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Pack Your Bags (and Appetite) for Bogotá!

International travelers from far and wide are packing their bags for Colombia – **more than 2.4 million last year alone** – not only for its modern cities, colonial charm and spectacular natural beauty – but also its culinary delights.

The **July 2013 edition of *Condé Nast Traveler*** highlights Bogotá's tasty offerings in a mouth-watering new article, titled "**[Bravo, Bogotá! Colombia's Culinary Comeback.](#)**"

Here's an excerpt:

- *"Move over, Buenos Aires: South America's newest culinary darling is Colombia's comeback capital. ... [T]he restaurant scene is so hot that the food world's biggest names are flying in for a taste.*
- *"... Dinnertime is upon us, stars are all around us, and what's before us on this blissfully balmy night in Colombia is no mere restaurant. It's a whirling, twinkling dream, a wonderland of colored lights ...*
- *"... At least half a dozen globe-trotting friends, savvy diners all, told me that Andrés Carne de Res ... was unlike anywhere they'd ever eaten, and that they couldn't fathom why it wasn't known and chattered about the world over.*
- *"... It's first-rate: beef of robust flavor and uncommon juiciness; roasted, marble-size criolla potatoes that pop in my mouth like grapes. I'm floored, delightedly, by the restaurant's ability to pull this off. But then I'm floored, delightedly, by all of Bogotá and its dining scene—one of unexpected dynamism and uncommon joys."*

And that's just the beginning!

Read the full article [here](#) and check out the slideshow of "Bogotá's Best New Restaurants" and chefs [here](#).



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