



Ride & Train Colombia with Bill Dragoo and Elephant Moto

10 DAYS
2,300 KMS
UNFORGETTABLE ROUTES
DUAL PURPOSE ADVENTURE

We start in the capital of Colombia and ride the most insane and incredibly beautiful mountain roads you'll have ever seen. Don't let us tell you about, come and live it.





BILL DRAGOO

As a moto-journalist, off-road adventure motorcycle instructor, and Certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation Rider Coach, Bill Dragoo never strays far from adventure. Setting goals since his Eagle Scout days, Bill is also a certified flight instructor, has earned commercial pilot ratings in powered aircraft, seaplanes and sailplanes, is an accomplished sky diver and scuba diver, and has won numerous competitions in motocross, cross-country mountain biking, sailboat racing, and adventure riding. He has been on the podium at the Rawhyde Adventure Rider's Challenge two of the three times he has competed, with first and second place finishes, and represented his country as one of three men competing with Team USA in the 2010 BMW GS Trophy held in South Africa. Bill has won two Tour de Dirt mountain bike state championships, has completed a double century bicycle ride (200 miles in a single day) and has fulfilled his dream of an unsupported, solo transcontinental bicycle ride across the northern tier of the United States. He has ridden motorcycles on five continents and has hiked through the Himalayas to Mount Everest Base camp with his lovely wife Susan.



MICHO ESCOBAR

Micho is a designer by trade and motorcyclist by conviction. He is also the owner and founder of Elephant Moto in Colombia, a certified BMW Motorrad instructor and tourguide. Madly in love with his country, Micho is proud to show it off to his clients. He feels that adventure riding is the best way to get to know a place. Micho has ridden and lead tours worldwide including the USA, China, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Perú, Europe, Morocco and, of course, Colombia. His passion for adventure riding and intimate knowledge of Colombia combine to provide you with the adventure of a lifetime. He and Bill are excited to be sharing this adventure with you in early 2017.

Based in Bogotá, Elephant is an official partner of BMW Motorrad worldwide and the authority on motorcycle rental and adventure touring in Colombia. Elephant strives to provide once in a lifetime experiences that will leave customers with stories to tell around the campfire for years to come.



Tour Summary

STORIES TO TELL FOR A LIFETIME

Imagine the most amazing motorcycle road in the world. What would it be like? Would it race along the Pacific coast like California's Highway 1? Would it launch you high into the Andes where condors soar beneath the clouds? Maybe you would be greeted by ghosts of the ancients as they watch over their people from the parapets of an old castle ... and would those people warm your heart with their kindness and their smiles? If it was all of this, and laced with asphalt ribbons disappearing into a wooded pathway struggling for significance against a persistent rain forest, it would be Colombia. And, it would smell like coffee.

Start city: Bogotá End City: Bogotá

Total number of days: 10 (includes arrival and departure)

Riding Days: 6

Rest days: 2 (Bogotá and Barichara)

KMS: Approx. 2,300

Highlights:
Bogotá
Villa de Leyva
Cocuy National Park
Barichara
Chicamocha Canyon
La Miel River
and so much more!

*THIS TRIP REQUIRES OFF ROAD EXPERIENCE ON BIG BIKES





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DATES: Feb 24 - March 5 2017

An itinerary with adventure and discovery in mind. We will take you through the back roads, on a journey you will never forget.

Day 1 - Arrival Bogotá

Day 2 - Bogotá (Off Road Training)

Day 3 - Bogotá - Sogamoso

Day 4 - Sogamoso - Cocuy

Day 5 - Cocuy - Barichara

Day 6 - Barichara

Day 7 - Barichara - Barrancabermeja

Day 8 - Barrancabermeja - La Miel

Day 9 - La Miel - Bogotá

Day 10 - Departure



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Day 1: Llegada Bogotá

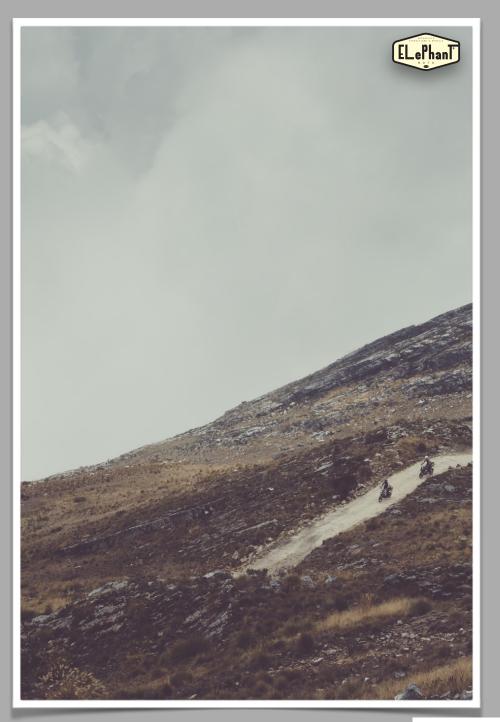
Welcome to Bogotá. A massive city of 10 million people. Get some rest and get ready.

Day 2: Bogotá

Today we will have the opportunity for an off-road refresher class and preparation for our tour on the outskirts of Bogotá at Elephant's Off Road Training facility.

Day 3: Bogotá-Villa de Leyva-Sogamoso

And we are off!! Our first riding day is an easy one, in order to get used to the bikes and riding in Colombia. A little bit of dirt roads in the beginning will drop us down into Villa de Leyva, a lovely colonial town where we will have a delicious lunch and explore a bit. Then we will head over to Sogamoso where we will spend the night in a colonial hacienda, the same place where Simón Bolivar spent a few nights on his independence campaign.



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Day 4: Sogamoso - El Cocuy

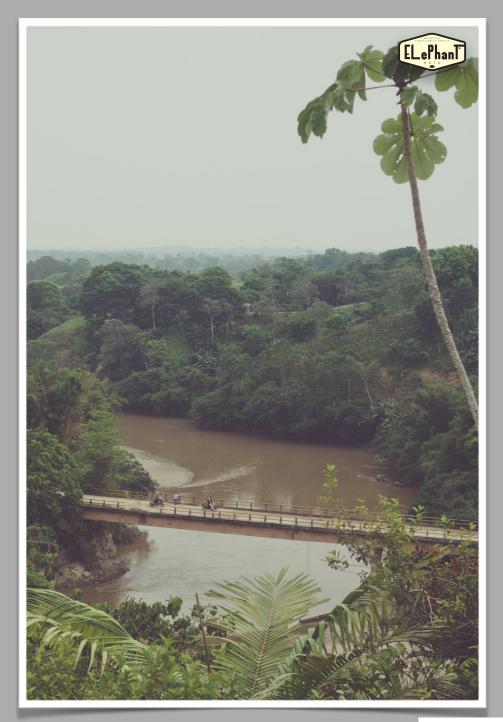
Oh boy! What a day we have ahead of us! Perhaps some of our favorite riding will happen today. We leave Sogamoso towards the mountains and the National Park of La Sierra Nevada del Cocuy, one of the 5 places in Colombia with year-round snow up in the mountains. We will have a couple of 4,000-meter passes and amazing mountains dirt roads. We will spend the night up high at 4,000 meters in lovely cabins with delicious local food.

Day 5: El Cocuy - Barichara

We head towards the lovely colonial town of Barichara nestled in the mountains of the Santander department. Our roads to get there are absolutely insane. With the perfect combination of paved and dirt, we will make our way up and down the mountains. You will see some of the most fabulous landscapes that exist.

Day 6: Barichara (rest day)

A well deserved rest day after 3 days of good riding. Barichara is the perfect place for a rest, quiet and peaceful. For those interested in some action, the nearby town of San Gil is the epicenter of adventure in Colombia. You can do cave tours, white water rafting, ecotreks. But there is nothing wrong with sitting by the pool and letting your body recover energy for our next days of riding.



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Day 7: Barichara - Barrancabermeja

We drop down from the mountains into the valley of the Magdalena. Colombia's most important river and one of the biggest and longest. Our trek down the mountains is like something out of an Indiana Jones movie. Believe us, this route will be a constantly jaw-dropping experience. We arrive to Barrancabermeja, an important center of oil production in Colombia.

Day 8: Barrancabermeja - La Miel

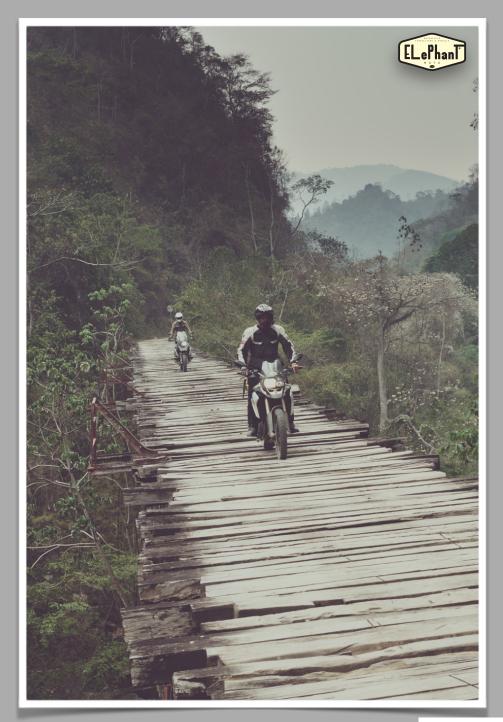
Today is a flat day. As we ride along the shores of the Magdalena valley, some nice dirt roads will have us traversing family cattle ranches. It will be a hot day but our destination will stun you. We will park our bikes at the shores of the Miel river and take a small boat up to our cabins in the middle of the jungle.

Day 9: La Miel - Bogotá

Our last day will bring us back to Bogotá. As we make our way up the paved roads to the capital, we will see in the rearview mirror all the stories and landscapes this marvelous country has left forever embedded in our minds.

Day 10: Departure

We say farewell but not goodbye, as we are sure we will ride together again.





PRICES AND INCLUSIONS

10 rider limit. Prices based on shared rooming.

R1200GS = \$4,950 USD F800GS = \$4,800 USD F700GS = \$4,650 USD

INCLUDES

Motorcycle rental

2 motorcycle guides and instructors (Bill Dragoo & Micho Escobar) Hotels (mixed from boutique hotels to shared cabins)

Support vehicle with driver and trailer

7 dinners.

All breakfasts.

ELEPHANT Apparel

Hydration in support vehicle

Transfers air-hotel-air

NOT INCLUDED

Fuel

Motorcycle protective gear

Medical Insurance

Lunches and personal expenses

Air tickets

Anything not mentioned in the inclusion list





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Micho and Bill Dragoo have a short but significant friendship. Adventure riding is in our blood and we are very happy to offer this trip in collaboration. Bill is the first point of contact for this trip, don't hesitate to shoot him any and all questions you might have. He has been to Colombia before and has first hand experience with the country. We hope to ride with you in the near future.

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