

Colombia, officially the Republic of Colombia, is a sovereign country located in the northwestern region of South America. It is constituted as a unitary, social and democratic State under the rule of law, whose form of government is presidential with two legislative chambers. Its capital and most populated city is Bogotá.[12] It is a republic politically organized into thirty-two decentralized departments and the Capital District of Bogotá,[13]■ seat of the national Government.

Including Malpelo Island, Roncador Key and Serrana Bank, the country covers an area of ■■1,141,748 km²,[3] making it the twenty-sixth largest country in the world and the seventh largest in America. It claims as territorial sea the area up to 12 nautical miles away,[4]■ maintaining a border dispute in this regard with Venezuela and Nicaragua.[14]■[15]■

It borders to the north with the Atlantic Ocean; to the east, with Venezuela and Brazil; to the south with Peru and Ecuador; and to the west, with the Pacific Ocean and Panama.[16]■ It has coasts on the Pacific Ocean and access to the Atlantic through the Caribbean Sea,[17]■ where it has various islands such as the archipelago of San Andrés, Providencia and Santa Catalina. .[18]■