

- **Place:** Pamplona, Norte de Santander
- **Region:** Andes
- **Date:** April 13 - 19, every year (varies according to Christian calendar)
- **Duration:** 8 days



### Holy Week in Pamplona

The Holy Week celebrations in Pamplona, the second oldest destination in the department of Norte de Santander and a town of indescribable architectural beauty, are the most important and renowned in Colombia, together with the festivities in Popayán and Mompox.

This tradition, inherited from the Spaniards and enriched with native elements, is the heritage of this town of picturesque houses, fog in its gardens, prayers, and mysticism. Every year, thousands of tourists visit this beautiful town, which is famous for its processions, religious events, attention to detail, and the wealth of the ornaments of the figures that are part of the religious parades that begin on Palm Sunday.

Holy Week in Pamplona is a heritage in this land of quaint houses, fog-shrouded gardens, prayer and local mysticism.

## International Festival of Sacred Choral Music

The International Festival of Choral Music stands out among the cultural activities of the Holy Week in Pamplona. Choirs from several countries display their musical talents in the mystic atmosphere of the land of Norte de Santander.

## The Children's Holy Week

They parade along the city streets gracing this important celebration and carrying on their shoulders heavy figures that represent scenes from the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. They dress up as:

- incense-burner carriers,
- Knights of the Cross,
- church authorities,
- civilians,
- military,
- musicians,
- school students, etc.

The Children's Holy Week is celebrated in Pamplona since 1991. Following the traditions of their fathers and grandfathers, children assist in the processions to reaffirm their religious fervor.

**If you enjoyed the Holy Week processions in Pamplona, you should also spend time:**

- Holy Week celebration in:  
[Popayán](#) and [Mompox](#)
- Or maybe [birdwatching in the Eastern Range of the Andes](#)
- And [Natural Parks of the Andean Region](#) .