 300 3621518

**Location:** Carrera 73a #74b-12 Santa Maria del Lago, Bogota Colombia

**Stars:** 5-star reviews

**Website:** [https://restaurante-mexicano-en-bogota.business.site/?utm\\_source=gmb](https://restaurante-mexicano-en-bogota.business.site/?utm_source=gmb)



## Gran Inka Gastro Bar

Medium budget restaurant full of flavours and food from Peru. This restaurant is also suitable for vegetarians.

**Tel:** +57 1 7443717

**Location:** Av. Boyacá Multiplaza Shopping, Floor 1, Bogota 11001 Colombia

**Stars:** 5-star reviews

**Website:** <https://graninka.com.co>



## Pimento Cucina Italiana

Luxury restaurant with unique Italian/Mediterranean food.

**Tel:** +57 1 4863888

**Location:** Av. El Dorado No 69b - 53 At Bogota Marriott Hotel, Bogota 00000 Colombia

**Stars:** 5-star reviews

**Website:** <https://www.theplacetobecolombia.com/bogota-gastronomia/pimento-cucina-italiana-bogota/>



# EMERGENCY CONTACT

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Medical emergency: 125

Firefighters: 119



## Map around El Dorado Airport

