

Sierra Nevada del Cocuy Swift Expedition



Overview

Highlights:

- Explore one of the most beautiful snow capped ranges in Colombia
- Impressive views of Ritacubas peaks.

Trip details:

- **Duration of the trip:** 3 days and 2 nights (We depart from Bogotá on the day before at 8:00pm)
 - **Trekking time:** 2 to 8 hours daily.
 - **Distance:** 2-15 kms each day.
 - **Ecosystem:** rain forest, paramount and glaciar.
 - **Climate:** cold.
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- **Elevation:** 2.750 - 4.900 meters above sea level (m.a.s.l).

For decades the Sierra Nevada of Cocuy, Guican y Chita has been visited by mountaineers and climbers, both foreign and national. For those who enjoy climbing rocks, ice, and snow, or those who enjoy hiking or camping, the Sierra Nevada of Cocuy is a true paradise. Its majestic mountains, highlands, and forests represent different altitudes which offer the delights of the most daring adventures.

This mountain ridge is made up of a series of snow-capped peaks that are unique in the eastern mountain chain. The group represents the largest snow mass which still exists in Colombia. In the zone of perpetual snows in the park, elevations are from 4,700 to 5,330 m.a.s.l.

The Sierra Nevada is ordinarily reached from Guican and El Cocuy. These are connected by a navigable road, 43 kilometers in length, which passes through Alto de la Cuva, from which three main access roads are available: Valle de Lagunillas (to the south), Hacienda La Esperanza and Cabañas Kanwara (to the north).

Dates

You can also book this trip year around. Please contact us to send you a quotation.

Dates for open groups:

- December 13th to 15th, 2024
- December 20th to 22nd, 2024
- December 27th to 29th, 2024
- January 4th to 6th, 2025
- January 10th to 12th, 2025
- January 17th to 19th, 2025
- January 24th to 26th, 2025
- January 31st to February 2nd, 2025



Price

Prices valid until January 15, 2025:

- **1 participant - \$1,990,000 in individual accommodation**
- **2 participants - \$1,550,000 per person in double accommodation**
- **3 or more participants - \$1,400,000 per person in multiple accommodation**

NOTE:

- Foreigners not resident in Colombia have an additional charge of \$50,000 per person

How to book

For bookings please email us to **info@ecoglobalexpeditions.com** or call us to Ph: Mobile: (+57) 310 823 3974 - (+57) 321 721 5554

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What's included

- Transfer Bogota - Guican - Bogota / public coach
- Transfer El Guican - to the mountain / private 4x4
- 1 Hotel night at Guican
- 1 Lodging night in mountain cabins
- Full board
- Local guide and logistics
- Medical insurance

What's not included

- Last day meals
- National Park Permit
- Personal equipment
- Tips
- Additional drinks
- Local, national or international calls
- Activities not included in the itinerary

Itinerary

Note: the following itineraries are informative and may change without notice according to weather conditions or unforeseen events that may arise.

Día 0

Bogotá - El Cocuy (2.800 m / 9.200 ft) / 10-12 hr trip Public Coach (daily buses leaving from Terminal de Transportes de Bogota (8:00 pm)

Día 1

- El Cocuy - Mountain cabins (3.800 m / 12.500 ft) / 1 hr road 4x4
- Lunch
- Acclimatization hike

Día 2

- Cabins - Ritacuba snow edge return trek (4.900 m / 16.000 ft) / 8-10 hr hike. Box lunch
- Cabins - El Cocuy / 1hr 4x4 road

Día 3

- El Cocuy - Bogotá / 10-12 hr trip Public Coach

Travel tips

Personal equipment list:

- Water Canteen, Thermo or Camelback, let's avoid plastic or PET bottles
- Day pack - 20 / 35 lt.
- Back packing / Trekking leather boots
- Synthetic / wool socks (2 pair)
- Sun glasses (UV400)
- Rain pants and jacket / technical shell - gore-tex
- Thermal underwear
- Synthetic / polar fleece pants and jacket
- Gloves
- Gaiters (optional)
- Head lamp and extra batteries
- 2 lt Water containers (Nalgene type)
- Trekking poles
- Personal toiletries
- Small towel
- Sun block # 60/100
- Beanie
- Hat/Cap
- Camera and / or binoculars
- Identity documents (passport)
- Personal medicine
- Keep all your clothing and equipment in plastic bags
- Do not wear military camouflage clothes