

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF GRAFFITI AND STREET ART IN BOGOTA

The first “graffiti” in Bogotá were petroglyphs, written on walls of caves in the savannah, made by the indigenous Chibcha people. From there, graffiti in Bogotá evolved into a form of social commentary and cultural expression, especially during the period of “La Violencia” and at the height of the civil war. The designs have become more and more complex via stencil, spray paint, stickers and wheat-pasted posters. Since graffiti is technically more “acceptable” in Colombia, grafiteros have free reign to express as they please. On this tour, we strive to show and share with you the works and artists that have made this city a thriving hot spot of street art for not only Colombia, but the world!



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### APC

Bogotá's biggest and most respected collective. Their diverse styles and techniques, as well as the amount of artwork that they have left up around the city make them a staple here in Bogotá.

[www.animalez.org](http://www.animalez.org)



### DJLU

Is a trained architect & artist, he has painted Colombian streets since 2004. His thought-provoking, socio-political pictographs adorn every nook-n-cranny of the city.

[www.instagram.com/juegasiempre](http://www.instagram.com/juegasiempre)



### STINKFISH

Work commonly features stenciled faces with elaborated and intricate designs through them. His unique style is to create stencils from photographs he's captured or found in Bogotá's streets.

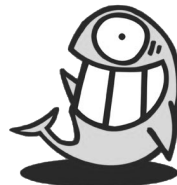
[www.stink.tk](http://www.stink.tk)



### RODEZ

Rodez is a visual and contemporary artist that has created and exhibited street art world wide. His style dominated by multiple eyes is vibrant and colorful

[www.flickr.com/people/rodez](http://www.flickr.com/people/rodez)



### EL PEZ

From Barcelona, has been painting in Bogotá for more than 15 years. His tag gradually changed to the fish character he paints today around the world

[www.el-pez.com](http://www.el-pez.com)



### LIK MI

She's an independent designer known for her illustrated “paste ups”, colorful murals and personalized hand crafted jewelry.

[www.likmi.org](http://www.likmi.org)



### CRISP

Aussie who uses a variety of mediums, from paste ups to sculpture to stencils, to portray visually appealing murals and more political thought provoking pieces.

[www.facebook.com/Crispstreetart](http://www.facebook.com/Crispstreetart)



### TOXICOMANO

Formerly a stencil collective, they have painted walls all over the world. Heavily influenced by punk rock, his politically filled graphics illustrate many of Colombia's social problems.

[www.instagram.com/toxicomanocallejero](http://www.instagram.com/toxicomanocallejero)



### GUACHE

Bogota based artist, Guache produces beautiful vibrant murals of Colombia's indigenous and farming cultures, fauna, flora and terrain

[www.guache.co](http://www.guache.co)

# RECOMMENDATIONS

## RESTAURANTS

La Candelaria has plenty of great places to eat, but if you want to go further afield here are our suggestions.

**All local Corrientazos:** These traditional luncheon joints serve up a hunger busting Colombian lunch for 5-10mil pesos.

**Govindas Loto Azul:** Great veggie dishes and food. Cr.5 bis #12c-02

**Sant Just:** French/Colombian fusion in the heart of La Candelaria. Mon - Sat 12 pm- 4 pm. Calle 16a #2-73

**La Puerta Real:** Is a traditional "Cachaco" restaurant that serves typical Bogotano dishes. Calle 12b cra 2a int 5

**El Garden:** Colombian-French fusion restaurant and bookstore. has DJ Nights and art expos with an excelent view of the city. Calle 12b bis 1-48

**2 Gatos y Simone:** Traditional Mexican food Cra 2A # 16A - 04

**SPQR:** Brunch, lunch specials, veggie platters, desserts and cocktails. Cra.3#12-98

## NIGHT LIFE

Bogota has a great nightlife scene, full of locals who never stop dancing. In Bogota, it's common to buy a bottle of alcohol (such as the local Aguardiente) to share with friends. Let us know what you thought of our choices!

**Revellion:** is a thematic bar/ restaurant in the Continental Hotel in La Candelaria. They have different activities everyday. Cll 16 #4-23

**Armando Records:** Another electronic club, a bit farther down from la Candelaria but worth the visit. Calle 85 #14-46

**Cine Tonalá:** Indie Film Theater, bar, restaurant, nightclub, gallery, book and record store. Cr.6 #35-37

**Latino Power:** concert venue, DJ nights and independent design fairs. Calle 58 # 13-88

## PUBS

Let's be realistic, you're traveling and there will probably be times when you're looking to go for a beer or two. Here are a few of our favourite watering holes in the City.

**Beer Store:** ( Cr 4 #15-07 in Candelaria) - Across road from BBC, cheap local beer, tequila shots and guaro drinking rustic shop/bar.

**The Pub:** (Cra 3 # 12 - 37) Good local craft beer & pub grub. Authentic Irish Pub feel mixed with the coziness of a restored 1700's colonial house

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## E X T R A S

### GRAFFITI SHOPS N PAINT STORES

**Kontra Downtown Graffiti Shop:** Cr. 5 #21-84, (+57) 313 404 7192.  
www.kontracrew.com

**Skinny Universal**  
Calle 52 a # 27 a 28  
Tel: 5416318

### MORE TOURS+

**Bogota Pass:** offers a smart an easy way to enjoy the capital.  
Calle 16 # 4 - 67 local 11.

**Beyond Colombia:** Free Walking Tour: Bogota's history, culture, arts, gastronomy, recommended spots, and daily life. Based on tips. Everyday at 10am (Eng&Esp) and 2pm (Eng) in front of the Gold Museum. Look for the red umbrella!  
tel:(+57)312 4413171

**Free Food Tour:** Discover Bogota's most delicious side! Empanada, Pandeboño, Ajiaco, Oblea, Coffee, among many others. Based on tips. Monday to Friday at 2pm in front of the Gold Museum. Look for the red umbrella!

### CULTURAL HOUSES

**La Redada:**  
cultural house, artist workshop, information center for alternative tours and cafe.  
Calle 17 # 2-51 tel: 3422107

**La Peluqueria:**  
hair salon, event venue&organic cafe&veggie restaurant. Cra 3 # 12d - 83  
tel: 320 8644083

*Use the bogota graffiti tour stickers, given out by the guides to get great discounts, at these locations.*

**El garden**  
Calle °12b bis 1-48

**La Peluqueria**  
Cra 3 No. 12d - 83

**Papaya Gourmet**  
Carrera 3 #12C-90

### URBAN ART GALLERIES

**Visaje Graffiti Colombia:**  
Design/Art Gallery and Expo space Calle 43 # 18a  
Call For Appointment:3384071

**La Bricolería:** Creative Space, Graffiti, Screen Prints, Streetwear. 28a # 16 - 41  
labricoleria@gmail.com  
Call For Appointment  
Tel: 394 29 76

**Galeria Vertigo Graffiti**  
Graffiti and Street Art Gallery.  
www.vertigograffiti.com  
Call For Appointment:  
3105543521

**Serie/5**  
Diverse expressions of Latin American graphic.  
Cra. 3 # 12c - 48.  
Monday- saturday 11am-6pm

