

Quito City Tour in the Old Town



Visit our wonderful Historical Centre and discover the Statue of Panecillo, Plaza Grande, The Main Cathedral of Quito, Presidential Residence or Carondelet Palace, San Francisco Plaza, La Ronda Street among other historical places, plazas or buildings built from the XVI to XX centuries.

Enjoy a precious panoramic view of the old town from the top of an old bell tower. Enjoy tasting a delicious typical food which became more popular in the international menus.

Learn more about of its Spanish-architecture and its local culture and legends. Visit the first UNESCO World Heritage Site, discover the Golden Church (La Compañía de Jesus), San Francisco Square, and the new-gothic style Basilica which is the largest neo-gothic church in South America.

Itinerary:

You will be picked-up from the hotel unto discover the Statue of Panecillo from here we can observe all the historical centre, the new and south of the city.

The Statue of the Panecillo:

The protective mother can be seen in all her splendor from the hill that bears the same name. Built in March 28th, 1975. The largest statue made of aluminum in the world. It is higher than the Jesus of Redeemer of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

La Ronda Street:

An interesting walk on the Ronda Street to remember the old days of Quito. Time to taste traditional sweets from Quito, still handmade, such as the "Colaciones".

La Compañía de Jesus Church:

Where you can admire a fragment of Dante Alighieri's Divine Comedy. Visit one of the jewel of the Americas, this church is considering the best expression of the baroque art style.

Plaza Grande:

Walk on the Independence square or Plaza Grande, in this site, we can observe the most important landmark which marks the end of the Spanish emancipation. A glimpse to see the Archbishop palace that currently is working as a commercial area. Besides, we can look up the massive Cathedral that keeps essential tells about the Quito`s political events.

San Francisco Convent:

It is said that this church was built by Cantuña, an indigenous blacksmith and bricklayer. Called the Escorial de los Andes by the Spanish King. Church full of Catholic religious imagery made by famous indigenous artist such as Caspicara "Wooden Face".

La Basilica:

The churches of Quito are like a chest of jewels. Early Christian-church architecture. Built on a sacred hill. The largest church in Quito in its Gothic style, even larger than its sister the church of Santa Teresita, whose church is located in what was one of the most aristocratic neighborhoods of Quito "La Marsical". Finally, drop-off at the hotel.

The intense Quito sun forces you to bring a good sunscreen or, if you prefer, an Ecuadorian hat “Traditional toquilla straw hat” is good to bring.

The tour includes:

A certified Guide/driver (English/Spanish-speaking)
Comfortable transportation
Activities according to the program

The tour doesn't include:

Travel insurance
Entrance fees
Meals and tips