

Yucatan's Beaches & Ruins 2006

Summary

Our tour starts in Cancun in the Mexican state of Quintana Roo. We recommend flying into Cancun by Tuesday January 10th and back home on or after Tuesday January 24th. 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 Tuesday January 10th 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

northwest along gently rolling roads, west along the gulf coast and then finally south to Mérida. Over our 10 days of riding we will average 61km daily and cover a total of about 606km. 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, Pisté (Chichén-Itzá), Izamal, Dzintzantun, Progreso, and Mérida.

At the end of the tour; on Monday January 23rd or Tuesday January 24th you will 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\$180 for accommodations; about US\$180 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 11th.

Itinerary

When	Where	Distance	Highlights
Day 0 Tues Jan 10, 2006	Meet in Cancun	-	Hotel Zone (Beaches, Bars, Discos, Clubs), Mainland Town
Day 1 Wed Jan 11, 2006	Cancun to Puerto Morelos	53 km	Snorkeling, Scuba-Diving, Beach, Camping Possible
Day 2 Thurs Jan 12, 2006	Puerto Morelos to Playa del Carmen	37 km	Beach, Scuba-Diving, Snorkeling
Day 3 Fri Jan 13, 2006	Playa del Carmen to Tulum	61-74 km	Cenotes, caves, beach, camping possible
Day 4 Sat Jan 14, 2006	Tulum	-	Beach, snorkel, Scuba-Diving, Tulum ruins, camping possible
Day 5 Sun Jan 15, 2006	Tulum to Cobá	55 km	Mayan Ruins, Cenotes, Quiet Small Town
Day 6 Mon Jan 16, 2006	Cobá to Valladolid	62 km	Cenote Zací, Zocalo, Churches, Parks, Market
Day 7 Tues Jan 17, 2006	Valladolid to Pisté (Chichén-Itzá)	50 km	Cenote X-Kekén near Dzitnup, Balancanchen Caves
Day 8 Wed Jan 18, 2006	Pisté (Chichén-Itzá)	-	Chichén-Itzá Ruins
Day 9 Thurs Jan 19, 2006	Pisté to Izamal (via Dzitas, Tunkas and Stilpech)	75-96 km	Cenotes, Mayan Ruins, Convent, Zocalo, Market
Day 10 Fri Jan 20, 2006	Izamal to Dzintzantun	47 km	Small towns Yucatan, markets
Day 11 Sat Jan 21, 2006	Dzintzantun to Progreso	84 km	Mayan ruins, flamingos, Gulf Coast Road, Long Pier, Beaches, Restaurants, Shops and Market
Day 12 Sun Jan 22, 2006	Progreso to Mérida via Chicxulub, Dzibilchaltun.	65 km	Mayan ruins, cenote, Colonial Center, Zocalo, Market
Day 13 Mon Jan 23, 2006	Mérida	-	Colonial Center, Zocalo, Market
Day 14 Tues Jan 24, 2006	Mérida to Cancun	-	Relax on the bus back to Cancun