



Mexico & Our Lady of Guadalupe

10 Days

Package includes: airfare, 4* hotels, transportation, tour guide, daily breakfast & dinner, all entrance fees and is based on double occupancy.

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Day 1: Departure- Arrive in Mexico

Upon arrival at Mexico City, we will meet our tour escort and transfer to the hotel. Free afternoon, dinner & overnight at our hotel.

Day 2: Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Today we will go to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Patroness of the Americas. This Shrine was built in response to Our Lady's request to the apparition's seer, St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin. When St. Juan relayed her request to the bishop, he asked for a sign. Our Lady provided St. Juan with culturally significant flowers that miraculously bloomed in the middle of winter on Tepeyac Hill. When the seer returned to the bishop with his cloak (tilma) full of flowers, he poured the flowers on the floor, revealing a stunning image of Our Lady which many studies have proven could not have been made by human hand. Upon arrival at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we will celebrate Mass. Following Mass, we will have Back to the hotel for dinner & overnight.

Day 3: Mexico City - Blessed Miguel Pro – Santo Domingo Church - Blessed Conchita Cabrera

This morning after breakfast we will depart for Holy Family Church, where we will view the tomb of the Jesuit martyr, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro. During the Mexican Revolution, Fr. Pro was exiled from Mexico due to the great amount of religious persecution. Yet he bravely returned to Mexico and was aided by a clandestine group that helped him hide from the authorities. He assisted many individuals with their spiritual and temporal needs during the persecution. Although he helped many, he was eventually arrested and killed. At Holy Family Church, we can venerate this saint's relics and ask for his intercession. We will also celebrate Mass here and visit the small yet inspiring museum dedicated to Fr. Pro's life, mission, and sacrifice. We will continue to the Church of

Santo Domingo, which stands on the same site where the first temple was built after the conquest of the Dominicans. This church is also significant for the historical characters buried here, such as Francisco Vazquez de Coronado. Next, we will have lunch near the city center before continuing to the Church of San José del Altillo to see the crypt where Blessed Conchita Cabrera is buried. Blessed María Concepción Cabrera Arias de Armida, known as Conchita, was a model of holiness as a wife, mother, widow, grandmother, and founder. Because of the depth of her writings, Conchita is recognized as a great mystic of the 20th century. She was beatified in Mexico City on May 4, 2019. Time for prayers and personal devotions will be provided. Our day will conclude with another delicious dinner and overnight stay at our hotel.

Day 4: Excursion to Puebla

Today following breakfast we will enjoy a spectacular drive to what is known as Mexico's most beautiful city: Puebla. Our ride will climb to over 10,000 feet above sea level, where we will view two magnificent peaks: an active volcano and a mountain topped with snow. On our tour, we will visit the cathedral dedicated to the Immaculate Conception and the Church of St. Dominic to admire the Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary built in 1690. This is an outstanding example of Mexican Baroque, with dazzling use of gilded stucco and onyx stonework. Then we will see the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, where we will view the incorrupt body of Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio, patron saint of travelers. Born to Spanish peasants, this field worker is a model of simplicity and chastity. Though he grew to accumulate a lot of wealth as a farmer, he distributed his goods among the poor and became a Franciscan brother at the age of 72. He collected alms for the friary and was charitable to everyone he met for 25 years, earning him the name "Angel of Mexico."

Afterward, we will have time in Puebla's largest traditional handcraft market, El Parián, to shop its colorful glazed pottery. We will then return to Mexico City for dinner and an overnight stay at our hotel.

Day 5 Mexico City – (Teotihuacan) Pyramid of the Sun and the Moon - Guanajuato

After breakfast, we will venture beyond Mexico City to explore the ancient city of Teotihuacan, known as the "City of the Gods". This archaeological wonder is home to the magnificent Pyramid of the Sun and the Pyramid of the Moon (the names came from the Aztecs who visited the city centuries after it was abandoned, both of which hold spiritual significance. Departure to Guanajuato. Dinner and overnight.

Day 6: Guanajuato - Cerro Del Cubilete – Guanajuato

After breakfast, early departure to the Cerro del Cubilete. The Cerro of Cubilete is a special emblematic site for the Cristeros. It was bombed in 1928 by the Mexican government which led to the famous refrain of the Cristero Revolution. It was reconstructed after the Cristero revolution in 1944 and finished in 1950. At the base of El Cerro del Cubilete is the Shrine of Santa Maria de los Martires where we will see the relics of three Cristeros. Then we will visit Guanajuato, where we will immerse into its unique atmosphere, walking through its colorful narrow streets, admiring from outside the architecture of the Juarez Theater, Plaza Baratillo, Guanajuato University. We will also see the Templo de la Compañia de Jesus, one of the largest constructions completed by the Jesuits in Mexico. After a delightful day, we'll be on our way to hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 7: Guanajuato - San Juan De Los Lagos – Santa Ana de Guadalupe - Guadalajara

After breakfast, we will depart for San Juan de Los Lagos. We start with a visit to the Cathedral

Basilica of Nuestra Senora de San Juan de los Lagos, the second most visited Catholic center in Mexico (after the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe). Our journey will follow to Santa Ana de Guadalupe and visit the house and the Shrine of San Toribio Romo, a martyr. San Toribio is known as the patron of migrants, and we will have time to pray in front of his relics. We will continue to the city of Guadalajara for dinner and overnight.

Day 8: Sahuayo - Guadalajara

After breakfast, we departure for Sahuayo. We will dedicate this morning to St. Jose Sanchez del Rio, the youngest of the Cristero martyrs. He was canonized on October 14, 2016. We will have time to pray in front of his relics. Next, we visit the cemetery where St. Joselito bravely declared his loyalty to Christ. As he was being tortured, he cried out "Viva Cristo Rey!" We then return to Guadalajara. In Guadalajara, we visit the Cathedral with the ossuary consisting of a glass cabinet that exhibits the bones of 23 of the martyred saints of the Cristero Revolution, followed by a visit of the city center with its historical buildings and government palaces, as well as the elegant Degollado Theater. Dinner and overnight in Guadalajara.

Day 9: Guadalajara-Tequila Tour- Guadalajara

After breakfast we travel for Tequila; Explore Mexico's renowned tequila-producing region and enjoy a tequila tasting. Choose from visiting one of the traditional distilleries, or discovering the famous Jose Cuervo Distillery.

Day 10: Return Home from Guadalajara

Price includes:

- * Round trip Airfare or land arrangements only option.
 - Accommodation at 4* Hotels
 - 4 nights Mexico City- Casa Blanca hotel or similar
 - 2 nights Guanajuato – Holiday Inn Express or similar
 - 3 nights Guadalajara- Morales Hotel or similar
- *9 nights' accommodation in a standard room at the hotels above mentioned or similar.
- *Meals: daily breakfast and dinners (in hotels), as indicated in the itinerary.
- *Local water bottle per person (1x) per day in bus. Local bottled water during the dinners.
- *All transfers and excursions as specified in the plan, operated in Private Service.
- *Entrances to sites mentioned in the itinerary.
- *Daily Mass subject to availability and confirmation.
- *Mass fee at Holy Family Church.
- *Bilingual Guide during all program (English- Language).
- *Service charge on included meals.
- *All Taxes (VAT and hotel taxes).
- *Tips to bellboys and room-maids.

Price Excludes:

- * Travel Insurance (Optional it can be purchased through our website).
- * Drinks during meals.
- *Everyday Lunch
- * Any personal item
- * Any other item not mentioned in the included part.
- *Tips to Guides, Buses, Restaurants

