



Why do a Cartagena Getaway?

A Cartagena Getaway is less than 5 hours nonstop from the east coast of the United States and airfare is under \$500. When you get there you can enjoy delectable meals, walk most places you want to go, buy beautiful, handmade mementos, tour UNESCO sites and easily visit a Caribbean beach.



Go on a walking tour of Cartagena's walled city

Schedule, ideally online before you arrive, a walking tour of the walled city. We met with William Salazar who is a man worth meeting; he knows everyone, can get you whatever experience suits your interests, takes your safety seriously and will not steer you wrong just so he can make a buck. He owns and runs [The Cartagenian](#) a small company and will personally work with you to ensure that you get what you want in terms of tours, accommodations, private drivers, reservations for good restaurants and even airport pickups.



Entrance to Alma restaurant at night (no kidding)

Where to eat on your Cartagena getaway

OK, even we can see that this is turning into a book. At some point we will write a separate post on the topic of dining in Cartagena because it's totally worthy and because we did so much of it. But for now here's a cheat sheet of places where you can't go wrong.



Two hot broads classing up Alma Restaurant (not shown)

[Alma](#) – This is the restaurant of the hotel Casa San Agustín. We spent hours there one night enjoying at least 4 courses of exquisite food and wine and practically had to be sent back to our hotel in wheelbarrows we were so full (and happy). Definitely make reservations and even if the idea of octopus carpaccio sounds unbelievably disgusting to you have it as an appetizer and you will not regret it. We both rank this in the top 10 of meals in our lives and we have had a lot of meals in a lot of wonderful places around the world. Don't miss the chance to come here!