

Getting to Providencia Island



To reach the peaceful oasis of Providencia Island, fly first to our neighbouring Colombian island, which is called **San Andres Island**.

Its important to book the transport well in advance, if you wait until the last minute you might find that everything is fully booked.

From San Andres Island to Providencia Island

To travel onwards from San Andres to Providencia, it is best to book a short 15 minute flight with Satena (www.satena.com). You can book online if you understand Spanish or alternatively download Google Chrome and it will translate the page for you. If can't book the flight direct with Satena, you could try booking the same flight via the online travel agency www.kiwi.com.

If Satena has no availability you could book a flight with Grupo San German www.gruposangerman.com

The airline Searca also offers charter package flights. You can sometimes book flights only by phoning Decameron's USA toll free phone number (currently +1 855 308 0375).

If you have good sea legs, it is also possible to travel between San Andres and Providencia by fast catamaran. The boat, El Sensation (<http://www.conocemosnavegando.com>), makes the 2 and a half hour return journey between San Andres and Providencia every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday. Sometimes the service is cancelled at the last minute and it can be a rough journey at certain times of year.

Getting to San Andres Island from the Colombian Mainland

If you travel onwards to Providencia on the same day, we suggest you allow 3 hours between flights (in case of any delays it is better to allow good time between the flights). "Google Flights" can be a useful tool for checking flight availability and prices.

There are direct flights to San Andres from the below cities with the following airlines.

From Cartagena: Wingo; Viva Colombia, Latam

From Medellin: Viva Colombia or Latam

From Cali: Latam

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From Bogota: Avianca, Latam and Viva Colombia

From anywhere else: try Avianca, connecting in Bogota

www.wingo.com

www.vivacolombia.co

www.latam.com

www.avianca.com

Getting to San Andres Island from **Central America**

Copa (www.copaair.com) has direct flights from Panama City to San Andres Island. From other major cities in Central America, it is possible to fly with Copa via Panama City or Avianca (www.avianca.com) via Bogota.

Getting to San Andres Island from **North America**

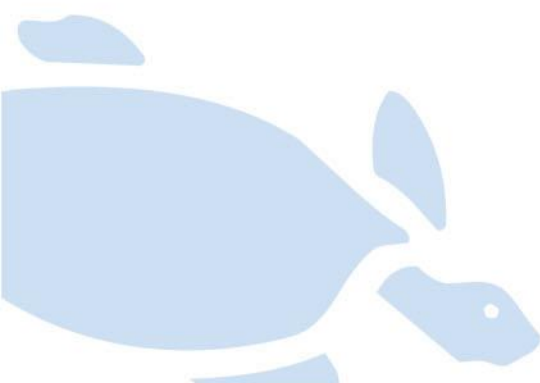
Search for flights on Avianca (connections via Bogota) or Copa (connections via Panama City). The easiest connections are from Miami and New York. Alternatively, search for flights to Bogota and purchase a separate ticket onwards to San Andres. American Airlines, Continental Airlines, Delta Airlines and Spirit Airlines all fly to Bogota.

Getting to San Andres Island from countries in **South America**

Avianca has the most extensive range of flights to capital cities in South America – you would connect via Bogota. It is often cheaper to book a flight to Bogota, followed by a separate flight from Bogota to San Andres.

Sometimes it is more convenient to fly with Copa via Panama City.

Most national airlines offer flights to Bogota e.g. Tam flies from Sao Paulo to Bogota; Aerolineas Argentinas flies from Buenos Aires to Bogota; Latam flies from Quito, Guayaquil, Lima, Santiago and Buenos Aires to Bogota.



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Getting to San Andres Island from countries in **Europe**

It is normally best value to search for a flight ticket all the way from Europe to San Andres Island, with a stopover somewhere like Bogota or Cartagena (if you plan on visiting the mainland). Using London as an example, your itinerary might be:

Flight #1: 17 November: London to Cartagena

Flight #2: 23 November: Cartagena to San Andres Island

Flight #3: 30 November: San Andres Island to London.

Try looking on www.lastminute.com or www.expedia.co.uk and search for a *multiple destinations / multi route* flight where you purchase all such flights in one go (i.e. on one ticket). Iberia, Avianca, Lufthansa and Air France all fly from Europe to Colombia and often have fares that can include San Andres.

