

# SOUTH AMERICA





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# BOGOTÁ

*Bogotá is Colombia's beating heart, an engaging and vibrant capital cradled by chilly Andean peaks and steeped in sophisticated urban cool. During the day, history and culture call, from the atmospheric colonial quarter of La Candelaria to nearly 80 museums dotted about the city; at night, brace yourself: Bogotá boogies!*

01

## Bogotá Graffiti Tour

This fascinating 2½-hour cultural walking tour focuses on Bogotá's impressive urban art scene. The tour itself is free but a COP\$20,000 to COP\$30,000 gratuity is recommended for the guide. It's a great (and cheap!) way to dive deeper into a colourful and creative underworld you might otherwise stroll right past on your way to more well-known attractions. [bogotagraffiti.com](http://bogotagraffiti.com); Parque de los Periodistas; 10am & 2pm; free.

02

## Museo Botero

Banco de la República's massive museum complex dedicates several halls to all things chubby: hands, oranges, women, mustachioed men, children, birds, Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia (FARC) leaders – all, of course, the robust paintings and sculptures of Colombia's famed artist, Fernando Botero (who donated these works). [banrepcultural.org/museo-botero](http://banrepcultural.org/museo-botero); Calle 11 No 4-41; 9am-7pm Mon & Wed-Sat, 10am-5pm Sun; free.

03

## Cine Tonalá

One of Bogotá's few independent cinemas champions Latin/Colombian films and international cult classics, but this Mexico City import refuses to be categorised. The multifaceted cultural centre in a renovated 1930s La Merced mansion is a shelter for artistic refugees, who retreat here for its hip bar, fine cheap Mexican food and rousing club nights. [cinetonala.co](http://cinetonala.co); Carrera 6A No 35-27; noon-3am Tue-Sun; films COP\$7000-9000.

