

MEXICO ITINERARY

This is a sample itinerary. The final itinerary will be developed in consultation between the Captain and guests.

Day 1

Start your journey by flying into San Jose del Cabo. A guide will meet you at the airport and transport you to your floating oasis, anchored in La Paz. On the way to the yacht, you will stop in the creative town of Todos Santos. Known as a cultural Mecca, you may peruse the local art studios, take a stroll around town, and enjoy a local lunch. Upon arrival in La Paz, you will have time to become acquainted with your crew and yacht. That evening, experience your first of many superb meals.



Day 2

Following a morning sightseeing tour of the town and beaches, depart La Paz and head for Isla Espiritu Santo, (Holy Ghost Island), on the lookout underway for dolphins, whales and the incredible whale sharks that inhabit this area. Rumored to be



one of the most beautiful islands in the Sea of Cortes, the island of Espiritu Santo was purchased by the Nature Conservancy, The World Wildlife Fund and others to protect this unique and beautiful place. With peaks rising to almost 2,000 feet and lots of calm protected bays this Island is the perfect place to introduce you to the magic of Baja. This is a day for kayaking, snorkeling, hiking on shore, or simply unwinding amid serene natural beauty. The far side of the

island boasts Bonanza Beach, two solid miles of white, sandy beach. It is a lovely site for a picnic and a perfect place for relaxation. Enjoy lunch on the shore or on the back deck with the warm Baja breeze, and a peaceful evening anchorage in the bay of our choice



Day 3

This morning will find us cruising north into the rich waters of the Sea of Cortez, always on the lookout for the many species of whales found here, Humpbacks, Fins, Blues, Orcas...this is a sea of incredible diversity. This is also a fantastic fishing area, the famous Bajo Underwater Sea Mount is just offshore, so we'll troll as we cruise hoping to catch a delicious Dorado.

We'll anchor after lunch in one of the most beautiful anchorages in this region at Isla San Francisco. "The Hook", our anchorage at Isla San Francisco, is classic Baja. A beautiful crescent of white sand, towering cliffs and amazingly clear water with pelicans wheeling overhead and a great shore-hike to a high cliff where the entire region is visible! In addition to hiking, this a great place to Kayak or just "soak up the rays" on the beach.



Day 4

An early morning skiff exploration ride is a must this morning to explore some of the fisherman's caves and little pocket beaches this area has to offer. During breakfast we will cruise north toward one of our favorite places, Puerto Los Gatos, with its pillowy red rock formations, great desert-scapes and excellent snorkeling. We'll spend the day exploring this fascinating stretch of coastline, and have a chance to hike through an impressive Cardon Cactus Forest, some of the largest cactus in the world. This afternoon we'll cruise north to our anchorage at Agua Verde, an incredible setting with its lush green mountains reflected in the crystal clear waters of the bay. Tonight at our anchorage we can try





to attract some of the fearsome Humboldt squid, a frequent visitor to this area, with our underwater lights. To see these five foot long hunters flashing by under our feet is truly an unforgettable sight.

Day 5

This morning after breakfast we arrive in Puerto Escondido for our transfer to our short flight across the peninsula to San Ignacio Lagoon for our incredible day with the friendly gray whales of the lagoon. These whales make one of the longest annual migrations of any mammal, traveling 5,000 miles from their summer feeding grounds in the Bering, Chukchi, & western Beaufort Seas to their winter breeding and calving grounds off the coast of Baja California. Here in Baja they sometimes approach our boats and seek out our touch, truly an awesome experience!

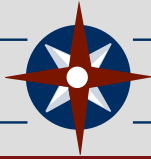


After dinner back aboard, we will have an opportunity to explore the beautiful seaside town of Loreto, with its fine Mission Church (the oldest in the Californias).

Day 6

This morning we are underway for Isla Santa Catalina for our day anchorage at Bahia Elefante (Elephant Bay, name for a distinctive rock formation there), for some incredible snorkeling, kayaking and hiking. Then this afternoon we are on the hunt for Leviathan, the Blue Whale, the largest animal ever to live on earth as we make our way to the fine anchorage of Punta San Evaristo. There is a small community of friendly folks here, a couple of salt evaporation ponds for the manufacture of salt, an infrequent fish-buying truck from La Paz and a few adventurous campers, otherwise it's a well protected stop with that great "Baja Feel".





Day 7

This morning start your day on the sun deck enjoying a breakfast of fresh local fruit and taking in the view of serene La Amortajada lagoon. Take a skiff or kayak through the mangrove-lined lagoon. Walk through one of the tree-lined passageways to the sea. After La Amortajada, we will cruise south to unforgettable Los Islotes. Los Islotes is a series of small islands where huge Stellar Sea lions often haul-out. We'll don our snorkeling gear and swim amongst them! They are very curious often swimming right along side of us with an amazing grace and beauty, a once-in-a-lifetime experience. This evening we will anchor in one of the coves on Isla Partida for our farewell gala dinner.



Day 8

This morning it is a short cruise back to La Paz for your transfer to the airport for your journey home, but still time for a last salute from the dolphins and whales of this incredible Sea before we bid “adios” to amazing Baja.

