

# Cartagena, Colombia



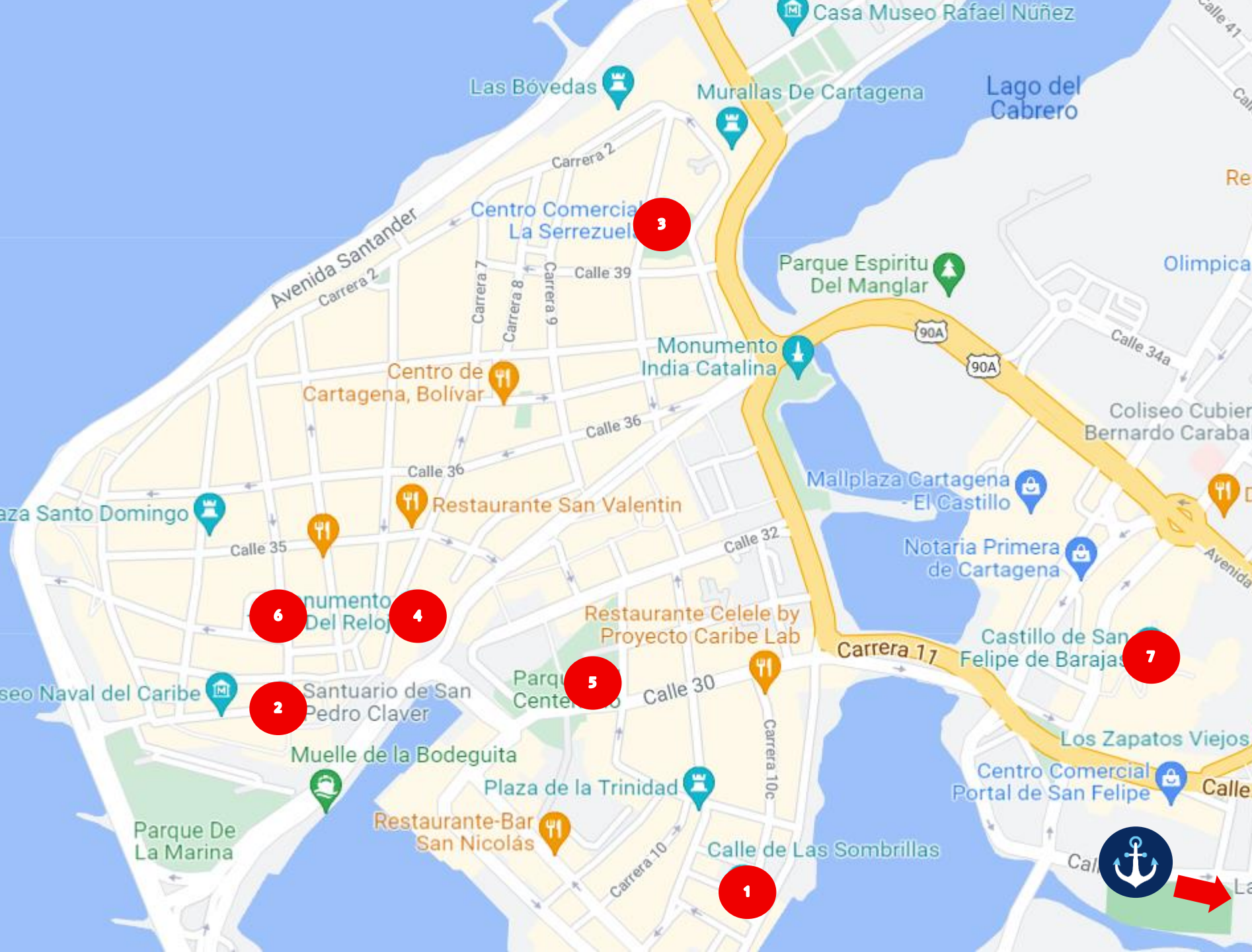
## SHIP'S LOCATION

1. Calle de Las Sombrillas
2. Santuario de San Pedro Claver
3. La Serrezuela Shopping Centre
4. Clock Tower Monument
5. Centenario Park
6. Palace of the Inquisition
7. Castillo de San Felipe de Barajas

Distance to town: Approx. 15 minutes drive

For more information please speak to a member of the Destination Services team

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# EXPLORE ASHORE CARTAGENA



**LOCAL CURRENCY:**  
COLOMBIAN PESO  
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**LANGUAGE SPOKEN:**  
SPANISH



**PHOTO ID:**  
NOT REQUIRED



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## AT A GLANCE

Cartagena is packed with over 480 years of history. There's a true clash of cultures in this pretty amazing city, think colourful street art, superb food and the most ideal shopping scene. No trip to Cartagena is complete if you don't go to see the spectacular Castillo de San Felipe de Barajas, a fortress built in the 1600's.

Taxis are really the only means of transportation as walking in to the town isn't recommended. From the visitor's area you will have to walk to the port gates. Here, licensed taxi drivers can be found.

To Old Cartagena, which is around a 15 minute journey, costs approximately 20 USD for up to 4 people sharing.

Just so you know taxis aren't metered, so make sure the price you agree on is clear before getting in. If your driver is taking you somewhere and bringing you back, you usually won't need to pay until the end of your return trip.

## DON'T MISS OUT ON

**Old City of Cartagena:** Think picturesque streets, especially in the walled city known as La Ciudad Amurallada, an UNESCO World Heritage Site. You'll find lots of colourful architecture, flowers, street artists and street vendors.

**Palace of The Inquisition:** This building is housed in one of the loveliest colonial buildings in Cartagena, but does conceal a dark period of time. The Spanish Inquisition sent representatives to the Colonies to try inhabitants for crimes such as witchcraft, dark magic and blasphemy.

**Santuario de San Pedro Claver:** If you're going to visit one church in Cartagena, make it this one. The sanctuary contains a museum which features religious artwork, a beautiful courtyard and a baptismal font. It holds the remains of St. San Pedro Claver who is the patron saint of slaves. He fought to make their lives more humane and worked towards abolition of slavery.

**La Serrezuela Shopping Centre:** Originally built in 1893 it once was a theatre and a bullfighting ring, horse riding displays could be seen here too. Now home to high end shops, restaurants and bars, perfect for some retail therapy.

## EXCURSION OF THE DAY

**Mangrove Canoe Ride & Drum Show:** You'll kick things off with a visit to San Felipe Fortress, a Spanish stronghold that was built in 1536. It's on top of a tall hill that offers up great views of the coast and Cartagena's city centre. You'll be able to snap some pictures of both from the top of the well-preserved ramparts. From here, you'll travel to the village of La Boquilla, where you'll be greeted with a cup of coconut milk and a traditional dance performance. You'll then hop on a wooden canoe and head up the nearby river. Keep your eyes peeled on the trees along the riverbank – they're home to birds like kingfishers, white herons and pelicans. During the journey, one of the villagers will show you how they fish in the waterway, as well. After the demo, you'll return to the hamlet for an interactive drum-filled music show. The younger members of the local community will show you on your own personal drum how to beat the drum and become a part of the show. Once it's finished, you'll start the return journey to the port, stopping off at Bovedas – Cartagena's market-filled old quarter on the way.



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