

SANTA MARTA, COLOMBIA

Santa Marta: Eco Walk in Tayrona National Park

ACTIVITY LEVEL: STRENUOUS

Tayrona National Park is located on the Atlantic coast northeast of Santa Marta. Home to numerous species of animals, birds, reptiles and vestiges of the Tayrona culture, the landscape is covered by lush vegetation and huge unique white rock formations breaking the waves of the Caribbean Sea. You will board a bus for the 45-minute ride to Tayrona. Upon arriving at the park, you will take a **nature trail walk** along the 9-stone path to learn about the flora, fauna and Tayrona culture and you will view one of the stunning beaches. Then you will head to the **Mirador Eco-Habs Resort** set in the beautiful tropical environment for refreshments. Take time to visit "**La Piscinita**" (the little pool) beach, where you can go for a brief swim and rest or chat with the Tayrona Natives. Small lizards and birds are common sightings. After soaking in the pristine and serene natural beauty of the park, it's time to head back to the ship.

Please note: Ecological walking at the park includes extended periods of walking and standing. Ecological walking is optional and guests can stay at the beach and/or park facilities if they choose.

PRICE\$85

Santa Marta: Quebrada Valencia Ecological Experience & Waterfall

ACTIVITY LEVEL: STRENUOUS

You will board a bus for the 1-hour drive to **Valencia Waterfall**. This impressive cascade of crystalline water among rocks and crags, offers an unequaled spectacle making this place a must see. The natural waterfall, descends from the **Sierra Nevada**, which is the tallest mountain bordering the sea in the world with perpetual snows, forming a series of natural pools that are suitable for enjoying a refreshing swim and observing a variety of fishes. It is surrounded by a variety of exotic vegetation and fruits, such as cacao and plantain. **Quebrada Valencia** belongs to the countless ecological and tourist destinations that Santa Marta offers. You will take a 30-minute hike then you will have free time to get to know the area, dive into its waters and enjoy the beauty of the landscape.

Please note: Wear comfortable walking shoes.

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Santa Marta: Santa Marta Highlights

ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE

This tour provides a glimpse of the third most important port and second tourist city of Colombia. You will board your motor coach to begin your tour of Santa Marta. You will visit The **Gold Museum** to admire the museum's pre-Colombian artifact exhibit and a small, yet priceless, collection of Tayrona gold and pottery pieces. Then you will head to the first church in the city, the **Church of Santa Ana**, built in 1529 by Fray Thomas Ortiz, a Dominican friar. Your next stop will be at **San Pedro de Alejandrino Villa**. Dating back to the 17th century, San Pedro de Alejandrino had its origins as a country estate outside the city limits. In 1830, the great liberator Simon Bolivar used it as a refuge for his last days. The interior of the house has been restored and the extensive gardens have been returned to their former glory. Following the tour, re-board the coach and drive to the **Irotama Hotel** to enjoy a delightful display of Colombia's history and culture during a folklore show featuring traditional songs and dances, soft drinks are included.

Please note: The terrain at the villa is uneven and there are steps to get up to the gold Museum. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

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