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House of the Blue Balcony

Cartagena, Colombia

This beautiful and historic colonial town house, restored to its original grandeur, provides a haven of tranquility in the centre of old Cartagena, Colombia's cultural capital.

The House of the Blue Balcony was built in the sixteenth century. A beautiful colonial town palace, located right in the heart of the car-free city centre, it is just a few steps from the main piazzas and restaurants, on the same street as the Teatro Heredia and cathedral. The villa has recently been fully restored with great care by its owner - details right down to colour matching the paintwork to its original hues with the help of the National Restoration Institute.

Built around a central courtyard that holds a fabulous swimming pool, surrounded by tropical vegetation and palms, the house of the Blue Balcony is spacious and luxurious. From the street, one passes into a huge living room - a ballroom sized drawing room in times gone by - and beyond are further living rooms and the dining room. The central courtyard with its swimming pool and lush vegetation is a dream but even more amazing is another pool on top of the tower with its 360 degree views of Cartagena! Bedrooms are spacious, characterful and luxurious with en suite bathrooms and there is even internet and cable TV throughout the property.

It is a delight to stroll through the faded elegance of the sixteenth century city of Cartagena, through piazzas with Italianate fountains and colonnaded walkways, cafes outside which men are playing chess and the bustle around the emerald merchants and jewellery shops. In the evening, the character of the streets changes as smartly dressed revellers promenade along the walkways on their way to favourite restaurants; life going on until the early hours.

One can take a taxi, beyond the city walls, to the beaches or take advantage of the fantastic boat and skipper that is available with the house, go scuba diving and snorkelling and explore the many isolated beaches of this Caribbean coast. The fishermen will bring you lobster and fish, caught that day, for your beach barbecue!

The House of the Blue Balcony provides the perfect oasis of calm from which to explore the culture and natural beauty of this fascinating area.

Information

Sleeps 20

The Service

- Two maids
- Two doormen
- Cook and waiter available (payable locally)

The Accommodation

- Three living rooms
- Dining room
- Ten double bedrooms with en suite bathrooms (apart from one)
- Courtyard
- Balcony

Facilities

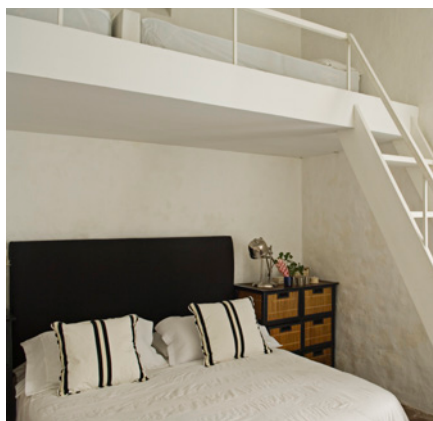
- Courtyard swimming pool
- Swimming pool on top of the tower (with 360 degree views of Cartagena)
- Jacuzzi
- Internet and Cable TV throughout the villa
- Fast 38 ft boat with 2 yamaha 250 HP motors & skipper

Attractions Nearby

- Old town of Cartagena
- Beaches 5kms
- Islas del Rosario 2hours by boat

General

- Airport in Cartagena (Rafael Nunez) 6kms



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