



The 7 Must-Visit Restaurants in Cartagena

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With chic rooftop bars for watching sunsets, idyllic island day trips, and salsa clubs serving up mojitos that'll blow your mind, it's no wonder that Cartagena, Colombia, has become a mecca for jet-setters. The South American city is at once sexy and exotic—bachata music clamors throughout narrow cobblestone alleyways; colonial plazas overflow with locals dancing after dark. And thanks to a burgeoning culinary scene that fuses Latin American and coastal Caribbean flavors, there's yet another reason to plan a trip. Here, a list of the city's best places to dine.



[Alma](#)

It doesn't get more romantic than dining late-night inside Alma's open-air courtyard. Candles scattered throughout the space make for sultry mood lighting, and the food—like conch croquettes and slow-cooked lamb—is sophisticated yet unfussy. On Fridays, live music lures locals and out-of-towners alike.

Calle de la Universidad, 36-44

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