

Santander Off Road

*6 days of
experience*





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Some places need no introduction. Others only reveal themselves when you dare to cross them – with an open heart and ready wheels. Santander is the latter: a land best discovered by bike, where rugged geography, living history, and mountain-rooted culture blend into an experience that goes far beyond cycling.

This gravel journey will take you through one of Colombia's most breathtaking landscapes: the majestic Chicamocha Canyon and its surroundings. Over 6 days and 4 riding stages, you'll cover 175 km and 5,410 meters of elevation gain – where effort and beauty merge, and every pedal stroke writes its own story.



Day 1: Welcome to Colombia

We'll welcome you at the Bucaramanga international airport, and from there, we'll begin our ascent toward the threshold of adventure: La Mesa de los Santos.

Perched at over 1,800 meters above sea level, this plateau is surrounded by cliffs, coffee fields, and Andean mist.

Here, the outside world begins to fade, and the ritual of preparation begins: rest, bike tuning, and your first glimpse of the mighty Chicamocha Canyon – which you'll soon cross not once, but twice.

Dia 2: Mesa de los Santos > Barichara

ST 1: 62 km / 1.852 mtr+

The day begins with one of those scenes only Colombia can offer: crossing the Chicamocha Canyon by cable car, floating over deep cliffs and seeing from above what you'll later conquer on two wheels. The descent leads to Jordán, a hidden village tucked between stone walls and colonial silence. Its cobbled streets and 19th-century architecture transport you to another era.

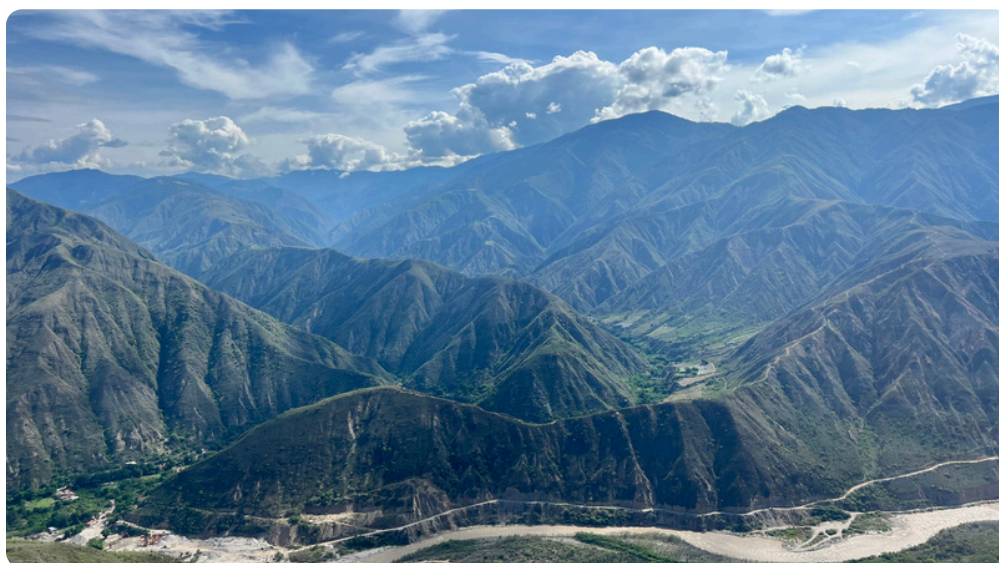
From here, the real challenge begins – climbing up the canyon's eastern face. With every switchback, the landscape shifts: cacti, ravines, and gravity-defying farmhouses. After passing Villanueva, you'll arrive in Barichara, often called the most beautiful town in Colombia. Its white façades, terracotta roofs, and golden mountain sunsets are the perfect reward for an unforgettable ride.



Dia 3: Barichara Loop

ST 2: 48 km / 1.283 mtr+

Today we'll explore the surroundings of Barichara on a circular stage that blends history, nature, and physical challenge. We'll descend toward Cabrera, a charming village nestled among mountains, where silence and colonial architecture shape the rhythm of the landscape. From there, we'll drop into the Suárez River Valley, riding nearly 10 km alongside its powerful waters—a peaceful stretch full of natural life. Then, the climb back to Barichara begins: a demanding ascent rewarded with breathtaking canyon views and the deep satisfaction of a day well ridden.





Day 4: Rest Day in Barichara and Historical and Adventure Exploration

ST 3: (optional) 20 km / 604 mtr+

After two demanding stages, today we slow the pace to discover the more cultural and relaxed side of Santander. If you're up for it, we can start the day with an easy, scenic ride around Barichara. If you prefer to rest, the morning is yours until 10 a.m., when we begin a guided walk through this charming colonial town—with its cobbled streets, historic churches, and artisan workshops.

A day designed to reconnect, recharge, and be amazed by the living history of one of Colombia's most beautiful villages.

Dia 5: The final journey through the canyon

ST 4: 45 km / 1.671 mtr+

The final stage is an odyssey that captures the full majesty of the tour. We begin riding toward Las Juntas, where the Suárez River meets the Chicamocha. First, we'll cross a bridge over the Suárez, then take a rustic ferry across the Sogamoso River—a moment that blends local logistics with pure adventure.

From the far bank begins the last big climb toward La Mesa de los Santos. The views are awe-inspiring: sheer rock walls, natural terraces, and birds of prey soaring overhead.

By the time you arrive at the hotel, the feeling is unmistakable: you did it. You've crossed the canyon twice, ridden through stone-built villages, and written a story in every single kilometer.

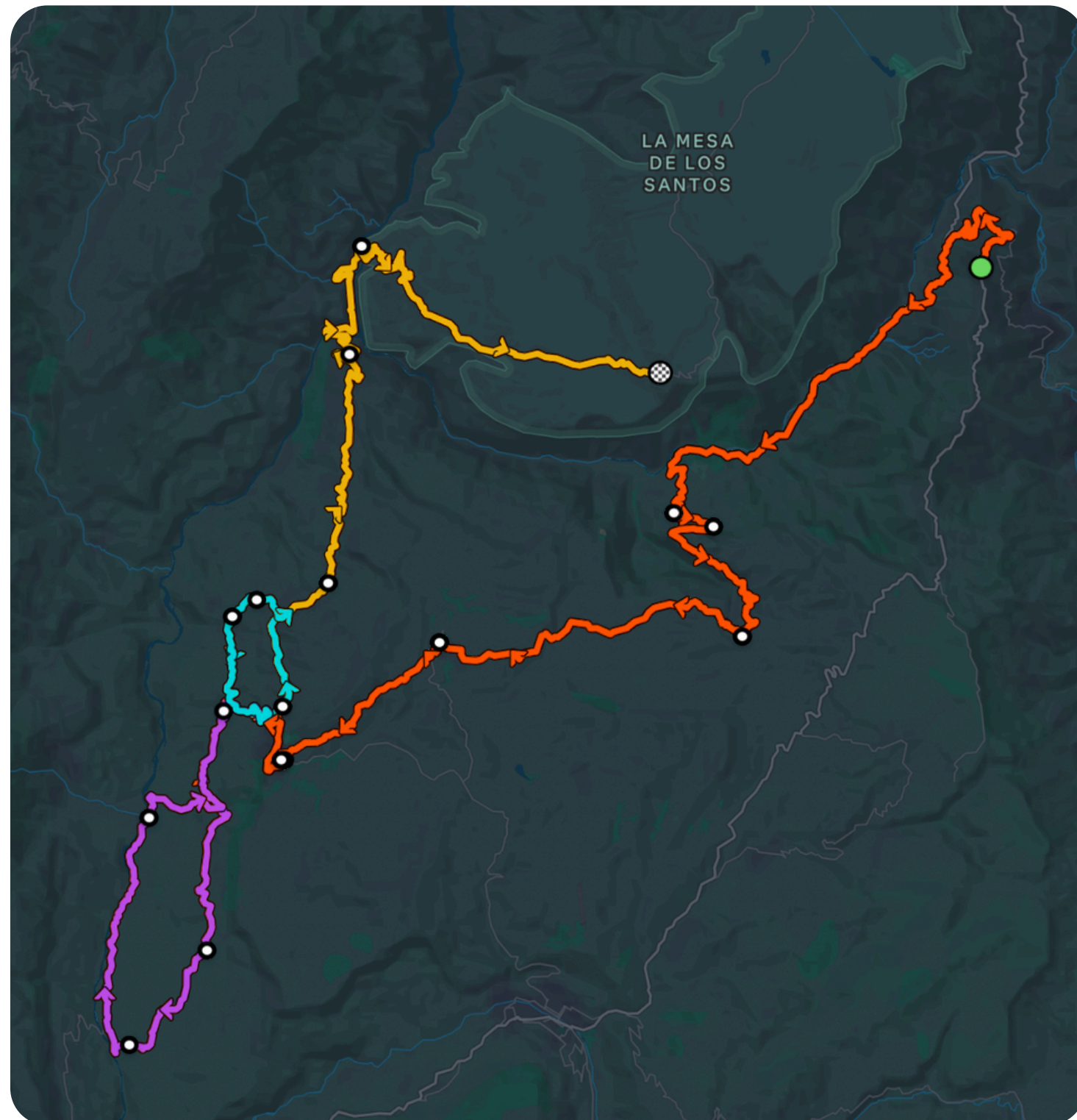
Dia 8: Farewell

After breakfast, your morning is free to rest, take in the views one last time, and pack something that won't fit in your suitcase: the memories. We'll take you to Palonegro Airport in Bucaramanga whenever you need. And just like that, the journey comes to an end—what started as a gravel adventure has become a truly transformative experience. Santander is no longer just a place on the map. It's now a part of you.



Stages and Altimetry

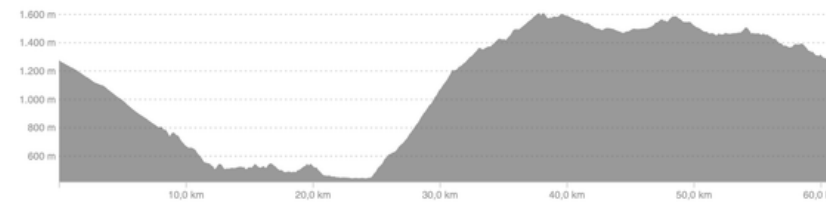
178 km 5.392 mtr +



**62 km /
1.852 mtr+**

1st Stage

- Jordan Climb: 12.9 km al 8.7%



**48 km /
1.283 mtr+**

2nd Stage

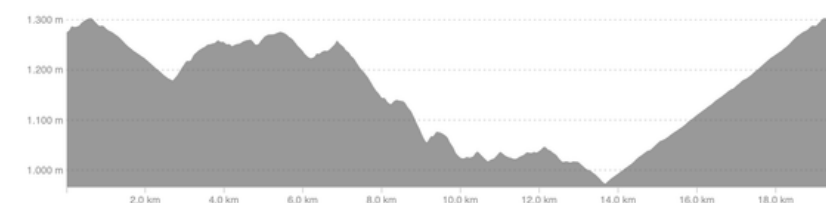
- Cabrera Climb: 2.9km al 7.2%
- Barichara Climb: 12.2 km al 5.7%



**20 km /
604 mtr+**

3rd Stage

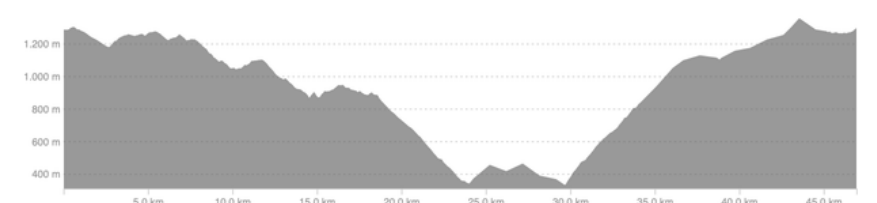
- Guane Climb: 5.5km al 5.7%



**48 km /
1.653 mtr+**

4th Stage

- Mine Climb: 2.2km al 11.7%
- Mirador Climb: 3.1km al 9.4%
- Las Cabras Climb: 4.2 km al 6.8%



¿What You Get?

Accommodation & Meals

- 6 days/5 nights of fully escorted experience.
- 5 nights of accommodation.
- All breakfasts included.

Transfers

- Airport pickup and drop-off.
- All transfers during the tour.

Cycling Support

- 1 support van + 1 motorcycle escort.
- 1 lead cyclist for every 6 clients.
- 1 experienced mechanic.
- Daily GPX files for each stage.

Cycling Experience

- Welcome Kit.
- Accident policy (T&C apply).

Trip Experience

- Tour guide throughout the experience.
- Surprise experience.

Nutrición durante las rodadas

- Water, sports drinks, and sodas.
- A variety of snacks (bars, fruit, etc.)

Rates

Price per person
in double occupancy **\$2.900**

Price per person
in single occupancy **\$3.250**

Prices in US dollars (\$ USD).

*Prices for a group of at least 4 people

¿What is not included?

- Airline tickets.
- Bicycle insurance.
- Lunches and dinners.
- Additional expenses and tips.
- Bicycles

Payment Methods & Conditions

To reserve a spot on this experience, a **50%** deposit of the total price is required.

The balance will be divided into two **25%** payments on the agreed dates.

Payments are accepted only by bank transfer or credit card.

Available places,
8
Available places

The team that will accompany you



David Brown

With an almost intuitive ability to solve any mechanical problem, he has been instrumental in critical moments on the road. His experience and skill keep our bikes—and our tours—in perfect condition. But what truly makes David special is his warmth, willingness, and dedication to service. Our clients don't just trust him... they admire him, they seek him out, and many leave talking about his heart as much as his talent.



Juan Sebastián Mahecha.

A former elite triathlete with over 14 years in the sport, he has experienced firsthand the transformative power of movement. Today, his purpose is clear: to inspire and guide others to discover what they are capable of, through commitment, passion, and adventure. Because more than pedaling, it's about living... and always daring to go further.



Javier Agudelo

"Javo" is our cycling photographer. He knows all the angles and spots to capture the best portraits of this experience. Javo will be with us for just a few days.

Our accommodations for this tour

Hotel Aborigenes

 Mesa de los Santos

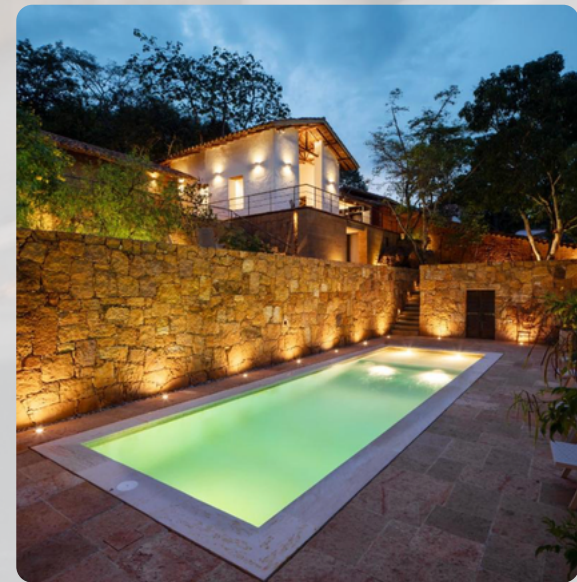
Night 1 & 5



Hotel Terrazul

 Barichara

Night 2 to 4



Sustainability is our path to new adventures!

CO2 footprint

Although cycling is more sustainable than driving, we still leave a CO2 footprint. At Bonobo, we offset this footprint by covering the emissions generated by your flights, transportation, accommodations, and other services. For each participant, we plant three trees through the ReverdC reforestation program, a Colombian company. You'll also receive an offset certificate in your name.

Social & Community

At Bonobo, we know that tourism is key to economic and social development. That's why, beyond offering you unique cycling experiences in Colombia, we ensure we leave a positive mark on the communities we visit, generating a direct economic impact through both our operations and our customers' spending. In this way, we support the growth and strengthening of these regions.

Responsible Consumption

At Bonobo, we are committed to responsible consumption. Since 2022, we have reduced the use of single-use plastics by 80%. Furthermore, our purchasing policy requires that the products we purchase be recyclable, manufactured using sustainable practices, and have an environmentally responsible production process.

What our riders say

Mark Hoffman

From United States



What a fabulous trip!! I can't recommend Bonobo Adventures and the Antioquia region more highly. Every step of the way, Sebastian anticipated each detail, and what could have been a complicated tour (6 nights, 4 hotels, 6 cycling days) worked out very smoothly. His team, with Alejandro as van driver, David as mechanic and Stefani as new marketing hire helping out with our tour, handled everything professionally. Just as important, we got to know them all as people by sharing most meals together, even with a little language barrier between us. The Antioquia landscapes are jaw-droppingly beautiful. Sebastian chose routes that included a couple of iconic climbs, but with the Specialized Creo e-assist road bikes, we three middle-aged Americans reached the top just fine. The hotels were comfortable, spotlessly clean and professionally staffed. My favorite was the Casa de las Campanas guest house in Cauca Viejo, where we were the only guests and Adriana treated us to excellent Colombian cuisine prepared in the open kitchen while we relaxed in the pool or veranda. Two surprise afternoon activities (no spoilers!) really added to our feel for this remarkable region. Go with Bonobo Adventures, and tell your friends to do the same!



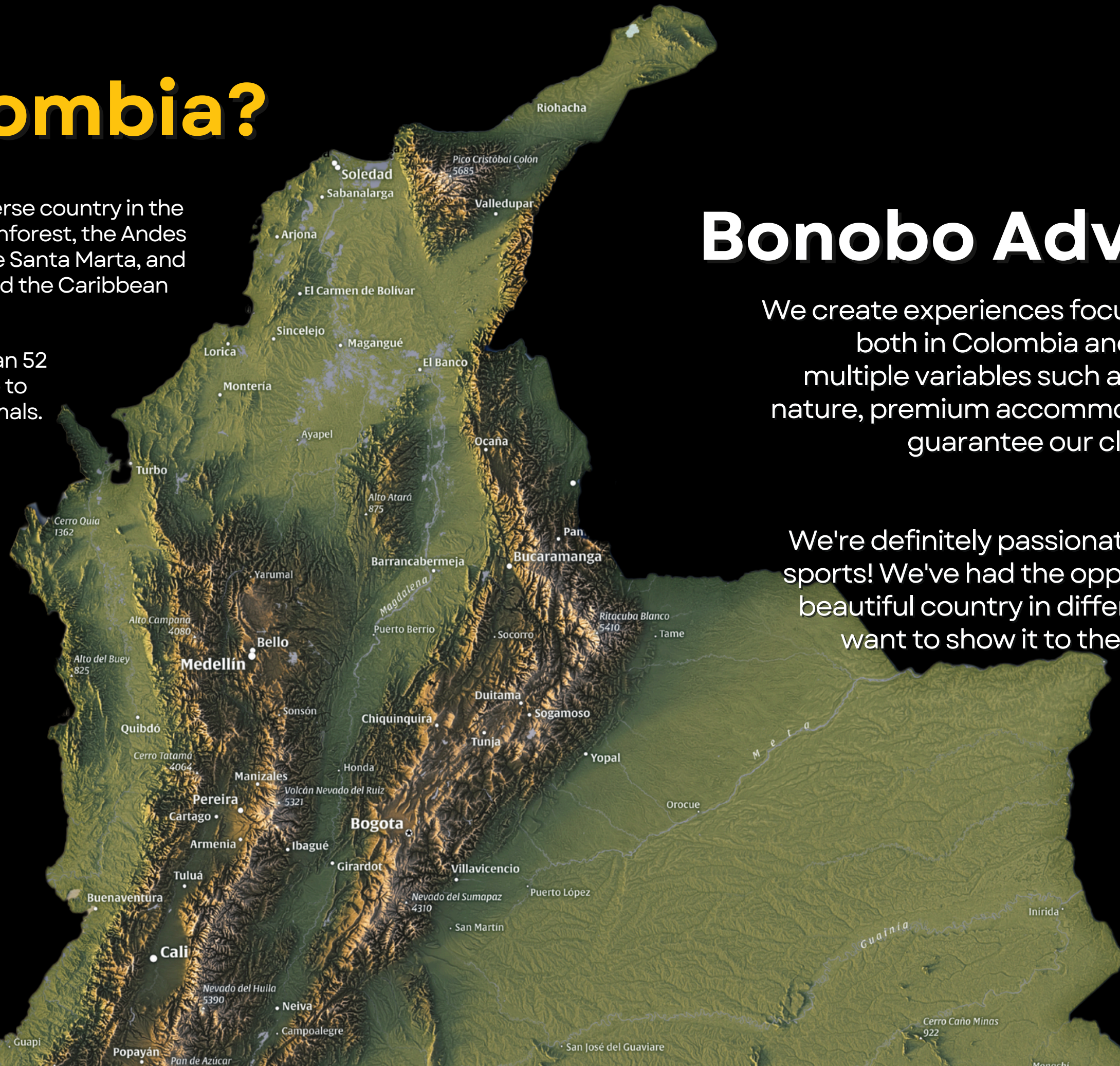
¿Why Colombia?

Colombia is listed as the most biodiverse country in the world, as it is home to the Amazon rainforest, the Andes mountain range, the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, and its coasts facing the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea.

In addition to being home to more than 52 million people, Colombia is also home to thousands of types of plants and animals.

¡An adventure to live!

What makes Colombia the country with the greatest biodiversity in the world also makes it a great adventure. Its territory encompasses an astonishing geography, composed of a gigantic number of unique ecosystems, which contrast with an incalculable cultural and historical heritage, thus generating unique experiences of great value for your life.



About Bonobo Adventures

We create experiences focused on sports tourism both in Colombia and abroad. We combine multiple variables such as gastronomy, culture, nature, premium accommodations, and sports to guarantee our clients the best possible adventure..

We're definitely passionate about Colombia and sports! We've had the opportunity to explore our beautiful country in different ways, and now we want to show it to the world through sports..





¿Ready for the Adventure?



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