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Parroquia Archangel church, San Miguel de Allende

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MEXICO: HISTORY, HERITAGE & CULTURE

SUGGESTED ITINERARY ONLY
10 DAYS & 9 NIGHTS

SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE, PATZCUARO, TEQUILA

Embrace the eclectic nature of Mexico on this unique journey. Begin your travels in San Miguel de Allende where you visit a boutique winery, meet with artists and delve into the rich flavors of Mexican cuisine. Then, it's onward to Patzcuaro to explore ancient ruins, visit copper workshops and enjoy lunch with a local family. End your journey by blending your own tequila, meeting with distillers and soaring over agave fields in a hot air balloon.



Departure Date:

Through March 2020

Note: Prices listed are per person, based on double-occupancy

Price From:
*Two People

\$7,295

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

Explore the colonial gem of San Miguel de Allende

Delve into Mexican cuisine during a private cooking class

Take in the history and sample some of the organic wines at Dos Buhos

Admire the beautiful architecture in Morelia

Savor lunch with a local artisan family in Patzcuaro

Meet a master Tequilero and learn about the different distilling techniques

Take an unforgettable sunrise hot-air balloon over the Agave fields

COX & KINGS RECOMMENDS

Experience a closed door food sampling with local chef in San Miguel de Allende

Join a local family for a private dinner in a colonial mansion in Morelia

EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY

Guadalajara • Mexico City • Puebla

Day 1: Arrive Leon / San Miguel de Allende

Upon arrival in Leon, you will be met by your Cox & Kings representative and escorted to San Miguel de Allende. Enjoy a walking visit to the iconic central plaza before going inside San Miguel's famous Parroquia de San Miguel Arcangel. **Rosewood San Miguel De Allende – 3 nights**

Day 2: San Miguel de Allende

After breakfast, visit Fabrica La Aurora, a beautiful art and design center housed in a former textile factory that dates to the turn of the 20th century. This evening, visit Dos Buhos, a working organic farm and boutique winery, and enjoy a private tour and tasting followed by a light gourmet dinner. **(B, D)**

Day 3: San Miguel de Allende

After a morning at leisure, learn the secrets of Mexican cuisine during a private culinary class. Join your expert chef as you savor the robust flavors of traditional dishes. **(B, L)**

Day 4: To Morelia/Patzcuaro

After breakfast, bid farewell to San Miguel de Allende and depart for Patzcuaro. En route, stop in the impressive colonial city of Morelia to explore its UNESCO World Heritage historic center. **Hacienda Ucazantzacia – 3 nights (B)**

Day 5: Patzcuaro

Explore the marketplaces and homes of Patzcuaro, a cultural center of Michoacán. Pay a visit to the home and workshop of Mario Agutine Gaspar and his children where you can observe the artists at work on their newest creations. Continue to the copper workshops of Santa Clara del Cobre and the shores of beautiful Lake Zirahuén. **(B)**

Day 6: Patzcuaro

Meet your guide for a short journey to the picturesque island of Janitzio, which is home to an indigenous fishing community. Then, explore Tzintzuntzan, the historical capital of the Purehpechan empire. Savor



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Island of Janitzio

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lunch with a local family and visit a ceramics workshop. **(B, L)**

Day 7: To Tequila

Embark on a scenic drive to the town of Tequila. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and freshen up before beginning your education in Mexico's national drink. Meet with a master **tequilero** to understand the process of distilling tequila, try your hand at blending and take home a small bottle of your own personal creation. **Solar de Las Animas – 3 nights (B)**

Day 8: Tequila

Continue your exploration into the magic of tequila with a visit to local agave fields. Then, enjoy a tour of Tequila Fortaleza. Sample the flavors of Jalisco during lunch at the municipal market of Tequila, followed by a tour and tasting of a boutique distillery run by the legendary Enrique Fonseca, who is

widely regarded as the best barrel blender in the industry. **(B, L)**

Day 9: Tequila

Rise early this morning for an unforgettable sunrise hot-air balloon ride over the beautiful agave fields. After breakfast, meet your private guide to discover the Guachimontones Pyramids, pre-Hispanic circular stepped pyramids, which were built beginning in 350 BC. **(B)**

Day 10: Depart Guadalajara

Bid farewell to Mexico as you are escorted to the airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- All hotel accommodations as per the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the itinerary **(B=Breakfast; L=Lunch; D=Dinner)**
- All transfers and transportation
- Sightseeing as described in itinerary including entrance fees and services of professional local guides

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- International air travel
- Airport departure taxes
- Visa fees
- Travel insurance
- Excess baggage fees
- Personal items and alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities to your guides, drivers, porters and hotel service



Agave field, Tequila

¹ Price per person in US dollars based double occupancy and subject to availability. *Price per person in US dollars based on two people traveling together, double occupancy and subject to availability. **Price per person in US dollars based on four people traveling together, double occupancy and subject to availability. Single Supplements and Solo Traveler rates are available upon request. [†]Internal Air prices are based on economy class and are subject to change until paid in full. Further restrictions may apply. Please contact your Travel Professional or Cox & Kings for more details or visit coxandkingsusa.com. CST - 2105853-50