



The Legend of Fura Tena

In western Boyacá, there are two hills that bear witness to the love story that gave rise to the Emeralds.

A Muzo prince named Tena fell madly in love with a beautiful woman named Fura. This union was blessed by the god Are, on the condition that their mutual fidelity be eternal. In time, Fura succumbed to the temptation of the evil god Zarbe and gave herself to him in exchange for immortality. When Tena found out, he died of grief over the betrayal.

Out of remorse, Fura's tears soaked into the earth and transformed into magnificent emerald crystals. The gods represented this tragedy with the two hills, Fura and Tena, which lie eternally separated by the Zarbe River.

Esmeralda Tena



Esmeralda Fura

