

Providencia Island, Caribbean, Colombia

The Caribbean of 50 years ago — no chain stores, no mega-ships, just volcanic peaks, neon-turquoise water, and Raizal culture untouched by mass tourism.

 Tender (no pier)

 Typical call: 6-8 hrs

 Colombian Peso (COP; bring cash)

 English Creole & Spanish

 UNESCO Biosphere Reserve

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Santa Isabel (Town) dock — no deep-water pier

Walk to center: 0 min — tender lands in Santa Isabel town

Best For: Snorkeling, diving, beach days, Raizal culture

Don't Miss: Cayo Cangrejo snorkel trip & Lover's Bridge walk

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ 25,000–35,000 COP (~\$6–9 USD) · 📱 **Rideshare** ❌ not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Cayo Cangrejo Snorkel Trip** — A postcard volcanic islet surrounded by crystal-clear turquoise water — snorkel with sea turtles and stingrays then...
- **Scuba Diving the Barrier Reef** — Providencia's barrier reef — the third-largest in the world — offers untouched coral walls, caves, and shark encounters.
- **Lover's Bridge & Fort Warwick Walk** — Cross the colorful 150-meter floating bridge to car-free Santa Catalina Island, then walk to Fort Warwick...
- **El Pico Hike** — A guided hike to the island's 360-meter summit through lush forest.
- **Manzanillo Beach & Roland Roots Bar** — Providencia's most famous beach — white sand, coconut palms, reggae music, and cold drinks at the legendary Roland...

BEST WALKS

- **Santa Isabel to Lover's Bridge & Fort Warwick** 1.5–2 hrs | Easy | Free — From the tender pier in Santa Isabel, walk south along the waterfront to Lover's Bridge (5 min), cross to Santa Catalina Island, and...
- **Deep Blue Marina to Cayo Cangrejo** Take taxi to marina | 10-min boat ride — This 'walk' starts with a 15-minute taxi ride from the pier to the Deep Blue Marina area (Manzanillo).

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring cash (COP). There is only one ATM on the island and it frequently runs out. Credit cards are rarely accepted. US dollars are sometimes taken but at a poor rate.
- Tender timing matters. Only small and expedition ships call here — tender lines move quickly, but always check your ship's last tender time. Missing it on this remote island is...
- Reef-safe sunscreen only. Providencia is a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Chemical sunscreens are harmful to the reef and locally frowned upon — bring mineral sunscreen or buy locally.