



# **SMALLGROUP TRAVEL TOUR OF MEXICO 2013**

# Day 1: 06 April 2013 (Saturday) - Travel Day

Arrival Transfer: - Arrival at Mexico City airport and transfer to your downtown hotel.

Overnight in a Standard Room at Holiday Inn Zocalo including breakfast (Superior Category Accommodation).

# Day 2: 07 Apr 2013 (Sunday) - Mexico City - City Tour

Today, you'll embark on a city tour visiting sites such as the immense central square, Zócalo, the baroque Metropolitan Cathedral, the National Palace, the Centro Histórico and the Palace of Fine Arts (Tour Duration 4 hours)



Overnight in a Standard Room at Holiday Inn Zocalo including breakfast (Superior Category Accommodation).

# Day 3: 08 April 2013 (Monday) - Basilica de Guadalupe and Teotihuacan

After breakfast, you will be driven to the Basilica de Guadalupe, one of Mexico's holiest shrines. After the visit, you will continue on to the ancient city of San Juan Teotihuacan, which flourished several centuries before the arrival of the Aztecs. Here, you can explore the awe-inspiring pyramids of the Sun and Moon and walk down the 'Road of the Dead' to the Citadel to admire the unique Temple of Quetzalcóatl.



Overnight in a Standard Room at Holiday Inn Zocalo including breakfast (Superior Category Accommodation).





# Day 4: 09 April 2013 (Tuesday) - Free Time

Overnight in a Standard Room at Holiday Inn Zocalo including breakfast (Superior Category Accommodation).

### Day 5: 10 April 2013 (Wednesday) - Villahermosa to Palenque

Departure Transfer: - Transfer from your hotel to Mexico City Airport for your outward flight.

On arrival in Villahermosa we transfer you to Palenque where the evening is spent at your leisure.



Overnight in a Standard Room at Hotel Mision Palenque including breakfast (Standard Category Accommodation).

# Day 6: 11 April 2013 (Thursday) - Palenque with lunch

Today, you will visit one of the most beautiful and emblematic landmarks of the classical Mayan culture - the ruins of the city of Palenque. The city's highlights include the Temple of the Inscriptions, where an important burial chamber was discovered in the 1950s, and the imposing architectural complex of El Palacio, one of the most beautiful constructions to be found in the entire environment of Maya culture.

Return to your hotel with the afternoon at leisure.

Overnight in a Standard Room at Hotel Mision Palenque including breakfast (Standard Category Accommodation).

### Day 7: 12 April 2013 (Friday) - Travel Day

Departure Transfer: - Transfer from your hotel to Villahermosa airport for your outward flight.

Arrival Transfer: - Arrival at Merida Airport and transfer to your hotel.

Overnight in a Standard Room at Gran Real Yucatan including breakfast (Superior Category Accommodation).





# Day 8: 13 April 2013 (Saturday) - Uxmal and Kabah with lunch

Discover the magic and beauty of the Mayan world on this excursion to two of Mexico's most beautiful Mayan cities, Uxmal and Kabah. After being picked up from your hotel, you will be taken to Uxmal and given a guided tour of the site, including a visit to the big pyramid, Del Adivino, which according to legend was built in just one night by a dwarf. Following the visit, you will be transported to the second largest Mayan sites in the Puuc Region, Kabah. Here, you will be given a guided tour of the ruins including a visit to the Codz-Pop, which is the best preserved and restored building of the site. Lunch is included in the tour.



Overnight in a Standard Room at Gran Real Yucatan including breakfast (Superior Category Accommodation).

# Day 9: 14 April 2013 (Sunday) - Merida - Chichen-Itza - Play Del Carmen

This morning, you will be driven past tiny Mayan villages and through the large sisal plantations to Chichen-Itzá, the largest and most impressive of all Mayan sites in the Mexico. Visits to the Kukulcán Pyramid, Warrior's Temple, Hall of Thousand Columns and the Ball Game Court will help complete your vision of the fascinating Mayan culture.

After a farewell Yucatan luncheon in a lovely old hacienda, you will continue eastward to the Caribbean coast and the famous white sand beach resort of Playa Del Carmen.

Overnight in a Standard Room at Hotel Kinbe including breakfast.

# Day 10: 15 April 2013 (Monday) - Free Time to enjoy this beautiful area

Overnight in a Standard Room at Hotel Kinbe including breakfast.

# Day 11: 16 April 2013 (Tuesday) - Free Time

Overnight in a Standard Room at Hotel Kinbe including breakfast.









Combine nature and culture on this day tour to the Mayan ruins of Tulum and the world's biggest natural Aquatic Park, Xelha. All meals, drinks, snorkel equipment (including life jackets), bicycles, kayaks, lockers and towels for the aquatic park are included as well as a journey on the jungle train.



Overnight in a Standard Room at Hotel Kinbe including breakfast.

# Day 13: 18 April 2013 (Thursday) - Travel Day

Departure Transfer: - Transfer from your hotel to Cancun Airport for your outward flight..

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# **Hotel Information**

### Holiday Inn Zocalo

Superior Category Accommodation

The Holiday Inn Zocalo hotel is conveniently located in downtown Mexico City where Moctezuma's Palace was located. Enjoy walking to the museums, shops and restaurants outside its front door.

The hotel's rooms offer comfort along with stylish furnishings. From the perks like free Internet access and a cable television that has channels in many languages to a large work desk and chair, it has everything needed for a comfortable stay.







### **Hotel Mision Palenque**

Standard Category Accommodation

Just 62 km from the wonderful Agua Azul cascades and nestled between exuberant rainforest and the archaeological finds of the sacred Mayan Kingdom stands the Hotel Mision Palenque.

Each room has a terrace with a garden view, air-conditioning, free WIFI, safe deposit box and cable TV. The hotel itself has a spa, large swimming pool, gym, Jacuzzi, tennis, soccer and volleyball courts and free bicycle rental and the on-site restaurant serves tasty, traditional Mexican cuisine.



### **Gran Real Yucatan**

#### Superior Category Accommodation

Located just a few steps from the main cathedral and plaza, the Hotel Gran Yucatan is one of the most modern and elegant hotels in the historic downtown area of Mérida. Much of the hotel itself, including the restaurant and bar, used to be part of an elegant 19th Century baroque house and has been preserved as such.

All 73 en-suite rooms include a balcony with pool or garden views, airconditioning, cable TV, safe deposit box and free wireless internet. After a

long day exploring the city's highlights, guests can enjoy a quick dip in the hotel's pool or relax with a pool-side massage before enjoying a tasty regional dish in the intimate setting of the 'Emperor' restaurant. Those wanting a night-cap need look no further than the elegant on-site 'Los Vitrales' bar, which serves a selection of cocktails and tequila.

#### **Hotel Kinbe**

This distinctly stylish hotel is located just 50 metres from the sandy beach in the heart of Playa del Carmen with shopping, dining and nightlife available nearby.

Kinbe Hotel features a relaxing lush garden setting. Feel at home in the impressive lobby and comfortable guestrooms. Enjoy the sparkling waters of the nearby ocean or take a swim in the hotel's pool boasting a striking waterfall.

The helpful, multilingual 24-hour front desk is happy to provide guests with information about the area. After a day exploring Playa del Carmen, relax with an in-room massage at Kinbe.

#### <u>Price per person</u> based on twin share with a minimum of 8 people travelling together: AUD 1970 per person \*







### Single Supplement: AUD 720

Included: Transport mentioned in above itinerary, accommodation, daily breakfast, other meals where specified, tours with professional English speaking guide, most entrance fees, local taxes.

Not included: International airfares, tips, spending money

Please note that this quote is based on availability on the day of issue. International currencies do fluctuate, and availability and prices can change.

### How to Reserve Your Tour:

- Please contact <u>sue.kuti@smallgrouptravel.com.au</u> or <u>suek@travelmanagers.com.au</u> or Mobile: 0414598157 to reserve your tour or for more details
- I will then send you our official booking form and booking conditions for the tour. Please complete this form and return it with your deposit of 25% of the tour cost per person. Your airfare should be booked as soon as possible. I would be happy to discuss your personal needs.
- On receipt of your deposit and booking form, we will then forward additional pre-departure information regarding visas, medical requirements, weather and much more.
- > Payment of your tour balance is then required 100 days before your departure.
- PLEASE NOTE Insurance is a compulsory prerequisite for this tour. Please contact me for more information. As part of Smallgroup Travel Tour member, I can offer you a 25 % discount on your travel insurance.

### **Booking Conditions:**

- > Deposits are non refundable.
- If it is necessary for you to cancel your holidays the following fees will apply per person for the tour.
- ➤ Less than 100 days before departure 100% cancellation fee
- Cancellation fees from some service providers including but not limited to airlines, cruise operators, hoteliers, coach companies, etc may apply in addition

#### No Show

If you fail to check-in at your designated hotel as confirmed, 100% No Show fee will be charged.





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I look forward to welcoming you on this exciting adventure!

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