

TRAVEL SAFETY

Alfonso Bonilla Aragón International Airport Security Guide

Colombia

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Alfonso Bonilla Aragón International Airport – CLO



Visitors

- The district has approximately 2.3 million inhabitants and 2.7 million in the metropolitan area.
- Cali receives an average of 3.1 million visitors per year.



General information

It is located in the district of Palmaseca, in the municipality of Palmira, approximately 18 kilometers northeast of downtown Cali. It is the third largest airport in Colombia in terms of passenger traffic. It serves as the main air terminal for southwestern Colombia. Cali is the capital of Valle del Cauca and the country's third-largest economic center. It is known as the "World Capital of Salsa" and is an industrial, commercial, and cultural hub of southwestern Colombia. The city sits at 1,018 meters above sea level, giving it a mild tropical climate



The airport

- 1.It has two terminals: one for domestic flights and another for international flights.
- 2.The airport has a 3,000-meter runway.
- 3.There is a military aviation base operating within its facilities.
- 4.Its operations are managed by Aeronáutica Civil (Civil Aviation Authority).
- 5.Migración Colombia handles passenger entry and exit processes.
- 6.For Colombian citizens over 12 years old, the BioMig automated immigration system is available.
- 7.Customs control is managed by DIAN. Remember that if you exceed the permitted quotas for non-commercial goods, you must fill out Form 530 from this agency.



The emergency contacts you might need are:

Police	123
Ambulance	125
Emergency	123
Firefighters	119



Some requirements Colombia has for travelers are:

- Valid passport or national identity document if you are a citizen of a MERCOSUR country.
- Visa (if applicable).
- Return ticket or onward travel ticket.
- Yellow fever vaccination if coming from Amazonian countries or planning to visit the Colombian Amazon.
- Check-Mig form.



Travels

Routes and travel times from the airport to the main hotel and financial areas:



Traffic

Peak traffic hours in Cali: 6:30–9:00 AM and 4:30–7:30 PM.

1. Hotel Zone (Granada, San Antonio): Exit via the Palmira–Cali road → merge onto Carrera 1 → continue north along Av. 3N.
2. Financial District (Ciudad Jardín, south): Take the Palmira–Cali Road → continue onto Carrera 1 → turn onto Av. Pasoancho → continue along Carrera 100.
3. Historic Downtown: Exit the airport via the Palmira–Cali Road → continue on Carrera 1 → take Av. Colombia (Paseo Bolívar).



Weather conditions



19°C throughout the year. November to April are the windiest and rainiest.



29°C throughout the year. June to August is the driest season.



RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.Avoid exchanging currency outside the airport facilities.
- 2.Protect your personal belongings at all times, both inside and outside the airport.
- 3.Use only reliable transportation apps, previously booked and with a verification code.
- 4.Prefer VIP lounges for working or waiting for flights, as they offer greater privacy and controlled access.
- 5.Keep your passport, corporate cards, and devices in an anti-theft bag.
- 6.Be discreet; do not wear jewelry, carry large amounts of cash, or display high-value items—either visibly or in checked luggage.
- 7.Avoid public charging ports due to potential data theft through USB connections.
- 8.Be cautious of strangers without airport identification who offer help with procedures or luggage.
- 9.Use a corporate VPN and avoid open Wi-Fi networks when accessing business information.

