

Beyond the Mayan Riviera 2006

Summary

Our tour starts in Cancun in the Mexican state of Quintana Roo. We recommend flying into Cancun by Monday January 9th and back home on or after Sunday January 22th. Of course you may prefer to come earlier or stay longer; let us know and we will make hotel reservations for you. We urge you to book your flight as soon as possible.

On Monday January 9th we will meet by 6pm in our hotel lobby; Hotel Colonial at Tulipanes No. 22 x Av. Tulum; tel.: (998)884-1535. You will be responsible for taking a taxi from the airport to the hotel. That evening after dinner you can unpack and reassemble your bikes and store the bike boxes at the hotel for your flight home.

Our route will take us from Cancun, southwest along the Caribbean coast on very flat roads, then inland meandering our way westwards

along gently rolling roads, hilly roads and finally more flat roads as we go through the Puuc region and finish off in Merida. Over our 10 days of riding we will average 67km daily and cover a total of about 670km. We will travel from the state of Quintana Roo into



the state of Yucatan. Our daily rides will take us to various towns and cities including; Puerto Morelos, Playa del Carmen, Tulum, Cobá, Valladolid, Izamal, Oxcutzcab, Santa Elena, Ticul, and Mérida.

At the end of the tour; on Sunday January 22nd you can take a deluxe bus from Mérida back to Cancun. Once there you may walk back to the hotel where you should disassemble and once again pack your bike in your bike box; ready for your flight home. Please allow plenty of time when you take a taxi back to the airport.

Count on a total of about US\$185 for accommodations; about US\$170 for food and drink; and about US\$180 for miscellaneous extras such as taxi, bus transportation, and entrance fees. Err on having a little extra and make sure to save a little money for souvenirs. Please note that in order to guarantee you a spot on the tour the guides' fee of US\$500 (or the outstanding balance) must be received by us no later than December 10th.

Itinerary

When	Where	Distance	Highlights
Day 0 Mon Jan 9, 2006	Meet in Cancun	-	Hotel Zone (Beaches, Bars, Discos, Clubs), Mainland Town
Day 1 Tues Jan 10, 2006	Cancun to Puerto Morelos	53 km	Snorkeling, Scuba-Diving, Beach, Camping Possible
Day 2 Wed Jan 11, 2006	Puerto Morelos to Playa del Carmen	37 km	Beach, Scuba-Diving, Snorkeling
Day 3 Thurs Jan 12, 2006	Playa del Carmen to Tulum	61-74 km	Cenotes, caves, beach, camping possible
Day 4 Fri Jan 13, 2006	Tulum	-	Beach, snorkel, Scuba-Diving, Tulum ruins, camping possible
Day 5 Sat Jan 14, 2006	Tulum to Cobá	55 km	Mayan Ruins, Cenotes, Quiet Small Town
Day 6 Sun Jan 15, 2006	Cobá to Valladolid	62 km	Cenote Zací, Zocalo, Churches, Parks, Market
Day 7 Mon Jan 16, 2006	Valladolid to Izamal	105 km	Cenotes, small towns, quiet roads
Day 8 Tues Jan 17, 2006	Izamal	-	Mayan Ruins, Convent, Zocalo, Market
Day 9 Wed Jan 18, 2006	Izamal to Oxcutzcab	118 km	Quiet roads, no tourists, cenotes
Day 10 Thurs Jan 19, 2006	Oxcutzcab to Santa Elena (Ruta Puuc)	52 km	Loltún caves, Ruta Puuc Mayan ruins, quiet road
Day 11 Fri Jan 20, 2006	Santa Elena to Ticul	44 km	Famous Uxmal Mayan ruins.
Day 12 Sat Jan 21, 2006	Ticul to Mérida	83 km	Mayan villages, Cenotes, Haciendas.
Day 13 Sun Jan 22, 2006	Mérida	-	Colonial Center, Zocalo, Market. Stay a bit longer or bus back to Cancun to fly back home