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Six specialized golf tour operators from Europe and Central America are in Colombia to see the options for practicing the sport and include it in its offering as a new destination to be discovered worldwide.

The group of international entrepreneurs invited by Proexport Colombia was joined by two magazines specializing in golf tourism, Le Journal de Golf (France) and Golf Planet Review (England), which are a European benchmark for sports enthusiasts looking for new places to practice this activity.

"Undoubtedly, Colombia is a considerable distance away from the Swedish market, but despite that fact, it is a unique destination for our customers, in addition to the growing interest in South America shown by European countries," said Gunnar Mattsson, representative of the Swedish company, Gotia Golf.

The entrepreneurs are now touring the main golf courses in Bogota, and later in the week they will be traveling to Medellin to see the possibilities offered by the capital of Antioquia, not only in terms of golf but also the tourist service offering, mobility, transportation and hotel infrastructure.

Similarly, the Caribbean represents a growing market for Colombia. In the past year, two groups from the Dominican Republic visited the country to enjoy the countryside and tourism.

"The main advantage for us is the closeness, a few short hours of flight and more than three daily direct flights to Colombia have made it a great destination for short trips, for example on weekends, which constitutes great advertising for our market in the Dominican Republic," said Michael Spino from the operator Ameropa.

"Our clients' reaction has been a very positive one. Colombians' friendliness is noteworthy, and how they make every newcomer feel welcome, the food, the nightlife, especially in Bogota; in short, I believe the country is now capable of offering the possibility to provide this type of tourism," said Spino.

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Colombia is a country where the quality of its golf courses and the enchantment of its landscapes guarantee an unforgettable experience for all tourists.

It is also the third country in South America in terms of the number of golf courses, after Argentina and Brazil (over 50). Colombian golf courses are considered the best in Latin America, and have been created in exotic environments by renowned designers like Robert Trent Jones, Gary Player, Mark Mahannah, and Jack Nicklaus.

More information about the destinations for the practice of Golf in http://bit.ly/ADBoJs

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