

# The Complete Yucatan Adventure 2007

## Summary

**O**ur tour starts in Mérida in the Mexican state of Quintana Roo. We recommend flying into **Mérida** by **Wednesday February 7th** and back home on or after **Thursday March 1st**. 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.

**O**n Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> we will meet by **6pm** in our hotel lobby; **Hotel Las Monjas** at Calle 66A #509; tel.: (999)928-6632. 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.

**O**ur route will take us from Mérida, around most of Yucatan state and also briefly into Campeche and Quintana Roo states. Over our 17 days of riding we will average 94km daily and cover a total of about 1605km. Our daily rides will take us



to various towns and cities including; Tekit, Muna, Hechelchacan, Santa Elena, Tekax, Pisté (Chichen-Itza), Tizimin, Kantunilkin, Isla Holbox, Coba, Valladolid, Peto, Tihosuco, Ek Balam, Izamal, Telchac Puerto, and back to Mérida.

**A**t the end of the tour; on Wednesday February 28th you can explore the beautiful colonial city of Mérida, later 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.

**C**ount on a total of about US\$310 for accommodations (based on double occupancy); about \$270 for food and drink; and about \$200 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\$730 (or the outstanding balance) must be received by us no later than January 7<sup>th</sup>.

# Itinerary

When	Where	Distance	Highlights
Day 0 Wed Feb 7, 2007	Meet in Mérida	-	Yucatan cuisine, Colonial Architecture, Zocalo, Market
Day 1 Thurs Feb 8, 2007	Mérida to Tekit	81km	Grutas de Dzabna caves, 13 cenotes tour in Tecoh. Haciendas, small towns quiet roads
Day 2 Fri Feb 9, 2007	Tekit to Muna	69-97 km	Important Mayapan post-classic Mayan ruins, more haciendas, quiet backroads, and cenotes
Day 3 Sat Feb 10, 2007	Muna to Hecelchacan	90 km	Campeche state, Becal; Panama hat weaving capital
Day 4 Sun Feb 11, 2007	Hecelchacan	-	Rest day, bustling town, market
Day 5 Mon Feb 12, 2007	Hecelchacan to Sta. Elena	100 km	Back to Yucatan state, Kabah Mayan ruins
Day 6 Tues Feb 13, 2007	Sta. Elena to Tekax (backroads)	~85 km	Puuk route Mayan ruins, Hacienda Tabi, quiet backroads
Day 7 Wed Feb 14, 2007	Tekax to Piste	124 km	Longer distance, old churches, cenotes, unexcavated Mayan ruins of Yaxuna
Day 8 Thurs Feb 15, 2007	Piste to Tizimin	77 km	Famous Chichen-Itza Mayan ruins, quiet roads
Day 9 Fri Feb 16, 2007	Tizimin to Kantunilkin	100 km	unexcavated Mayan ruins of Kubulá, backroads, cenotes, Mayan villages
Day 10 Sat Feb 17, 2007	Kantunilkin to Isla Holbox	43 km	Tall forest, quiet roads, ferry to the island
Day 11 Sun Feb 18, 2007	Isla Holbox	-	beautiful beaches, carnival madness
Day 12 Mon Feb 19, 2007	Holbox to Coba	126 km	longest day, Punta Laguna eco-park, lagoon, spider monkeys, Tres Reyes cenotes and rapel
Day 13 Tues Feb 20, 2007	Coba to Valladolid	77 km	Coba Mayan ruins, several cenotes, Mayan villages and towns, freshly paved backroads, remote Mayan ruins Ixhil, colonial city
Day 14 Wed Feb 21, 2007	Valladolid to Peto	121 km	quiet narrow roads, small towns

Day 15 Thurs Feb 22, 2007	Peto	-	Rest day
Day 16 Fri Feb 23, 2007	Peto to Tihosuco (via Dziuche)	98 km	the Church route, the Caste War museum
Day 17 Sat Feb 24, 2007	Tihosuco to Ek Balam	96 km	pass through Valladolid, Ek Balam mayan ruins
Day 18 Sun Feb 25, 2007	Ek Balam to Izamal	110 km	Cenotes, small towns, quiet roads
Day 19 Mon Feb 26, 2007	Izamal	-	Mayan Ruins, huge pyramid, Convent, Zocalo, Market, beautiful Izamal, the best tacos in Mexico!
Day 20 Tues Feb 27, 2007	Izamal to Telchac Puerto	89 km	Gulf coast, wetlands
Day 21 Wed Feb 28, 2007	Telchac Puerto to Merida	91 km	More gulf coast, Dzibilchaltun Mayan ruins, cenote, Colonial Center, Zocalo, Market
Day 22 Thurs Mar 1, 2007	Mérida	-	Stay a bit longer or fly back home