



# Colombia

## Where it's located?

Colombia is nicknamed the "gateway to South America" because it sits in the northwestern part of the continent where South America connects with Central and North America.



It is the fifth largest country in Latin America and home to the world's second largest population of Spanish-speaking people.

## What's its population?

**It's 51,609,000**

Fifty-one million six hundred nine thousand

## How is it like?

It's a very colorful and modern country. Art, music and traditions merge in its streets. Colombia is known as the "Country of 1000 Rhythms" for its music and folklore.



## How are Colombians like?

Colombians love music, parties and celebrations, which can be experienced and appreciated in the many festivals and carnivals around the country, such as the Barranquilla Carnival.

## Who is the president of Colombia?

It's Gustavo Petro



It's recognized as the world's third largest producer of coffee.



## What are the typical gastronomy and drink of Colombia?

Popular regional foods include arroz con coco ("rice with coconut") in coastal areas, ajicaco (a stew) in and near Bogotá, and frijoles (beans) and chicharrones (pork rinds) in Medellín. White rum is a typical drink of the Caribbean coast, as is aguardiente (an anise-flavoured liqueur) in the highlands, and Colombian beer is ubiquitous.

## What are the tourist places in Colombia?

Colombia is a country with a wide variety of experiences for travelers, from tropical beaches and snowy mountains to colonial cities and ancient ruins. The main places to travel are: San Andrés as a "leading beach destination", Medellín as a "leading emerging destination", Bogota as a "leading business destination", Cali as a "leading cultural city", Barranquilla as "leader of festivities and events", and Cartagena as a "leading destination for honeymoons".



## Who is a famous Colombian?

Shakira is a Colombian singer and songwriter. Born and raised in Barranquilla, she is known as the "Queen of Latin Music".