

Guide to Visit and Experience Bogota

# Welcome to the Universidad Ean, Welcome to Bogota!



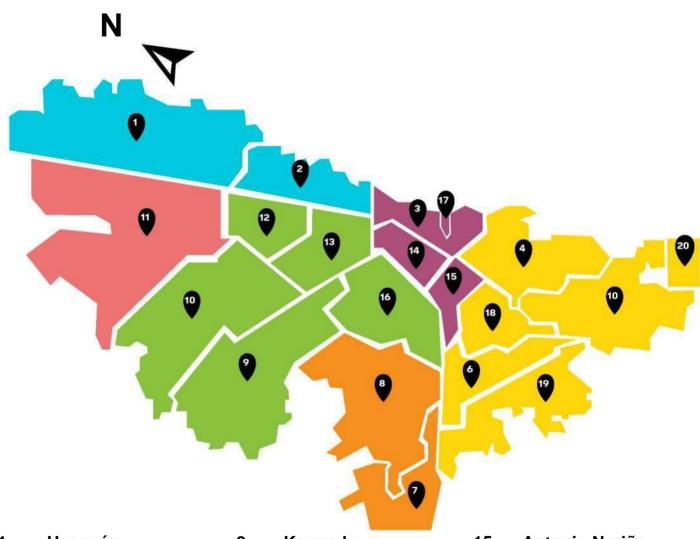
most representative cities of our country. It is known by its cultural, economic, and leisure center, not only within the country, but also in instance, there are museums, theaters, family and friends.

The capital of Colombia is one of the libraries, and other entertainment areas. We have designed this guide for you to enjoy these attractions and get know the city and move around, without any problem. In this Latin America. Furthermore, it offers a lot of way, your university life will be full of activities and many places to visit. For experiences and nice stories to tell your



## Districts and Places of Interest in Bogota

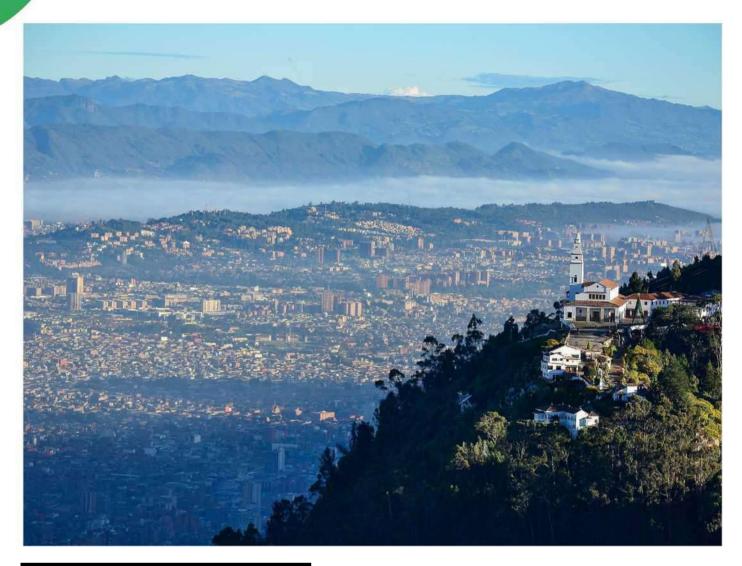
Our city includes 20 districts called "localidades." Here
we have information for you to decide which ones to visit and
discover what each one offers.



- 1. Usaquén
- 2. Chapinero
- 3. Santa Fe
- 4. San Cristóbal
- 5. Usme
- 6. Tunjuelito
- 7. Bosa

- 8. Kennedy
- 9. Fontibón
- 10. Engativá
- 11. Suba
- 12. Barrios Unidos
- 13. Teusaquillo
- 14. Los Mártires

- 15. Antonio Nariño
- 16. Puente Aranda
- 17. La Candelaria
- 18. Rafael Uribe Uribe
- 19. Ciudad Bolívar
- 20. Sumapaz



# Where can you locate the Universidad Ean in Bogota?

Our university is located in "El Nogal" neighborhood, in the "Chapinero" district. This is one of the most exclusive and commercial neighborhoods in the city, where important national and multinational companies are located. Moreover, you can find a wide variety of restaurants, shopping malls, and entertainment areas.

**Click here** to find places in the map



#### **Find the Four Cardinal Points**

#### **Identify the Main Roads**

It is very easy to find these points in Bogota because we have a group of mountains, that are known as "Cerros Orientales", and they are always visible. This mountain range is in the eastern edge of the city and guide us to identify the west on our back, the north on our left and the south to our right.

Besides, the roads that remain parallel to this row of hills are called "carreras" and those that are perpendicular, are called "calles."



In our city, the main roads use numbers. For example, the historic "carrera Séptima", "carrera 30", "Avenida 68", and "calle 26", among others. In some cases, the roads have proper names, such as "Avenida Boyacá", "Avenida Américas", "Autopista Sur", "Autopista Norte", "Avenida Primero de Mayo", and "Avenidas Caracas", etc.

Both "carreras" and "calles" are, usually, numbered. So, those with proper names and names of famous characters are not usual. Moreover, downtown marks the beginning of numbers of "calles" and "carreras." Then, the streets maintain a number to the north and to the south the number also includes the word "sur" to mark the difference from the north. For example: calle 40 Sur. "carreras" work in the same way, although, in this case, the numbering to the east are the ones that make the difference, as follows: "carrera 4 este".

#### Carrera 7<sup>a</sup>



#### **Get Around the Capital**

Check the map and get know which can be your weekend destinations.

Regularly, temperatures in Bogota range between 6 Celsius degrees in the afternoons and at night, while the maximum is 24 Celsius degrees during the day. Based on the above information, it is recommended to wear warm clothing in the evenings.

#### Places to Visit near Bogota

The "Sabana de Bogota" is composed by interesting municipalities, to enjoy nature, architecture, gastronomy, and other cultural activities and landscape.



#### **Dressing in Bogota**

We suggest to take a coat or a jacket, and an umbrella or a raincoat at hand all the times. It should not be very warm or bulky, because it could be useless on sunny days.

For business meetings, street clothes are used for ladies and formal suits for men. Furthermore, if you want to go for long walks, we advise you to wear comfortable clothes, and sport shoes.

Young university students, like you, prefer to wear blue jeans, sneakers, jackets, or casual sweatshirts, even women wear short sleeve shirts.

At the informal level, it is not so common to wear shorts and sandals. Moreover, occasional visitors can get around Bogota more naturally, so, it is suggested to wear a backpack or handbag in order to be able to transport items likely to be used, considering the constant changes in weather conditions.



#### **Transportation**

"El caballito de acero" (colloquial name for bike) is one of the best means of public transportation. It avoids CO2 emissions, optimizes time, and encourages physical activity. At the same time, the Universidad Ean offers a sustainable transportation alternative, with the program called "Pedaleando a la U".

This program is for free. The only requirement is to send an email to bienestaruniversitario@universidadean.edu.co or click here

You can also take our public bicycle sharing system.

Move around the city with sustainable transportation option: **click here** 

#### **Bogota's Bicycle Route Network**

This system has become a real transportation alternative for many bicycle users in our city, providing them a comfortable, safe, and fast space. Currently, it is made up of 344 Km, and it is extended as a network throughout Bogota, and zoned by the future cycle stations that will provide the complementary functions. They support and enhance the mobility of the corridors.

Excellent acceptance of this system by the citizens, has caused a change in their awareness; which has helped us to take the bicycle as an everyday transportation vehicle and, the cycle routes as spaces for mobilization.

The Zonal Cycle Routes have emerged as new alternatives for local urban development, based on the recovery and organization of pedestrian public space. This new option is specially used in those areas of our city, where the Transmilenio system has not been developed and people need transport towards our city's urban roads and trunk corridors. Then, Cycle Routes complement the development towards a true intermodal transportation system for the city.



# <u>Click here</u> and get to know the map of the bicycle routes of Bogota



Transmilenio and SITP

The Bogota's transportation system is the largest in Colombia. Transmilenio (TM), which is easily identified by its red color, is the mass transportation system of Bogota, and it has become the most recognized and extensive bus rapid transit system in the world. Moreover, the cost of the ticket is paid at the time of validating the entrance at the turnstile of the buses. Thus, its cost in 2023 is COP \$2,950 all day, including Sundays and holidays.

The TM includes the Integrated Public Transport System (SITP), which is mostly blue, and circulates through the neighborhoods and main roads of Bogota. The cost of the ticket in 2023 is COP \$ 2,750. In addition, users can make a maximum of 2 transfers, from the moment they validate their ticket, until the end of the 110-minute time sale with the payment of a fraction of 0 pesos. This is an option, if the card is customized.

on "Avenida Caracas" are: "Calle 76" and "Héroes" stations. On "Carrera Séptima" you can Las Carrera") 7 Cl (Calle) 79. You can also find out about the complementary buses "alimentadores" and about urban transportation by clicking here

Admission to TM and SITP is done through contactless smart cards, which are purchased and recharged at the ticket offices or in the external recharge network of "Tu Llave" in our city.

Currently, there are several types of cards available:

• "Tu Llave Plus" card: it can be recharged in COP to pay bus tickets. Besides, it is customized with the users' personal information. It also lets you refund

#### Taxis mobile applications

To make easier to get around the city, you can download different virtual tools, which will suggest your different routes and give you time estimates; for instance, the most employed are: Moovit, TransmiSitp v Waze, among others.

As for the taxi service, it is advised to request it, by means of a mobile device; for this purpose, you can utilize applications, like Easy Taxi, "taxis verdes", and "taxis libres".

# For your arrival to Bogota

#### El Dorado International Airport

This airport receives travelers from different cities of our country and the world; in that place, you will have free Wi-Fi, in case you need to communicate with someone.



Address: Av. El Dorado Calle 26 Nº 113 - 85

Phone: +57 (1) 2662000 Website: Visit here

The nearest stations of TM to Universidad Ean vour balance in case of loss and offers you discounts for transfers within the same system.

- "Tu Llave Básica" card: it also offers recharges find the bus stop "El Nogal- Ak ("Avenida in COP for the payment of tickets, and includes discounts on transfers within SITP. However, this card is not customizable, so it does not refund your balance, in case of loss.
  - Taxis: this service operates 24 hours a day and 7 days a week in Bogota. Nevertheless, it is recommended not to take a taxi in the street, but to book one by phone or through a mobile application.

Find the phone numbers to order a taxi here

Find out how to access this service, rates for taximeter and technological platform, how to check the driver's control card, general recommendations and the process to file a complaint here





Tips to consider in your arrival to El Dorado We suggest you to activate your Wi-Fi in the airport; International Airport - Information to foreign students: if you arrive to the capital of Colombia, keep in mind that "Gerencia de Internacionalización y Relaciones Institucionales" offers you support service.

The same documents are processed for your departure or return to your country of origin.

in order to have some timely contact for this process.

You will have a transportation service provided by the Universidad Ean. The driver will be waiting for you with a sign with your name and last name, at the international exit of El Dorado. Furthermore, he will meet you and take you to your hotel or place of residence during your stay in our city.

#### **Municipal Land Transportation**

Bogota has two terminals, which receive buses from different national destinations, located in the center and south of the city. Moreover, they accept public transport vehicles from Venezuela, Peru, Ecuador, Chile, Bolivia, and Argentina.



**Salitre Terminal** 

Address: Diagonal 23 N° 69 - 55 Phone number: +57 (1) 4233630

To check more information,

South Terminal

Address: Calle 57Q N° 75F - 82 **Phone number:** +57 (1) 4233630

enter here

**South Terminal Headquarters** 

Address: Calle 57Q N° 75F - 82 **Phone number:** +57 (1) 4233630

## Where to Live?

Permanent Acommodation: to find a place to stay, according to your expectations, it its necessary to plan everything ahead. For that reason, we advise you to arrive to the city, before the classes begin. So, you have time to visit friends and update your different options. It is recommended to evaluate some factors, such as:

Here you have some recommended mobile applications that can help you search for information:

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There is a wide variety of digital platforms, which Tips to choosing the best accommodation support you with your decision to select your accommodation. Here you have some of them that may interest you:

- 1. Booking
- 2. Airbnb
- 3. Vrbo
- 4. Placis
- 5. Couchsurfing, accommodation with locals
- 6. HostelWorld
- 7. HousingAnywhere

Additionally, you can search for hotels and hostels in websites such as:

#### **Trivago**

#### **TripAdvisor**

If you want to be closer to the Colombian culture, you can look for the option of homestays with host families. This option is offered by students of the Universidad Ean, who offer you accommodation, or you can also find houses to rent here

- 1. Search on a website that gives you several op-
- 2. Select your accommodation according to your needs.
- 3. Identify the qualities of your hosting, for example, the spaces and service to which you are entitled, number of rooms, security protocols, among others.
- 4. Consider the location and transportation.
- 5. Search reviews from previous guests: this can help you make your selection.
- 6. Terms of payment and changes in the dates of accommodation
- 7. Additional service: it avoids increasing your costs.



Where and What to Eat around the University?

In the surroundings of our university, you can find a varied gastronomic offer, which ranges from vegetarian, fast, and organic food, to international dishes.

There are also different choices that favor healthy eating and quality hydration, within the University, at reasonable prices.

Likewise, you are near different shopping malls, as "El Andino", "Atlantis", "El Retiro", and "Avenida Chile".

An area, which is characterized by sophisticated restaurants and high cuisine, especially international, has emerged near calle 72.

Moreover, beautiful mansions suitable for that purpose include the best gastronomy between calles 68 and 74 and carreras 4 y 7.

## Emergency Contacts



**Emergencies: 123** 

Firefighters: 119 - 2175300 - 2355166

Red Cross - Ambulance - Emergencies (24 hours): 132 - 4280111

Mental Health support line - "El poder de ser escuchado": 106 - WhatsApp: 24 hours

<u>Psychoactive line: 018000112439 - Monday to Saturday from 7:00 am. to 10:00 p.m. continuous working day.</u>

Línea Calma - "Escucha para hombres": 018000 - 423614

Línea Púrpura - "Mujeres que escuchan mujeres": 018000112137

Civil Defense (24 hours): 144 - 6400090

(DIJIN) Central Directorate of the Judicial Police: 157

Citizen Service Hotline: 195

**Tourism Police:** Carrera 13 No. 26-62 - 3374413 - 2431175

National Police: 112 - 4280677 - 428 2272

National Police (Immediate Action Center) (CAI): 156

Traffic and Accidents (24 hours): 127 - 3600111

**Health Emergencies (24 hours):** 125

## Medical and Psychosocial Care Service at Ean

As student of the Universidad Ean you have the Find this service on the third floor of Ean Legacy following special health care benefits.

#### **Psychosocial Care Service**

Health

This support is in the University campus to listen, guide, and contribute to specific situations. It means problems which may affect the emotional and mental well-being of people in their daily life.

building. Learn more about it here Medical and family planning services

You can access medical and nursing service, authorized by the District Health Secretariat, where professionals, who meet all the quality standards, will assist you. In addition, these consultations provide general health orientation and suggestions, related to basic care.

Find this service on the third floor of Fundadores building. Learn more about it here

## Health Networks in Our City

Bogota has a network of public hospitals distributed in different districts. Below, you can find information related to the district's health network and a map, where you can locate the closest center to your area of residence.





Always locate the following information in your area of influence, in order to have it at hand, in case of emergency: Police - Immediate Care Center (CAI)- (quadrant telephone number), Prosecutor's Office, Immediate Reaction Unit (URI), family police stations and nearest hospital.

### Keep in mind!

Verify the conditions and coverage of your student policy here

#### **Priority Health Care Center (CAPS):**

#### North

1. CAPS Suba 1 Carrera 92 #147C-30 2. CAPS San Cristóbal Carrera 164 #7F-10

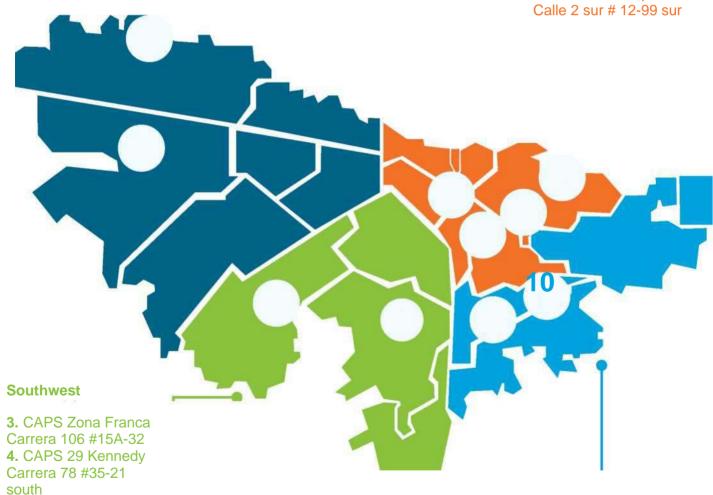
#### **Center East**

5. CAPS OlayaCarrera 21 #22-51 south6. CAPS AltamiraCarrera 12A East #42-32

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Th CAPS Santa
Claire 2 sur #12-99

7. CAPS San Juan de Dios National Institute of Cancer Headquarters



#### **South**

**9.** CAPS Candelaria 2: Transversal 36 #59B-59 south

10. CAPS Tunjuelito 1: Carrera 12 #53-90 south

#### **ProColombia Country Brand Website**

A nation with countless attributes, such as Colombia, has a competitive brand, which would enhance its value to the world: an initiative of the National Government that seeks to close the gap between the world's perception about our country and its reality.

"Marca País Colombia" is a free-to-use strategy for Colombian people and foreigners. Besides that, it is a platform for everyone, within their patriotic pride or love for this land, to generate and share positive content about things that happen here. Find out more about our country here



# What to Do, in case You Lose Your Documents

If you lose your documents during your stay in our country, you must consider the following:

- 1. Foreigner's Identity Card: you can learn about the duplicate process <u>here.</u>
- 2. Passport: you must go to the consulate of embassy of your country of origin to request a duplicate of this document.
- 3. Banking card: you must call the bank to report the loss, and request them to block your card. In addition, you should ask for a replacement card. The length of this procedure will depend on the processes of each entity.

#### **Banks**

- In order to open a savings account, it is mandatory to have a Foreigner's Identity Card, or Cédula de Extranjería. You should obtain it when you arrive to Bogota. It is given to foreigners who have a Visa to stay in the country, for a period of more than 3 months).
- Furthermore, you must have a document that accredits your financial solvency, during your stay in our nation. For example, a certificate of employment and a contract, a tax statement, an income certificate, etc. (it depends on the requirements of each bank).
- For students it is necessary to have a certificate issued by the university, indicating that you are studying there, including the length of the program. You must request this document in the "Registro Academico" area.
- Almost all banks consider this process; however, the ones with the less requirements are: Bancolombia, Banco Bogota, and Colpatria.

#### Migración Colombia



As a foreigner in Colombia, you will have to be in contact with "Migracion Colombia", since this organization is in charge of immigration control in our nation. Find out what procedures you can carry out with this organization:

- · First, you must request for the Integration and Development Permit (PID). This process is personally made at the "Migración Colombia" office, located at El Dorado International Airport. In fact, this permit will depend on the activity to be developed in the Colombian territory.
- · Second, you must request for the Foreigner's Identity Card: you must carry out this process, once you are in our national territory and have a valid Visa, for more than 3 months. For this purpose, it is necessary to have a Foreigner's Identity Card to open a bank account, in our country. Here, you will be cannot be done at the headquarters of "Migración able to find all the necessary information for this procedure.
- Then, if you need an extension of your stay, it is necessary to extend the PID, 90 days after your admission. This procedure can be performed here.

If you have any questions, please contact us through these channels.

In addition, remember that procedures and services



Colombia".

Then, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, or Cancillería de Colombia, is an entity that you will need to visit for the following procedure:

Processing of Visa application: it can be made here.

Get to know in detail the citizen services here.

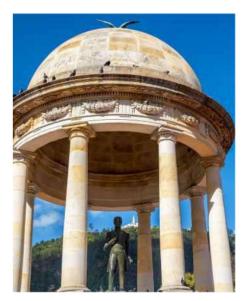
Keep in mind the schedules and points of attention here.

## Bogota is Art, Culture, and Entertainment

The UNESCO recognized Bogota as one of the 35 cities in the world that belongs to the Creative Cities Network, in the category of city of the music. This prestige is due to the strength of movements, such as rock, electronic music, hip hop, classical music, jazz, and local rhythms.

Our city, like the largest and most convulsed cities, enjoys a very rich cultural agenda, based on a mixture of national and international events. which embrace all artistic expressions: festivals, concerts, exhibitions, theater clubs, art galleries, photography, literature and poetry, events in public spaces, besides theme, craft and antique fairs.

Get know of out wonderful cultural agenda!



#### **Cultural Heritage**

The District Institute of Cultural Heritage (IDPC) leads the process of inventorying the tangible and intangible wealth of our city. This task of primary identification enables the proposal of declaration of Assets of Cultural Interest (BIC) and, also, untouchable heritage in Bogota, as well as to advance its processes of valuation, research, intervention, appropriation, and circulation.

## The IDPC has concentrated its efforts on places that are already recognized for their heritage value, like:

- The Bogota's Historic Center (downtown) and its Marulanda", surrounding areas.

  Arango".
- The foundational areas of the districts of Bosa, Usme, Suba, Fontibón, Usaquén, and Engativá.
- Areas of individual development, which were built in the first half of the 20th century, such as Teusaquillo, Bosque Izquierdo, La Merced, San Luis, Muequetá, Quinta Camacho, Emaús, Granada, Banco Central, Baquero, and the funeral sector of "Barrio Santafe";
- Areas with groups of houses like "La Soledad", "Polo Club", "Popular Modelo Norte", "Niza Sur I-II-III", "Primero de Mayo", "Pablo VI (one stage), "Centro Urbano Antonio Nariño", "Unidad Residencial Colseguros", "Multifamiliares del Banco Central Hipotecario", "Unidad Residencial Jesús María

Marulanda", "Unidad Residencial Hans Drews Arango".

- 2,090 properties of cultural interest in the historic center / 4,902 buildings in the rest of our city / 4,968 buildings near properties of cultural interest / Properties located in areas of influence of goods of national properties of cultural interest.
- Representative objects, sculptures, and monuments that can be found in the public space.
- · Archaeological findings in the city.
- The 20 districts that have an inventory of the tangible and intangible heritage of Bogota.

#### <u>Download the inventory of Goods of Cultural</u> <u>Interest here</u>



Calle del Coliseo Photo: Margarita Mejía ® IDPC



Calle del Coliseo |Photo: Margarita Mejía ® IDPC

#### **Bogota**, a Center for Theater

Our city became the venue for the most important theater festival in the world: the Ibero Theater Festival, which is held every two years and brings artists from all over the world.

Moreover, it is the central point of other theater festivals. The city's 45 theaters offer a wide range of different genres, every day of the year, from the most classical to the contemporary and avant-garde.

Below, we share information about the most representative theaters of Bogota:

**Cultural Agenda IdartesFree Theater \$** 

Teatro Mayor

**Colon Theater** 

#### **About our museums**

In the District Capital, there are about forty museums, that are all full of historic, artistic, and cultural richness. They are placed throughout Bogota. They are located in the downtown area, where its colonial mansions reflect the events that have shaped our city, adorned with collectibles that take us into the magical world of our ancestors. In the same way, other museums show the transcendence of the evolution and transformation of the human beings, along the years; by integrating visitors with activities that allow them to experience these discoveries by themselves.

Remember that the Museums Strengthening Program establishes that the admission to these places is free on the last Sunday of each month.

Get to know the network of museums in Bogota and visit them here

Do not forget to visit the "Museo del Oro" of our city; learn more here

#### Let's Go to the Libraries of Bogota

BlbloRed is the organization that manages information and knowledge of the Mayor's Office of Bogota and its Secretary of Culture, Recreation and Sports. Likewise, it is responsible for promoting the social appropriation of reading, writing, research, culture and ICTs. The purpose of this organization is to contribute to the improvement of the quality of life, inclusion, human, social and cultural capital enrichment, as well as the exercise of active citizenship of all of the inhabitants of our city. This idea, by prioritizing actions with disadvantaged populations in vulnerable conditions.

This network is made up of 23 public libraries, which are in the different districts of Bogota. It guarantees broad coverage of this services for our city and it's articulated with public and private institutions in their influence areas.

#### Click here to find your nearest library



#### Cinema and Concerts

People from Bogota and also our visitors can enjoy a good lineup in more than 40 movie theaters in our city, throughout the year, and take advantage of the cinema festivals, such as Eurocine, the Documentary Film Festival, the Bogota Film Festival, the International Documentary Film Festival, and the French Film Festival, among many others.

Click on the links to discover more about the seventh art:

#### **Cinemateca Distrital Cinemateca Bogocine**

Concerts in theater rooms, parks and enclosed areas, In terms of concerts, the agenda of musical events, is Culture, Recreation, and Sport perhaps the most prolific in Bogota. There are several events of recognized national and international bands, including soloists, who perform music of all genres, IDRD every day of the year.

Simon Bolívar Metropolitan Park



nightlife venues that liven up "la rumba", for lovers, classical music, and performances for everyone! These are the events that can be appreciated in our

Click on the links to learn more about cultural events in the district

**Bogotaturismo** 

#### Other places of interest

This Park is the largest and most important in Bogota, for many reasons: first, its strategic location in the heart of our city. Second, there are wide green spaces, with a countless number of trees and varied scenarios, that make it up.

Furthermore, this "lung of the city" has become an essential part of life of Bogotanos. In addition, the entire Metropolitan Park is located between "Calles 53 y 64", and from east to west from "Carrera 36" to "Avenida Roias".

Location: Teusaquillo

**Telephone:** 660 0155

Park time tables: Monday through Sunday from 6:00

a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

For more information click here



#### Botanical Garden:

The José Celestino Mutis Botanical Garden is one of the most iconic spaces in Bogota. Moreover, it is categorized as a district research center, focusing its natural diversity and emphasis on high Andean paramo ecosystems. This place is also responsible for the integrated management of green cover in our city, the development of environmental education programs, and the conservation and maintenance of living collections of flora for the visitors' appropriation and enjoyment.

Location: Barrios Unidos

The Botanical Garden is located on Calle 63 No. 68 - 95.

#### For more information click here



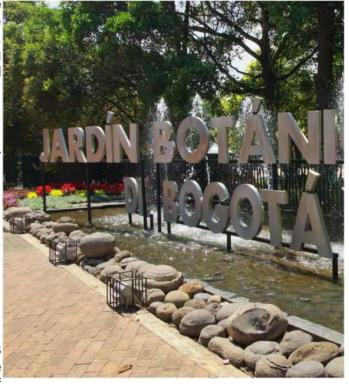
The Planetarium is located at 26B street No. 5-93 between the Santa María Bullring and the Independence Park in the International Center of Bogota. The Planetarium of Bogota is a cultural scenario and scientific place, integrated since 2012 to the District Institute of the Arts, or IDARTES, that is an entity attached to the Secretary of Culture, Recreation, and Sport.

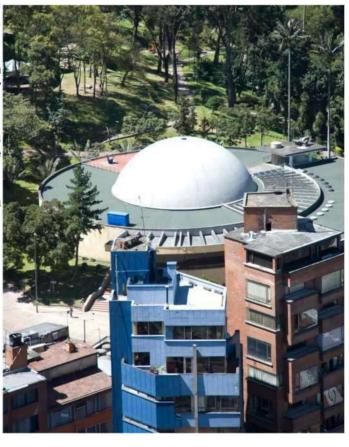
On the other hand, the planetarium has also an Astroteca, which is a library specialized in astronomy and a space of sciences, as well as a Children's Room, that is designed to present specialized content to them. Moreover, there is an auditorium for 175 people, a terrace with a view to the Independence Park, and the tall buildings of the International Center of Bogota.

Address: Calle 26B No.5 - 93 Bogota, Colombia

**Telephone:** (+571) 2814150 y 60 1 3795750

For more information click here





Our city is known by a constant "rumba" for all preferences. If you want a bohemian site, where you just listen to good music, next to a cozy fireplace and a glass of wine, you can find that place here. For the "rumbero" who cannot stop dancing and leaves at dawn, the capital of Colombia includes offers to calm your party cravings, if you decide to move your body, with local or cosmopolitan rhythms. Discover the rumba in Bogota and get away for a night!

 Road to La Calera: along five kilometers stretch on both sides of a winding, ascending road that leads to the municipality of La Calera, you can find several

bars, restaurants, and discotheques. One of the principal attractions is the wonderful and impressive view of our city, that can be seen from its viewpoints.

**Usaquén:** this ancient town, which has become a city neighborhood with narrow, gently sloping streets, and mansions. It has also large courtyards, flowery gardens, and multicolored facades. Bars, cafes, and restaurants, with local and foreign food that have been set in the square and surrounding streets.

• Historic Center: there are many places to enjoy the night in this area of Bogota. Besides the possibility of attending the shows that take place in the Colón Theater in the concert hall of the Luis Angel Arango library, the "Camarin del Carmen" or in the Jorge Eliécer Gaitán Theater. In the Historic Center, you will experience the charm of visiting places full of history and legends; also, restaurants, cafes, and bars integrate the Santafereña tradition, with the rumba in Bogota.





- Zona Rosa: from "Calle 79" to "Calle 85" Street, between "Carrera 11" and "Carrera 15". There you can find the "Andino" and "Atlantis Plaza" shopping malls. In all this area, especially in the so-called "Zona T", there are pleasant bars, discos, and restaurants to satisfy the most diverse tastes.
- "Carrera 15": it is one of the most traditional roads in northern Bogota, with recreational sites along it, extending from "Calle 72" to "Calle 127" There, our nightlife takes place among cozy cafes and discotheques, where people dance the most varied music.
- "Parque de la 93": it is a beautiful site, recovered for the community, which has become the epicenter of our city's nightlife; furthermore, bars and restaurants with terraces overlooking this park have become an obligatory meeting place.

## Security General Recommendations in Bogota

- Do not receive foods or beverages from strangers.
   Public sector:
- It is so important to use the cellphone in protected Chapinero Hospital places.
- · Use mobile applications and networks to make your mobility choices.
- · Remember that the use of jewelry or flashy items can generate a risk to your safety.
- Withdraw cash from ATMs in protected locations.
- · To enjoy nightlife activities offered by our city, never go alone and inform your family and friends the place where you are.
- · Avoid riding a bicycle or a motorcycle, or driving a car under the influence of alcohol.

- CII. 94 C No. 57 40 Telephone numbers: 60 1 236 8675 - 256
- Suba Hospital Carrera 104 # 152C-50
- Kennedy Hospital Av. 1 de mayo #40B-54
- Private sphere:
- The Nuestra Señora De La Paz Clinic Calle 13 No 68 f - 25
- The Retornar Clinic Autopista Norte #87-33
- La Inmaculada Clinic Carrera 7 # 68 70.

#### **Key Information**

Have this information at hand, in case of an emergency:

- CAI Police (quadrant telephone)
- Prosecutor's Office URI
- Family police stations
- · Nearest hospital

## **Curiosities of Bogota**

- Engativá, Fontibón, Suba, Usme, Usaquén y Bosa, which now are districts, were municipalities of Cundinamarca, near the district area.
- The San Juan de Dios hospital is the oldest in Bogota; it is 382 years old, this place treated the wounded soldiers in the battle of independence; therefore, its origins date back to 1635.
- Wearing cloth suits and hats, the fervent capital's soccer teams fans went to the stadium. On the other hand, wearing soccer teams jerseys began some years later.
- With wooden soles and strapped to the feet, the "chapines" were the shoes essential to crossing muddy areas; furthermore, all women wanted them, and, for this reason, they went to the shoemaker called "Hero". In this way, the mixture of the words "Chapín" and "Hero" derived the name of the second district of our city: Chapinero.
- Between 1890 and 1893, the first paved place in Bogota was the "Plaza de Bolívar".
- The transportation systems have become a headache for people of Bogota. Then, in 1840, the first bus that arrived at our city was imported by José Antonio Carrasquilla. It was called "Cocli" and was pulled by horses, according to Consuegras's book.
- In 1905, a lady called Clementina de Flórez had a heart attack when she heard the first car that arrived to our country. This vehicle was brought in parts for the former president, Rafael Reves.
- Bogota has the largest outdoor rock festival in Latin America; It is called "Rock al Parque", a free event that receives millions of people, year after year.
- The word "Bogota" comes from the Chibcha term "Ba-cata", that means "fenced off the farming".
- The San Bartolomé school was the first school in Bogota and, in the same way, the place where several former presidents of our country studied.
- Nemesio Camacho El Campín Stadium: the Mayor of Bogota between 1936 and 1937, Jorge Eliécer Gaitán, who was one of the most important political characters in the history of our nation, promoted the construction of this stadium. This sports venue was built on land donated by the Camacho family,



one of the most prominent families in the capital at that time. With an initial capacity for 23,500 spectators, El Campín marked, indeed, the development of the capital towards the northwest of the Sabana. This growth was seen, in a sector of pastures, near a railroad line and close to the Bogota racetrack.

Nevertheless, in 1948, the big boost for the capital's stadium came with the start of the professional soccer tournament, that is called now "Liga Águila", and the almost immediate emergence of the "El Dorado" era. This sport booming was reflected, when our soccer fields were filled with top international stars from Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, Costa Rica, and even some European countries, such as England and Hungary.

The phenomenon of the sport venue in "Calle 57", was so massive that it had to be quickly expanded to 45,000 spectators, in 1951. Twelve years later, it was built an additional grandstand to increase the seating capacity to more than 60,000 fans and, since 1967. It was made for night games with the adaptation of the artificial lighting system.

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