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# Sucre

## Traveler's guide

Bolivia's white colonial city and constitutional capital, with thousands of dinosaur tracks at Cal Orck'o, the Maragua crater and the Sunday market in Tarabuco.

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## Nature

Sucre lies in a temperate valley at about 2,800 m, ringed by hills, and its centre of whitewashed mansions and white churches has been a World Heritage Site since 1991. About 5 km away, in a limestone quarry, the Cal Orck'o wall preserves more than 12,000 dinosaur footprints from the end of the Cretaceous. To the northwest rises the Cordillera de los Frailes, home to the Maragua crater, a large basin shaped by geology rather than a volcano, with red, ochre and greenish layers, where Jalq'a communities known for their weaving live. To the southeast, Tarabuco is the land of the Yampara culture.



## Activities

- Cretaceous Park: museum, viewpoint over the Cal Orck'o wall and guided visits down to the foot of the wall at set times (closed shoes required); reached by tourist bus or taxi
- Maragua crater: day hike from the Chataquila chapel, about 30 km from Sucre, down a stone-paved pre-Hispanic trail, with a visit to the crater and the Niñu Mayu dinosaur tracks; also 2 or 3-day treks with nights in the communities
- Tarabuco Sunday market, about 65 km southeast: Yampara communities sell and weave their textiles, and in March the town celebrates the Pujllay, a ritual dance recognised by UNESCO in 2014
- Walks around the centre: the Casa de la Libertad, where the act of independence was signed, white churches and convents, the Mercado Central and the La Recoleta viewpoint at sunset
- Visits to Jalq'a and Yampara communities to learn about traditional weaving, on day trips or longer excursions

## When to go

The dry season, May to September, brings sunny days and cold nights, ideal for hiking in Maragua and the Cordillera de los Frailes. From December to March rain falls in afternoon storms, dirt roads turn muddy and the landscape is greener. The city is pleasant all year thanks to its mild climate; Tarabuco's Pujllay takes place in March.

## How to get there

Alcantarí airport (SRE) is about 32 km southeast of the city and has domestic flights from Cochabamba and Santa Cruz; in 2026 there is no direct flight from La Paz, so travellers connect in Cochabamba. By bus, Potosí is about 3 hours away, Uyuni 7 to 8, La Paz about 12 hours overnight and Santa Cruz about 14. Chataquila and Tarabuco are 1 to 2 hours by road.

## Activities in this destination

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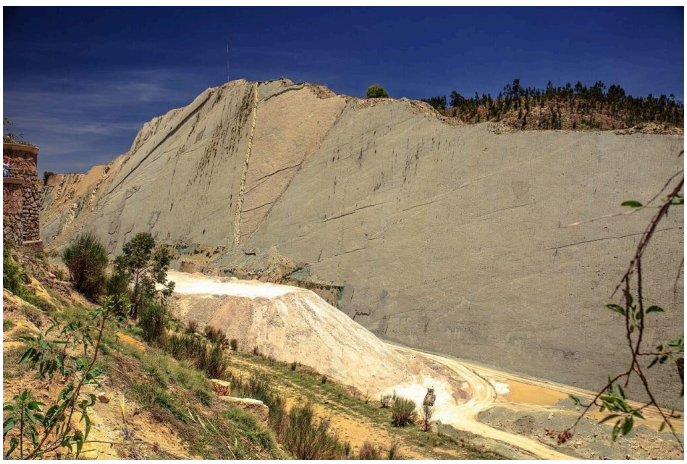
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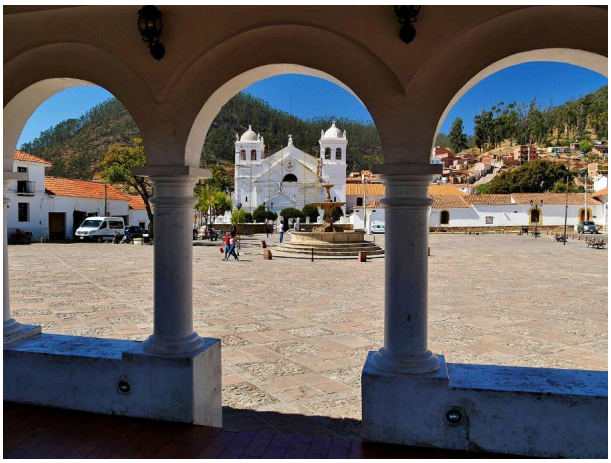
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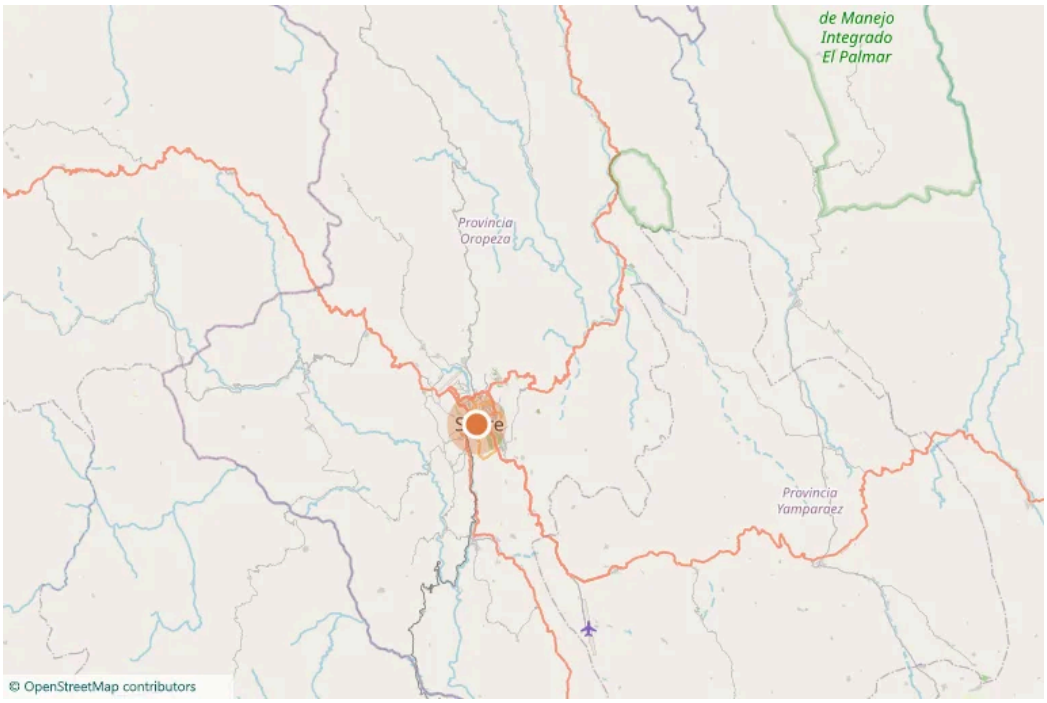


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