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## The 24 Most Romantic Cities in the World

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## Cartagena, Colombia



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Cartagena is quickly becoming a popular destination for couples, as the Colombian city is filled with cobblestone streets and colonial-style buildings. It's even been assumed that the setting in the romance novel "Love in the Time of Cholera" was based on the charming city. You can go on a carriage ride around the old town — which is a UNESCO World Heritage site — watch the sunset along the Santo Domingo bastion, dine at Alma's open-air courtyard, and spend the night in Casa San Agustin, a boutique hotel set at the heart of Cartagena's walled city. They're even launching new luxury day-trips to Isla Barú, a remote tropical island off Colombia's Caribbean coast, to up the romance factor for guests. With so much history and and so many modern amenities, it's easy to see why the picturesque city would inspire an author.

