

# **Cano Cristales 3 days from Bogota Serrania de la Macarena**



## **Overview**

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La Macarena hill range is considered by scientists all over the world as one of the most important wildlife refuges in the planet.

La Macarena is so unique due to its isolated hill range features. In the archaeological sites on rivers Duda and Guayabero there are petroglyphs and pictograms that belong to the pre-Columbian tribes that lived here. Here, there are over twenty species of flora and the same amount of fauna that can not be found anywhere else in the world.

Cano Cristales is a Colombian river located in La Macarena hill range. The river is commonly called "The River of Five Colors", "The Liquid Rainbow" or even "The Most Beautiful River in the World", due to the endemic colored aquatic plant that grows on the bottom of the river producing colors like



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red, yellow, green, violet and blue, giving it a unique appearance.

News paper El Tiempo Video: [Caño Cristales](#)

## Dates

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We began operations on June 3 until November 10, 2025, flying every day except Tuesdays.

For booking please email us at [info@ecoglobalexpeditions.com](mailto:info@ecoglobalexpeditions.com)

## Price

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## How to book

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## What's included

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Our Caño Cristales program includes:

- Air transportation to Macarena
  - **Please Note:** We make every effort to ensure that all round-trip flights from Bogotá to La Macarena are non-stop. However, it may be necessary to travel by road between Bogotá and Villavicencio and/or back. This is not usual, but it can happen for various reasons ranging from the Aerocivil (Colombian Civil Aviation Authority), the airlines (whether commercial or charter flights), the airports, the weather, the number of passengers on the day of the flight, and other reasons beyond our control. In such cases, we will organize all door-to-door transportation, which means we will pick you up at your home or accommodation in Bogotá and take you to the airport in Villavicencio or vice versa, and the price will remain the same.
- Boat transportation along the Guayabero River
- Approach transportation to Caño Cristales in 4×4 campers
- Hotel accommodation in La Macarena with fan, AC and private bathroom.
- Complete meals in La Macarena (from lunch on day 1 to breakfast or lunch on the last day, according to the flight itineraries), breakfast and dinner are taken in restaurants in the town and lunch in the form of "fiambre". " (picnic) during the river tours.
- Specialized orientation and guidance.
- Local guides (Ecoglobal Expeditions supports the communities and eco-tourism initiatives and projects of the regions we visit. 1 guide per maximum 7 travelers)
- Assistance card (travel insurance)
- Management of entry permits to the Cormacarena Natural Park and National Natural Parks.
- Parrando llanero with the cultural and gastronomic sample of the region.
- Contribution to the La Cachivera village.

## What's not included

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Our Caño Cristales program does not include:

**Note:** the following values may vary without prior notice, these are the 2024 values:

\* Natural Parks entrance tax

COLOMBIAN BETWEEN (5-25 years) \$25,500

COLOMBIAN ADULT (over 25 years) \$46,500

FOREIGNERS ADULT OR CHILD \$71,000

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\* Social contribution to rural communities and risk management

NATIONALS AND FOREIGNERS \$81,000

\* Municipal entrance tax MAYOR'S OFFICE

NATIONALS \$39,000

FOREIGNERS \$59,000

\* Airport tax

NATIONALS AND FOREIGNERS \$13,000

\* Cormacarena tax

COLOMBIAN ADULT \$44,545

COLOMBIAN OR FOREIGN BETWEEN (5-12 years) \$21,184

FOREIGN ADULT \$67,906

\*Total Taxes 2024:

NATIONAL ADULT: \$224,045

NATIONAL 5 - 12 YEARS: \$179,684

NATIONAL BETWEEN 13 - 25 YEARS: \$203,045

NATIONAL OVER 65 YEARS: 133,000

FOREIGN 5 - 12 YEARS: \$245,184

FOREIGN ADULT: \$291,906

Note: these charges must be paid directly by the participant upon arrival at La Macarena, in cash.

- Tips
- Unstipulated expenses
- Breakfast day 1
- Additional and alcoholic beverages
- Local, national or international calls
- Other activities not included in the itinerary

## Itinerary

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### **3 days classical itinerary:**

#### **Day 1**

- Transfer to La Macarena according with your preferences
- Short speech about Cano Cristales and hotel registration
- Visit to Cano Cristalitos, El Mirador or Cano Piedra
- Return to La Macarena Town

#### **Day 2**

- La Macarena Town - La Cachivera / 20 min Guayavero river boat trip
- La Cachivera - Cano Cristales / 30 min 4×4 road
- Day tour along Cano Cristales, visiting its waterfalls and natural pools as: The Quartz Waterfall, The Stone of the Virgen, The Pianos, The Pool of Love, The Buda Throne, The Square Pool, The Ladder, The Eagle Jump
- Return to La Macarena Town

#### **Day 3**

- Visit to Cano Cristalitos, El Mirador or Cano Piedra
- Return to La Macarena Town before lunch
- Transfer to airport to take flight out

## **Travel tips**

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### **Personal equipment list:**

- Day pack - 20 / 35 lt.
  - A change of clothes for exploring / long trousers, long sleeves shirts, hiking boots or comfortable shoes that can get wet
  - A change of clothes for trip/ comfortable and cool
  - Sandals
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- Swimming suit
- Rain/plastic poncho
- Hat/Cap
- Small towel
- Personal toiletries
- 2 lt Water containers (Nalgene type)
- Swimming mask or goggles
- Head lamp and extra batteries
- Sun glasses (UV400)
- Personal medicine
- Insect Repellent
- Camera and / or binoculars
- Identity documents (passport)
- We want that during our visit to these remote, remote and often forgotten territories, all: guides, coordinators and tourists, we contribute to the economy of these regions and small towns, buying in the stores, stores, bakeries and restaurants, their products and merchandise (such as sweets, chocolates, soft drinks, sweets, fruits, etc.) and acquiring local handicrafts. It is a small support through which we include these communities in the tourism value chain. If you like to consume very sophisticated foods or special diets (almonds, sugar-free chocolates, dried seeds or dehydrated fruits, for example), which you will not be able to get in the shops of the villages, we recommend you take them with you. Thank you for joining this initiative, this is called sustainable tourism!

#### **Notes:**

- Do not wear military camouflage clothes
- Get the following vaccinations prior to your trip to Colombia: Yellow Fever, Tetanus and Malaria and carry your vaccination card with your personal documents.