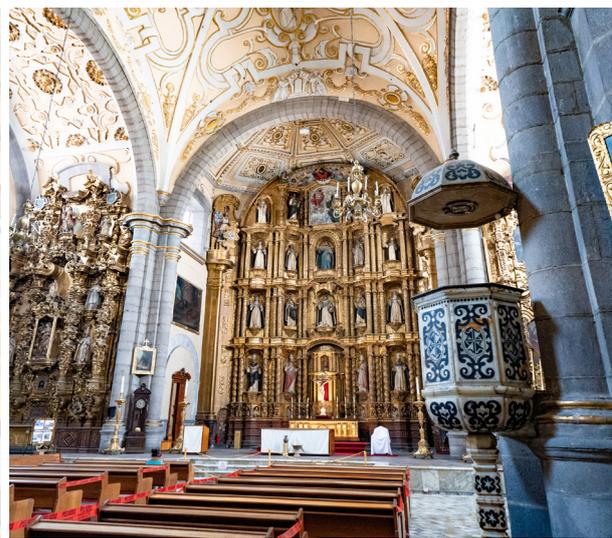




MEXICO

2023 Familiarization Tour

April 17 - 22, 2023



ITINERARY



April 17 - Monday

Fly to Mexico City. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by our English-speaking staff and transferred to your hotel. Welcome briefing and dinner at the hotel this evening. (D)

April 18 - Tuesday

Depart after having breakfast this morning to the Plaza of the 3 Cultures – Tlatelolco – to see the Church of St. James, where San Juan Diego presented the “tilma” of Our Lady to the Bishop as proof of her apparitions. See the ruins of Tlatelolco beside the church, and further on, the modern-day condominium complex – thus “3 cultures” – Pre-Hispanic, Colonial and Modern day. Continue to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe to see the new and the old Shrine, and a tour of the grounds. Afterward, enjoy a 1-hour ride to the Pyramids of Teotihuacan, where you will see the Pyramid of the Sun, the Moon and Quetzal-butterfly Temple, etc. A buffet lunch is served at a nearby Mexican restaurant with live music and native dancers. Return to the hotel in time for dinner at leisure. (B, L)

April 19 - Wednesday

Visit the renowned Museum of Anthropology to learn about Mexico’s pre-Hispanic archaeology and anthropology. Ride along the beautiful Reforma Blvd, the city’s main avenue, fashioned by Emperor Maximilian after the Champs Elysée in Paris, during his brief reign in Mexico during the 1800s, continuing to the Church of the Holy Family where the remains of the martyred Miguel Pro are found. Then, we will make a stop for lunch at a local restaurant near the Zocalo followed by a visit to the National Palace with its famous murals by Diego Rivera depicting the history of Mexico. Then, walking across the square, you’ll see the ruins of Templo Mayor over which was built the Metropolitan Cathedral, Assumption of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven, the seat of the Catholic Archdiocese of Mexico. Walk back to your hotel for an evening at leisure. After dinner, witness the performance of the Mexican Folklore Ballet at the Palace of Fine Arts, Mexico’s opera house. (B, L)



April 20 - Thursday

Today, we have planned an out-of-town trip to the town of San Miguel del Milagro, known for its curative waters at the site of the apparition of St. Michael the Archangel in 1631 to Diego Lazaro. Continue to nearby Puebla, the so-called City of the Angels, to see the beautifully ornate Chapel of the Rosary in the Church of Santo Domingo, as well as the cathedral and other points of interest in the historic center. Lunch is held at a nearby hotel, famous for its mole (spicy chocolate sauce) served over cooked chicken or other options from which you are free to choose. In the afternoon, return to Mexico City to the same hotel in time for dinner at leisure. (B, L)

April 21 - Friday

Today, our program will take us to the south of the city, to visit the Church of St. John the Baptist in the neighborhood of Coyoacán and the well-known Casa Azul, where Frida Kahlo grew up and subsequently lived with her husband, Diego Rivera. Continue to the Floating Gardens of Mexico, Xochimilco, where you will climb aboard a gaily decorated gondola to be poled through the flower-laden canals, while enjoying a box lunch on board, surrounded by numerous groups of mariachis, salterio, marimba, etc. Return to the hotel late in the afternoon. This evening, enjoy the opportunity for a farewell dinner/show at the mariachi plaza, Garibaldi. (optional \$\$\$) (B, L)

April 22 - Saturday

In due time and in accordance with group flight departure, transfer to the airport for your flight back home. (B)



Starting at

\$950* LAND ONLY

YOUR ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICE INCLUDES:

Basic Tour & Guided Sightseeing
Admin. Fees, Entrance Fees, Hotel Gratuities,
Program Fees, Deluxe Motorcoaches,
Meals as listed in the Itinerary
First-Class Hotels & much more!



TRAVEL REGISTRATION FORM

Please mail completed form with payment and passport copy to:

PROGRAM CONDITIONS

Departure City: Departure Date: 04/17/23 (M)

First, Middle & Last Name must be submitted as it appears on your passport:

Guest 1: First Name: (Name Tag:) Middle Name: Last Name: Title: Street Address: P.O. Box: City: State: Zip Code: Dietary Requirement: Phone: Alt. Phone: Email: Birth Date: State of Birth: Sex: M F Emergency Contact: Phone: How did you learn about this tour?

Guest 2: First Name: (Name Tag:) Middle Name: Last Name: Title: Street Address: P.O. Box: City: State: Zip Code: Dietary Requirement: Phone: Alt. Phone: Email: Birth Date: State of Birth: Sex: M F Emergency Contact: Phone: How did you learn about this tour?

Roommate(s):

If No Roommate: Try to Match Me Single Room (availability limited - \$250)

Important Information Regarding Travel Protection Plan: 1 Travel Protection coverage cannot be added after you have paid in full. 2 Premium is based on TOTAL cost of trip and is non-refundable. 3 Coverage begins when your premium payment is received (separate from deposit & clearly designated as your travel protection premium). 4 Premium must be paid in full no later than 02/16/23.

\$300 DEPOSIT PER PERSON REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION FINAL PAYMENT DUE 02/16/23

via check # via credit card (circle): VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX

Card Number: Exp. Date: Name on Card: CVN:

PASSENGER AGREEMENT

By signing and submitting the registration form, I/we certify that I/we have read Passenger Agreement, Program Conditions, and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure, understand its content, and agree to its terms including but not limited to the potential for price increases that may apply before payment in full has been received as set forth in the Program Conditions and Statements of Responsibility of the brochure and potential price increases after payment in full has been received due to government imposed taxes and fees.

Guest 1 Signature:

Guest 2 Signature:

Tour: A123 Date: 041723 Code: M ID: V.002 02/02/23

Travel Protection Plan - Premium Rates For a full description of the plan, go to: www.tripmate.com/wpF427X

Table with 8 columns: Trip Cost, Plan Cost, Trip Cost, Plan Cost, Trip Cost, Plan Cost, Trip Cost, Plan Cost. Rows show price ranges from \$0 to \$1000 up to \$2001 to \$2500.

Table with 2 columns: Schedule of Coverages, Maximum Benefit. Rows include Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Missed Connection, Travel Delay, Medical Expense / Emergency Evacuation, Accidental Death & Dismemberment, Baggage and Personal Effects, Baggage Delay.

THIS IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN, FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ASK FOR THE TRAVEL PROTECTION CERTIFICATE WHICH FULLY DETAILS THE COVERAGES, PROVISIONS, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS OF THE PLAN OFFERED AND IS AVAILABLE TO YOU, UPON REQUEST, AT ANY TIME.

Part A - Travel Arrangement Benefits are provided by Educational Travel Services. Part B - Travel Protection Benefits are provided by United States Fire Insurance Co. *For New York Residents Only: Part A Benefits are travel arrangement benefits underwritten by United States Insurance Company.

Conditions and Limitations

This is a brief description of the plan available for all Travel Protection sales for Trips departing January 1, 2013 and after. Certain exclusions and limitations apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Coverage. For example, coverage does not apply to: any Sickness or condition of you, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member traveling with you that existed during the 60 days prior to the effective date of the coverages (The Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion is waived if payment for this plan is received by Educational Travel Services at or before the final payment due date for Your Trip or 105 days before departure date, whichever occurs first.), suicide, normal pregnancy, war or any act of war. Other Covered Reasons, as defined, includes the following events or their consequences: Cancellation or interruption of your Trip due to: Inclement Weather, unannounced Strike, mechanical breakdown that causes complete cessation of services of Your Common Carrier for at least 12 consecutive hours; a documented traffic accident while en route to departure; being hijacked or quarantined; jury duty; destruction of your home or destination by fire, flood, burglary or natural disaster; being called to the emergency service of government to provide aid or relief in the event of a natural disaster, a documented theft of passports or visas; a transfer of employment of 250 miles or more; or Revocation of military leave. For further information ask for the Certificate of Coverage which fully details the coverages, provisions, limitations and exclusions of the plan offered and is available to you, upon request, at any time prior to your purchase of the plan. This plan is underwritten by: United States Fire Insurance Company, Eatontown, NJ. Benefits are administered by: Trip Mate, Inc., 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO, 64114, 1-800-888-7292 (in CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency).

INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Deluxe motorcoaches • 1st class hotels • Guided sightseeing • Entrance fees to sites visited (as listed in itinerary) • Meals as listed in itinerary • Hotel gratuities • Program fees • Administrative Fee • Fuel surcharges • Government Taxes \$98 (Increases in government tax and fees are subject to change)

NOT INCLUDED IN PRICE:

- Round-trip international airfare • Tips for guide (\$6/day) & driver (\$3/day); will be collected by your bus captain on tour • Extensions • Optional sightseeing as listed in the brochure • Miscellaneous fees i.e. individual transfers; passports, laundry, lunches, beverages & baggage fees • Visas for non-US citizens • Visas and Transfers for all ground only passengers • Optional Travel Protection Program (see premium schedule) • Required Vaccinations • Required medical testing before, during, and/or after travel.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Price is per person based on double occupancy. When available, single rooms are often smaller than doubles. While we will try to match roommates, We cannot guarantee a roommate will be available. Roommates may be assigned as late as 30 days prior to departure and, if one is not available or you request a single room, the following charges apply: \$250 during the basic tour.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Table with 3 columns: Deposit, Payment Amount, Due Date. Rows include Registration Deposit (\$300**), Final Payment (Full Payment), and Travel Protection Premium Amount.

REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED after February 16, 2023:

We welcome registrations after 02/16/23. Registrations received 02/17/23 or later will incur an additional fee based on air availability. Additional fees will be advised upon registration.

CANCELLATION FEES:

100% of Cancellation Fees are covered by the optional Travel Protection Program, provided premium has been paid and reason for cancellation is coverable. Those who do not take travel protection should be aware of the following per-person cancellation penalties: From day of registration to 105 days prior to departure, you will be charged the \$100 non-refundable cancellation fee plus any airline fees. Additionally, thereafter, you will be charged any airline penalties and a single room supplement if your cancellation forces your roommate into a single plus the following per-person charges: 104-60 days = \$400; 59-45 days = \$600; 44-31 days = 40% of total cost; 30 days to day of departure = 100% of total cost. On or after day of departure, there will be no refund for any services not used.

STATEMENTS OF RESPONSIBILITY

We do not accept responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in air schedules, hotel overbookings, other hotel related problems or causes, and/or travel supplier cancellations or postponements. Travel suppliers include all tour operators, cruise lines, airlines, hotels, bus companies, entertainment venues, and any other travel supplier used to operate the tour. All such losses or expenses will be the responsibility of the passenger. We reserve the right to make adjustments to the itinerary as deemed desirable by us, and we reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. If a tour is canceled beyond the control of us, we will provide a refund or a future travel credit to be used two years from the date of issuance for the value of all funds paid by the passenger less nonrefundable travel supplier prepaid deposits, travel supplier change fees, nonrefundable travel protection premiums, and a \$150 administration fee.

FIT TO TRAVEL STATEMENT:

Passengers registering for the tour accept the responsibility for being in good health and able to walk and travel on the tour. Because many of the sites are not accessible to the physically challenged and space limitations on tour buses, wheelchairs and scooters cannot be accommodated. Those needing oxygen or other ambulatory assistance will find the tour extremely limiting in their experiences. Persons using C-pap machines requiring distilled water will need to inform us ahead of time, so we can work with local operators to prepare as it is not always available. We reserve the right to refuse or revoke travel to anyone who is, in our sole judgment, incapable of group travel without causing undue demands upon the staff or other tour participants. Accessible rooms/cabins are limited and subject to confirmation after receiving the passenger's written request. If you have questions, please contact us for more details.

PASSPORT INFORMATION:

Passport information must be submitted to our office no later than 02/16/23. Failure to provide your passport information to our office by this date may result in change fees or denial of travel. Discrepancies in information may result in change fees, delays in receiving travel documents for your trip, or denial of travel. Any fees incurred due to discrepancies are the responsibility of the passenger. Passports must be valid for at least 6 months after the return date.

PRICE INCREASES:

All prices quoted in this brochure are subject to change prior to payment in full due to currency fluctuations, fuel surcharge increases, government taxes and fees increases or unforeseen circumstances. In addition, you may be subject to a price increase after payment in full has been received due to potential government imposed taxes and fees.

AIRLINE ROUTES and TICKETS:

In order to keep prices low, we do not guarantee the most direct routing to your final destination. Once issued, airline tickets cannot be changed or refunded thereafter. Air transportation to/from your destination will be economy class on IATA and ARC carriers utilizing APEX or SUPER APEX non-refundable, non-amendable tickets for groups of 10 or more flying together on entire itinerary. If you choose to depart from a different city than your group or traveling companion, or deviate your flight and/or trip plans, and/or you are taking a pre or post tour, you may fly on a different scheduled flight(s) than the rest of your group. If you make your own air arrangements, you are responsible for booking all needed flights for your travel unless specified otherwise. Contact your travel advisor for further details.

FLIGHT TIMES AND SEATING:

All flights are subject to change by the airlines without advance notice. We are not responsible for such changes or delays and do not reimburse expenses resulting from such delays. If you are making your own flight arrangements to the departure city, we recommend you purchase a ticket that can be exchanged without large penalties. There is no advance seat selection for groups on most airlines. Early check-in is necessary to secure seats with travel companions and those with special needs. Due to security measures taken at airports, it is advisable to arrive at the airport three hours prior to departure time. Seating is solely under the control of the airlines. You will receive your flight information 60-30 days prior to departure. Final documents are sent approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure.

ADDITIONAL AIRLINE FEES:

You will likely incur additional airline checked baggage fees that are not included in the price of the tour. These fees vary by airline and are at the airline's discretion on each segment of the flight itinerary. You may also incur optional fees i.e. food, excess baggage, overweight baggage, items of personal nature, etc.

DEVIATIONS AND AIR UPGRADE REQUESTS:

Deviation and Air Upgrade requests must be submitted in writing and are subject to additional airline fees. Deviations and Air Upgrades are not always possible given the group schedule and time of ticketing. Passengers who are ticketed with air deviations and/or upgrades will likely not fly with the group and will therefore need to provide their own transfers.

ITINERARY CHANGES:

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this brochure. While we will make every effort to ensure you will see all sites listed in this brochure, the availability of sites, order of sites and/or days and number of days may be altered to accommodate changes in airline, hotel schedules, and local conditions. No changes to the itinerary are effective unless approved in writing and signed by an authorized officer of the tour operator. Except as stated herein, no other person is authorized to cancel, modify or vary the tour arrangements or to make any representation of warranty concerning the tour.

Due to airline schedules, some participants may receive one or two extra leisure days at a nominal per day charge and some extensions may not be available on all departure dates. If itinerary changes necessitate extra overnights, you will be charged \$125 per night; single rooms \$175 per night. Meals for extra nights are not included.

VALIDITY DATE:

This brochure is valid until 08/02/23. Registrations will still be accepted after the validity date.

RELEASE INFORMATION:

Payment of deposit indicates permission for us or our agents to record the registrant's participation and appearance on video tape, audio tape, film, photograph, or any other medium and to use the registrant's name, likeness, voice, comments, submitted documentation, written papers, and/or biographical material without restrictions or limitation for any advertising, marketing, publicity, educational or promotional purpose which we or our agents deem appropriate, unless the registrant or guardian otherwise notifies us in writing prior to departure.

Enrollment in, payment of deposit and/or acceptance of final documents, vouchers, or tickets shall be deemed to be consent to the Passenger Agreement and Program Conditions of the brochure. Prices are based on tariffs in effect as of January 1 of the previous year and are subject to adjustment without notice in the event of any change or currency fluctuation.

Except where otherwise stated, we act only as agent for the relevant supplier in securing hotels, transportation and other travel services and in no event shall we be liable for failure by any such supplier to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. The passenger agrees that we assume no liability for injury, death, damage, loss, theft, accident, delay, any lost or damaged luggage, or irregularity which may occur by reason of any negligent or willful act or omission of any suppliers or service.

We do not own or operate any of the suppliers of services to your tour. Similarly without limiting the foregoing, passenger agrees to hold us harmless for any defect in any vehicle, plane, boat, bus, car, van or other vehicle, act of war or insurrection, terrorist activity, revolt or other civil uprising, military action, strikes or labor unrest or any Act of God or for any other act of any third party.